

# METRO INTERNATIONAL

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## NewsMemo Update for May 1, 2007

### Upcoming Network Meeting for International Educators

DATE: Tuesday, May 8, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: The New School  
Graduate Faculty of Political & Social Sciences Building  
65 Fifth Avenue (between 13 & 14 Streets)  
Wolff Conference Room, 2nd Floor

TOPIC: Integrating International Students: Creating Connections

*Join this roundtable discussion, and come prepared to discuss opportunities on your campus for international students to become more fully integrated with the campus and community.*

CHAIR: Susan M. Fitzgerald, Fairfield University

Metro International's Monthly Network Meeting is sponsored by  
International Education Training Services:

*Training to Serve the World's Students*

### Metro International Celebrates 30 Years!

We look forward to having many of you with us as we celebrate Metro International's Fulbright Awards Dinner on June 4th at the Waldorf=Astoria. As you know, Metro International's Membership Network is at the core of everything we have accomplished, and we want all of you to be there. We are so grateful to the following institutions who have already pledged their support for this milestone occasion:

Academy for Educational Development, Adelphi University, AFS-USA, American Institute for Foreign Study, Barnard College, Berkeley College, Bloomfield College, Bronx Community College, College of Staten Island, Columbia University ISSO, Dowling College, Educational Housing Services, Inc., ETS, Fairfield University, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Fashion Institute of Technology, Fordham University, Fordham University International Services, Hofstra University, Hunter College, Institute of International Education, Kingsborough Community College, Lehman College, Long Island University, Manhattanville College, Marymount Manhattan College, Medgar Evers College, Mountbatten Internship Programme, NAFSA, New York Language Center, New York University, Pace University, Pratt Institute, Ramapo College of New Jersey, Seton Hall University, St. Francis College, Stony Brook University, SUNY Buffalo, Teachers College, Columbia University, The City University of New York, The Cooper Union, The Graduate Center, CUNY, World Education Services.

Thank you for all that you do in support of international education, and we hope you plan to be with us to celebrate on June 4th. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Metro International's Director of Development Katie Miele at (212) 431-1195 ext. 28 or [kmiele@metrointl.org](mailto:kmiele@metrointl.org).



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## **Metro Launches Online Survey - For You!**

It is time for Metro International to hear from you! To strive for ongoing excellent services, we are launching an online survey of needs and services, which is a follow up to the membership focus group we conducted in the fall. You will receive an online survey from Metro International shortly, and we look forward to receiving your input.

## **Metro Sets Sail on Saturday, May 12th - Tickets are Sold Out!**

A special thanks for member institutions for terrific group sales: Bronx Community College, Mountbatten Internship Programme, Nassau Community College, New Jersey Institute of Technology, New York Institute of Technology, New York Language Center, School of Visual Arts, and Teachers College, Columbia University.

## **Get Ready for Summer: Help Yourself to Housing & International Student's Guide**

Plan for summer arrivals with the ever popular Metro International publications for your new international students! Packed with information and perfect for fitting into backpacks for easy carrying, these two books provide essential tips and advice for international students. *Help Yourself to Housing* will be invaluable to students searching for a place to live, and *The International Students' Guide to Living in New York City* is packed with essential information on how to get settled in New York City. Take advantage of our fantastic 30th Anniversary Discounts! Discounts are even deeper if you purchase a discount package with copies of both publications. *For more information on ordering Metro International's publications, contact Charlise Washington at [cwashington@metrointl.org](mailto:cwashington@metrointl.org) or 212-431-1195 ext. 21.*

## **Programs for International Students**

**Metro International's Spring Calendar is online at [www.metrointl.org/calendar](http://www.metrointl.org/calendar).**

Metro's upcoming student events are listed below. Help your students round out their academic experience by letting them know about Metro International's programs! All programs can be found by accessing the calendar online at [www.metrointl.org/calendar](http://www.metrointl.org/calendar).

### **Community Visit: Celebrate Shabbat with a Local Jewish Community**

Experience the Jewish tradition of a Friday evening Shabbat dinner. Glimpse into the lives of Jewish New Yorkers as they share with you the creative traditions, history and values that are celebrated and cherished during this weekly holiday. (May 4, \$12)

### **Twilight Cruise Around Manhattan - Sold Out!**

Encourage your students to sign up for the waiting list for the Twilight Cruise, so they might have the chance to enjoy the beautiful Manhattan skyline and join us for a night to remember on Metro International's Twilight Cruise. This floating party is one of our most popular events! Celebrate the end of the semester by dancing the night away on a ship with over 500 international students, American students, and other Metro friends. (May 12, Sold Out - Register to sign up for the waiting list!)

## Metro Delegates Attend 2007 Naval Academy Conference

Was your school represented at the 2007 Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference? Take a look at this year's Metro International delegation - they did an outstanding job of representing their countries, your institutions, and Metro at this intensive four-day conference on international affairs!

### **College of Staten Island**

Qimei Luo, China  
Arishna Ramphal, Guyana  
Ismael Yacoubou Djima, Benin

### **Columbia University**

Dominic Mentor, South Africa  
Sjoukje van der Meulen, The Netherlands  
Tom Vandebosch, Belgium  
Edward Wee, Singapore

### **Florida Institute of Technology**

Zeeshan-ul-hassan Usmani, Pakistan

### **Fordham University**

Kevin Chua, Philippines

### **Mountbatten Internship Programme**

Leon Bancroft, United Kingdom

### **New Jersey Institute of Technology**

Satyaki Sen, India

### **The New School**

Haider AbdulRazak, Iraq  
Ellaha Shaheen, Afghanistan

### **New York University**

Martin Ebeling, Germany

### **Pace University**

Vivien Yuan, China

### **Saint Michael's College**

Dilini C. Walisuhdara, Sri Lanka

### **Stony Brook University**

Christopher Marai, Canada  
Shuai Shao, China

### **United Nations Intern**

Yeasin Arafat, Bangladesh

### **University of Syracuse**

Paul Hubbard, Australia

### **University of Toronto**

Paul Marai, Canada

### **Yale University**

Chuan-wei (Andy) Hu, Taiwan

## Enrichment Program Report—April

Each month, Metro International reports on student participation and school representation for our monthly enrichment programs. Here is a look at our April participation.

### **Community Visit: Easter Weekend in Pennsylvania ~ April 6 - 8, 2007**

American Language Institute, NYU (3)	Mountbatten Internship Programme (2)	Pace University
Bergen Community College	New Jersey Institute of Technology	Rutgers University
Columbia University (4)	New York University	The Graduate Center, CUNY
Hunter College (3)		

### **Fulbright Visit to Albany, the State Capital (A Fulbright Program) ~ April 17 - 18, 2007**

Baruch College	New York Public Library	Queens Borough Public Library
Columbia University (4)	New York University	Rutgers University (2)
Indiana University	Pace University	Teachers College, Columbia University
The New School		

## Enjoy the Great Outdoors: A Fulbright Camping Trip ~ April 21 - 22, 2007

Columbia University

The New School

Rutgers University

Fairleigh Dickinson University

New York University

Teachers College, Columbia University

## MetroWalk: Hiking in Harriman Park ~ April 28, 2007

Bergen Community College

International Center (7)

The New School (2)

Columbia University (6)

Mountbatten Internship Programme (7)

New York University (4)

The Graduate Center, CUNY

New Jersey Institute of Technology (2)

Teachers College, Columbia University

Hunter College

## Don't Forget These Upcoming Dates

Friday, April 27

Extended Deadline for Session/Workshop Proposal for the NAFSA Region X Conference in Brooklyn, NY (November 11-13, 2007)

Friday, May 4

Community Visit: Celebrate Shabbat with a Local Jewish Community

Tuesday, May 8

Metro International Network Meeting

Saturday, May 12

Twilight Cruise Around Manhattan

Monday-Thursday, May 28-31

NAFSA 2007 Annual Conference & Expo in Minneapolis, MN

Monday, June 4

Metro International's 30th Anniversary Fulbright Awards Dinner

Tuesday, June 12

Metro International Network Meeting

Thursday, June 21

NAFSA New Jersey/New York Downstate Meeting at Keane University

### ABOUT METRO INTERNATIONAL

*Metro International promotes a more peaceful world by bringing Americans and international students together through one-of-a-kind programs in communities, classrooms, homes and businesses with the goal of creating active citizens in a global society. Metro International was founded in 1977 to provide international undergraduate and graduate students with a bridge between their isolated campus environments and the broader New York community. Out of this early effort grew a series of orientation programs and publications designed to help international students cope with the unique demands of living and studying in New York City. Thirty years later, Metro International continues to offer a wide array of programs and services that encourage face-to-face personal interaction that transforms citizens of many nations into citizens of one world.*