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- **New students – If you haven't already checked in with the Slutzker Center, please remember to do so immediately**
- If you have trouble viewing this message, please view this email using your SYR email account. Every week we also post this SCIS Newsletter on the Slutzker Center website. <http://international.syr.edu/newsletters/index.html>
- Feeling sick? Pick up your over the counter medications at the Health Services Pharmacy. All purchases can be charged to your bursar account. Call 315-443-5691 if you want to know if your medicine is in the pharmacy. Call (315) 443-9005 if you're interested to get a flu shot ! - SU Health Services

Syracuse University's billion-dollar campaign reaches goal three months early



It was a day of celebration for university officials, students and faculty alike.

The Campaign for Syracuse University, which aims to raise \$1 billion by the end of 2012, surpassed its goal by more than \$8 million three months ahead of its scheduled end date.

“I think it’s just such a statement about how much people love Syracuse University, and what it has meant to them,” said Chancellor Nancy Cantor.

Syracuse University officials held a celebratory event Thursday at 4 p.m. on the Quad to announce the billion-dollar campaign brought in \$1,008,612,731 as of Aug. 31, creating numerous opportunities for both students and faculty. It is the university’s largest fundraising campaign to date.

The announcement had been referred to as the “What is it?” campaign, building suspense across campus during the days leading up to the announcement.

Cantor and the Board of Trustees developed the Campaign for Syracuse University in 2005 and launched it in 2007. In correlation with Cantor’s Scholarship in Action vision, the purpose of the campaign is to raise funds in order to improve access to education for students of all financial backgrounds and to improve the quality of the faculty and the university as a whole. Read more [here](#).

Source: Daily Orange

EAT together FOR PEACE Monday through Thursday, September 17th – 20th

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The SCIS is celebrating International Peace Day by hosting Brown Bag Lunch Discussions, Monday through Thursday, September 17 – 20, 12:00 noon to 2:00pm. Eat Together for Peace is an extension of the SU Humanities Perpetual Peace Project exploring hospitality and the arts as pathways to peace.



Schedule of events are as follows:

Monday, September 17

- The "natural resources curse" and peace building: inquiry into why developing nations that are rich in natural resources still experience no or slow growth. Guest Discussion Leader, Anna Ebers, from Estonia, Social Justice Entrepreneur and Fulbright Scholar, Ph.D. candidate, SUNY ESF

Tuesday, September 18

- Syria: Is Peace Possible? Fares Jnaid, Doctoral Student in L.C. Smith School of Engineering

Wednesday, September 19

- The Encompass Journey for Understanding. Meet past students and learn about the program. Guest, Sue Shane, Director of Programs, SU Abroad. Discussion Leader, Peter Gerlach, PhD Candidate, International Education in the School of Education

Thursday, September 20

- The Dalai Lama at SU Discussion Leader, Xiaonan Jia, Junior, Newhouse



Brown Bag Lunches are co-sponsored by the Slutzker Center for International Services and SU Abroad

Off Campus 101 Program Tuesday, September 18th

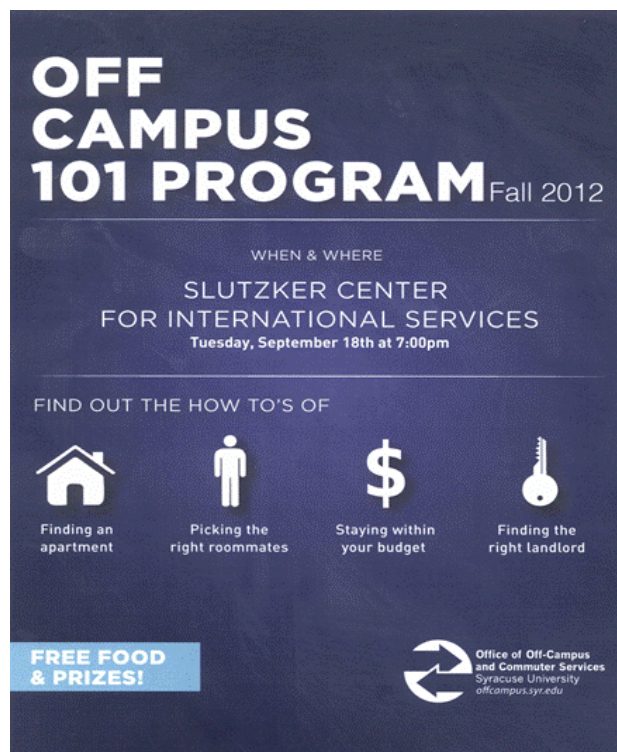
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The office of Off-Campus and Commuter Services (OCCS) will present an Off Campus 101 information session at SCIS Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00pm.



The sessions will address concerns such as finding an apartment, picking the right roommate, staying within your budget, and finding the right landlord, among others.

Please attend to benefit from the wealth of information that will be provided.



There will be Free Food and Prizes.

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SU Men's Soccer Defeats Colgate 6-0

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Juice Jam 2012

Photo story [here](#)



Out of the darkness: After surviving Aurora shooting, recent SU graduate refocuses on the future

Stephen Barton's face was a jarring one. A torn face, bleeding from the shotgun pellets that, minutes ago, had pierced his neck and face. A face that frightened the people ahead of him who caught sight of it as they looked back, scanning the room for the gunman. Barton, a 2012 graduate of Syracuse University, found himself caught in a freak occurrence — the July 20 shooting in an Aurora, Colo., movie theater that resulted in 12 people dead and more than 50 injured...read [more](#).

Syracuse University announces Fisher Center to open in New York City

Syracuse University's Fisher Center, a new study abroad center in Manhattan, will allow students to immerse themselves in New York City through a program that provides real-world experience.

Read full story [here](#).

Winston Fisher (left), a 1996 SU graduate and member of the Board of Trustees, speaks at the university's celebratory event in the Quad. The Fisher Center will have his namesake.



Source: [Daily Orange](#)

U.S. Embassy Announces New Visa Processing System In India

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Applicants will encounter changes to appointment and fee payment procedures starting September 26.

The U.S. Embassy in India announced on September 5 that it is implementing a new visa processing system at all U.S. consular posts in India. The changes will impact fee payment and appointment scheduling.

Changes to Appointment Scheduling

Effective September 26, 2012, individuals who need to make consular visa appointments will be able to do so through a new website [here](#). Applicants will also be able to schedule appointments through a call center. Call center agents will answer questions in Hindi, English, Punjabi, Gujarati, Tamil, and Telugu. Call centers will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. IST on Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. IST on Sunday. The telephone numbers are (91 120) 660 2222 or (91 22) 6720 9400 in India or 1.310.616.5424 in the United States. Applicants can email requests for appointments in English or Hindi to support-india@ustraveldocs.com, or they can chat with information agents directly on the new website during call center hours. There is currently no fee for using the call center. In addition, visa applicants will be able to pay visa application fees via electronic fund transfer (EFT), through their mobile telephones, or in cash at branches of Axis Bank and Citibank.

Separate Biometric Appointment

Under the new system, many first-time applicants and some renewal applicants will have to make two appointments. Prior to their visa interviews, many first-time applicants and a smaller number of renewal applicants will have to visit an Offsite Facilitation Center (OFC) to submit their fingerprints and a photo. OFCs are located apart from the embassy and consulates in Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, and Mumbai.

Passport Delivery

Under the new system, passports, visas, immigrant visa packets, and other documents will be delivered to 33 document pickup locations across India within a week at no charge. Applicants will be asked to choose a delivery location when they schedule their appointments and will be able to track the progress of their visa application on the website. When documents are ready for pickup, applicants will be notified via email and/or short message service (SMS) on their mobile telephones.

Implications

Individual applicants and their employers should factor into their planning the need for two separate appointments as well as the potential for delays or glitches as this new system is implemented. We will monitor developments in this area and publish additional Immigration Alerts as warranted.



Source: [JDSUPRA](#) Link to official release located [here](#).

Unsung Heroes Nomination 2013

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The Syracuse University Martin Luther King Jr. 2013 Celebration committee seeks nominations for the Unsung Heroes Awards, which will be presented during the 28th Annual MLK Celebration in the Carrier Dome in January 2013. The awards are presented annually to people who, in the spirit of Dr. King's "beloved community", have made a positive difference in the lives of others, but who are not widely recognized for their efforts.

Nominations may be made in any of the following categories:

- Youth/Teen from Onondaga County or the immediate surrounding counties
- Adult from Onondaga County or the immediate surrounding counties
- Student at SU or SUNY ESF
- Faculty or Staff from SU or SUNY ESF



NOMINATION DEADLINE: Monday, October 8, 2012

Two Ways to Submit Nominations:

- 1) Online by clicking on the link below,
- 2) Download the form and mail it to:

Awards Committee
Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee
Hendricks Chapel
Syracuse University
Syracuse, NY 13244-1110

ONLINE NOMINATION

[Click Here](#)

PDF NOMINATION FORM

[Click Here](#)

Let's Chat!

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Stressed, sad, or feeling lost? Family problems, roommate difficulties, academic concerns, or financial struggles? Need to talk to someone?

Try Let's Chat!

Brief (15-20 minutes) confidential consultation and support on a variety of issues. Drop in and talk to a consultant for support and to find resources.

Who: Open to all SU international students

When: Slutzker Center

When: Tuesdays 3:30pm – 5:00pm

No appointments necessary!



For questions about this service, contact MJ Doh, Ph.D., or Susan Levy, LCWS, at 443-4715

Mix-It-Up Fall Schedule

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An SCIS initiative to further the Chancellor's mandate of Scholarship in Action and the Division of Student Affairs goals to Enliven Education through Engaged Citizenship and Inclusive Communities. Meets most Fridays at 5:00 P.M. Schedule for this term is available below:

- **September 14 @ Schine 304**
- **September 21 @ Schine 304**
- **September 28 @ Schine 304**
- **October 5 @ Slutzker Center**

Originally begun as a comprehensive program to prepare students for [study abroad](#) and to keep students connected to the skills and knowledge garnered internationally upon return to the home campus, *Mix It Up* is now hosted by SCIS to embrace all groups on campus, providing them with a space for dialogue and opportunities to work together on fun projects that focus on the international on the campus and in the city of Syracuse. Discussions and lectures explore identity, intercultural communication, and integration on the SU campus.

One World Concert Tickets Still Available

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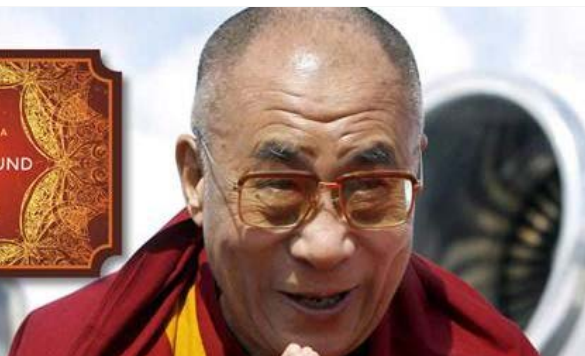
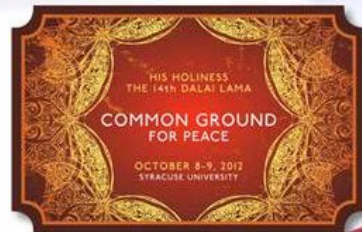
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One World Concert

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY CARRIER DOME

Featuring

Don Was and his All-Star Band	Andy Grammer	Souad Massi	Natasha Bedingfield
Dave Matthews	Matisyahu	David Sanborn	Joanne Shenandoah
Counting Crows	Swizz Beatz	Andy Madadian	Voices of Afghanistan
Philip Phillips	Cyndi Lauper	Liel Kolet	Engelbert Humperdink
Nas	Bebe Winans	Roberta Flack	with
A.R. Rahman	Angélique Kidjo	Nelly Furtado	Whoopi Goldberg
	David Crosby	Emmanuel Jal	



[Read more about the One World Concert](#)

[Learn more about the One World artists](#)

To Purchase Click [HERE](#) or Call the Carrier Dome Box Office at 888-DOMETIX (366-3849) or 443-2121.

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MEETING YOUR HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

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Syracuse University Health Services has determined that many international students are not in compliance with immunization requirements defined by New York State public health law. Enrolled students found not to be in compliance risk strict administrative consequences including **inability to register, suspension of I.D. card privileges, and may be required to leave campus.**

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The South Asia Center Events

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South Asia Center Schedule of Events

South Asia Center

invites you to:

Hindi-Urdu Table

Fall 2012



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Please join us for some chai and conversation. All are welcome to attend, from beginners to native speakers.

Wednesday, September 5th
Wednesday, September 19th
Wednesday, October 3rd
Wednesday, October 31st
Wednesday, November 28th

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
352 Eggers Hall

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South Asia Center

Fall 2012 Speaker Series

Thursday, September 13th, 4:00 pm Maxwell Auditorium <i>Clinical Encounters and Citizenship Projects in South India</i> Lucinda Ramberg Departments of Anthropology, Cornell University (Co-sponsored by Departments of Anthropology)	Tuesday, October 30th, 12:30 pm 341 Eggers Hall <i>Memory, History, Conflict and Claim: Rishabhdeo temple, Rajasthan</i> Anisha Saxena Center for Historical Research, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Tuesday, September 25th, 12:30 pm 341 Eggers Hall <i>The Age of the Sickle: Postcoloniality, Culture and Marxism in Bengal</i> Anritro Majumder Department of English, Syracuse University	Tuesday, November 6th, 12:30 pm 341 Eggers Hall <i>The ITTs and the Social Life of Caste</i> Ajanta Subramanian Department of Anthropology, Harvard University
Tuesday, October 23rd, 12:30 pm 341 Eggers Hall <i>India: The Disposable Nation?</i> Vikas Yadav Political Science Department, Hobart and William Smith Colleges (Co-sponsored by Departments of Political Science)	Tuesday, November 27th, 12:30 pm 341 Eggers Hall <i>Pakistani Cinema in the 1950s</i> Iftikhar Dadi Department of History of Arts & Visual Studies, Cornell University (Co-sponsored by Department of Art and Music History)

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Call For Volunteers Sunday, September 23rd

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Call for volunteers!

Westcott Street Cultural Festival

Sunday, September 23rd

This year marks the 21st Anniversary for the Westcott Street Cultural Festival! This amazing neighborhood event embraces diversity and fosters a sense of community among the more than 8,000 people who gather to enjoy music and dance at the seven stages, visit the arts crafts booths and learn about local not-for profit agencies. It starts with the kickoff parade at noon and continuing until 6:30 PM. Community service hours range from 10:15a-8:30p.

The success of this event is highly dependent on volunteers. **Each year 100+ students from Syracuse University volunteer at the Fair.** Volunteer assignments include set up and take down of chairs and tables, monitoring street barricades, facilitating activities in Kids Korner, and responding to the needs of the performers. Sign up solo, with a friend, or even as a group!

If you would like to be an integral part of this volunteer effort, the process is simple. Just email me, Kate Hammer, with the following information and you will promptly receive an assignment based on your request.

In your email please include:

- Name
- Email
- Phone
- Number of hours you would like to volunteer (between 2-8 hours)
- Time of day you are available (ex. morning, afternoon, evening)
- Name of the class, org, or club you are earning hours for- or if you're volunteering on your own

For more information or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call. I can be reached at 315-443-3919.

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Career Forum for Japanese-English Bilingual Students

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DISCO International, organizer of the world's largest job fair for Japanese-English bilinguals, invite Japanese-English bilingual students to our upcoming Career Forums this fall. We encourage students to register early to be fully prepared for the event.

---Los Angeles Career Forum---

Sept. 14 & 15, 2012

Loews Hollywood Hotel

* Early bird special offer ends July 31

* Special services available for participants <http://www.careerforum.net/event/la/?lang=E>

---Boston Career Forum---

Nov. 11th - 13th, 2011 (Fri. - Sun.)

Boston Convention & Exhibition Center (Boston, Massachusetts) <http://www.careerforum.net/event/bos/?lang=E>

Los Angeles/ Boston Career Forum are for anyone who is:

- Japanese-English bilingual(at minimum conversational level in both Japanese and English)
- looking for a full-time or internship position

Companies will be holding seminars as well as interviews at their booth during the event. Some companies may give out offers by the end of the event. Registration and attending the event is free.

For online registration and more info regarding the above, please go to:

Los Angeles Career Forum:

<http://www.careerforum.net/event/la/?lang=E>

Boston Career Forum:

<http://www.careerforum.net/event/bos/?lang=E>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at cfn@careerforum.net.

We look forward to seeing you in LA and Boston!

Sincerely,

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There's a lot happening in downtown Syracuse the next few weeks! Check it out here:

<http://t.co/2B35dvC8>

FESTA Italiana! Syracuse, September 14th-16th



Activities include children's activities, a bocce tournament, a cookbook sale, outdoor Roman Catholic mass, a Festa Boutique & much more! See website for full schedule.

Great food, fun, music & more!!

Downtown, Free Admission, click [here](#) for more information.

- Some great upcoming events through the Whitman School. Be sure to visit [their calendar page](#) often for professional development opportunities, programmatic offerings, open-houses and more.
- How do you get experience if nobody will hire you without any? <http://www.cnn.com/2011/LIVING/01/12/cb.get.experience.without.any/index.html>

Join us on Facebook, Follow us on Twitter and stay informed and updated about news, important announcements, seminar schedules, events, insights, galleries and much more!!



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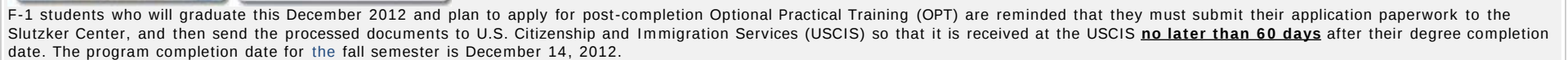
- Business name (the name which was used during registration with E-Verify, whether the legal name of the business or individual, a trade name or abbreviation)
- Federal Contractor Identifier (yes/no)
- Federal Contractor Employee verification (all new hires or entire workforce)
- Employer city, state and ZIP code used at registration
- Workforce size (five or more)

- [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(AK-AZ\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)
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- [E-Verify Employers and Federal Contractors \(MD-NJ\) as of March 15, 2012](#) (XLS)
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September 18 - 10:00am - 12:00pm
September 20 - 10:00am - 12:00pm
September 25 - 10:00am - 12:00pm
September 27 - 10:00am - 12:00pm



F-1 students who have not yet begun the practical training application process are urged to do so soon so that you will have the best possible opportunity to obtain your employment authorization card (EAD) in a timely manner. Currently, it is taking the USCIS Service Centers approximately 70-90 days to process OPT employment authorization applications. Employment cannot begin until you have the card "in your hands".

- Also, a student in F-1 or J-1 status cannot be employed away from the Syracuse University campus unless they have obtained appropriate federal authorization to do so before employment can begin. This includes internships, research and volunteering.

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Important Reminders

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Although rare, a fire drill or evacuation could be an opportunity for a thief to strike. To prevent someone from taking your irreplaceable documents and passports we recommend the following:

- Keep your documents in a secure location.
- Be able to access and take your documents with you quickly if you need to evacuate the building.
- A small safe, briefcase, folder or backpack maybe the best way to keep your documents organized.
- Rent a safety deposit box at your local bank (i.e.: HSBC, Chase, etc.)

You should never spend time searching for your documents in an emergency situation. **REMEMBER**, while you want to do your best to protect your valuable property, your personal safety is the highest importance in emergency!

A Reminder About Optional Practical Training EAD Cards

F-1 students who have obtained authorization for Optional Practical Training from the USCIS are reminded to please email a copy of their EAD cards (front + back) to the SCIS at lescis@syr.edu so that we can keep a copy for your files. Having a photocopy in the SCIS could become very important to you in the future, if we need to verify your F-1 status or if the card is lost or stolen.

Important Reminder from Human Resources

International students who have jobs on campus (GA positions, TA positions, RA positions and hourly wage assignments) are reminded to be sure to copy the appropriate Human Resources Office on campus for any change of U.S. address. Be sure to look at your address on your most recent pay stub. If it is not accurate, report it to your department or office where you work so that the address can be updated by your department. If you are on any payroll, your change of address is needed so that you can receive your W-2 Wage and Tax Statement forms in late January, as well as any checks that may be coming to you if you are leaving at the end of this semester.

Also, if you have obtained a social security number since starting work, it is essential that you report your social security number to your payroll office for W-2 purposes. If you are uncertain whether or not this is a problem for you, check your most recent pay stub, and look to see if your social security number as well as your current address are included properly.

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Transferring out of SU?

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If you are planning to transfer out of SU, the immigration regulatory process for **transferring** your F-1 status from Syracuse University to a new school in the United States requires you to complete a Transfer Out Form with the SCIS so that your federal SEVIS record can be transferred to your new school. The Transfer Out Form and more detailed information may be found on our website: <http://international.syr.edu/current-students/maintaining-visa-status/transfer-out.html>

Is this your last semester at SU?

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Students who will be completing their studies this May but have no plans to apply for practical training (F-1), academic training (J-1) or continue at a new school or in a new field or level of study (i.e. Master's, J.D., Ph.D), or seek a change of non-immigrant status must depart the United States within 60 days of their academic program end date if they are in F-1 status (see item #5 on your current I-20), or within 30 days if they are in J-1 status.

Studying Abroad?

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Planning to Study Abroad during the [Spring 2013](#) semester? If so, please talk to an international advisor at the Slutzker Center soon. There are steps which you must take in order to insure your continued non-immigrant status for re-entry to the U.S

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Don't Be Fooled by Copycat Immigration-Help Sites

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Some private websites that charge to prepare immigration forms mimic the look and feel of official government sites, leading users to mistakenly believe they are dealing directly with the government and paying USCIS fees. Many copycat sites add to the confusion by charging applicants the same amount for preparing an immigration form that USCIS charges for filing that same form. As a result, some applicants have sent forms to USCIS without submitting the filing fees. These applicants mistakenly believed they had paid the USCIS filing fee when they paid the private firm for preparing the forms.

To learn more, visit: <http://blog.uscis.gov/2011/09/dont-be-fooled-by-copycat-immigration.html>

International Students and Arrests

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Although it is not a pleasant subject, there are a few situations where an international student might be arrested in the United States and charged with a crime. Common misdemeanor or felony arrests can include theft, drunk driving, shoplifting (stealing goods from a store without paying for them) and drug possession (with or without intent to sell). Binghamton University has published an article that discusses the consequences such arrests can create with a student's U.S. immigration status, even if the charges themselves are dismissed or reduced. The article may be viewed at: <http://www2.binghamton.edu/isss/publications/instuarrest.html>

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Keeping Good Rental Records

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Lack of knowledge regarding leases or other rental agreements can cause a variety of problems. By keeping records of rental repair requests, security deposit disputes, and other important issues related to rental agreements, you can alleviate many of these types of problems. The most frustrating problems occur when the tenant cannot document their grievances. To prevent this, start a rental file as soon as you sign the lease and add to it throughout your lease term. A rental file is easy to keep, considering the money you may recover through rental modification or qualifying for full return on your security deposit. If a rental problem arises, it is easier to negotiate a solution with the landlord when you have written records that show the extent of the problem, what you asked the landlord to do about it, and how the landlord responded.

Your Rental File Should Hold:

A Rental Log

Use a simple notebook to write all dates and times you contacted or tried to contact your landlord; make a note of any discussion. Logs are a useful permanent record of how the landlord did or did not respond to problems.

Apartment Condition Checklist

This is proof of the condition of the apartment when you move in and out. Keep a copy and send the original to the landlord by certified mail and return receipt.

Correspondence With Your Landlord

Make any complaints or concerns in writing and keep copies on file. All verbal requests should be followed up in writing with copies in your file.

Reports

Keep copies of the Certificate of Suitability, building inspection reports, police reports, and any other reports from other agencies.

Photographs

Photos may be the evidence you need to document a repair or security deposit problem. Photos should be dated and signed by a witness.

Housing Update: Address Change

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Address Change?

All International Students and Scholars that will be moving into their new on-campus and off-campus housing must update their US Address where you will be living during this Fall semester via your **"MySlice self-service"** and select CURR address.

You must update your address immediately in order to be in compliance with the Immigration Regulations. If you do not update your address we will not be able to register your record with SEVIS and you will be jeopardizing your Immigration requirements to comply with reporting changes of addresses while you are here in the USA studying at Syracuse University.

Please always update your address within 10 days of your move on MySlice.

Department of Public Safety Reminder

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FOR YOUR SAFETY, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- To safeguard your personal property—DO NOT LEAVE YOUR PROPERTY UNATTENDED
- On campus after dark, use DPS' free escort service. Off campus, use SU Home (it's free), call 443-SAFE (7233) for more information about these services.
- Centro Bus or taxi service.
- Walk, bike or jog in groups of three or more – away from bushes, cars, and other objects a suspect could hide behind.
- Look and listen. Headphones and cell phones can create tunnel vision.
- Travel in well-lighted and well-traveled areas.
- Keep porch lights on at night.
- Don't approach strangers or let them get close to you.
- If you think someone is following you, switch directions or cross the street. Go toward an open business or lighted house.
- Have your house or car keys in hand before you reach your door.
- Know where "Blue Light" phones are and how to use them.
- If someone tries to rob you, don't resist. Give up your property, not your life.
- Try to get a description of the suspect(s) and any associated vehicle & tag number.

"Your Safety and Security at Syracuse University" is part of Syracuse University's ongoing commitment to the prevention of crime. It is available online at:

<http://publicsafety.syr.edu/PublicSafety/ckfinder/userfiles/files/2011%20Clery.pdf>

Protect your Property

All your personal belongings are insured against a wide range of losses. The SCIS supports this policy and we encourage every student to have this insurance.

- Laptops, cell phones, jewelry, watches, iPods, cameras, clothes, books, sports equipment, furniture **all** your "stuff" is covered. You're insured for countless types of losses, including theft, vandalism, fire, and accidental damage.
- Worldwide coverage on and **off** campus (in your apartment, in a foreign country, "at home", in storage, or anywhere else they may be).
- Property of the University is covered while in your care
- Buy \$4,000 of coverage for less than \$94! Also there is up to \$20,000 coverage available for an annual premium of only \$250.

For more information about our student personal property program, call 1-866-535-0456 and ask for a college specialist to assist you. Or better yet Enroll online! It's fast and easy. Simply log on to: www.haylor.com/student or send an e-mail to: student@haylor.com

Motivational Quotes of the Week:

" Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world"

- Harriet Tubman

" Enter every activity without giving mental recognition to the possibility of defeat. Concentrate on your strengths, instead of your weaknesses...on your powers, instead of your problems."

- **Paul J. Meyer**

"When one door of happiness closes, another opens, but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has been opened for us."

- **Hellen Keller**

"You cannot dream yourself into a character: you must hammer and forge yourself into one.."

- **Henry D. Thoreau**

"Never try to teach a pig to sing....it wastes your time and annoys the pig."

- **Anonymous**

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