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1 Network Meeting

Hiring Students for OPT: What Employers Need to Know (Including J1 rules)

Chair: Sal Longarino, Director - Office for International Services, Fordham University

Guest Presenter: Marilyn Soto, HRIS Supervisor - Office of Human Resource Management, Fordham University

A major issue for some International Educators is how to interface with our institution's Human Resources / Payroll Offices. Marilyn Soto from the Human Resources Office at Fordham and Sal Longarino from the Office of International Students at Fordham will address shared concerns, especially the role of an I-9. They will provide their new I-9

Handbook, which was co-written by both offices.

DATE: Tuesday, April 8, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: The New School
 Graduate Faculty of Political & Social Sciences Building
 65 Fifth Avenue (between 13th & 14th Streets)
 Wolff Conference Room, 2nd Floor
TOPIC: Hiring Students for OPT: What Employers Need to Know (Including J1 Regulations)

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2 Metro Membership News

*2008 Fulbright Awards Dinner

Metro International is celebrating 31 years of creating global citizens and inspiring a peaceful world this year. **And we are finally changing our name!** The new name will be publicly launched at this year's Fulbright Awards Dinner, our annual benefit event, on **Thursday, June 5, 2008** at the Waldorf=Astoria and we want you all to be there!

You should have already received a letter about this extraordinary occasion. The Fulbright Awards Dinner is a crucial component of Metro International's annual development plan, so anything you can do to help ensure your institution's support would be greatly appreciated.

Each year a larger number of institutional members purchase tickets or tables, take advertisements in our event journal, and send representatives to the event (including college presidents, other administrators, international education professionals, faculty members, and students). Many thanks to you for helping to make the case for this support on your campus - we couldn't do it without you! If there is anything we can do to facilitate the outreach you do on our behalf, please contact Metro International's staff member Jennifer Zanowiak at (212) 431-1195 ext. 27 or jzanowiak@metrointl.org - and please mark your calendars!

*Metro International 2008 Council of Presidential Advisors

Metro International is pleased to announce the 2008 Council of Presidential Advisors which was formally created last year to serve as the official body of college and university presidents whose name and prestige brings increased visibility to Metro International's unique and vital role. Thanks to the effort of Metro International Board member J. Michael Adams, President of Fairleigh Dickinson University, we are thrilled to have the support of 21 new institutions as members of the Council! With the leadership of these 39 institutions, we hope to enable Metro International to better serve the international students and Fulbright scholars in the tri-state area:

Adelphi University

Monmouth University

Baruch College

Monroe College

Bronx Community College

New Brunswick Theological Seminary

ELS Language Centers	New Jersey City University
Fairfield University	New Jersey Institute of Technology
Fairleigh Dickinson University	New York Institute of Technology
Farmingdale State College- CUNY	Pace University
Fashion Institute of Technology	Pratt Institute
Felician College	Ramapo College of New Jersey
Fordham University	Rider University
Hofstra University	Queensborough Community College- CUNY
Hostos Community College	SUNY College at Old Westbury
Hunter College	SUNY College of Optometry
Lehman College- CUNY	St. Francis College
Long Island University	Saint Peter's College
Manhattan School of Music	Stony Brook University
Manhattanville College	The City College of New York- CUNY
Marymount Manhattan College	The Graduate Center- CUNY
Medgar Evers College	William Paterson University of New Jersey
Mercer County Community College	

If your school is not on this list and you would like to ensure that your institution signals its recognition of Metro International's important service to your students, please contact Jennifer Zanolwiak at (212) 431-1195 ext. 27 or jzanowiak@metrointl.org for more information.

***Make Waves at Metro's Twilight Cruise 2008**

It is that time of the year again and Metro has begun preparations for our blow-out end of the year cruise!

You and your students are invited to celebrate the end of the semester on Metro's private 3-hour cruise on **Saturday, May 10th!** Enjoy spectacular views of Manhattan while dancing the night away with over 500 international students, Fulbrighters, international student advisors and Metro friends!

Take advantage of the special group rate of \$25.00 per person for Metro International Network Members organizing a group of 15 or more participants through the international student office! **Group sales requests must be received**

no later than MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2008. (Please note: Space is limited and we can only guarantee group tickets in the quantity requested prior to April 14, 2008).

Please also note, if we have not received payment for your reserved group tickets by Friday, April 25th, your reserved tickets will be released and opened to general sales. Group Tickets will only be mailed to you upon receipt of payment.

For insurance purposes, Metro International will need a list of everyone in attendance, so please keep a record of every student who buys tickets. We ask that this list be sent to us no later than Monday, May 5th

Students are also welcome to register directly through Metro International for the regular student price of \$30.00 per person. They can register on line at: <http://www.metrointl.org/calendar/index.html>

We hope to see you and your students at this fabulous event that has become a Metro Tradition!

All Group Sales Requests go to:

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***2009 Ford Motor Company International Scholarship**

The 2009 Ford Motor Company International Fellowship of the 92nd Street Y, the world's first global Jewish community and cultural center, is now accepting applications from community leaders who are citizens and residents of Azerbaijan; the Baltic States of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania; Cambodia; Ethiopia; Israel; Liberia; and Uruguay. Applications must be postmarked, faxed, or emailed by June 30, 2008 to be considered. Please distribute the below brochures and applications to students you think would benefit from this wonderful opportunity.

Click to download:

[OUTREACH LETTER](#)
[SCHOLARSHIP BROCHURE](#)
[APPLICATION](#)

***Metro Publications - Get ready for the Summer Semester Arrivals*
Special Sale Prices !**

Now is the time to order our ever-popular publications for your international students who will be arriving to your campuses this summer. *Help Yourself to Housing* will be invaluable to students searching for a place to stay, 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 Metro's deals for institutional members and the bulk rate discounts! For more information on Metro's publications, contact Liza Stark at liza@metrointl.org or (212) 431-1195 x21 or complete the [publication order form](#) and fax it to (212) 941-6291.

***Encourage Your Student's to check out Metro's April Program Pick:**

Earth Day Celebration: Guided Sail down the Hudson River

Saturday, April 26th, 2008

Emerge from winter hibernation, enjoy the beauty of spring and celebrate Earth Day the Metro way!

Commemorate **Earth Day** with a three-hour guided environmental sail down the Hudson River on a historic sloop (Dutch sailboat). Discover the beauty and history of the Hudson Valley. Learn about the river's ecosystem, the problems plaguing the river and the power of community activism to revive a troubled ecosystem.

Click **HERE** to download a student registration form. Students can also register online at <http://www.metrointl.org/calendar/index.html>. For more information, please contact Coordinator of Enrichment Programs, Jessica Coffey at jcoffey@metrointl.org.

* Our 2008 Spring Calendar is available on line and all of the Spring Program Registration forms are available at: <http://www.metrointl.org/calendar/index.html> .

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3 Program Reports - Check out our March Student Participation--Was your School Represented?

1. Campus-to-Career: Employment Workshop, March 1, 2008

College of Staten Island	1
Columbia University	1
CUNY	4
Fashion Institute of Technology	4
Hunter College	1
New Jersey Institute of Technology	2
New York University	5
New York University Law School	1
New York University-ALI	1
Rutgers University	1
School of Visual Arts	6
Stevens Institute of Technology	1
The Graduate Center/CUNY	1

2. Fulbright Evening at the 69th Armory, March 11, 2008

The New School	2
Columbia University	4
Hunter College	1
Baruch College	1
New York University	1
Rutgers University	2

3. NYC Federal Reserve Tour & Lunch with a Former Senior Official, March 13, 2008

Baruch College	1
College of Staten Island	1
Columbia University	6
CPLC Education Center	1
Dowling College	1
Fairleigh Dickson University	1
NJIT	1
New York University	4
Polytechnic University	1
Rutgers University	1
Queens College	1
StonyBrook University	2
CUNY/Graduate Center	1
The New School	1

4. A Fulbright Visit: the Metropolitan Musuem and Private Collection, March 16, 20008

Cornell University	2
Columbia University	3
Fox Chase Cancer Center	1
Laban/Bartenieff Inst. of Movement Studies	1
New York Medical Center	1
New York University	2
Pennsylvania State University	1
Rockefeller University	1
Rutger University	1
Stony Brook University	1
Yale University	2
Yeshiva University	1

5. Easter in Pennsylvania, March 21-23, 2008

Baruch College	1
Columbia University	6
Fairfield University	2
Mountbatten Internship	1
NJIT	1
New York University	3
NYLC	1
Pace University	1
Polytechnic University	1
Pratt Institute	1
Stony Brook University	2

6. Campus to Career: Job Shadowing, March 28, 2008

A special thanks to the Network for all of your outreach for this program - we had a huge student turn-out!

Adelphi University	2
Bergen County	1
Community College	
CSI	1
Columbia University	3
CUNY	6
ELS	10
Fairleigh Dickinson	
University	1
Fashion Institute of	
Technology	3
Nassau Community College	1
NJIT	1
NYU	8
Pratt Institute	1
School of Visual Arts	1
Stony Brook University	1
SUNY Binghamton	1
The New School	1

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4 Upcoming International Student Programs

Forward this section on to your student listservs!

Earth Day Celebration: Sail Down the Hudson River

Commemorate Earth Day with a three-hour guided environmental sail down the Hudson River on a historic sloop (Dutch sailboat). Discover the beauty and history of the Hudson Valley. Learn about the river's ecosystem, the problems plaguing the river and the power of community activism to revive a troubled ecosystem.

DATE: Saturday, April 26, 2008
TIME: 10:00am- 1:00pm (Approximately)
LOCATION: Peekskill, New York (Meeting details will be provided closer to the date of the program).
COST: \$43.00 per person (includes: Discounted Round-trip Metro North Train Ride \$12.00 and Discounted Private Sail \$31.00)
REGISTER: REGISTER NOW: For additional information and registration go to www.metrointl.org/calendar or contact Jessica Coffey at 212-431-1195, ext. 24 or email jcoffey@metrointl.org.

Community Visit: Celebrate Shabbat

Experience the Jewish tradition of a Friday evening dinner-Shabbat. 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. Enjoy a traditional oneg, a reception held after the Shabbat services with members of the Congregation B'nai Jeshurun.

DATE: Friday, May 2, 2008
TIME: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm (Approximately)
LOCATION: Manhattan (Specific details will be emailed to you closer to the program date.)
COST: \$12 per person
REGISTER: REGISTER NOW: For additional information and registration, please go to www.metrointl.org/calendar or contact Jessica Coffey at 212-431-1195, ext. 24 or email jcoffey@metrointl.org.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 25

Sakura Matsuri (Cherry Blossom Festival)

Experience the Brooklyn Botanic Garden's 27th annual Cherry Blossom Festival, Sakura Matsuri. Meet new people while enjoying Japanese music and dance, J-pop performances, taiko drumming, samurai sword fighting, Ikebana flower arranging, traditional tea ceremonies, and much more!

DATE: Saturday, May 3, 2008
TIME: 11:30am- 3:00pm (Approximately)
LOCATION: Brooklyn (Meeting details will be provided closer to the date of the program).
COST: \$10 per person
REGISTER: REGISTER NOW: For additional information and registration go to www.metrointl.org/calendar or contact Jessica Coffey at 212-431-1195, ext. 24 or email jcoffey@metrointl.org.

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Suggestions on how this announcement can be made more useful for you and your students - or requests to be removed from this list, can be sent to katya@metrointl.org.

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