

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

E-Newsletter



WELCOME STUDENTS!

Whether you are a new student or are returning from break, the International Programs (IP) Office would like to extend our warmest welcome to you as you begin a new journey here at Seattle Colleges!

The E-Newsletter is our PRIMARY way of keeping you well informed!

It is a great way to get updates so you never miss out on important announcements. From immigration regulations and academic policies, to workshops, job opportunities, and fun events on and off campus!

From the IP Office — we wish you all a wonderful quarter!

International Programs Office Hours:

Our campus offices are open on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday until January 31st with limited in-person services from 10am-3pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING COVID, VACCINES AND ON CAMPUS RETURN:

- In the interests of everyone's health and safety, Seattle Colleges has chosen to be a [fully vaccinated campus per Governor Inslee's higher education proclamation](#). **This requires all students, staff, and faculty to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.** An individual is considered fully vaccinated [two weeks after receiving the final dose of the vaccine](#). Exemptions to this requirement may be granted for medical or sincerely held religious reasons.
- All students are required to report their vaccination status or file for an exemption to register for classes. **Students who do not report their vaccination status or claim an exemption will not be allowed to register for classes until they have reported their status or file an exemption.**
- Seattle Colleges is returning to some in-person services. However, due to the constant changes with COVID and state regulations, it is important to keep up to date with the latest information. Below are some resources for students on what to expect at Seattle Colleges:
 - A [PDF document with instructions about how to report your vaccine status](#) is also available. Refer to [this PDF for information about requesting an exemption](#).

- Pop-up Vaccination Clinics at our colleges: <https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/welcome-back-campus>
- Covid procedures: <https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/coronavirus/current-covid-19-procedures>
- Latest news: <https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/coronavirus/covid-19-general-district-updates>
- International Student Updates: <https://intl.seattlecolleges.edu/coronavirus>
- Return to Campus: <https://intl.seattlecolleges.edu/return-to-campus>



IMPORTANT! - Update your Contact Information:

Your address, phone number, and email must be kept current in our database to maintain legal F-1 student status in the US. If your address, phone number, and email have changed, please update it online in your **ctcLink student account**.

How to update your contact information on ctcLink:

<https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/media/481>

SCDGlobal:

SCDGlobal is where students can go to submit their immigration and insurance requests such as: an enrollment letter, a vacation quarter, purchasing or waiving insurance, or a replacement of lost/damaged I-20 online

To access SCDGlobal go to this website:

<https://iom.seattlecolleges.edu/istart/controllers/start/start.cfm>

To login use your Seattle Colleges Email (firstname.lastname) for the username and email password to log in. Example Email: snow.white@seattlecolleges.edu = snow.white

*If you do not have Seattle Colleges email or you forgot your password, please click here to activate your account or reset your password.

Online Check-In through SCDGlobal:

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Important*

All new students are required to complete the Online Check after arriving in the United States (for those who were able to enter the US this quarter) and prior to the start of the quarter.

1. To start your Pre-Arrival Online Check-In, click here: [Student Portal](#)
2. You will log in with your student ID number, your date of birth and your Limited Access Pin. If you don't know what your Limited Access Pin is, in the bottom of the page you can click on: [E-mail me my Limited Access PIN](#)

On-Campus Employment - F-1 Employment Basics and Eligibility:

- F-1 Students are eligible to work on campus for 20 hours a week during the quarter. An F-1 student may, however, work on campus full-time when school is not in session or during their annual vacation. [8 CFR 214.2(f)(9)(i)]. Seattle College only allows part-time employees to work 16 hours per week.
- F-1 Students are NOT allowed to work off campus without prior approval from a DSO with the IP Office or US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

Handshake

Please check with the International Programs Office before applying for any jobs. International students CAN work on campus, for up to 16 hours a week on any Seattle Colleges campus. F-1 visa holders can only work off campus in special circumstances and always need permission before they start working. If you need to work off campus to complete a course requirement, please contact your International Programs office.



Important Dates and Deadlines

Jan 4	College & SCIE	Quarter begins
Jan 10	College	Last day to withdraw with 100% refund (SCIE Refund Policies here)

Jan 18	College	Last day to add/register – instructor permission required. Last day to change audit/credit status without instructor permission
Jan 18	College	Last day to withdraw without a "W" appearing on the transcript
Jan 24	College	Last day to withdraw with 50% refund – instructor permission required
Feb 25	College	Last day to withdraw with NO refund – instructor permission required. Last day to change audit/credit status – instructor permission required.
Feb 7	College	Registration Begins for Returning Students
Feb 14	College	Registration Begins for New Students
Mar 11	SCIE	Quarter Ends
TBD	College & SCIE	Tuition payment deadline for previously registered students
Mar 23	College	Quarter Ends
Mar 30	College & SCIE	Grades Available
Apr 4	College & SCIE	First day of Spring Quarter 2022

SCIE - Seattle Colleges Institute of English Class Notice:

Reminder — there are no student-initiated changes to SCIE classes. Changes of class times or courses are no longer permitted this quarter. Changes of level are permitted ONLY by an instructor's recommendation and the approval of the Dean. You will have the opportunity to choose your classes and class times next quarter.

Tuition Reminder:

Tuition and fees must be paid in full within seven business days of enrollment OR by the first day of the quarter, whichever comes first. Failure to pay on time will result in DROPPED CLASSES. Now that the quarter has begun, please pay any remaining balances immediately, and for any classes that you have added or changed.



Who is Your Primary Advisor:

Students who need assistance with transfer advising, academic planning, or immigration issues, or who have questions that might take more than a few minutes to answer, can make an appointment to meet with their primary advisor [online through Starfish](#) or by contacting the [International Programs Office front desk](#).

You can view your assigned advisor and their contact information by clicking on your Campus:

[North](#)

[Central](#)

[South](#)

How to Set Up an Appointment with Starfish:

To access Starfish and make an appointment, go to the [Current Students](#) page.

1. Click the **Starfish icon**
2. Log in using your MySeattleColleges account credentials ([Watch a video](#)) (same login and password used for Wi-Fi and email)
3. Select your Advisor from Your Connections
4. Click Schedule from your Advisor's profile

Central Drop-In Advising:

The Central IP Office is currently offering drop-in advising online via Zoom and in-person advising when the campus is open. You can view the schedule and Zoom link online here:

<https://intl.seattlecolleges.edu/docs/central/connect-with-an-advisor.pdf>

LewerMark Student Health Insurance:



International students are charged \$409.41 every quarter for insurance. It is added when a student registers for classes and may take 1-4 weeks to process. NEW students will be able to access their insurance card in the 3rd week of the quarter. Contact the IP Office if you have an urgent need.

Once your card is available make sure you always carry your insurance card with you! Show it when you go to the doctor. Everyone must download a new insurance ID card for Fall 2021.

To access your student insurance ID card and to learn more about your insurance coverage, benefits and resources available to you, please visit <https://www.lewermark.com>. Please use your ctclink ID when accessing your LewerMark account.

[North](#)

[Central](#)

[South](#)

Unless you are approved for a waiver, the insurance fee of \$409.41 will remain on your account even if the enrollment period has passed. You will be required to pay this fee whether your insurance is activated or not.

South Seattle Campus Announcement:

SSC Bookstore, (both in-person and virtual) will be closed until Tuesday January 11th. As a result, no online orders will be filled until after Tuesday of next week.



International Student Events:

It's easy to make new friends at Seattle College! Check out our [Facebook](#) page and [Instagram](#) page for updates on activities, photos and news.

International Student Social

Meet and get to know other international students through fun activities on Thursdays at 5:00pm The International Programs ambassadors have planned exciting and fun activities. Join virtually via Zoom. <https://tinyurl.com/INTLStudentSocial>. Contact jpambassadors@gmail.com for more information.

SEATTLE COLLEGES INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SOCIAL

— Winter 2022 —

Thursdays
at 5 PM!

Jan 13 Meet the International Ambassadors!

Jan 20 Academic Trivia

Jan 27 Tarot Card Reading

Feb 3 Lunar New Year

Feb 10 Valentine's Day

Feb 17 Among Us

Feb 24 Learning Diversity

Mar 3 International Women's Day

Mar 10 Jackbox Party

Mar 17 Study With Me

Join via Zoom:
<https://tinyurl.com/INTLStudentSocial>

Questions? ipambassadors@gmail.com

Campus Specific events:

South Seattle College:



Welcome Week for Winter Quarter 2022!

[Welcome Week](#), usually the first week of the quarter, is a resource where we provide both live and on-demand services focused on helping students get a strong start and get connected to campus.

Check out the [Welcome Week website](#) for a Welcome Message from Rosie and a list of events and videos

North Seattle College:

Let's Talk is a nationally acclaimed mental health model for college campuses that we're excited to bring to North.

Developed at Cornell University, this initiative offers students the chance to have casual, drop-in consultations with a counselor about whatever they want to discuss. NSC counselors are available virtually for Let's Talk consultations during Winter Quarter 2022 starting Monday, January 10th through Wednesday, March 16th.

Students do not need to make an appointment or fill out any paperwork. All consultations are confidential.

Day	Time	Zoom Link	Counselor
Monday	12pm-1pm	Let's Talk on Zoom	Melissa Allen
Tuesday	12pm-1pm	Let's Talk on Zoom	Dr. Jenny Mao
Wednesday	12pm-1pm	Let's Talk on Zoom	Melissa Allen

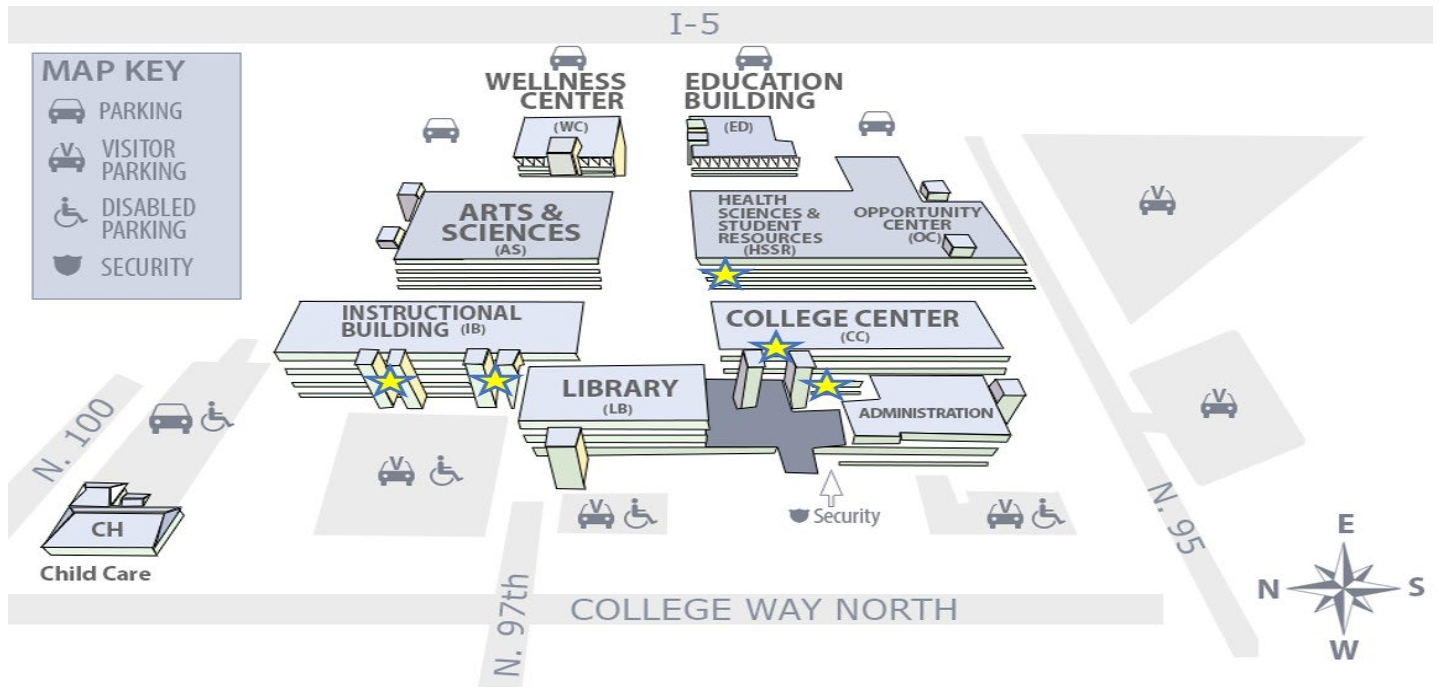
For more information about the Let's Talk program (including Frequently Asked Questions), please visit the [North Seattle Counseling Let's Talk webpage](#).

Announcing - Zoom Zones

Are you on campus and need a place to participate in a Zoom class?

The starred locations on the map are Zoom Zones, where you may log in and attend your virtual classes or do other studying. Wear headphones if you have them but talking to your instructor and classmates is okay in these areas. Please don't move furniture. Face mask required!

- Instruction Building 2311 (Second Floor) – Lobby Area with Study Carrels
- Instruction Building 2323 (Second Floor) – Lobby Area with Study Carrels
- College Center 3347 (Third Floor) – Lobby Area with Study Carrels and Tables
- College Center (Second Floor, near Library) – Baxter Center
- Health Sciences & Student Resources (HSSR) Building - Grove



Seattle Central College:

For more events at Seattle Central, visit <https://www.facebook.com/College.SeattleCentral/>



****When contacting the International Programs Offices via email, be sure to include your full name, ctcLink EMPLID and/or your student ID (SID) number****

CTCLink Helpful Links:

How to activate your ctcLink account:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZh8ZIt7Y-k>

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How to view your schedule:

<https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/sites/seattlecolleges.southseattle.edu/files/2021-08/ctcLink-Student-View-your-Class-Schedule-Desktop.pdf>

How to make payment:

<https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/sites/seattlecolleges.southseattle.edu/files/2021-08/ctcLink-Student-Make-a-Payment-on-your-Account-Desktop.pdf>

Additional Forms and Materials:

<https://intl.seattlecolleges.edu/forms-and-materials>



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You can find the detailed schedule of our hours of operation online here:

<https://intl.seattlecolleges.edu/return-to-campus>

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