

Dear New Paltz student,

We present the October 7, 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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Announcements and Reminders

Travel Signature

Students traveling abroad and returning to the U.S. who have not received a Travel Signature within the past 6 months should request a travel signature before traveling abroad.

The Travel Signature request process varies, depending on your visa status. Please see details below for F-1 and J-1 students.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR F-1 AND J-1 STUDENTS

- 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.

► 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.

► Please remember, the U.S. currently 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.

F-1 STUDENTS

If you are traveling abroad for the fall break and need an updated Travel Signature, you can request it here: [Travel Abroad & Travel Signature](#)

J-1 STUDENTS

If you are traveling abroad for the fall break and still need an updated Travel Signature, please come to the International Student Programs office with your DS-2019 on October 7 between 11 am - 1 pm.

If you are not able to come to the office during this time, please contact Jeff Pollard to schedule a meeting time.

REMINDER: International Student Guides

The International Student Programs office has put together a set of guides to serve as a reference for international students. The guides provide details on campus departments and local resources.

The guides are meant to serve as **general resources**. It is still recommended that you **visit department websites or contact the departments directly** to ensure you are accessing the most up-to-date information.

Our [Student Life, Recreation, and Involvement](#) guide contains information on:

- Housing
- Dining
- Technology
- Travel
- Banking
- Athletic & Wellness Center
- Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art
- School of Fine and Performing Arts (Theater and live music performances)
- Center for Student Engagement

Our [Health, Wellness, and Protections](#) guide contains information on:

- Student Health Center
- Psychological Counseling Center
- International Student Health Insurance
- Title IX Support
- Bias Reporting
- Emergency Phrases*

*Emergency phrases have been translated into Chinese (Simplified), German, Gujarati, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Telugu, and Turkish. These have been translated using official sources and with help from international students. If you would like to contribute translations for a language not listed, please contact international@newpaltz.edu.

REMINDER: International Student Programs and Dual Diploma Office Hours/Advising

International Student Programs is offering in-person advising and virtual advising. Please use our [Meet with an Advisor](#) link to view available appointment times and advising mode for particular days. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm (starting August 29).

Dr. Kathleen Geher, Director of Dual Diploma Programs will also host separate office hours on Tuesdays from 1:00 - 3:00 pm and Thursdays from 3:00 - 5:00 pm. Dual Diploma students can schedule an appointment with Dr. Geher via [this link](#).

REMINDER: OPT and Future Workshops

For a full list of upcoming workshops on CPT, OPT, and more, please click [here](#).

REMINDER: Academic Calendar

Please reference the [Fall 2022 academic calendar](#) for important dates throughout the semester including deadlines, holidays, and finals. (Protip: Bookmark it!)

Events and Opportunities

New Paltz ENGAGE-listed Events

[New Paltz ENGAGE](#) is our campus platform for clubs, organizations, and events. Click Events at the top to see a list of upcoming activities. Keep checking their page as new events are added all the time!

Highlights:

- Sojourner Truth Library and LGBTQ Community at New Paltz: Zine Making for National Coming Out Day (October 7)
- Psychological Counseling Center: Let's Talk (October 12)
- Career Resource Center: Resumania! (October 17)
- Black Student Union and multiple organizations: Sound Your Truth: Emergence/y (October 14)
- Spanish Club + Asian and Pacific Islander Student Alliance: Paint and Sip (October 18)

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: isunewpaltz@gmail.com

Instagram: [@isusunewpaltz](#)

Tip of the Day

Students have access to their unofficial transcript at any time (and for free!) through [my.newpaltz.edu](#). If you need an official transcript, you can [order](#) one from Records & Registration.

Quote of the Day

"My weapon has always been language, and I've always used it, but it has changed. Instead of shaping the words like knives now, I think they're flowers, or bridges."

- Sandra Cisneros