

Dear New Paltz student,

We present the December 2, 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 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 in-person 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.

REMINDER: OPT and Future Workshops

For a full list of upcoming workshops on CPT, OPT, and more, please click [here](#).
There is one more OPT Application Basics workshop on December 5!

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)

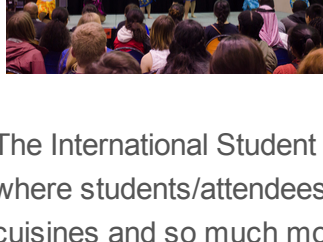
You can click [HERE](#) to view a campus map. At the bottom of the map you will see Route 32 Parking. There is a bus stop in this parking lot. You can wait there for the bus. Please be on time both for the departure and the return. We do not want to leave anybody behind, but the bus will leave on time!

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 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@studynynewyork.us

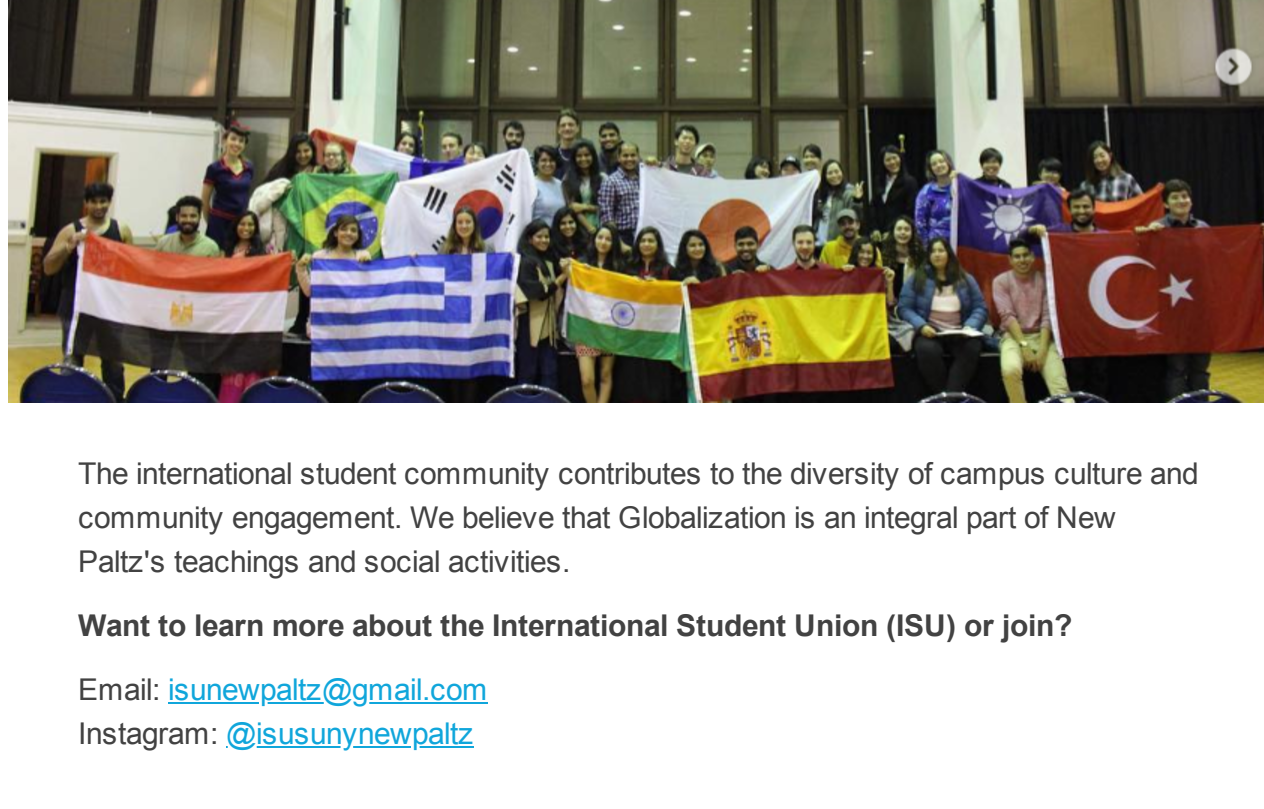
New Paltz ENGAGE-listed Events

[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:

- The Miami Theatre Players: ... Presents Pippin (December 3)
- Student Affairs: Dogs, Desserts, and Discussion (December 5)
- Athletic, Wellness, and Recreation: Giant Jenga Tournament (December 7)
- Muslim Student Association: Calligraphy Night (December 8)
- Culture Shock Dance Troupe: Dance Evolution (December 9)
- Absolut A Cappella & Sexy Pitches: Annual Holiday Show! (December 10)

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

Tip of the Day

The Campus Food Pantry helps students are facing food insecurity. They are operating through the week of December 5. Students can request canned goods and personal care items through [this link](#) and pick items up from SUB 307 during the hours listed on the request form. For more information, please see the contact information below.

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Quote of the Day

"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you'll never, ever have enough."

- Oprah Winfrey