Dear International Gauchos,

October is the month of pumpkins and they’re everywhere! Pumpkin patches have popped up around town, jack-o-lanterns are appearing on doorsteps, and everything is pumpkin-flavored.

We hope your first few weeks of Fall Quarter have been going well and that you are settling into your classes! OISS has many fun and exciting events planned this quarter that we hope you will join in on.

In community,

The Office of International Students & Scholars
DID YOU KNOW?
J1 visa holders must report on-campus employment to OISS and get approved before beginning the position.

SAVE THE DATE!
International Education Week 2022 is coming soon! OISS is teaming up with partners across campus to bring a wide array of events highlighting and celebrating cultural and academic exchanges from around the world. A full calendar of events for November 14-18th is coming soon. We can’t wait to celebrate with you!

Calling all Culture Enthusiasts, Fashionistas and Models!
OISS is teaming up with the MultiCultural Center and The Hub to bring UCSB an International Education Week Showcase of Cultures: Fashion Show (Nov 18th 7-8:30PM). We’re currently recruiting models! If you would like to participate by showcasing your culture’s traditional clothing, jewelry, etc. please apply by following this link. Open to all UCSB students, staff and faculty! We hope you will join us.
Hello, and welcome to Santa Barbara! My name is Kristal Melton and I work with an organization called International Students, Inc., or ISI. ISI is a Christian organization that welcomes students from all religious and ethnic backgrounds, seeking to create a community for you! There are ISI communities throughout the United States, and ours has been active at UCSB for 25 years. We have several ways we like to serve you:

1. Friday night dinners: Twice a month, we host a FREE dinner at an American home for all international students. This is a fun time to eat delicious food, get to know other international students & Americans, and connect over conversation groups and games. Our Friday Night Dinners this month will be Oct 7 & 21 at 6PM.

2. Events such as hikes, a beach day, movie nights, small group gatherings, etc.

3. Friendship Partners/dinners: If you are interested, we pair you with a college student or family for at least one activity such as a dinner, to give you the opportunity to connect with American friends in a smaller setting.

4. If you are interested, please email me at kmelton@isionline.org. We are here to serve the international community, and we love getting to know international students from all over the world. Each of you brings such a unique and exciting perspective, and we look forward to connecting with you!

ECP

ECP classes are now open for registration. Please register for the program using this form HERE, then follow the instructions in the confirmation email to sign up for a class time on Shoreline.

Volunteer to Teach!
Are you interested in getting involved with UCSB’s international community? Volunteer to teach an ECP class by filling out this form HERE. (No experience required.)
International Student VENT Circle
Validating, Empowering and Navigating Together

Casual and safe weekly space for international students to discuss (or vent) their daily challenges. Students can use this space to connect, support, and validate one another, AND receive guidance and resources.

Wednesdays 3 pm - 4:15 pm
Feel free to join any time during the group!

Conference Room in OISS
Student Resource Building (SRB), third floor

Sign up on UCSB CAPS website to receive updates!

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Office of International Students & Scholars
National Coming Out Day: Big QT Birthday

Come celebrate National Coming Out Day and National Latinx Heritage Month with our Big Queer & Trans Birthday celebration! There will be Campus Resources Tabling, Donuts, Photo booth, and Performance by Mariachi Arcoiris de Los Angeles.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH
12:00PM - 2:00PM
STORKE PLAZA

Campus Resources Tabling, Donuts, Photo booth, and Performance by Mariachi Arcoiris de Los Angeles!

Register on Shoreline! First come, first served!

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What form do I need?
Familiarize yourself with the different services OISS offers on the Student Services menu.
Tip: Some services are nested under these main categories!

How do I track my request?
Submitted requests might need approval from second-approvers. Keep an eye on progress at the bottom of your homepage under the Requests tab. If the form says “Routed to Third Party” that means it is awaiting processing from another office before it reaches OISS for review.

How do I know when my request is approved or denied?
Check your Notifications on the Home Page, or up on the bell-icon at the top right. Here you can see when you’ve gotten the final approval or denial on your request.
Tip: Check your email inbox also! Your assigned OISS advisor will email you a confirmation (sometimes with important documents attached). Read carefully in case further action is required by you.

Side-Note:
UCSBGlobal & GOLD are NOT linked up. If OISS requests information, be sure you submitted the correct information to UCSBGlobal. If unsure, email your OISS Advisor for clarification.

FOR MORE DETAILED VIDEO TUTORIALS AND GUIDANCE, CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE WITH STEP-BY-STEP VIDEO TUTORIALS ON SUBMITTING YOUR UCSBGLOBAL REQUESTS:
HTTPS://OISS.UCSB.EDU/ANY-TIME-ANYWHERE
Hello fellow Global Gauchos, welcome to UCSB!

Hope you’re enjoying our vibrant campus. We are the International Student Association (ISA). Our mission is to serve as a warm and safe space for international students; to enrich their college experience; and to promote global friendship and cultural diversity on campus.

ISA organizes various cultural, social and recreational events to foster community bonding and cultural appreciation among the student body. We host weekly Community Hour every Tuesday night for members, as well as on-campus events and chartered trips to amazing locations throughout the year.

Join us for our next Community Hour, a delicious Cookie Decorating session this upcoming Tuesday Oct. 11th, 7:30 @ SRB 1103. Cookies and decorating kits will be provided; just bring yourself and your friends over!

We are also bringing back our annual tradition – Thanksgiving Yosmite Adventure! Sign-up opens this upcoming Monday, Oct. 10th, so make sure you follow us on Instagram and join our Shoreline page to receive the latest updates!

If you have any questions or need any assistance from us, don't hesitate to reach out through ucsb.isa@gmail.com or other social media platforms.

We look forward to seeing you at our future events!