



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS NEWSLETTER

FALL 2018
DECEMBER 3RD-9TH

With the semester coming to an end and final exams approaching, we know it can get stressful. Please remember that our office is here for you! Email brooksbl@etsu.edu with any questions, issues or needs.

CAMPUS RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT:

CFAA TUTORING

Need help with that final paper? Worried about finals and need a tutor for a difficult class? Make an appointment at the CFAA!

<https://www.etsu.edu/uged/cfaa/learning/individualtutoring.php>

INTERNATIONAL BUCCANEER BUDDIES:

IBB MID-WEEK MEETUP & DINNER MEETUP

Join IBB at our mid-week and dinner meetups at the ETSU Market Place!

- When: **Wednesdays at 12:30pm, Thursdays at 7:30pm**

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Tuesday, 12/4

*Free Lunch at Campus
House*
11:30am-1:30pm

Wednesday, 12/5

IBB Mid-Week Meetup
12:30 p.m.
Marketplace

Christmas Choir Concert

6:00 p.m.
Reece Museum

Thursday, 12/6

English Table
5:00-6:00 p.m.
Sherrod Library Room 128

IBB Dinner Meetup

7:30 p.m.
Market Place

Friday, 12/7

Sip around the World
10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Reece Museum

IBB Farewell Social

CPA Court 4
6:30pm

World Café

Campus House
8pm-Midnight

IBB FAREWELL SOCIAL

Join us at our final event of the semester for food, music and fellowship! We will say goodbye to the students who will be leaving us at the end of this semester.

When: **Friday, December 7th at 6:30 p.m.**

Where: **CPA Court 4**

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES:

CHRISTMAS CHOIR CONCERT

Come and support the ETSU Gospel and International choirs as they perform their annual Christmas concert. Some of our own IBB students will be singing!

- **When: Wednesday, December 5th at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Where: Reece Museum**

SIP OF THE WORLD

Stop by Sip of the World to taste and learn about teas from around the world!

- **When: Friday, December 7th from 10:00am-2:00pm**
- **Where: Reece Museum**

SANTA CLIMB

Make it up the climbing wall in the CPA to greet Santa Claus, who will be seated on the ledge and available for a fun photo. The suggested entry fee is a donation to Bucky's Food pantry.

When: **Wednesday, December 5th**

Where: CPA (climbing wall)



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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

ENGLISH TABLE

Improve your English listening and speaking; learn about American culture. Contact English Table leader Hannah Absher (absberh@etsu.edu) for more information.

Thursday, December 6th

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Sherrod Library, room 128 (1st floor)

CAMPUS HOUSE FINALS WEEK ACTIVITIES

Campus House will be open all next week and will have cookies, hot chocolate and coffee!

They will also have several special events during the week, all from 1:00-4:00pm:

Monday, December 10th: Movies and Popcorn

Tuesday, December 11th: Cookie Decorating

Wednesday, December 12th: Crafts and Coloring

Thursday, December 13th: Cards and Games



International Student Spotlight

Meet Shuning Xin!



Shuning, who also goes by Candice, is from Yantai, China. Yantai is a northeastern port city in Shandong Province. Known for its cherries, apples, and seafood, Yantai is the largest fishing seaport in Shandong. Shuning's parents live and work there. Her father is an engineer, and her mother is a financial executive.

Shuning attends Shandong Normal University in Jinan, the capital city of Shandong. Jinan is a sprawling city known for its artesian springs. Shuning studied financial management. She was also part of

a photography student association. Shuning enjoys cooking, reading, and watching movies. She likes mystery novels and films, especially crime thrillers. She also enjoys watching television shows. Some of her favorites include *Mom*, *Friends*, *The Big Bang Theory*, and *How I Met Your Mother*.

Shuning, whose major is accounting, chose to study in the US because of her love for American television shows. She wanted to experience the culture for herself! She has experienced many cultural differences so far. The biggest difference is the style of classes. Classes here are more informal than classes in China, and students learn more practical knowledge. In addition, public transportation is much more difficult in Johnson City.

Though it has been difficult to make new friends, deal with the language barrier, and maintain a healthy balance of life, Shuning has enjoyed many things about ETSU. First, her grades are better here. She is more motivated to study! Second, the library and her dorm are wonderful. Third, she took an amazing trip to Charlotte for Black Friday shopping. Finally, IBB has been a wonderful help. Shuning's buddy has helped her with many problems.

Shuning will graduate in 2020. During her time at ETSU, she hopes to achieve a high GPA, improve her English, and get accepted to a master's program at a school near a coast. In the future, Shuning hopes to become a US resident, become independent, and get an accounting job. She also hopes to have a nice house, a dog, and a cat.

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