

All The Nations

Hope International University

A publication of International Student Programs Lawson-Fulton Hall 2nd Floor

Out With a Bang!

[out with a bang: informal American idiom meaning “to end successfully or well”]

You shove aside the piles of papers, books, articles, syllabi, and review sheets and lay your head on your desk. “Oh,” you groan, “How am I going to get through all this?!” It’s the end of the year, and in just a few days you’ll be free for the summer – but surrounded by piles and piles of work it is hard to imagine yourself finally free . . . Instead, you can’t stop dreaming about your newest vocabulary list, your final presentation or your exegesis paper . . .

Never fear . . . you will survive! Countless of students have gone before you, felt the same things and have survived – victorious! Countless more students will come after you and feel the same things you’re feeling now. Remember what Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes 1:9-10? “What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun. Is there anything of which one can say, ‘Look! This is something new’? It was here already, long ago; it was here before our time.”

The good news is that we also don’t have to handle these trials, suffering, and struggles on our own! Don’t forget as you yell at computers that mysteriously erase your papers that you have a great Friend who wants to share your burdens

with you. It is well worth your time to stop, pray to God for help and strength, and be renewed in Jesus’ love for you. His desire is for you to grow and learn to live in His strength even as you feel overwhelmed. And through Him, you can have the strength to finish this semester out with a bang!

Graduation...



5 Ways to stay on the top of the *Rush*:

- Eat a healthy breakfast, *which is* Fruits, nuts, and oats. Anything more is too heavy.
- Finish every assignment. For it is better to finish than to start.
- Prepare for the days coming. You will feel joyous.
- Get a head start on sleep. You will need every minute of the hour for a days study.
- It will calm you to take deep breaths. So don’t forget to breathe.

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Immigration Corner

Well, it's almost time for finals, and in the rush of cramming, studying and finishing reports you see a few glimpses of summer freedom that lays beyond May 20th! Before you leave campus in a rush, don't forget the following immigration responsibilities so that you may stay in status as an international student!

Report any address changes: Are you planning on moving off campus this summer? Are you spending most of the summer out of state? If you leave your current residence for more than 4 weeks, you are required to report your new US address to the ISP Office. Not doing so could negatively affect your immigration status!

No Off-Campus Work: Remember that unless you hold a valid EAD card from the U.S. Government, international students are not allowed to work off-campus . . . even during the summer. Instead, think of the summer vacation as plenty of time to catch up on that beauty rest . . .

Apply for OPT: Last call for OPT Applications! If you're planning on graduation this May, be sure to apply for OPT as soon as possible! You will not be eligible to apply after May 19th.

Check your documents before traveling: If you plan to leave the U.S. this summer, please be sure your I-20 has been signed within the last 6 months and your visa and passport are valid. Feel free to stop by the ISP Office for a Travel Checklist to be sure you have everything you need to return safely to the U.S.



A Day of Hope

On May 6th, the Hope Carnival will be back in business. It will be hosting a day of fun for amazing kids at UCI hospital. Come sign up at the information desk located inside the Lawson-Fulton Student Center or call (714) 519-8554. Make a child smile, and serve.



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Spirit Week at Hope

Monday May 1: Disney Day



Tuesday May 2: Crazy Hair Day



Wednesday May 3: 80's Day

Thursday May 4: High School Day

Friday May 5: El Cinco De Mayo



1 Corinthians
13:4
"Love is
patient and
kind. Love is
not jealous, it
does not brag,
and it is not
proud."

Let us Remember these things.

The Meet and Greet Café!



Meet: Tze-Chain Lin (Chen)

Age: 18

Birthplace: Tai Pei, Taiwan

Study: Business Marketing

Goal: Be a fluent Spanish speaker
and work as a fashion specialist
on the East Coast.

The last movie you saw, "Eyes wide shut," "Walk the line," and, "all three Austin Powers, I bought them last week."

What do you enjoy most about HIU?
"The People."

Hobbies? "I enjoy shopping, adventures, traveling (Amtrak), and hanging out unique Japanese markets, eating and reading through fashion magazines."

Religion? "I don't really believe in one religion. But, my family is Buddhist."

Will you be doing any traveling over this summer? "Yeah, I might go home, to Taiwan. My parents would like to see me."