



# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS

## NEWSLETTER

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NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> -25<sup>TH</sup>

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



We hope you all have a wonderful, safe Thanksgiving holiday! Take this time to catch up on sleep, school work, or quality time with friends. Good luck to those of you who decide to brave the crowds of Black Friday shopping. ;)

## CAMPUS RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT:

### **STUDENT SUCCESS SPECIALISTS**

Receive help with:

1. Setting realistic personal and academic goals

**HAPPENING THIS  
WEEK:**

**Tuesday, 11/13**  
*Free Lunch at Campus  
House*  
**11:30am-1:30pm**

**Wednesday, 11/21-**  
**Friday, 11/23**

**NO CLASSES  
UNIVERSITY CLOSED  
THANKSGIVING  
HOLIDAY**

2. Obstacles you are having in day-to-day life
3. Resolving problems
4. Finding services on campus and in the community

Graduate Student Success Specialists:

<https://www.etsu.edu/gradstud/successservice.php>

Undergraduate Student Success Specialists:

<https://www.etsu.edu/students/acts/ussp.php>

## CHECK IT OUT:

International Graduate student Adejoke Moronkola is featured in a special ETSU video for Thanksgiving!

Watch it here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1CCo8aZuLaU&feature=youtu.be>



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## NEED TO SEE BRITTANY?

### ISS OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Tuesday: 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9:30-11:30  
a.m.  
Thursday: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

OR

EMAIL/CALL FOR AN  
APPOINTMENT

### MULTICULTURAL CENTER LOUNGE HOURS:

Monday-Friday  
8:00am – 7:00pm

Saturday  
11:00am-4:00pm

Sunday  
2:00pm-7:00pm

## International Student Spotlight

### Meet Maung Maung Khant!



Maung Khant, who goes by Moe, is from Myanmar. His name means “man from the sky.” Moe is from Mawlamyine, the capital city of Mon State. Moe describes his city as being in the perfect location. Located on the mouth of the Thanlwin River, Mawlamyine has mountains and islands. Moe’s parents run a clothing shop there. He has two younger sisters. Though he is close with his family, Moe does not get to go home often.

Moe attends Yangon University of Foreign Languages, where he studies Japanese. Yangon is the largest city in Myanmar. Moe declares that while his hometown is good for rest, Yangon is fun and exciting. Before he left for the US, Moe was the President of the Student Union. He is also a Rover in The Scout Association. Moe enjoys drawing and painting, usually landscapes and nature. He also enjoys gardening, playing badminton, and listening to music. The type of music

he listens to always depends on his emotions at the time. For example, he listens to pop when he is feeling happy.

Moe is currently taking English classes at ELS, but he will take ETSU courses next semester. He would like to join the Department of Art and Design. He decided to study abroad after his senior recommended it. He had never traveled outside of Myanmar, so he wanted to experience a new culture. His goals are to learn how to deal with culture shock (and how to tolerate the food), to improve his English skills, and to learn beneficial cultural and societal differences that he can take back to his country. He has noticed many differences so far. First, rules for politeness are different. It is considered impolite to speak during meals in Myanmar, but not speaking during a meal here would be rude and awkward. Second, the weather has been a shock. Myanmar is very hot, so the first week of cold weather was difficult for Moe.

Despite the weather, Moe has enjoyed his time here. The people are friendly and talkative, and people go out on weekends more often. Moe is grateful for IBB. His first two weeks were lonely, but IBB “brought him into the world!” He used to have only three friends, but now he has many. His favorite event was the hiking trip to Roan Mountain, his first trip with IBB.

In the future, Moe hopes to travel around the world and learn how people live. Though he would like to get a job working for a foreign embassy in Myanmar, his job is not as important to him. A job is the way you make a living and earn money. Moe is more focused on experiencing life, learning about the world, and having adventures.

**Welcome to ETSU, Moe! We are happy to have you with us.**