Welcome back to the Spring 2010 semester at Nassau Community College!

Welcome back to all of our continuing students. We would also like to welcome all of our new F-1 international students. We hope classes have been going well and you are adjusting comfortably. If there is anything you may need, please stop by our office in the F-Cluster, give us a call at 516-572-7053, or send an email to isaoff@ncc.edu.

News from the International Student Association (TISA)

This semester is a busy one! The International Student Association (TISA) will hold its weekly meeting on Thursdays during club hour (11:30). (Please see page 2 for more details on meetings.) If you are interested in becoming a member of TISA, contact our office or feel free to stop by one of our weekly meetings. We will be discussing possible activities for the semester, such as fundraisers, trips, and other events.

Temporary Protective Status

Are you from Haiti and has your family situation been drastically affected by the recent tragedy? If so, you may be eligible to apply for Temporary Protective Status (TPS). Catholic Charities will be assisting students interested in applying for Temporary Protective Statutes on February 23, 2010 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM and February 25, 2010 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM. Interested students should attend.

Join us for a field trip on Saturday, March 20 to Ellis Island!

TISA Club Meetings Spring 2010:
Feb. 25, 11:30-12:45, N. Annex 114
March 4, 11, 18, 25, 11:30-12:45, F-312
April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 11:30-12:45, N. Annex 115

If you’re a transfer student, stop by the office to pick up your I-20!
Finding a Job on Campus
Are you interested in working while attending Nassau Community College? Do you have questions about getting a social security number? If so, come to the F-1 Employment Workshop where you will learn about being employed as an F-1 student. The workshop will be held on March 2, 2010 11:20 AM – 12:20 PM in the North Annex. Don’t worry if you miss it, there will be another one on March 4, 2010 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM in CCB. Limited space available. Please contact the Office of International Student Affairs to reserve a seat.

Tax Help Session and Q&A
On March 23, 2010 11:20 AM- 12:20 PM in the North Annex and March 25, 2010 11:30 AM- 12:34 PM in the CCB, the Office of International Student affairs will be holding an information session on how to file your taxes. This is mandatory for all F-1 students.

A New Club on Campus
Welcome Istanbul Club! This semester, the Istanbul Club was created by our very own F-1 students. For all those interested in joining, please contact the Office of International Student Affairs for meeting times and to sign up!

International Student Field Trip
On Saturday, March 20, 2010 the international students are invited to join us on a trip to Ellis Island. Ellis Island is one of the country’s most important historic sites. Ellis Island tells the tales of over 12 million immigrants who entered America through Ellis Island. The cost per student has not yet been determined.

*Remember*
If any of your information has recently changed, such as a mailing address, a phone number, or email, you MUST notify the Office of International Student Affairs, NOT the registrar or any other office. Please be prompt when changing your information. Please use the information update form located on the website. Once we receive the form, we will update your record in Banner and in SEVIS.

Spotlight On: Consuela Dijokromo
Consuela Dijokromo is an F-1 student from Holland. Consuela is currently majoring in Liberal Arts with a focus on foreign languages. She enjoys shopping, watching and playing basketball, and spending time with her sister, Ilona, who is also a student at Nassau, majoring in Hotel Technology Administration. Consuela is the President of The International Student Association (TISA). Here are a few words from your TISA Club President:

"International students come from all over the world. With the TISA club we want you to meet these students and share your college experience. For this semester we have two trips so you can see what TISA is about. As your president, I am looking forward to seeing you all and having a wonderful time."