



International Center Fall 2009 -Activities & Workshops Calendar



International Center Open House Thursday, September 24 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

The International Center will be hosting its Fall semester Open House to welcome all new, returning, and continuing students for the Fall 2009. The Open House will be on Thursday, September 24th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please stop by our office to meet our staff and other students. There will be free refreshments. So, stop by to see us and say "Hi."



Movie Nights at Metro Pointe 9/25, 10/16 & 11/06 5:30 pm - 10:00 pm

The International Center is planning fun evenings at the Movies for Friday, September 25th, October 16th, and November 6th. The International Center has purchased a limited number of tickets and will sponsor these activities. Here is your chance to see a free movie with your fellow students and meet new friends. Tickets are available to the first 20 students who sign up. Sign-up sheet is available at the International Center. Please come to the International Center and sign-up in person.



Study, Work, and Travel Abroad Fair Fall 2009 Friday, October 16 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

The International Center will host its annual Study, Work, and Travel Abroad Fair on Friday, October 16th in the quad, right in front of Watson Hall building. Many schools and organizations will be represented. Admission is free to all students, staff, faculty and community members. The event is to provide options and assist those students who are interested in studying, working and traveling abroad.



The Getty Center Friday, November 20 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

This semester the International Center is planning a fun trip to The Getty Center in Los Angeles. The Getty Center offers European painting, drawing, manuscripts, sculpture and decorative arts, and European and American photographs in a backdrop of dramatic architecture, tranquil gardens and breathtaking view. Admission and transportation are free. This activity is open to first 25 students. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to enjoy this wonderful and unique opportunity to visit Los Angeles flagship destination. Please stop by the International Center to sign up no later than Friday, November 13th.



End of the Semester Celebration
Friday, December 4
12:00pm - 4:00 pm

The International Center will host end of the semester Celebration luncheon at the International Center. This is a great opportunity to relax and have lunch with other students before the finals. Please stop by the International Center to sign up no later than Wednesday, December 2nd to reserve your seat. This event is open to the first 20 students who sign up.



Dave and Buster's
Friday, December 4
5:30 pm – 11:00 pm

This year after our End of the Semester celebration, The International Center is planning an evening at Dave and Buster's. This is a great opportunity for you to continue your end of the semester celebration and enjoy some video games, hanging out with friends and just relax before school finals.

Workshops
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Story Telling
Luncheon with Dr. Karimi
12:00 – 2:00 pm

Overwhelm with classes, stressed, feeling homesick or experiencing culture shock? Come have lunch with Dr. Karimi and discuss issues that are important to you and learn from the discussions. Dr. Karimi was a former international student; she appreciates and understands the challenges that you might face when adjusting to a new culture. Free lunch will be provided during these sessions:

September 22 - Tuesday
October 20 - Tuesday
November 24 – Tuesday

Optional Practical Training (OPT)



Optional Practical Training (OPT) gives international students the opportunity to work off campus in a job related to their major for up to one year, on a full-time basis following graduation so that they can gain practical experience.

Step 1: Attend an Information Session – Mireille Halley, International Center's Immigration Technician will explain how OPT works, what the benefits, rules & requirements are, how the application process is, and she will hand out sample applications.

Information Session Dates:
September 24th 2:00 – 4:00 pm (Thursday)
October 9th 9:00-11:00 (Friday)
October 14th 3:00-5:00 pm (Wednesday)
November 3rd 2:00-4:00 pm (Tuesday)

Step 2: Attend Document Processing Workshop - Once you have all the required documents and have completed your application form, please attend the Document Processing Workshop. Mireille will review your documents to make sure they are filled out correctly for processing. Please note: When your application is correctly filled out you may leave. It may not be necessary to attend the entire 2 hours.

Document Processing Workshops:
October 8th @ 2:00-4:00 pm (Thursday)
October 16th 9:00-11:00 am (Friday)
October 30th 2:00-4:00 pm (Friday)
November 24th 2:00-4:00 pm (Tuesday)

Please stop by the International Center and sign up in advance.