



Hello International Students and Friends,

We can't believe that the second half semester has already started! Are you excited about the spooky season? There are some interesting events and other important information for this week. Take a look below and check them out!

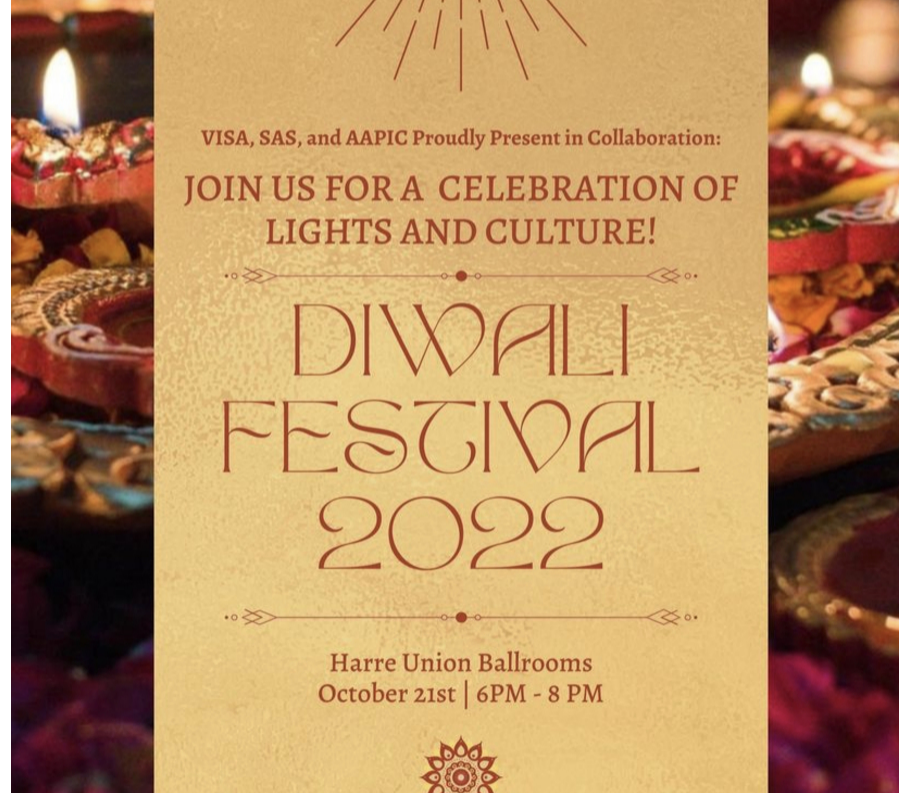
See you soon!

[The OIP](#)

Diwali Fest Tonight

VISA, AAPIC, and SAS are going to host a Diwali festival of lights tonight at 6 pm at Harre Union Ballroom A, B, and C! There will be night performances, food, and fun!

If you want to win Mr. and Ms. Diwali, don't forget to wear your favorite cultural garb to the celebration! Come join us tonight!



Coffee & Conversation

Our next coffee and conversation is **Wednesday, October 26th from 2 to 3 pm**. If you want to connect with your fellow classmates and community members, it is such a great opportunity. Stop by the international student lounge next week!



Drop-In Badminton

The ARC is setting up a time for drop-in badminton on Sundays for this semester, and we mentioned that in the email on September 23.

Unfortunately, the ARC had to cut out some of the times due to men's basketball and women's basketball games, but there are still some times that you can play badminton with your friends!

Check the new flyer below and have fun with badminton!



Thanksgiving Break Housing

If you are an international student who needs break housing during the thanksgiving break, don't forget to submit an application form on [Data VU](#).

Log onto Data VU and select "Housing Self-Service." Then, go to the "Applications" tab and select "Thanksgiving Break Housing Application."

Remember, the application is due by 5 pm on Monday, November 7th. [Click here](#) for more information.



OPT & CPT Workshops

As a friendly reminder, [OPT](#) and [CPT](#) workshops are coming up soon in a few weeks. Please attend one of these workshops if you are interested.

The last OPT workshop is on **November 1st**. Don't forget that you must attend an OPT workshop before you apply. It will be the last chance! Check the flyer below for more information.

OPT & CPT WORKSHOPS

-  **OPT WORKSHOPS**
 - November 1.....3 PM
-  **CPT WORKSHOPS**
 - November 4.....3 PM
 - November 10.....2 PM

 Suite 200 Multipurpose Room, the former Gandhi-King Center




Career Center

As we get closer to the end of the semester, there are many opportunities to prepare your resume for interviews. [The Career Center at Valpo](#) provides the following events in November:

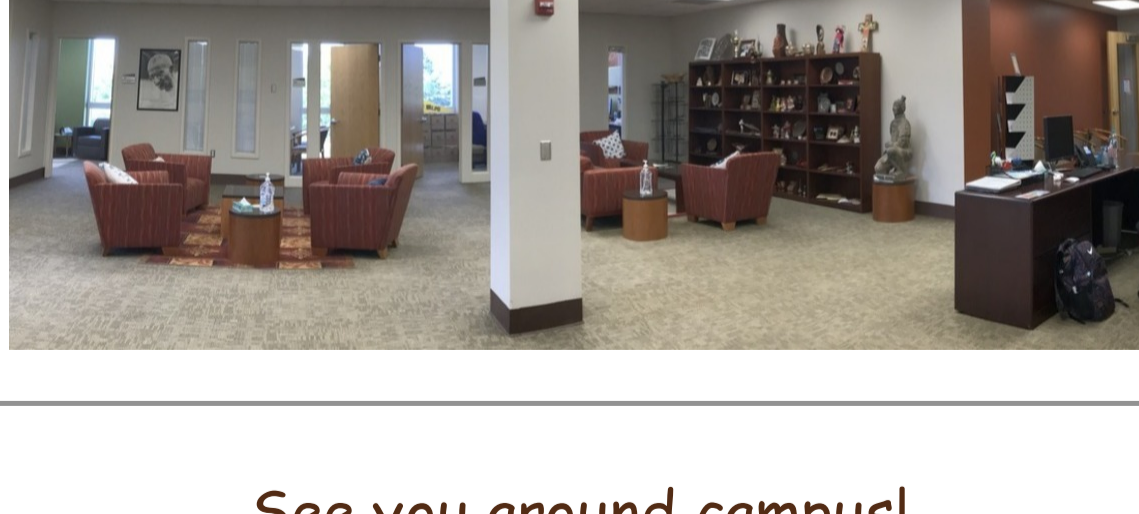
- 11/1: Interview 101 Workshop, 6 PM
- 11/7 - 11/11: Virtual Mock Interview Week
- 11/9: LinkedIn 101 Workshop, 6 PM.

These are great opportunities, and we recommend you attend them if you are interested in working in the US. [Click here](#) to check more information about the events.



OIP Hours

OIP office is located at **Harre Union Suite 250**. Stop by to pick up documents, make an appointment, or just chat between **9 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday**.



See you around campus!