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Dear New Paltz student,

We present the March 11, 2022 edition of the The Globe!

The Globe is our International Student Newsletter. It is sent biweekly (every other week) on Fridays. In The Globe you will find announcements from International Student Programs office, important reminders, information on events, and more.

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Spring Break 2022 - No Classes

Spring break will be held from March 14 - March 18. During this time there are no classes. Offices remain open during this time, but some on-campus services (dining services, mail services, etc.) may be affected by spring break.

End-of-Semester Shuttle to JFK

International Student Programs has arranged a bus for shuttle service to JFK International Airport on May 20, 2022.

If you would like to purchase a ticket for the bus, please click <u>HERE</u> and select "SUNY New Paltz to JFK End-of-Semester Airport Shuttle (May 20, 2022)."

This shuttle will only run if there is enough student interest. A decision will be made on April 6 based on the number of tickets purchased.

• The bus will depart to JFK International Airport on May 20, at 11:00am.

The bus will depart from Parking Lot #28

• You must be at the bus by 10:45am!

• You will receive proof of payment when you complete the online transaction, make sure to print the receipt, or take a screen shot. You will need the receipt to get on the bus.

• This ticket is non-refundable (refunds will only be issued if the shuttle is cancelled)

Seats are limited

Please note: All residence halls close at 10AM on Saturday, May 20

REMINDER: Travel Signatures

If you are planning to travel abroad, you will need a travel signature for re-entry into the U.S.

- Travel signatures are valid for 6 months and are required for re-entry into the US after traveling abroad.
- You also need a valid visa, and your passport must be valid at least 6 months into the future of your return date.
- You must be fully vaccinated to enter the US from abroad.
- **F-1 students** must request travel signatures through our <u>Travel Abroad &</u> <u>Travel Signature</u> link.
- J1 students requesting a travel signature must come to the International Student Programs office with their DS-2019 during our in-person advising hours found here: <u>Meet with an Adviser</u>

Please remember, the U.S. has a global requirement if you are traveling to the United States by air from any part of the world, you must be fully vaccinated with a WHO approved vaccine, with some limited exceptions.

All air travelers entering the US from abroad will also need show results of a negative COVID test taken within 24 hours of their flight's departure from a foreign country traveling to the U.S., in addition to proof of vaccination.

These are the WHO approved vaccines

Advice for Current Events

- Before you travel abroad, you should confirm the COVID-19 vaccination and testing requirements for any country you plan to travel to.
- You should confirm your airline requirements and updates.
- Due to the active conflict in Ukraine, if you are planning travel to Europe, please check the specific EU country's embassy/consulate website for information regarding travel to any EU destination.

NOTE: You do not need a travel signature for "domestic travel" within the U.S!

Here are a few links* to "Best places to travel in the U.S." according to...

- <u>Trip Advisor</u>
- <u>Town&Country</u>
- <u>U.S.News</u>
- Roaming the USA

*This is informational only. We do not endorse any site, product, or company.

REMINDER: Tax information

Tax season is here and ALL international students who were in the US during the 2021 calendar year are required to file tax documents by April 18, 2022, regardless of whether you earned any money.

For detailed information and the required tax forms, please visit our Tax resource page: <u>Tax Information</u>

If you were not in the US during 2021, you do not need to file any forms during this tax season.

REMINDER: SUNY New Paltz Foundation Scholarships 2022-2023

The SUNY New Paltz Foundation is set to open applications to our students for the 2022-2023 academic year. These scholarships continue to provide a measure of stability, reassurance, and hope.

Scholarship Application Dates

- Applications open: March 1, 2022
- Applications close: April 6, 2022
- Reviews begin: April 9, 2022
- Reviews end: April 30, 2022
- Confirmation of Awardees: May 9, 2022

Committees may elect to change the application closing and review dates based upon the academic schedule and needs of a department/program/funds scholarship committee.

> View Opportunities at: <u>SUNY New Paltz Foundation Scholarships</u>

Events and Opportunities

International Student Trip: Woodbury Common (March 27)

We are now opening up sign-ups for our <u>Woodbury Common</u> shopping trip. You will have a full day of shopping at one of the largest contiguous outlet centers in the world.

See below for sign up information.

Destination: Woodbury Common Date: Sunday, March 27 Depart: 11:00 AM from Parking Lot #28 on Rt. 32/Rt. 32 Parking (see below) Return: 7:00 PM Cost: \$15

DEADLINE: Thursday, March 25 at 4:00 PM

You can click <u>HERE</u> to view a campus map. At the bottom of the map you will see **Route 32 Parking**. There is a bus stop in this parking lot. You can wait there for the bus. Please be on time both for the departure and the return. We do not want to leave anybody behind, but the bus will leave on time!

NOTICE

- 1. Masks are REQUIRED on the bus. Some stores may also require masking.
- 2. Full vaccination is REQUIRED to participate in CIP-sponsored trips this semester. Your vaccination must be verified through my.newpaltz.edu

HOW TO SIGN UP?

- 1. Click <u>HERE</u> to access our storefront and purchase your ticket.
- 2. Select Woodbury Common (March 27, 2022)
- 3. Complete form and purchase ticket

Center for Student Engagement Events

The Center for Student Engagement has a semester of events and activities planned for students. You will find two schedules below, including one specific to Mental Health and Wellness Events. Click the images to see full-sized versions of the calendar!

If you have questions about these events, please contact the Center for Student Engagement at <u>cse@newpaltz.edu</u>.



New Paltz ENGAGE is our campus platform for clubs, organizations, and events. Click Events at the top

to see a list of upcoming activities. Events for the upcoming week are listed below.

International Student Union



The international student community contributes to the diversity of campus culture and community engagement. We believe that Globalization is an integral part of New Paltz's teachings and social activities.

Want to learn more about the International Student Union (ISU) or join?

Email: <u>isunewpaltz@gmail.com</u> Instagram: <u>@isusunynewpaltz</u>

Tip of the Day

The Life at SUNY New Paltz section of our International Student Programs website is full of valuable resources

Quote of the Day

"Women belong in all places where decisions are being made. It shouldn't be that women are the exception."

- Ruth Bader Ginsburg

