

International Student Retention Services

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Welcome Back BBQ
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International Student Orientation

The Office of International Student Retention Services (OISRS) has scheduled **August 14th** as the date for our 2009 Fall International Student Orientation. The Orientation will take place in the **Bur-russ Building (Business Building) in Room 152** from **9:30 AM - 3:00 PM**. Please plan to arrive at least 15 minutes early for sign-up and registration. Light snacks and a pizza lunch will be provided.

Orientation is required for ALL incoming Summer and Fall International students as you will be getting very important information regarding your status in KSU as well as meeting other international students and staff from important KSU offices you will need during your stay at KSU. You will also get a chance to meet and interact with members of the International Student Association and other international students.

Please remember that this orientation is Mandatory for all international students even if you are a transfer student from another institution in the United States.

This international orientation is different from the General University ones that are being held throughout the summer. So if you attended any of those sessions, you will still need to attend the orientation on the 14th of August.

Also, if you are a returning KSU student (moving from undergraduate and starting graduate school), let me know because you may be exempt from the orientation since you already went through an earlier orientation.

Please contact Catherine Odera at codera1@kennesaw.edu or our Administrative Specialist, Melissa McMahon, at mmm5228@kennesaw.edu if you have any additional questions about this orientation or have any initial needs as you prepare to start at Kennesaw State University. You will receive additional emails as with further information about the orientation.

Global Village

The Global Village is the place for international students to relax, socialize, use computers, and study. The Global Village is located in room 255 in the Student Center. The Global Village will soon house a resource library with international books, films, and other audio-visual materials.



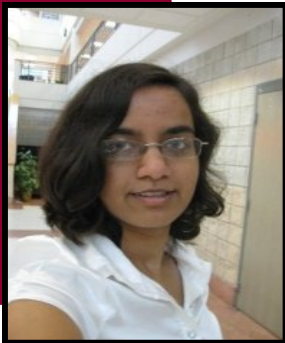
International Student Association (ISA)



ISA 's International
Fashion Show

*“A journey of a
thousand miles
must begin with a
first step”
~ Lao Tzu*

Dhanashree
Thorat is a
Sophomore
international stu-
dent from
India



ISA encourages intercultural, social, and athletic exchange among students of all nationalities.

ISA's mission is to develop global awareness and create a sense of belonging to members on campus through a series of activities and programs of an international nature.

The organization hosts a multitude of events throughout the semester: International Bazaar, International Fashion Show, Breaking Barriers Discussion Series are just a few of our events.

Student Center room 370.

www.freewebs.com/kennesawisa We are also on Facebook!

International Students Association (KSU Chapter)

Important Websites

1. **Housing:** <http://www.kennesaw.edu/residencelife/prospective.htm>
2. **International Student Association:**
www.freewebs.com/kennesawisa/
3. **Health Clinic (Immunizations etc):**
http://www.kennesaw.edu/col_hhs/hc/
4. **Health Insurance (Pearce and Pearce):**
<http://www.studentinsurance.com/>
5. **Office of International Services and Program
(Mr. Julio Espana's Office):**
www.kennesaw.edu/globalinstitute/oisp/index.htm &
www.kennesaw.edu/admissions/internationaladmissions.html

Village Voice ~ Get to know your Global Villager

When I first came to the United States, it was the first time I had ever been outside of India. I was excited to be here but also a little nervous and apprehensive. The International Students Association played an invaluable role in helping me feel at home the very first few months I was here —I loved attending ISA meetings and learning about diverse cultures and I made new friends from so many different countries!