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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ALL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS FALL 2009

August

• Orientation for International Couples and Families

All international students and scholars who will be newly joined by family members or partners are encouraged to come to this short information session.

When: Tuesday, August 18, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: OIPS Office, 2111 Mesa Vista Hall

• SALSA Dancing!

Come join us for a fun evening with new and current international students. Learn or practice your dancing skills to Salsa Music at *Coaches* on Central. A Salsa instructor will be there to help you learn. Must be 21 years of age with photo ID to drink (passport or US driver's license required). Those without proof of age can dance but not drink.

When: Thursday, August 20, 10:30 pm – 1:00 am

Where: Coaches Sports Grill, 1414 Central SE (at the corner of Maple; 3 blocks west of University Blvd)

• Tram trip to Sandia Peak

Join us for an evening hike up on Sandia Peak. We will take the Tram up (the longest suspended tramway in the world) and hike the trails at the top. Come get a great view of Albuquerque and enjoy the fresh mountain air! Space is limited so you must sign up in advance at OIPS. Cost is \$25.

When: Saturday, August 22, 3:30 – 9:00 pm

Where: Preference given to new student and scholars. Sign up for this event in OIPS, 2111 Mesa Vista Hall by 08/20..

• International Student and Scholar Welcome Picnic

Socialize with new and current international students and scholars as well as our international friendship partners at this welcome picnic/potluck. Bring a food item from your country to share, if you can. If not, bring a small store-bought item or just yourself. You can sign-up for our friendship family program at this event.

When: Sunday, August 23, 4:00 – 8:00 pm

Where: UNM campus in front of the Anthropology Building off of University Blvd. near Las Lomas

• International Social Hour

The first of many! Come meet other international students and scholars at our first social hour of the semester. International Social Hour is held weekly or bi-weekly during the semester. Past social hours have included events such as salsa dancing, picnics, bowling, movies, bar outings, dancing, free pizza and more! Current social hour information is posted in the OIPS office, on the OIPS listserv and the "World Student Alliance" student Facebook account (see below to sign up to receive this information.)

When: Thursday, August 27, 2009, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Where: Lower Johnson Field (Near the Tennis Courts)

In order to stay informed on future social hours (and other OIPS events/announcements) sign up for the OIPS list-serve and for the international Facebook group, by following the instructions below:

Listserve Instructions:

To subscribe:

Send a message from your email account to: listserv@unm.edu

Leave the subject field of the message blank

Type in the body of the message: subscribe intlstud-L Firstname Lastname

To unsubscribe:

Send a message from your email account to: listserv@unm.edu

Leave the subject field of the message blank

Type in the body of the message: unsubscribe intlstud-L

How to Join Facebook:

1. Go to Webpage www.facebook.com
2. "Sign-up" green button
3. Enter personal info (use UNM e-mail)
4. Confirm with link in email

5. Assign a picture to your profile.
6. Click "Groups" tab on left
7. Search groups for "World Student Alliance"
8. Join Group

Look Out for "Event Notifications" on your homepage to find out about new Social Hours and Trips

September

- Labor Day trip to Taos

Join us for a weekend trip to the beautiful Taos Valley. Sign up in OIPS required. Preference given to new students and scholars. Cost to be determined.

When: Saturday, September 5 – Monday, September 7

Where: Sign up for this event in OIPS, 2111 Mesa Vista Hall by August 21st

- International Student Social Hours

Come meet other international students at our regular social hours.

When: Weekly or Bi-weekly, check international student list-serve for details

Where: TBA

- Career Information for International Students

This session will focus on types of work permission available to international students in the US. Career Services will talk about mock interviews, job search, and other services for international students.

When: Friday, September 11, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Where: Dane Smith Hall, Room 123

October

- International Student Social Hours

Come meet other international students at our regular social hours.

When: Weekly or Bi-weekly, check international student list-serve for details

Where: TBA

- These Crazy Americans!!!!

Midterm is just around the corner leaving many students feeling overwhelmed at this time of year. Because these feelings are common, we have planned an informal session designed to allow you to "check in" with other international students and give you a place to express some of your joys and frustrations about adjusting to life in the US.

When: Thursday, October 8, 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Where: Women Studies Conference Room 2131, Mesa Vista Hall (directly behind OIPS)

- Fall Break Trip

Join us for a short trip to another fascinating Southwest destination!

When: Thursday, October 15 – Sunday, October 18

Where: To be decided. Announcements will be sent in September

November

- International Student Social Hours

Come meet other international students at our regular social hours.

When: Weekly or Bi-weekly, check international student list-serve for details

Where: TBA

- Work Visas and Permanent Residency Session

This session will focus on H1B and O visas as well as permanent residency ("green card") applications. Local immigration attorneys and paralegals will explain the eligibility and application procedures regarding these immigration statuses.

When: Friday, November 6, 2:00 – 5:00 pm

Where: Dane Smith Hall, Room 123

December

- International Student Social Hours

Come to our last international social hour.

When: Check international student list-serve for details

Where: TBA

Check the Office of Recreational Services handouts in the Johnson Center for other exciting events and trips to the Balloon Fiesta, State Fair and more!!!