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Fwd: Fall 2022 Alumni Newsletter
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Matthew, see our Fall 2022 newsletter sent to international alumni.
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Alumni Newsletter
Welcome New Black Bears!
This fall we welcomed 144 new international students to the UMaine campus! 55 undergraduate students, 88 graduate students, and 1 new IEI student joined UMaine from 42 countries. The UMaine international student community now comes from 83 countries. Students participated in the three day OIP orientation which included sessions on US culture and academics, campus tour and UMaine resources and services. The Orono Paddlers took about 50 students in large canoes on the Stillwater river for a fun adventure.

### Education Abroad

Over 100 students visited the Study Abroad Fair held on September 15th.

So far 27 students from 16 majors will be studying abroad in 11 different countries this spring, with more to apply in the next two weeks.

From left to right:
Jonathan Hakim (USAC representative), Lauren Worrick (returning student who studied abroad in San Ramon, Costa Rica), Shailey Harris (study abroad peer advisor who studied abroad at London, England).
Intensive English Institute

IEI students have been touring some of the interesting places on campus. We recently visited the Hudson Museum in honor of Indigenous People's Day. We also had a tour of the many fascinating research projects at the Advanced Structures and Composites Center.

International Dance Fest 2022

We were excited to host the International Dance Festival this year! Despite a two-year hiatus, Covid-19 restrictions, a date change, and a snow storm on the day of the dress rehearsal, our performers put on a phenomenal show. Please click the image below to watch the video recording.
International students enjoyed a visit to Roger's Farm where they enjoyed workshops and demonstrations for the "Let's Eat" field day including a "Farm Flatbreads" demo and tasting, as well as food preservation tips and information about certifying home gardens as pollinator-friendly with Extension.
SAVE THE DATE!

Culturefest will be returning to the New Balance Recreation Center on Saturday, November 5, 2022.

Culturefest is an annual event created to allow international students to share their cultures and traditions. There are interesting exhibits, delicious food, and children's activities which are run by international student groups. Each Culturefest table represents a different country, region, or other student group. It is a fun event that promotes diversity and offers education on foreign cultures.

Welcome to Our New Staff

We would like to welcome our new staff to the office: Yijie Ren (Education Abroad Advisor) and Danielle Beaupré (Assistant to the Director and Front Desk Manager). To learn more about our new staff members check out their bios at: https://umaine.edu/international/oip-staff/
UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, October 22nd: Trip to Acadia
Saturday, October 29th: Umaine Football Tailgating
Saturday, November 5th: Culturefest

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