

Dear New Paltz student,

We present the November 18, 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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Travel Signatures

Students who are traveling abroad and re-entering the U.S. should request a travel signature in advance.

- 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. You should travel with your WHO approved vaccination record. These are the [WHO approved vaccines](#).

**The process for requesting a Travel Signature depends on if you are an F-1 visa student or a J-1 visa student.**

**F-1 visa students:** You must request an electronic Travel Signature for your I-20 here, [Travel Abroad & Travel Signature](#)

**J-1 visa students:** DS-2019s require a wet signature. You will need to come to inperson advising (see [this link](#)) and then plan to stop by VH 201 with your DS-2019 and passport on a day we are holding in-person advising between 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. If you have questions, please contact Jeff Pollard at [pollardj@newpaltz.edu](mailto:pollardj@newpaltz.edu).

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](mailto: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

International Student Trip: New York City (December 3)

The Center for International Programs is sponsoring one last trip to New York City for the semester. Sign-ups are officially open!

**Destination:** New York City (next to Bryant Park)  
**Date:** Saturday, December 3  
**Depart:** 10:00 AM from Parking Lot #28 on Rt. 32/Rt. 32 Parking (see below)  
**Return:** 9:00 PM  
**Cost:** \$20

**DEADLINE:** Friday, December 2 at 12:00 PM (Noon)

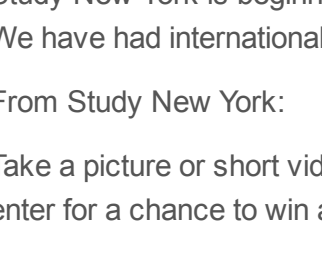
You can click [HERE](#) to view a campus map. At the bottom of the map you will see Route 32 Parking. There is a bus stop in this parking lot. You can wait there for the bus. Please be on time both for the departure and the return. We do not want to leave anybody behind, but the bus will leave on time!

NOTICE

Students must wear masks at all times while on the bus. Masks are also still required at indoor train stations, on board subways, commuter rail, buses, and paratransit vehicles in NYC.

HOW TO SIGN UP?

1. Click [HERE](#) to access our storefront and purchase your ticket.
2. Select New York City (December 3, 2022)
3. Complete form and purchase ticket



Multicultural Festival (December 6)

The Multicultural Festival has been a tradition at SUNY New Paltz for many years, produced and coordinated by the International Student Union (ISU).

The International Student Union describes the Multicultural Festival as "a festival where students/attendees are able to experience different cultural dances, music, and cuisines and so much more! It will bring awareness to other cultural clubs on campus as well as give students/attendees an opportunity to interact with one another from the cultural community."

SAVE THE DATE

**Date:** Tuesday, December 6, 2022  
**Time:** 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
**Location:** Multipurpose Room (MPR) in the Student Union Building

More information to come!

Annual Study New York Photo Contest (Deadline: March 1, 2023)

Study New York is beginning to accept submissions for their annual photo contest. We have had international students win the contest before -- will you be the next?

From Study New York:

Take a picture or short video of your favorite thing about studying in New York and enter for a chance to win a \$100 Amazon Gift Card!

The Annual Study New York International Student "Why I Love Studying in New York" photography contest is open! Students compete by submitting a photo or short video that illustrates their love for studying in New York. Winners in each category will receive a \$100 Amazon Gift Card!

**Submissions are due by March 1, 2023.**

Go to [www.studynewyork.us/photocontest](http://www.studynewyork.us/photocontest) or to <http://facebook.com/studyny>, for full details and to enter!

Note: This contest is not hosted by SUNY New Paltz. For questions, please contact [photos@studynewyork.us](mailto:photos@studynewyork.us)

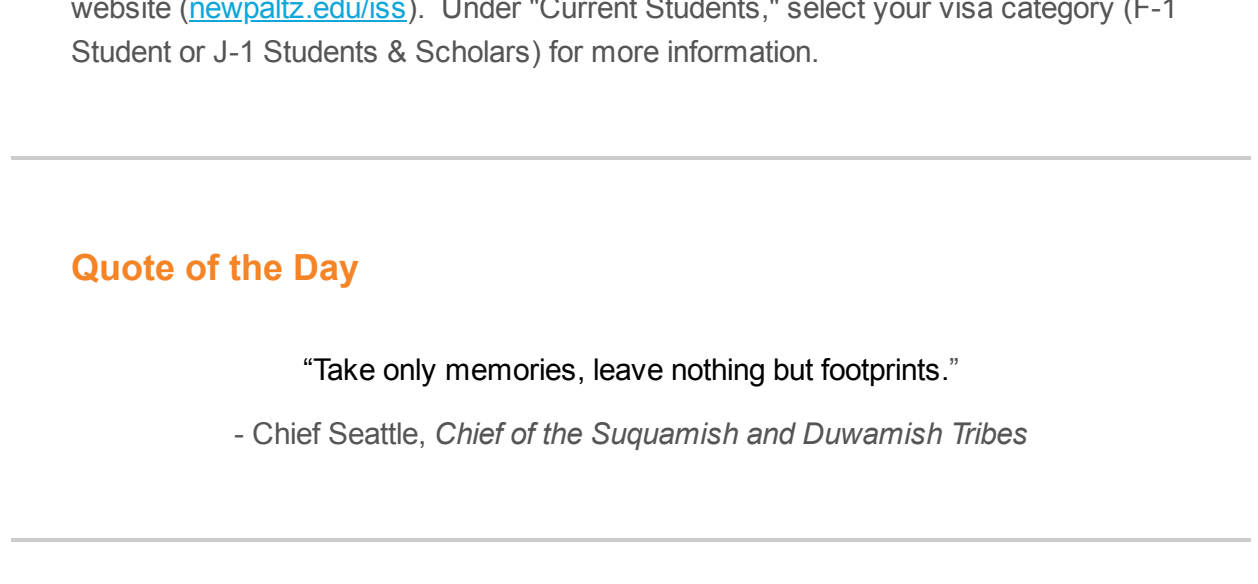
New Paltz ENGAGE-listed Events

[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:

- In Living Color: Thanksgiving Program (November 18)
- Chinese Christian Fellowship, and 2 others: Thanksgiving Celebration (November 18)
- Latin American Student Union: Passion Tropical (November 18)
- New Paltz Pride, and 2 others: Trans Day of Remembrance (November 20)
- French Club: French Movie Night Fundraiser (November 22)
- Muslim Student Association: Halaqa Night (November 28)

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](mailto:isunewpaltz@gmail.com)

Instagram: [@isusunynewpaltz](https://www.instagram.com/isusunynewpaltz)

Tip of the Day

In addition to requests (example: Travel Signature, Extension of Program), you can find resources such as Immigration Definition, Maintaining Status, and more on our website ([newpaltz.edu/iss](http://newpaltz.edu/iss)). Under "Current Students," select your visa category (F-1 Student or J-1 Students & Scholars) for more information.

Quote of the Day

"Take only memories, leave nothing but footprints."

- Chief Seattle, *Chief of the Suquamish and Duwamish Tribes*