



International Student & Scholar Services

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## ACSS OPPORTUNITIES

### ISA seeks Presenters/Participants for Cultural Café (Spring 2012)

Cultural Cafe is a weekly program organized by ISA (International Student Association). It features student speakers from different countries or regions each week. This program started as a venue to feature countries/regions with smaller student populations that may not have the resources to host a larger cultural night. The format of Cultural Café includes a 20-30 minute presentation about a specific country/region (may address culture, geography, history, politics, etc.) followed by food or snacks that are typical in that country. **Cultural Café is now held each Friday at 3pm in Centennial Hall room 100** when classes are in session. *The event is free and open to the public, and is a great opportunity for students, staff, faculty, and community to gain firsthand knowledge about other countries and cultures.*

**If you are interested in presenting your country in Cultural Café or volunteering to help with these events this semester, please email Sara Salas-Ramirez at [sasa0903@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:sasa0903@stcloudstate.edu) or Mikiyas Belay at [bemi0802@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:bemi0802@stcloudstate.edu)**

Category for ACSS is **Cultural Cafe**.

### Sauk Rapids – Rice School District: Seeking Presenters – sign up by this Friday!

Sauk Rapids- Rice school district is looking for:

- 1) A Chinese international student speaker or small group of students to present for one hour on topics such as Chinese New year, Chinese culture, etc. to their interested staff. They have monthly topics and typically have about 25 staff attending. This would be at 4:00 pm. The date is to be determined on what works best for the speaker.
- 2) Chinese Dragon, singers, dancer, performers or other(s) to perform for a family fun night, February 24th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The performers would not need to be there the whole time and the length and time could be flexible for what works best for them. **If you would like to participate in this event please contact Denise before February 10<sup>th</sup>.**
- 3) Other international students who would be willing to share about their culture to either students or staff. Staff presentations are typically from 4:00-5:00pm.

If you are interested in participating in any of these activities please contact:  
Denise Weekley at (320)258-1445 or email [denise.weekley@isd47.org](mailto:denise.weekley@isd47.org)

Category for ACSS is **Cultural Presentation to Classroom/Community Group**.

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## Come Speak to Students in a General Education Class (Spring 2012)

The course information which you would speak at is as follows:

CFS 260 description: Children in a Changing World (MGM)

Societal change, including the relationship between women and men, and its impact on childhood. Childhood in U.S. ethnic groups and in non-western cultures. Implications for those working with children in education, social services, health care, etc.

The class will be held on Monday evenings from 5-7:45 pm in the Education Building Room B108. The time for the speaker would be flexible. Ideally, you would come in for a 30-40 minute session to share:

- your culture/lifestyle
- where you grew up
- how your parents handled discipline and other issues
- mother's influence (female), father's (male) influence
- other child rearing issues-nutrition/eating patterns, toilet training, sleeping routines, work/play habits
- family traditions/customs, values
- how has your life/lifestyle changed over the years (ie. any language barriers)
- discuss cultural similarities and differences/challenges you have observed/experienced

The goal in this multicultural education class is to help prepare these future teachers, social workers, psychologists, nurses, etc. to become the best they can be and it starts by having them learn more about other cultures/lifestyles and being more sensitive to ALL children/families who will be in their classroom, clinic, or other places of employment where they will be working with families from a variety of backgrounds.

**If you are interested please contact adjunct professor, Kimberly Larsen: [kalarsen@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:kalarsen@stcloudstate.edu)**

Category for ACSS is **Cultural Presentation to Classroom/Community Group**.

## Participate in Student Interviews

International students would be asked to meet with a student from one of the three classes three times during the semester. The first interview will be to get background info about the international student: family, education, why they came here, what their expectations were, what the reality of living here has been like, what they most like and most dislike about living here. The second and third interviews will be at the choice of the students interviewing you but they should be choosing from topics like: language; non-verbal communication; stereotyping; education systems; health care systems; business; high/low context behavior; ethics; customs; etc. Each interview should take from 45 minutes to 1 hour. Face-to-face is preferred. The assignment is due to be completed by March 27.

If a student would like to participate, please send name, country, if you are male/female, and e-mail address to [mjpryately@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:mjpryately@stcloudstate.edu).

Category for ACSS is **Research Participant at SCSU** (pre-approved by CIS).

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## Apply for Board Member Positions Opening in UPB for the 2012-2013 Academic Year!

***Do you know a great student leader? Maybe you know one who's interested in event planning or student life?***

Please encourage them to apply for one of the thirteen board member positions opening in the UPB for the 2012-2013 academic year! Responsibilities vary by position, from planning and running concerts, to curating art galleries, managing the UPB website, promotions and more.

Board members are paid an honorarium and receive a great deal of free training and networking opportunities in addition to the leadership and event planning experience.

**Applications are [online](#) and are due by February 16 at 4 p.m.**

Information sessions will be held in Atwood at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7 in Voyageurs North and Wednesday, February 15 in Glacier South.

**Interested students can also contact [upb@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:upb@stcloudstate.edu) or visit Atwood 139 for more information.**

Category for ACSS is **Student Organization Position - Appointed or Elected**

### Student Scholarships/Awards – **Deadline is this Friday!**

The Department of Campus Involvement – Civic Engagement program is pleased to facilitate or co-sponsor a variety of spring break experiences and scholarships/awards for students.

- **Conway, Death, & Schmiesing, PLLP: Building Hope Scholarship.** \$1000 to support a St. Cloud State student in his/her studies while supporting Habitat for Humanity, as a Resource Assistant, in their need for consistent volunteers.
- **William H. Kurtz Sustainability Service Award.** \$500 to a St. Cloud State student who demonstrates outstanding evidence of sustainability focused outreach, volunteerism and service within the St. Cloud and Central Minnesota communities.
- **Rich Murray Volunteer Service Scholarship.** \$500 to a St. Cloud State student who has demonstrated a commitment of giving through volunteerism while a student at St. Cloud State University.
- **Soroko-Ditlevson Service Scholarship.** \$500 to a St. Cloud State student who has demonstrated significant involvement in campus and/or community service. Preference for this scholarship will be given to students who are the first in their families to attend college. They should be full-time students who have declared a Business, Communication Studies or Mass Communication Major.

Applications and information available Applications and information can be found [here](#).

**The Deadline for all scholarship/award submissions is Friday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.**

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# SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

## **Shelvie Christian Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded to one SCSU non-traditional student involved in on-campus extracurricular activities and working to improve SCSU student life.

\$500



## **Conway, Deuth & Schmiesing PLLP Building Hope Scholarship**

Awarded to one full-time SCSU student committed to providing 100 hours of service within the next year as "Central MN Habitat for Humanity Resource and Construction Assistant".

\$1000



## **William H. Kurtz Sustainability Service Award**

Awarded to one undergraduate student who has shown outstanding evidence of sustainability focused outreach, volunteerism and service within St. Cloud and Central Minnesota communities.

\$500



## **Rich Murray Service Scholarship**

Awarded to one full time student who has demonstrated a commitment of giving through volunteerism while a student at SCSU. Must demonstrate financial need.

\$500



## **Soroko - Ditlevson Service Scholarship**

Awarded to one full-time SCSU student (majoring in Business, Mass Communications, or Communication Studies) for significant involvement in campus and/or community service.

\$500

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT  
[www.stcloudstate.edu/campusinvolvement](http://www.stcloudstate.edu/campusinvolvement)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

**Friday, February 10, 2012**



Questions? Call AMC 118 at 308.2205 or visit:  
[www.stcloudstate.edu/campusinvolvement](http://www.stcloudstate.edu/campusinvolvement)

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## EVENTS

### Information Sessions for Optional Practical Training (OPT) – Only for Students Graduating May 2012

This notification is ONLY for students who will be graduating this May, 2012.

The Center for International Studies Office will be having information sessions on Optional Practical Training (OPT) on the following dates.

**Thursday, February 09, 2012**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM OPT Information Session - Voyageurs North**

**Friday, February 10, 2012**

**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM OPT Information Session - Alumni Room**

**Tuesday, February 14, 2012**

**1:00 PM - 2:00 PM OPT Information Session - Voyageurs South**

**Wednesday, February 15, 2012**

**9:30 AM - 10:30 AM OPT Information Session - Voyageurs South**

You will only need to attend one session. We are offering multiple sessions to be available for all graduating students. Before you attend a session please read through the D2L tutorial. **When you come for a session please bring your printed materials with you.** We will go through the forms with you and answer any questions that you have.

### Bollywood Fashion Flash Mob

I am arranging a Bollywood fashion flash mob in a few weeks at an undisclosed location and date. If you are interested in participating, please contact Harsimran (Simi) Sachdeva at [harsimran1324@gmail.com](mailto:harsimran1324@gmail.com) or at (320)223-3528. It will be a song and dance sequence from popular Bollywood movies with an American fusion.

### Free Chinese Language Class

GOOD NEWS! Chinese language class is open now, everyone can join us. We generally teach some basic Chinese, or *what you want to learn!* The class is held by China club - CSSA, and *it's a free class.*

When we teach: **every Sunday 5pm - 6:30pm** (from now to April 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Where we are: Stewart Hall 102 (702 1st Ave S, St.Cloud, MN 56301)

What we teach: If you come, you will know it!

How to get it: [zhhu0801@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:zhhu0801@stcloudstate.edu) / [waqi0901@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:waqi0901@stcloudstate.edu)

Thank you for joining!

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## Cultural Cafe Russia – This Friday in CH 100 at 3pm!

### Invitation to Cultural Café



#### Learn

How much do you know about life beyond your cultural upbringing? Do you know where your favorite food, clothing, celebrities, music, art, or sports originated? Have you ever wanted to obtain a global perspective, but couldn't afford an around the world ticket?

The International Students Association at St. Cloud State University recognizes that every culture has a story to tell. Therefore, we have created a program called Cultural Café. This is a free event open to all members of the SCSU community.

#### Teach

The idea is that each week students who wish to participate can come and share their culture with other members of the campus community; they prepare their country's famous food to taste.

#### Visit the Café

This Friday, the cultural café is on **Russia** and the event is moving to **Centennial Hall 100, starting at 3:00 p.m.**

#### We are all ISA

Therefore, we, the executive committee members of ISA, invite you to attend this weekly program. It is an excellent opportunity to make friends, learn about other countries, and try new foods.

#### Summary

What: Cultural Café Russia

When: Friday, February 10 at 3:00 p.m.

Where: Centennial Hall 100

Contact: [ISA@STCLOUDSTATE.EDU](mailto:ISA@STCLOUDSTATE.EDU)

Free Food, Fun, and Entertainment!

## What Color is Your Personality? – Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> 2012

***Career Services, Community Counseling Graduate Student Association, Department of Campus Involvement, Human Resources and Multicultural Student Services are pleased to collaborate and bring the following presentation to the campus community: What is the color of your personality?***

Want to learn more about yourself and how to enhance your relationships? Mark your calendars for Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm-1:45pm in Cascade, Atwood. It'll be a fun way to identify and understand individual strengths, personality patterns and more....

For more information, click [here](#)

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## Valentine's dance – This Friday, February 10th 2012

ISSS is inviting you to its Valentine's Dance this Friday from 9 pm to 12 pm in the Quarry Atwood. Come celebrate love with dances and snacks! Tickets are being sold for \$2 every day until Friday from 12-3pm in Atwood.

Be Love  
Show Love  
Remember Love  
at the Valentine's Dance



**Atwood Quarry**  
**Friday February 10th**  
**9 PM til 12AM**  
**2 Dollars Entrance**

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## Game night with the Little Falls Friends - Friday, February 24th 2012

The Little Falls Friends would love to have you join them for a game night from 6:30 to 9pm in the lounge of Mitchell Hall.



**JOIN US FOR GAME NIGHT!**

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2012**

**6:30 – 9:00 p.m.**

**MITCHELL HALL LOUNGE**



**HOSTED BY THE LITTLE FALLS FRIENDS STUDENT ORGANIZATION**

For more details, e-mail [LFFriends@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:LFFriends@stcloudstate.edu)



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## YOUR University, YOUR Team!

### February 10

6:00 p.m. SCSU Basketball vs. Minnesota State  
Women  
8:00 p.m. Men  
7:07 p.m. Women's Hockey vs. Wisconsin

### February 11 "National Girls & Womens in Sports Day"

(All women & girls admitted free)

2:07 p.m. Women's Hockey vs. Wisconsin  
SCSU Basketball vs. Southwest Minn. State  
4:00 p.m. Women  
6:00 p.m. Men

### February 12

2:00 p.m. Wrestling vs. Upper Iowa  
(Alumni Day/Senior Day)

## GO HUSKIES!



SCSU Students admitted FREE with valid I.D.

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## **Multicultural Student Services – Events to Celebrate Black History Month (Throughout February)**

Multicultural Student Services is pleased to announce a full schedule of events to commemorate and celebrate Black History Month 2012. Unless otherwise state, all events are free and open to all! Classes are warmly invited to attend.

**On Wednesday, February 15 at 2 p.m. in Stewart Hall 120**, an award-winning producer of documentaries for public television for over 20 years, **Daniel Bergin, will show his documentary “North Star: Minnesota’s Black Pioneers”** which discusses a range of issues which impacted Minnesota’s African American citizens and history. Bergin will facilitate a discussion following the screening. This event is cosponsored by Media Outside the Box, an SCSU student organization.

Other activities include **Ebony Night on Saturday, February 11 at 6 p.m. in the Atwood Ballroom** and **Liberian Night, Saturday, February 18, 6 p.m. in the Atwood Ballroom**. *A small charge applies to these evenings of traditional food and cultural sharing.*

### **The Council of African American Students is cosponsoring several events as well:**

#### **Feb. 13-17, 2012, Black Love: A Week of Facts**

Daily at Kiosk, Atwood Lobby

Prizes, questions, and facts about everything Black!

#### **Mon. Feb. 13, 2012, Brown Sugar: A Night of Poetry**

6 p.m., Quarry, Atwood

#### **Weds., Feb. 22, 2012, Fulfilling the Dream**

An Evening of Poetry, Music and Conversation.

6 p.m., South Voyageurs Room, Atwood

A panel of CAAS and other cultural organization members discuss the issues faced on campus and ways to support each other.

### **There is also a video series planned:**

#### **Weds., Feb. 8, 2012, Their Eyes Were Watching God**

6 p.m., South Voyageur, Atwood

A drama set in the 1920s, where free-spirited Janie Crawford searches for happiness which leads her through several different marriages, challenging the morals of her small town. Based on the novel by Zora Neale Hurston. (113 min.)

#### **Thurs., Feb. 16, 2012, Memphis Dreams**

5 p.m., Atwood Theatre

When Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated in 1968, Memphis became a symbol of hope extinguished. The film reveals the tragic story of the African-American experience, documenting the brutal reality of slavery, the milestones in the heroic struggle for fundamental rights, and the killing of America’s greatest civil rights leader. (42 min.)

#### **Mon., Feb. 27, 2012, Boycott**

5 p.m., Atwood Theatre

On December 1, 1955, one black woman refused to give up her seat in a “whites only” section of a public bus. In a time when resentment gave birth to rebellion, Rosa Parks inspired the will to make history in this single act, which is often considered the “official” beginning of the civil rights movement. (113 min.)

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*Programming is co-sponsored by Council for African American Students, Liberian Student Association, Multicultural Student Services, Media Out of the Box, SCSU Cultural Diversity Committee, and SCSU Student Finance Committee. All events are held at St. Cloud State University and are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.*

## **The Tri-College NEW (National Education for Women's) Leadership Development (Applications due March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012)**

**Do you know a woman who deserves the opportunity to have her innate leadership recognized, mentored, and inspired? Are you that woman?**

The Tri-College NEW (National Education for Women's) Leadership Development Institute will be held June 2-6, 2012 at Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. The intensive five-day residential program is designed to provide leadership training, inspiration, and support for women in the upper Midwest who do not have extensive leadership experience. There is particular emphasis on recruiting women from groups that have typically been underrepresented voices in the political process.

### **Participants will attend sessions on the following:**

- running for office
- public speaking
- fundraising
- public policy advocacy
- working with the media

### **Participants meet with over twenty women leaders, including:**

- state and local elected officials
- leaders in tribal government
- grassroots activists
- nonprofit leaders

We seek applicants with interest in politics, public service, or community service who desire to develop their leadership skills. They need not be college students. Approximately 50 college and community women will be accepted Participants and some women leaders reside on campus throughout the institute, extending learning beyond the formal daytime sessions.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, there is no cost to participate. Participants will have the option of registering for a three-credit course in Women's Studies, Sociology, or Social Work. Those who choose to register for course credit will have to pay for the course registration expenses. Everything associated with participation in the Institute is free, however, we recognize that some women with restricted income may find other financial barriers to participation. If there are concerns about travel, childcare, or other expenses incurred during the five-day institute, there are scholarships available.

### **For information, testimonials, and the APPLICATION, visit:**

[http://www.tri-college.org/new\\_leadership\\_institute/](http://www.tri-college.org/new_leadership_institute/)

WILL YOU BE AN ADVOCATE for someone who would benefit from this experience? Applications will be accepted until March 23, 2012. **If you have additional questions, please contact Deb White at 218.477.2041 or [whitede@mnstate.edu](mailto:whitede@mnstate.edu)**

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## **CLASSIFIEDS:**

### **2 Bedroom Apartment for rent**

Rent: \$550, includes heat, water, garbage, basic cable & a free parking spot. On the bus line, convenient to campus. Please call Jacqueline at 320-260-3448 if you are interested.

### **Female Roommate Needed for 2 Bedroom Apartment**

Looking for a Female Roommate for a 2 bedroom apartment at St.Cloud Terrace Apartment

Location: 908 8th Street South St.Cloud MN 56301 - 7minutes close to SCSU Miller Center. Bus Line: University, Sundowner, and South West. Rental fee is \$340 for each person per month. Electricity and Internet fee are not included. Includes very spacious and clean bedroom, kitchen, living room, and one bathroom. Sublease is until June 2012. Here is the property website: <http://www.stcloudterrace.com/>

Contact Na-yeon at [chna1001@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:chna1001@stcloudstate.edu)

### **Sublease Available Immediately**

A very spacious bedroom is available for sublease. This Apartment is located in the 2<sup>nd</sup> avenue south, 3 minutes walking distance to campus. Rental fee for the room is \$300 per month. Laundry on site, free parking spot, Microwave and Fridge available. This room is available immediately. If interested call (320)-309-3421 or email at [guku0701@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:guku0701@stcloudstate.edu)

### **1 Bedroom Apartment for Rent**

Rent: \$485, including heat, water, garbage, basic cable and a free parking spot on University Drive. Bus Stops: On the bus line and super close to campus - Great place to live! Contact Number: 320-260-3448

### **Sublease Available**

Fully furnished room in brick and stucco house in family neighborhood within walking distance to SCSU. Includes bed, dresser and mirror, nightstand, bookshelf, lamps, desk and chair and cable TV. Rent is \$325 and includes all utilities. Call 320-259-0178.

### **Sub-leaser Wanted Immediately**

Master bedroom at Park Plaza Apartments (830 13th St S, St Cloud, MN 56301). As an incentive, I am offering to pay half the rent (\$170) for the first month to the person who takes the lease!! Rent is \$340 (includes heat & water). Charter + Electricity: \$25 per month. The room comes with an attached toilet which is great if you prefer not to share toilets with others. There is also a full-size wardrobe provided. Also included are refrigerator, microwave, oven, laundry room, and free outdoor parking lot. I am also offering the following items for FREE!! Some of these items are necessary items and could save you a great deal of money if you're on a budget: 3-drawer dresser; book shelf; and coffee table. Please contact [masterbedroomparkplaza@gmail.com](mailto:masterbedroomparkplaza@gmail.com) if you're interested.

### **Apartment Sublease Available - East of St Cloud**

Two bedrooms affordable available at Oak Haven Estates located off of Lincoln Avenue, a few blocks from Munsinger Gardens and only about two blocks from Cash Wise, Shopko and Target. The lease would go until the end of June - January is paid for! The metro bus comes to a spot across the street right outside the door. Dogs and cats are allowed. Big kitchen, living room and bathroom. The main bedroom has a lot of closet space! 2<sup>nd</sup> bedroom can be used as an office. There are windows in every room except the bathroom. Heat, water, sewer and garbage included. Have to pay for electric and cable/internet separately.

Contact Tara for more information at 320-282-6491 or [gota0502@gmail.com](mailto:gota0502@gmail.com)

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## **One Bedroom Available in a 2br/2bath Apartment.**

The room comes with a full bath; no sharing of the bathroom (this is great for someone who would prefer not to share toilet with others). Apartment is located on Washington memorial drive, few minute away from campus (Clipper West, Sundowner, Southside). Rent is \$250 per month. Laundry on site, microwave, oven, fridge. The facility has a pool, fitness center, a community room, balconies, etc...very great place to live in. please feel free to text, call, email me at [sope0901@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:sope0901@stcloudstate.edu) or 320-223-4635

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