

# UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN'S INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NEWSLETTER

October 4, 2019

## CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS GALORE!

The final weekend of September was full of wonderful events to celebrate the diverse cultures of University of New Haven students! The Chinese Student and Scholar Association hosted the Mid-Autumn Festival, Chinese National Day, and Welcome party at the Lighthouse Pagoda Pavilion on Saturday, September 28th. The Saudi Student Club celebrated Saudi National Day, which occurred on September 23rd, at a festive event in the Alumni Lounge on Saturday, September 28th. Finally, the Indian Student Council hosted an Indian Dance Night on Sunday, September 29th. Thank you to these student organizations for sharing your cultures with the University of New Haven community and thank you to everyone who attended! See more pictures on Page 3.



## DRIVING IN THE U.S.

On Friday, September 27th, Alec Slatky, Director of Public and Governmental Affairs at AAA Northeast, joined us on campus to present an information session about Driving in the U.S. He taught students how to apply for a CT driver's license, how to buy and insure a car, and the rules of the road.

If you were unable to attend last week's info session and would like to receive the presentation slides, please email [iso@newhaven.edu](mailto:iso@newhaven.edu).



# UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

## LASA FIESTA

Hosted by LASA

Sunday, October 13th

7:00 - 11:00 PM

Alumni Lounge - Bartels

## FALL BREAK

Sunday, October 20th -

Tuesday, October 22nd

## ORIGAMI

## EXTRAVAGAZANZA

Hosted by ISA

Tuesday, October 22nd

8:00-9:30 PM

Bartels Student Activity Center (BSAC)

# LOCAL EVENTS

## NEW HAVEN NIGHT MARKET

Friday, October 4

6:00-11:00 PM

9th Square Historic District, New Haven

*This evening street market and bazaar gathers all for a night of art, music, shopping, food, drink, community and culture under a canopy of lights!*

## NEW HAVEN TACO FESTIVAL: DAY OF THE DEAD

Saturday, October 5

12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

North Haven Fairgrounds

290 Washington Ave

Tickets \$15-20

## NEW HAVEN CHALK ART FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 19th

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

56 Broadway, New Haven

*A day of art and entertainment in celebration of the local community in the heart of New Haven.*

# DID YOU KNOW?

The University of New Haven has a **Competency Learning Experience (CLE)** program that enables students to optimize their experience as students while building skills that are essential for the future. The CLE is designed to instill in all students attributes that employers have identified as essential skills for prospective job seekers. **How do you use and develop these skills in your daily life as a University of New Haven student?**



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## FEELING STUCK ON A PAPER?

Did you know that the University of New Haven has a **University Writing Center** to support undergraduate and graduate students with the writing process as they write for a wide variety of purposes, disciplines, or audiences?

Make an appointment on myCharger and bring your assignment, your ideas, and any writing you've done so far. Peer tutors are trained to give you the tips and direction to help you succeed. Tutors will not write or edit your paper for you, but they will gladly help you identify errors in grammar and punctuation. The goal is to help writers develop confidence and hone their skills so they become more comfortable with their individual writing process and style.

Find more information on myCharger on the Academics tab, then click University Writing Center.



## HOW TO AVOID SCAMS

There are a variety of scams that target University students and international students. It is important to protect yourself and be aware of resources to help you avoid common scams and keep your personal information safe.

Be aware that occasionally scammers try to impersonate government officials to intimidate students into giving them personal information or money. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), which includes U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), will never ask you to transfer money to an individual. In addition, you will never be asked to pay fees via phone or by email.

If you receive a threatening call or message from someone claiming to be a government or law enforcement official, you should:

- **Not give the person any personal or financial information.**
- **Collect the caller's contact information.**
- **End the conversation immediately if threats and intimidation persist.**
- **Contact the ISO at [iso@newhaven.edu](mailto:iso@newhaven.edu) to report the incident.**

We encourage students to review the following resources:

- **DHS Stop. Think. Connect at [www.dhs.gov/stopthinkconnect](http://www.dhs.gov/stopthinkconnect)**
- **University of New Haven's Students Guide to Fraud Scams found on myCharger- Public Safety- Additional Resources- "Fraud and Scam Guide"**

## MORE PHOTOS OF CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS



*If you are a club leader, staff, or student who would like to include photos or an announcement in the ISO newsletter and social media, please email us at [iso@newhaven.edu](mailto:iso@newhaven.edu)*



## TASTE OF LATIN AMERICA

The University of New Haven's Hispanic Heritage Month began on September 16th and has included a wide array of events and educational programs celebrating the LatinX community. Marking the halfway point of the celebrations, the Latin American Student's Association hosted a **Taste of Latin America** on Monday, October 1st. It included delicious, homemade dishes and desserts like tequeños from Venezuela, buñuelos from Ecuador, alfajores from Peru, tembleque from Puerto Rico, a drink from Dominican Republic called "morir sonando", and more!

Be sure to join for more events in the first weeks of October and the **LASA Fiesta** to close out Hispanic Heritage Month on Sunday, October 13th at 7:00-11:00 PM in the Alumni Lounge.

# International Services Office

# OPEN HOUSE

Come visit our new space at 19 Ruden Street, Lower Level. Enjoy snacks, tour the office, and chat with the ISO staff. Enter to win raffle prizes, too!

**Wednesday, October 23rd**  
**1:00-3:00 PM**



## SELF DEFENSE TRAINING

Join the Office of International Services and Campus Public Safety for a workshop to help provide you with skills to de-escalate and defend yourself in violent situations. This hands-on, empowering training will help you feel safe and secure.

**Wednesday,**  
**October 23rd**  
**3:00-4:00 PM**  
**Alumni Lounge**

