

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN'S INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NEWSLETTER

January 31, 2020



TODAY'S CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVAL CANCELLED

The Chinese Student and Scholar Association regrets to inform the University of New Haven campus that their upcoming Chinese New Year Celebration on Friday January 31, 2020 has been cancelled.

As you know, there are an increasing number of coronavirus cases that have originated from Wuhan. There have been five confirmed cases in the US, though none in the Northeast.

With concerns regarding the public health safety and out of an abundance of caution, the Chinese Consulate General in New York suggested to Chinese communities and organizations in its consular district to cancel or postpone public activities and celebrations. Consuls Ms. Xiaoyu Wang and Ms. Jieying Xu had to cancel the UNH visit accordingly and they sent apologies for not being able to attend the event at this time.

Schools and universities in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut areas have now officially canceled or rescheduled the Chinese New Year celebrations. After a thorough discussion with our colleagues from the association, the UNH International Student Service Office and the UNH Graduate Student Council, we have decided to reschedule the celebration until a later date.

We wish all patients around the world a speedy recovery from this outbreak.

Min Zhang, Student President of the Chinese Student and Scholars Association
Kathy Kautz de Arango, Executive Director of International Student Programs and Services



REQUIRED ADDRESS AND CONTACT INFORMATION REPORTING!

At the start of each semester, **ALL RETURNING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** are required to **submit the Personal Information Update Online Form found on MyCharger.**

New students do not need to submit this online form unless there has been a change in address or contact information since the time they completed the initial check-in with the ISO.

This online form confirms that the ISO has the correct information in every student's SEVIS record. The form must be submitted by all returning students at the beginning of each semester **even if there have been no changes.**

PHOTOS FROM ORIENTATION WEEK



REMINDERS FOR NEW STUDENTS

All new students must check in at the ISO as soon as possible if they have not done so already.

All new students must submit the following documentation to the ISO by Wednesday, January 29th if they did not have it at check-in:

- Passport
- F-1/J-1 visa
- I-20/DS-2019
- I-94 record- obtained from <https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/i94/>
- Local U.S. address
- Local phone number
- Emergency contact information

You may email them to iso@newhaven.edu.

All new students must also complete all modules and quizzes in the **Spring 2020 International Orientation** online course. **Students that do not complete these requirements will have a hold placed on their account.**



Volunteers Needed!

2020 STEM CAREER EXPO

We need your help to make our STEM Career Expo a success! Student volunteers will help assist employers, monitor parking, and the overall running of the event.

You must be available for at least a 2-hour block of time on:

Thursday, February 20th
11AM - 4PM
Beckerman Recreation Center

Interested? Email Kathy Forkin at kforkin@newhaven.edu with your availability and telephone number

Volunteer sign ups will close on February 7th at 12pm

University of New Haven
CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER



GLOBAL STUDENT LEADERS' WALK-IN HOURS

Got questions? Not sure where to go for answers?

Stop by the ISO at 19 Ruden Street, Lower Level during Global Student Leaders' walk-in hours every day during the first 2 weeks of classes to speak with current students for help and advice!

MON. JANUARY 27

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

TUES. JANUARY 28

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

WED. JANUARY 29

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

THURS. JANUARY 30

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

FRI. JANUARY 31

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

MON. FEBRUARY 3

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

TUES. FEBRUARY 4

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

WED. FEBRUARY 5

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

THURS. FEBRUARY 6

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

FRI. FEBRUARY 7

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES

BLACK HISTORY MONTH KICKOFF

Hosted by the BSU

Saturday, February 1

10:00 pm - 1:00 am

German Club

DMV STATE ID INFO SESSION

Learn how to get a CT State ID or Driver's License

Wednesday, February 5

12:00- 1:00 PM

Alumni Lounge

RESUME WRITING

Hosted by the CDC

Wednesday, February 5

2:00 PM

BSAC Conference Room

LEADERSHIP DAY

Hosted by CSELO- View details and register on Charger Connection

Friday, February 7

CURRICULAR PRACTICAL TRAINING (CPT) INFO SESSION

Wednesday, February 12

2:00 PM

Alumni Annex, Bartels Hall

2020 STEM CAREER EXPO

Hosted by the CDC

Thursday, February 20th

Beckerman Recreation Center

CPT INFO SESSION

FEBRUARY 12TH
2:00-3:00 PM
ALUMNI ANNEX
BARTELS HALL

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CT STATE ID AND DRIVER'S LICENSE INFO SESSION

Learn the application process and the required documents to apply at the CT Department of Motor Vehicles.

**Wednesday, February 5th
12:00-1:00 PM
Alumni Lounge**

Do you have questions about how to get a State ID or Driver's License in Connecticut? The ISO will provide guidance on the application process and the documents required during this info session. Students may also review the resources on the ISO's MyCharger page. Global Student Leaders will be leading group trips to the DMV later in February- more details to come!

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER FEBRUARY WORKSHOPS

Resume Writing

February 5th @ 2:00 PM

LinkedIn Building

February 13th @ 1:00 PM

Job & Internship Searching

February 18th @ 11:00 AM

Interviewing

February 19th @ 2:00 PM

Professionalism

February 25th @ 10:30 AM

All workshops will take place in Bartels Student Activity Center (BSAC) Conference Room.

DID YOU KNOW?



The University of New Haven has a **Meditation and Spirituality Center**, located at 15 Ruden Street, Ground Level. This center is for students of all faiths and beliefs to use in a manner that reflects the best that their religious or spiritual tradition has to offer the campus community. There is a dedicated space for students of the Muslim faith with separate prayer rooms for men and women and foot-washing stations for convenient ritual washing.

The **Meditation and Spirituality Center** is open 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM daily. Please use the entrance in the back of the building and use your student ID card to open the door.



A MESSAGE FROM ALPHA PHI OMEGA!

"Hello International Students! My name is Luis Castillo and I am one of the Global Student Leaders here on campus. It was a lot of fun meeting some of you at orientation and at the party! Currently, I am the Diversity and Inclusion head for Alpha Phi Omega. Our committee wants to reach out and invite anyone of you to teach a dance from your country to the brothers of Alpha Phi Omega. Prior to the event, our committee would like to learn the dance in order to make the event run as smooth as possible. If anyone is interested please email me at Lcast4@unh.newhaven.edu. Have a lovely semester!"



As the championship game of the National Football League (NFL), the premier American football league in the world, the Super Bowl is the largest, most-watched spectacle in American sports. According to Nielsen, in 2015, the Super Bowl 49 audience peaked at 120.8 million people (the largest TV audience ever) and more than 70,000 people were in the stands. The game itself is exciting, but much of the thrill for Americans comes from events surrounding the play on the field. Many Americans will host friends and families in their homes and watch the game with company. Many folks who aren't avid football fans attend Super Bowl parties for the company, food, fun, the half-time show and of course—the commercials. Companies will spend millions of dollars for very brief ads during the Super Bowl. Almost as many fans watch the Super Bowl for the commercials that do for the actual game. This has become a tradition in itself, as you can actually watch every commercial that aired, the next day on YouTube.

Super Bowl LIV (54th)
San Francisco 49ers vs. Kansas City Chiefs
Sunday, February 2nd
6:30 PM on Fox



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#WorldHijabDay

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MARCH 5, 2020 WORLD HIJAB DAY

ALUMNI LOUNGE
6:30- 8:30 PM

Join us for World Hijab Day, a global movement encouraging Muslim and non-Muslim women all over the world to experience the hijab (head-covering) for one day – to open one's perspective on religious understanding. There will be an informative discussion on the hijab as we focus on increasing awareness and understanding by providing knowledge and dispelling myths.



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World Hijab Day is an annual event founded by Nazma Khan in 2013. The event takes place on February 1st each year in 140 countries worldwide. Its stated purpose is to encourage women of all religions and backgrounds to wear and experience the hijab. At University of New Haven, we will celebrate World Hijab Day during Women's History Month on March 5, 2020.

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY