

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN'S INTERNATIONAL STUDENT NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 17, 2020



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you have enjoyed a restful and fun winter break. We hope you rang in the new decade and are looking forward to the year ahead as we are. We are excited to welcome you back to campus as we begin the Spring 2020 semester next week. We wish you safe travels as those of you who traveled over break return to West Haven.

IMPORTANT SEMESTER DATES

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES OF SPRING SEMESTER

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

END OF THE SPRING SEMESTER

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS!

The International Services Office (ISO) is eagerly awaiting your arrival. The ISO advocates for and advises the international student population at the University of New Haven on U.S. immigration and visa-related issues. The office also supports and facilitates the transition of international students to the University community.

We are excited to meet you and are here to help if you have any questions. The ISO is located at 19 Ruden Street, Lower Level. The entrance is on the right side of the building on the driveway.



REMEMBER TO CHECK IN WITH THE ISO

Document Check-in is **required** for all new F-1 and J-1 international students. Please bring the following documents to the ISO check in:

- Your passport and visa
- Your I-20 (F-1) or DS-2019 (J-1)
- Your I-94 record (Go to <https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/i94/> and click "Get Most Recent I-94")

Document Check-In can be completed at the ISO office at the following times:

- Monday, January 20, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The University will be closed, but ISO will be open for new students.
- Tuesday, January 21, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 22, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, January 23, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, January 24, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

MEET THE ISO'S NEW GRADUATE ASSISTANTS

LISANNE PRICE



"My name is Lisanne Price and I am from the beautiful island of Kingston, Jamaica. I lived in Florida for 2 years where I initiated my undergrad studies in Aeronautical Engineering, and I'm currently majoring in Mechanical Engineering. I am a Graduate Assistant (GA) at the International Student Office (ISO) and I absolutely love the UNH family and the school's atmosphere. My advice to new students is to seize all the opportunities you're given and make the most of them. I also encourage students to get involved in various campus activities and strike a balance in your college experience. One academic advise I'll also give, is to make sure you follow up closely with your professor's deadlines and utilize those office hours given by your professors. I formally welcome you to this exciting semester of Spring 2020 and I wish you all a successful year."

BUCHI NWANKWO

"Hello everyone, my name is Buchi Nwankwo and I am from the metropolitan city of Lagos, Nigeria. I gained my bachelor's degree in Computer Science at Babcock University, Nigeria and I am currently doing my Master's Degree in Cyber Security and Networks here at University of New Haven. I am currently a Graduate Assistant (GA) at the International Services Offices (ISO), and I enjoy helping students. In my leisure time, I love spending time with family and friends as well as playing video games."



BE PREPARED FOR WINTER WEATHER UPDATES

If you are a new student or you have not done not so already, we strongly recommend all students to sign up for the University's Emergency Notification System. Follow the instructions below to sign up and get informed if weather impacts the University schedule.




- Go to **myCHARGER**
- Click on **Public Safety** on the left toolbar of the homepage
- In the section titled. "**Emergency Text Notification**", verify and update your information linked [here](#).
- Emergency Notifications are made to the contact information provided in your official student record in Banner, so be sure that your accurate contact information is on record.

UPCOMING EVENT


ANNUAL MYATT CENTER FOR DIVERSITY & INCLUSION
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY LECTURE

DECOLONIZING THICK BLACK FEMALE BODIES

WITH DR. KAMILLE GENTLES-PEART
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATION & MEDIA STUDIES AT ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY



THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020
4:30 PM
MYATT CENTER FOR DIVERSITY & INCLUSION



University of New Haven
MYATT CENTER FOR DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Every year, the Myatt Center for Diversity and Inclusion hosts a lecture in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. In honor of Dr. King, we will be hosting Dr. Kamille Gentles-Peart, Associate Professor of Communications and Media at Roger Williams University on **Thursday, January 30, 2020**. The event will begin at **4:30 pm in the Myatt Center**. The title of the lecture is: "Decolonizing Thick Black Female Bodies."

Many Black women in the African diaspora report a preference and desire for a "thick" body - curvy bodies with hips, and round, prominent buttocks. However, thick Black female bodies are

simultaneously perceived and treated as monstrous, deviant, and unfeminine in white supremacist discourses. Answering Black feminists' call to decolonize Black women's bodies from race-gender oppressions, this talk considers how everyday Black women in the U.S. participate in emancipating "thick" Black female bodies from colonialist and racist ideologies.

REMEMBERING MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The time is always right to do what is right.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.



Martin Luther King Day is celebrated on Monday, January 20, 2020. It is a federal holiday in the U.S. that celebrates the life and achievements of Martin Luther King Jr., an influential American civil rights leader. He is most well-known for his campaigns to end racial segregation on public transport and for racial equality in the United States. The University of New Haven will be closed on Monday in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

SAVE THE DATE FOR NEW STUDENT EVENTS

NEW STUDENT WELCOME LUNCHEON & VISA SESSION

Friday, January 24
10:00 AM- 2:00 PM

Beckerman Recreation Center
Mandatory for new international students

CAMPUS TOUR TREASURE HUNT

Friday, January 24
2:00- 3:00 PM

Meet in Beckerman Lobby at 2:00

BUS TRIP TO CT POST MALL

Saturday, January 25
2:00-5:30 PM

Meet in front of Maxcy Hall at 2:00 p.m. Register via your Accepted Student Portal or email iso@newhaven.edu to sign up

NEW STUDENT WELCOME PARTY

Saturday, January 25
2:00-5:30 PM

Alumni Lounge, Bartels Hall
Register via your Accepted Student Portal or email iso@newhaven.edu to sign up

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GLOBAL STUDENT LEADERS' WALK-IN HOURS

Got questions? Not sure where to go for answers?

Stop by the ISO at 19 Ruden Street, Lower Level during Global Student Leaders' walk-in hours every day during the first 2 weeks of classes to speak with current students for help and advice!

MON. JANUARY 27

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.



TUES. JANUARY 28

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.



WED. JANUARY 29

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.



THURS. JANUARY 30

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.



FRI. JANUARY 31

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.



MON. FEBRUARY 3

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.



TUES. FEBRUARY 4

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.



WED. FEBRUARY 5

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.



THURS. FEBRUARY 6

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



FRI. FEBRUARY 7

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.



YEAR OF THE RAT

THE CHINESE STUDENT & SCHOLAR ASSOCIATION
INVITES YOU TO A

Chinese New Year Festival



Join us to enjoy food, music, dancing,
Kung Fu, games and more!

JANUARY 31, 2020 | FRIDAY
4 PM - 6 PM. BUCKNALL THEATRE