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## Calendar of Major Events (September 1-October 31)

Call 670-1051 for more information

September 6, i-House, Brown Bag lecture  
September 14, 10-2, Union, Study Abroad Fair  
September 20, i-House, Brown Bag lecture  
September 23, 4-7, Soccer Field, i-Club Sports Day  
September 27, 4-5, i-House, Dr. Farley's reception  
September 29, 4-6, i-House, Faculty Workshop on study abroad program development  
October 4, i-House, Brown Bag lecture  
October 7-14, Dietrich & Barbara Hillebrand on campus  
October 15, Study Abroad Scholarship Applications due  
October 25, i-House, Brown Bag lecture

## Congratulations

The following international students have graduated in spring or summer of 2006:

Veronica Cecilia Alarcon, Bolivia, BA, Business  
Arnoldo Banda Alegria, Mexico, BA, Business  
Yuliya V. Alexeeva, Russia, BA, Political Science  
Kleber Alves, Brazil, BA, Business  
Florence Cheruiyot, Kenya, BA, Computer Science  
Troy M. Douglas, Grenada, BA, Athletic Training  
Kristy Lynn Khan, Canada, J.D., Law  
Herbert Raphael Mdoe, Tanzania, AA, Criminology  
Philip Suchi, Kenya, BA, Chemistry  
Chien-Long Tai, Taiwan, BA, Business

The following exchange students have finished their study programs and returned home:

Alvaro Ernesto Amaya Castro, Mexico, CONAHEC

Kazunori Ban, Japan, ISI-Tongji  
Yi-Chun Chen, Taiwan, Tunghai  
Raul Antonio Gonzalez Torres, Mexico, CONAHEC  
Masamitsu Ikegami, Japan, ISI-Tongji  
Kenji Izawa, Japan, ISI-Tongji  
Norihisa Mizuno, Japan, ISI-Tongji  
Susana Morales, Mexico, CONAHEC  
Eva Pernilla Schickhardt, Sweden, Orebro  
Jumpei Shinkai, Japan, ISI-Tongji  
Takakazu Sugiyama, Japan, ISI-Tongji  
Naoko Yamazaki, Japan, ISI-Tongji

The following students were awarded a scholarship of \$500 from the Downtown Rotary Club:

Miya Han, Korea, nursing  
Miroslav Jezdanov, Serbia & Montenegro, business  
Dae-kyun Kim, Korea, business  
Pauline Komu, Kenya, MBA  
YiLan (Maggie) Quan, China, nursing  
Wichulee Scott, Thailand, pre-pharmacy

## Photo News



*Misty Long, President's Honor Roll student, enjoying learning about Tibetan music and culture from Kuno Narkyid, official biographer for the Dalai Lama.*

*Narkyid visited Washburn in April. Photo/bz*

## **From the Desk of ...**

### ***Tina Williams, Study Abroad Coordinator***

Nearly 100 students participated in study abroad programs this summer. We welcome back the following groups: Reinhild Janzen and student participants in the “Art and Architecture in Paris” program. With Paris as their classroom students spent 5 weeks experiencing European history and art from the Roman Empire to present day. Gerald Bayens and student participants in the Criminal Justice program at Bell College in Lanarkshire, Scotland. Students spent 16 days studying cross-national crime, justice and policy issues. Judy McConnell-Farmer, Mary Wolfersberger and student participants in the Education in Jamaica program. Students spent two weeks working in several schools in Mandeville, Jamaica teaching students and studying the effects of poverty on literacy.

Donna Love and student participants in the International Summer School at Cambridge University in England. Students spent 4 weeks participating in morning classes, afternoon lectures and enjoying side trips throughout the countryside of England. Nancy Maxwell and student participants in the Washburn – Utrecht Summer Law Program in the Netherlands. Students spent 5 weeks living in a stimulating European university environment while participating in a comparative study of the European legal system. We also welcome back students who participated in individual programs to Australia, Cuba, Europe, Mexico, and Spain.

This fall a number of Washburn students will depart for study abroad programs taking in England, Finland, France, Germany, Spain and Sweden.

Study Abroad Scholarships are available in the International Programs Office. The priority date for spring programs is October 15. For more information regarding study abroad contact Tina Williams, Study Abroad Coordinator at 785-670-2095 or e-mail: [tina.williams1@washburn.edu](mailto:tina.williams1@washburn.edu).

**Mark Your Calendar ~ Study Abroad Fair, Thursday September 14<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – 2:00pm in the Student Union.** “Open the door to YOUR future, travel the land and live the life”. Find out about different study abroad options available. Meet program

coordinators and visit with former study abroad students.

### ***Heidi Staerkel, International Student Coordinator***

International Programs is looking forward to another great fall semester! Joining us this fall are 30 new international students from 21 countries, including Saudi Arabia, Mexico, South Korea, China, Austria, Belgium, and Peru.

The International Club is also gearing up with meetings and activities this fall, and you are all invited to join us!

The I-Club Welcome Party for new and returning students and friends will be on Saturday, August 26, from 7-9 pm at the International House. The first I-Club general meeting of the fall semester will be at 2 pm on Friday, September 8, at the I-House and the famous I-Club Sports Day will be from 4-7 pm at the field north of the soccer field on Saturday, September 23. The second I-Club general meeting will be October 13 at 2 pm at the I-House. Both International Programs and the I-Club would like to ask you to “**save the date**” of Saturday evening, November 18, for a special international celebration at the “Little Theatre” on campus. Watch for more information coming soon and we hope to see you there!

## **International Relations**



*President Jerry Farley enjoying a chat with President Wang Da-yung of Taiwan's Mingdao University. President Wang visited Washburn April 25-26 and discussed exchanges between the two universities with*

*President Farley.*

*photo/bz*

**FYI--**

### ***School of Business Receives AACSB Accreditation***

The School of Business has earned accreditation from AACSB-International, the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Washburn is one of 11 institutions of higher learning from five countries to receive the international designation this spring. The newest accreditations raise to 526 the number of institutions around the world that have earned specialized AACSB accreditation for their business schools. Less than 10 percent of the business schools in the world have achieved this designation. With the accreditation, Washburn joins the rank of the 'Best Business Schools in the World'.

### ***International Scholars Join Washburn Faculty***

**Sangyoub Park**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, received his M.A. and Ph.D. in Sociology from the Univ. of South Carolina, Columbia. His research interests include cultural change, social capital, social networks, tolerance, generation, and immigration. He is especially interested in Starbucks' societal impacts locally and globally. Park will teach courses in social problems, social statistics, demography, and introduction to sociology. Park was born and raised in South Korea.

**Yongtao Du**, assistant professor of history, got his doctoral degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in May 2006. Du was born and grew up in China. He received his B.A. in history from Henan University and M.A. in History from Peking University, and came to the U.S. for doctoral studies in 1999. His research traces the historical formation of geographical knowledge in China that was normalized in the twentieth century. Du will teach world history and courses related to East Asia.

### ***Capitol Federal makes \$2 million gift for Washburn***

Washburn University's largest single gift ever from a corporate foundation was announced by the Washburn Endowment Association and Washburn University. A \$2 million gift from the Capitol Federal Foundation will be designated to the Stoffer Science Building and the Strength and Conditioning Facility renovations.

### ***University Receives Over \$1.9 Million Donation***

KTWU-TV received a check for \$1.3 million and the Mulvane Art Museum received \$664,569 from the Atchison Family Fund thanks to the generosity of Ruth Atchison. Ruth Atchison was a quiet woman who guarded her wealth in secret and lived a modest life in Topeka. She enjoyed public television, birds, flowers and the parks around Topeka. Atchison died in 2001 at the age of 92 and left \$1.8 million to the Topeka Community Foundation to manage and distribute.

### ***International Education Committee Members for 2006-2007***

Kent Stone, Modern Languages  
Mary Sheldon, English  
Azyz Sharafy, Art  
Vic Landrum, Biology  
Brian Ogawa, Applied Studies  
Dmitri Nizovtsev, Business  
Shirley Dinkel, Nursing and Faculty Senate  
Alex Glashauser, Law  
Baili Zhang (Chair), International Programs

### ***School of Nursing International Update***

The School of Nursing continues to develop new opportunities for international education. During the spring 2006 semester professor Dr. Jing Xiong of China's Wuhan University of Science and Technology came to visit as the first step in establishing a student and faculty exchange between the two schools. Shirley Dinkel presented two guest lectures to Mikkeli University of Applied Sciences in Savonlinna, Finland via teleconference on the use of complementary and alternative therapies in the US and on politics in nursing. In addition Nick Kurtz, a nursing major, traveled to Mikkeli to study community and public health. This semester the School of Nursing will be hosting exchange partners from Northern Ireland and Finland

and welcoming a new partner from the University of Szeged, Szeged, Hungary. Six faculty members from Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Mikkeli University, Finland and the University of Szeged will visit during the first two weeks of October. During their stay they will work on various partnership projects. (provided by Cynthia Hornberger)

## Community Outreach

### *From the President of ICT, Inc.*

I.C.T. (The International Center of Topeka) is made up of persons who are supportive of Washburn's desire to be an inclusive campus where international students are welcomed and respected. We are pleased that there are students from many parts of the world coming here to study. These students add much to our academic environment and help us to see ourselves as part of a larger global community. At the same time we are pleased with the emphasis by the administration that local students take the opportunity to study abroad during their academic career. This international experience will add much to their lives and to the life of our society in the years ahead.

I.C.T. will accordingly seek to provide opportunities during the year to bring local students and international students together so that they may get to know each other and be supportive of one another. One such event that we do annually is a "welcoming" pot-luck meal held in the International House on campus. For the newly- arriving international students, and for those who have been here a while, this meal will be held on Sunday evening, September 24, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

We invite the members of I.C.T. to bring some food dishes to share and to help welcome these new students to our campus. If you would like additional information about the meal or about how you can be involved with I.C.T. in its activities, please contact Don Anderson by phone at (785) 266-8248 or by e-mail at [revdona@yahoo.com](mailto:revdona@yahoo.com).

## Honor Rolls

The following students were placed on the President's Honor Roll after the spring 2006 semester. Congratulations!

**Jiravalee Arreguin**, Thailand, Marketing  
**Kanwal Manzoor Baluch**, Pakistan, Mass Media  
**Maryline Gengoux**, France, Business  
**Ayako Homma**, Japan, Art  
**Chen Min Huang**, Taiwan, Social Work  
**Ivan Monroy**, Colombia, Pre-Engineering  
**Eva Pernilla Schickhardt**, Sweden, Exch. student  
**CiaoJen Yang**, Taiwan, Intensive English

The following students were placed on the Dean's Honor Roll after the spring semester:

Carlos Cabezas, Colombia, Music  
Herasmo Chavira Soto, Mexico, Intensive English  
Yi-chun Chen, Taiwan, Exchange Student  
Sheroz Djabbarov, Uzbekistan, Finance  
Mukhtar Farid , Bangladesh, Computer Science  
Ivonne Gamboa Palma, Colombia, Music  
Julie Huyberechts, Belgium, Psychology  
Valeriya Kanaeva, Tajikistan, Music  
Ellen Kellmann, Denmark, Human Services  
Siu-Kei Lau, Hong Kong SAR, Psychology  
Novica Lazarevski, Macedonia, Computer Science  
Mei Chin Lee, Malaysia, Marketing  
Judith Nandwa, Kenya, Nursing  
Salome Ngure, Kenya, Social Work  
Bojana Samardziska, Serbia & Montenegro, Finance  
Jumpei Shinkai, Japan, Exchange student  
Petr Solar, Czech Republic, Psychology  
Philip Suchi, Kenya, Biology  
Chien-Long Tai, Taiwan, BBA  
Chun Wai Yu, Hong Kong SAR, Psychology

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