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Happy New Year!

January 2002

Welcome to our new International Students!

Please welcome the following new students to Wooster!

Noah Brown	Ghana
Wolfram Fosu	Ghana
Avais Karmali	India
Sellasia Lamptey	Ghana
Jun Ma	China
Mladen Tanjga	Yugoslavia
Zin-Min Tun	Myanmar

**If you see these students around campus please say Hello
and make them feel at home!**

ISA International Student Conference

International students often become, by virtue of their adventure, "Ambassadors of the World." They might be an American in France, a Jamaican in Australia, or a Korean in the USA. Regardless, they have a unique opportunity to represent their nation of origin in their new environment. The "Ambassadors of the World" student conference at The College of Wooster will provide an opportunity to explore that reality.

Afternoon workshops will explore the role of "ambassador" from one of four perspectives: History and Legacy; Politics and Government; Music/Dance/Theatre; Religion and Culture. The highlight of the evening will be a performance called "Ambassador's Speak," during which each workshop will have time on stage to share their presentations with the audience. Students will also be encouraged to participate in an "Open Mike" (anything from musical talent to poetry or dance) to be held later that evening in the College Underground.

For those of you interested in the conference, which will be held February 2nd, the schedule of events is posted on the OISA website (www.wooster.edu/oisa/conference.html). Please contact the OISA at x2074 to **pre-register** for this event! Please contact the OISA or the ISA Executive Board with any questions you might have.



Great Decisions Lecture Series

- January 22nd** "Jihad vs. McWorld: Making Sense of Today's Global Challenges"
Dr. Benjamin Barber, University of Maryland
- January 29th** "Islam: Peace, Conflict, and the Question of Intolerance"
Dr. Seyyed Nasr, George Washington University
- February 5th** "American Struggles with Freedom"
Anthony Lewis, *The New York Times*
- February 12th** "Afghanistan and Central Asia in 2010"
Dr. Frederick Starr, Johns Hopkins University
- February 19th** "Exploring our American Identity post 9/11"
Ghazala Munir, Vice-President, Interfaith Dialogue Association

The Great Decision Lecture Series is a College/Community Forum that is presented every Tuesday from January 22nd to February 19th, from 7:30pm-9:00pm, in the Gault Recital Hall of the Scheide Music Center. The Series is jointly sponsored by The College of Wooster, *The Daily Record*, area businesses, service clubs, and individuals, as well as the Foreign Policy Association.

For more information about the individual lectures, please see the internet link: <http://www.wooster.edu/ir/greatdecisions.html>

Happy Birthday!

Akshata Shanbhag	Jan. 16th
Eva Terrazas	Jan. 17th
Neha Sahgal	Jan. 19th
James Alter	Jan. 27th
Uzair Peracha	Jan. 30th
Dorotyia Blaho	Jan. 31st
Sajal Sthapit	Feb. 7th
Giovanni Cueto	Feb. 9th
Alexander Cox	Feb. 10th
Katherine Bayer	Feb. 11th
Abhishek Saharia	Feb. 11th
Saad Khatri	Feb. 12th
Lisa Vaz	Feb. 12th
Yan Min Aung	Feb. 15th

**Interested in living in the
International Program next year?**

**Contact someone on the International
Program Executive Board or the Chair
of the program, Casey Henderson, at
x6989, hhenderson, for more
information!**

**Applications for the program will
be available in mid-February.**



Cold Weather Clues

How to dress for winter success:

Think function, not fashion. The most important preventive measure when fighting the cold is how you dress. Layers are the key to keeping warm. Wear several layers of loose-fitting garments, preferably wool. Staying dry is as important as staying warm. Dress in light layers. Long underwear made of polypropylene wicks moisture away from the body. Inner layers of wool or waffle weave synthetics provide insulation.

The outer layer should be made of wind and moisture resistant fabrics. Coats or outer garments should be made of a tightly-woven fabric and should be water-repellant if you're going to be out in snow or rain. If your coat has a hood, so much the better. Your body's biggest source of heat loss is through the head, so be sure to wear a hat! Also a warm scarf around your neck will help greatly.

Cover as much skin as possible. Your nose, cheeks, and ears can get frostbitten fairly easily if it's cold enough, so keep them all covered when you're going to be out in bitter weather for more than a few minutes.

Take extra care with fingers and toes. Wear an extra pair of socks and wear boots. Thick wool socks and sturdy, lined boots will keep your feet cozy and warm. Bring an extra pair of socks in case yours get wet. Once the snow and ice are on the ground, forget about fashionable footwear. Cover your feet in warm boots with little or no heels and lots of good, gripping traction on the sole. Choosing mittens over gloves will keep your fingers warmer.

Other tips:

Eat well, at least one hot meal a day. Drink hot liquids such as broth, cider or soup. Avoid drinks containing caffeine, such as coffee or tea, and alcoholic beverages, as these can make you more susceptible to the cold. Snow's glare can intensify sunlight. Wear sunglasses that block out UV (ultraviolet) rays.

International Student Washington DC Highlight Tour 2002

This year's trip will tentatively be from March 9th-12th. First come, first serve!
Deposits of \$80, delivered IN PERSON at the OISA, will be taken
starting at 9am on February 4th.
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January/February

- Jan. 14th** Second Semester Classes Begin
- Jan. 21st** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Jan. 21st** MLK Speaks, Lowry Pit, 12:00pm
- Jan. 21st** MLK Keynote Speaker, James Bernard, Mateer Auditorium, 7:30pm
- Jan. 22nd** Public Discussion with Keynote Speaker, 10am
- Jan. 22nd** Candlelight Vigil, Lowry Center, 6pm
- Jan. 22nd** Great Decisions Lecture
- Jan. 29th** Great Decisions Lecture
- Feb. 2nd** ISA Student Conference
- Feb. 5th** Great Decisions Lecture
- Feb. 12th** Great Decisions Lecture
- Feb. 18th** President's Day
- Feb. 19th** Great Decisions Lecture

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