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"the universe regarded as an orderly, harmonious whole"

Welcome to Wooster!

We hope that your summer was restful and that you are ready to begin the 2001-2002 academic year with renewed vigor. As we begin this year we would like to welcome 47 new students. Their citizenship and past or present residency represents 30 countries. Please take time to welcome them to Wooster and share your words of advice and experience.

Karen Edwards
Assistant Dean of Students

Jennifer Fraley
Administrative Intern

Jonathan Adu	Ghana	Phyllis Owiredu	Ghana
Christopher Allen	Jamaica	Nana Ama Poku	Ghana
Janis Apsitis	Latvia	Mustafa Rafique	Pakistan
Izona Bock	Namibia	Andrew Rugaiganisa	Tanzania
Trisha Bose	India	Jainaba Sarr	The Gambia
Antoney Calistes	Sri Lanka/Pakistan	Ivan Sebuwufu	Uganda
Lisa-Marie Clunis	Jamaica	Akshata Shanbhag	India
Delano D'Souza	India	Sajal Sthapit	Nepal
Saad Dada	Pakistan	Joyce Stockins	Chile
Alfred Darkwah	Ghana	Nii Djan Tackie	Ghana
Krystal Davis	Jamaica	Pradyumn Wadhwa	India
Desislava Dimitrova	Bulgaria		
Cato Dzapasi	Zimbabwe	<u>Exchange Student</u>	
Ijeoma Eccles-James	Sierre Leone/USA	Mary Doyle	Northern Ireland
Nikhil Gonsalves	India		
Varun Gupta	India	<u>Language Assistants</u>	
Johnson Gyamfi	Ghana	Carolina Abellan	Spain
Jahazaib Haque	Pakistan	Maud Gallet	France
Syed Hasnain	Pakistan	Olga Medvedeva	Russia
Zareef Huda	Bangladesh	Manuela Wascher	Austria
Monique Johnson	Jamaica	Bai Qing Zhang	China
Kaberia Kamencu	Kenya		
Hyun Joon Lee	Korea/Kenya	Other Students Participating in Pre - <u>Orientation for International Students</u>	
Divya Mehra	India	Annabell Haessler	Germany/USA
Deval Mehta	India	Elizabeth Herbert	USA/Ireland
Adoley Mensa-Bonsu	Ghana	Jillian Loveland	USA/Bangladesh
Fercho Muñoz	Colombia/USA	Liban Osman	Somalia/USA
Aung Nay	Myanmar	Lindsey Thuell	USA/Canada
Stephen Osei-Kufuor	Ghana		



Cultural Outreach

The Cultural Outreach Program is continuing this year. Any students interested in sharing a part of their culture with students in local schools should contact Jennifer at x2074 or stop by the OISA. This program is a great way to learn about the educational system in the USA and meet children from the Wooster community. Faculty, staff, and host families interested in promoting the program in local schools should also contact the OISA for more information.



December Grad?

Make an appointment immediately to fill out Optional Practical Training Paperwork. Call x2074 today!



International Week

November 4th -November 10th

OISA seeks dancers, poets, artists, musicians, cooks, presenters and lots of volunteers to help. Call Jennifer at x2074 or stop by the OISA to share your ideas and suggestions for making this year's International Week a success.

Special Interest Organizations

If you have any questions regarding these groups contact the following student leaders

- Amnesty International**.....Angela Manella x5694
- Black Student Association**.....Jade Davis x7262
- Empower**.....Molly Malany x6861
- International Student Association**...Daniel Tzonev x7412
- Muslim Student Association**.....Divya Jain x7042
Uzair Peracha x5804
- Projecto Latino**.....David Esparra x5855
- Pueblo de Esperanza**.....Emily Todd x7169
(Latin America social justice group)
- South Asia Committee**.....Uzair Peracha x5804
Divya Jain x7042
- Ujamaa (African Student Assoc.)**.....Konah Duche x7232
Estella Anku x6580
- Unity (Diversity Program)**.....Thar Roeung x6694
- Women's Resource Center**.....Emily Task x5667

For more information on other organizations, please refer to pages 41 - 43 in the Fall Semester Calendar of Events.

Happy Birthday!

Jillian Loveland	Sept. 4
Saad Dada	Sept. 9
Manuela Wascher	Sept. 9
Trisha Bose	Sept. 12
Prateek Sangal	Sept. 13
Kaberia Kamencu	Sept. 14
Liban Osman	Sept. 14
Phyllis Owiredu	Sept. 14
Konah Duche	Sept. 17
Jonathon Adu	Sept. 22
Devijani Gunsekera	Sept. 25
Batool Hussain	Sept. 25
Nino Miragliuolo	Sept. 27
Elizabeth Herbert	Sept. 29
Aung Nay	Oct. 1
Blanche Mwilambwe	Oct. 3
Lucy Yung	Oct. 6
Kojo Boateng	Oct. 9
Shikhir Goel	Oct. 9
Janis Apsitis	Oct. 11
Johnson Gyamfi	Oct. 11
Naveed Ahmad	Oct. 14



New Administrative Intern

Hi! My name is Jen Fraley. I am the new administrative intern to the Office of International Student Affairs. I am a recent graduate from Kenyon College where I earned a BA in Chemistry. I am a global nomad. I have lived in Guam, Sicily, Japan and various locations in the US. Among other things I am responsible for Wooster's Annual International Week. I am also the editor of 'COSMOS'. If you have any suggestions for the newsletter please let me know. I work closely with the Assistant Dean in support of all efforts in the OISA. Next year I plan to attend graduate school. I am a long distance runner and I enjoy cross-stitch and quilting. Please stop by the OISA and introduce yourselves, I love to meet new people!

Notes from NAFSA

By Karen Edwards

NAFSA: Association of International Educators is an association of International Admissions Professionals, Foreign Student Advisors, Study Abroad Advisors, English as a Second Language Instructors, and related fields. This section relates news from NAFSA, primarily of interest to non-residents enrolled in American Institutions.

CIPRIS, SEVP, SEVIS, BS?

The **U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS)** is now on its third acronym to identify their proposed tracking system for international students. Formerly known as CIPRIS, then SEVP, the current pilot program SEVIS (Student and Exchange Visitor Information System) continues to be revised and reshaped. All three acronyms identify a technologically advanced tracking system where by the federal government (with the mandated assistance of enrolling institutions) will monitor the presence of foreign students. The cost of implementing SEVIS will be covered by a student fee (approx. \$100) imposed before a new student can secure their F, J, or M visas. Prospective students will submit their fee via a Bank One Website, or through the mail. Once the fee is paid, they will get a receipt to submit at the US consulate with their visa application.

ARTS of AFRICA

A cultural exhibit presented by
Wayne Center for the Arts.
237 South Walnut Street, Wooster
Photographs, Artifacts, Sculpture
& Paintings
Exhibit runs through October 26

Thank You!

This year's ISOC did a fantastic job making pre-orientation a success.

Jamie Alter Christabel Dadzie

Rachel Glickel Anjali Nair

Nghia Tran Zoheb Veljee

Uzair Peracha

Thanks also to Prateek, Casey, Meeri, Gourang, Hussein, Min, Miro and many others who volunteered their time!



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September/October

- Sat. 15th Party on the Green, 8pm-11:30pm
The Quad, Under The Tent
- Sun. 16th Host Family Picnic, 5:30pm
The Campus Green
- Tues. 25 Forum; "Gaviotas: A Village to Reinvent
the World"; Alan Weisman, McGaw
Chapel at 7:30pm
- Fri. 21 - Sun. 23 Homecoming
- Fri. 28 - Tues. 2 Fall Break
- Fri. 12 - Sat. 13 Parents' Weekend
- Mon. 15 Forum; "Digital Anatomies, Bodily
Realities"; Karen Barad, McGaw
Chapel at 7:30pm

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