Greetings

Dear Students,

Welcome to the Holiday edition of the International Student Program Newsletter. As we are close to the end of the Fall Semester, we hope you are doing well in your classes and wish you good luck with your Finals.

The ISP is excited to bring you information and services to help you reach your academic goals and have an enjoyable experience while studying at Chabot College.

We hope you enjoy your break and have a safe return to the United States to continue your studies.

Have a great holiday season!

International Student Program of Chabot College

Planning A Trip? Get a Travel Signature by 12 noon, December 18!

If you plan to travel outside the United States during the holiday break, it is critical to keep in mind important immigration regulations.

- **Travel signature** on your I-20: You must have a valid travel signature on the bottom of page 3 of your I-20 to re-enter the country. If the I-20 is not signed or if the signature is more than 6 months old when you return to the U.S., you must request a new travel signature from the International Student Office before you travel.
- **Valid Foreign Passport**: Your passport must be valid for 6 months beyond your date of re-entry into the United States.
- **Valid US Visa**
- **Your EAD card** (if you are on Post-Completion Practical Training)

Please contact the International Student Program (ISP) if you have any questions.
Payment of Fees for Spring 2010
If you have registered for Spring 2010 classes, fees are due before the first day of the Semester (January 19, 2010). Failure to pay fees on time results in an automatic “Admissions Hold” on your Chabot record and will prevent you from registering for classes, obtaining transcripts, and may affect your ability to transfer in a timely manner.

You may pay your balance online on CLASS Web at http://banner-web.clpccd.cc.ca.us:700/.

Required to Enroll in 12 units
It is students’ responsibility to maintain immigration status. Remember to check your record after final grades are posted! Please be advised that International students may NOT drop a class with a “W” unless you are still enrolled and attending 12 units. The U.S. Immigration Service does not recognize “W”s as part of your required 12 units to maintain full-time status. Please contact the ISP Office if you have any questions.

De-Stress Week ~ Student Health Center
De-Stress Week is just around the corner and the student health center is now accepting appointments for Massage Therapy Treatment on December 8, 9 and 10 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. It’s .50 cents/min for registered students and $1.00/min for staff and faculty. Availability of time slot is first come first serve. Please come in to schedule your appointment or contact the student health center@ http://www.chabotcollege.edu/HealthCenter/default.asp for more info.

Textbook Buyback ~ Bookstore

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Christmas Carol ~ Chabot College Theater Department
A Christmas Carol runs on December 10, 11, and 12 at 8 pm and December 12 at 2 pm in the Little Theater. Tickets are $10 for adults and $7 for kids, with a special $35 family ticket of 4 or more. Tickets are available at the door, and the box office will open at 7:15 pm each night.
ISP NEWS

ISP Office Hours during the Holidays

Please note that the International Student Programs (ISP) will be closed at 12pm on Friday, December 18, 2009 through Sunday, January 3, 2010. We will open for "business as usual" at 9:00am on Monday, January 4, 2010 and will maintain normal business hours during the winter break (Mondays-Thursdays from 9:00am- 5:00pm, Fridays from 9am-12 noon).

Please plan accordingly so that if you have an urgent need to see Ms. Dolly or Maya, you can make arrangements to do so before 12pm on Friday, December 18, 2009.

Volunteers needed for Spring 2010 (January 13, 2010)

New Students Orientation

The office of International Student Program is looking for current Chabot College international students to serve as "International Orientation Volunteers" to help welcome the new international students that we expect will arrive at Chabot College in January.

Please contact us if you would like to sign up. We thank you in advance for your assistance!

Get Your HIN1 Vaccine~

Off-Campus Flu Vaccine Locator @ http://www.flu.gov/

International Club of Chabot College

Holiday Ice Rink ~ the Last Event for this semester!!

Saturday Dec/5th/2009!

The price is $13.50 per person with skate rentals included.

We will be carpooling from Chabot @ 6:30 PM and head out to the Union Square Holiday Ice Rink to have a great time in San Francisco. As the end of the semester approaches, this will be our last event for this semester. So don't miss out cause we will love to have ALL of you there.

Please call the Club President @ (510)314-1231 if you have any questions.

Please explore our Photo Gallery @ http://www.chabotcollege.edu/international/GALLERY/default.asp
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*Have you been to Yosemite National Park?*

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**Happy November December Birthdays**

- Hassami BAGA
- Jia Luan GU
- Song JIN
- Linnawati JOJO
- Min Jun KIM
- Man Fan LAM
- Vi LY
- Faraz MIRZA
- Sally MURIITHI
- Fearn OOKO
- Sangmin PARK
- Huy PHAM
- Atinder Saini
- Fatou SECK
- Imelda YOE

**Happy Birthday in Greek**