

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

E-Newsletter



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 Offices — we wish you all a wonderful Fall quarter!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING COVID, VACCINES AND ON CAMPUS RETURN:

Seattle Colleges is returning to some in-person services in Fall. 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:

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 by Nov. 1, 2021. **Students who do not report their vaccination status or claim an exemption by Nov. 1 will not be allowed to register for Winter Quarter 2022 classes until they report their status or file an exemption.** Seattle Colleges is returning to some in-person services in Fall. 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](#).

- 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>



End of Quarter Reminders:

Graduation: Are you graduating this quarter? Be sure to apply for graduation. If you have not already done so, start making plans for after graduation: transfer out, OPT, traveling/returning home, etc.

OPT: If you are graduating in this quarter or the next and would like to apply for Optional Practical Training (OPT) after your degree, it is time to apply! Students who are eligible should contact their advisor then begin preparing the materials for the application. Processing by USCIS can take up to 3 months, so be sure to apply soon!

Vacation: Are you planning to take a vacation during the next Quarter? If so, then submit your Vacation Request to your advisor online through [SCDGlobal](#). Your advisor will check your eligibility for a vacation and respond to you by email.

Travel Signature Requests: Do you plan to travel outside of the United States? If yes, check the travel signature on your I-20! **Students must have a valid travel signature on their I-20s when re-entering the United States.** At the border, an officer will check the signature and date to confirm that you are still a student at our school.

NOTE: You may be denied entry to the United States if you do not have a valid travel signature on your MOST RECENT I-20. Previous I-20s will not be accepted at the border.

A travel signature should not be more than 9 months old at the time of re-entry. Check the date of the last signature. If it will be more than 9 months from the travel signature date to the date you return to the U.S., then you need a new signature. **Request a travel signature by stopping by the IP office with your I-20 or by requesting a re-print online through SCDGlobal. These requests may take 3-5 business days.** Please Be sure you also have a valid F-1 visa IF you will travel outside of the United States (apart from Canada). If you have any questions about traveling, email the IP office today.

I-20 Extension: If your I-20 is expiring and you need more time to complete your studies, you must submit an I-20 Extension Request through the [SCDGlobal](#).

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, reduced course-load request, graduation quarter request, 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 forgot your password, please click here to activate your account or reset your password.

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

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 the permission before they start working. If you need to work off campus to complete a course requirement, please contact you International Programs office.

Unauthorized off campus employment is a violation of your F-1 status. Your record may be terminated and will be required to leave the US immediately.



Important Dates and Deadlines		
Nov 1	College & SCIE	Last day to report their vaccination status or file for an exemption by November 1, 2021
Nov 1	College	Registration for Begins for Returning Students
Dec 13	College & SCIE	Tuition payment deadline for previously registered students
Dec 3	SCIE	Quarter Ends
Dec 16	College	Quarter Ends
Dec 27	College & SCIE	Grades Available

Holidays and Campus Closures:

Thursday, November 25, 2021 - Thanksgiving Day Holiday – Seattle Colleges Closed
Friday, November 26, 2021 – Native American Heritage Day – Seattle Colleges Closed
Monday, December 20 – Friday, December 24, 2021 – Winter Holiday – Seattle Colleges Closed

College Registration Tips:

You can find more information and Registration Tips online here: <https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/ctclink/ctclink-students/registration-tips-ctclink>

Class schedules are available at: [North](#) | [Central](#) | [South](#)

Before you begin, we encourage you to review the help guide: [How to Browse and Search for Classes](#).

Do I really need a permission number for every class?

There is some confusion about when students need to request permission numbers (formerly known as entry codes) because the Permission Number Box automatically appears on the registration page. You do not need a permission number for every class. We encourage you to go through the process to register for your courses, and if you need a permission number, the system will inform you after you click the Enroll Button. If you do need a permission code, you can get the permission number from your International Programs advisor.

SCIE - Seattle Colleges Institute of English Registration:

SCIE Quarter Dates:

Fall 2021	
SCIE	Sep 27 — Dec 3
College	Sep 27 — Dec 16

SCIE Registration:

Continuing SCIE students must complete these steps to register for classes next quarter. Students who do not complete these steps are not guaranteed classes at Seattle Colleges.

1. You must complete the online form <https://tinyurl.com/scieintentform> by Friday, November 5, 2021
2. Check your new schedule online at <https://myaccount.ctclink.us/> by Monday, November 22, 2021
3. Pay for classes online at: <https://myaccount.ctclink.us/> by Monday, December 13, 2021

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: December 27, 2021

If you miss the registration deadline, or if you are dropped after this date, you must wait until **December 29, 2021**, to register; space is not guaranteed. If the level you must register for is full, you may need to transfer to another school.

Skips and repeats: If you have enrolled but are skipping or repeating a class, SCIE will administratively make changes for you. Students will be emailed with their class change. Please check the schedule on **December 8, 2021**

Course Changes: Class changes are permitted until the SCIE registration deadline if space is available in the new class. An advisor's signature is needed on your enrollment form for any class change. No changes are allowed after the SCIE registration deadline.

SCIE books: your books are in the "Institute of English" section of the bookstore. College books are in sections according to the subject matter of your class.



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](#)

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 carry your insurance card with you at all times! 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.



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 (see below). Join virtually via Zoom. <https://tinyurl.com/INTLStudentSocial> . Contact ipambassadors@gmail.com for more information.

SEATTLE COLLEGES INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SOCIAL

Thursdays at 5 pm | Open to all students!

Join us on Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/INTLStudentSocial>

Oct 7, 2021

**Meet the
International
Ambassadors**

Oct 14, 2021

Spooky Movie Share

Oct 21, 2021

Tarot Card Reading

Oct 28, 2021

Halloween Party

Nov 4, 2021

Brain Adventure

Nov 11, 2021

Among Us

Nov 18, 2021

International Night

Dec 2, 2021

Holiday

Arts and Crafts

Dec 9, 2021

Study with me

Questions? ipambassadors@gmail.com

Campus Specific events:

South:

The South Bookstore will be open for in-person business Monday-Wednesday, 10am-2 starting Monday, November 1st.

Stay connected while studying ON-LINE

Fill out the Student Interest Form, link below, telling us about yourself and we will connect you with virtual campus opportunities for fall quarter! Get connected TODAY: <https://tinyurl.com/yxjd9nco>
For more information, contact Monica Lundberg, in the Office of Student Life
monica.lundberg@seattlecolleges.edu

United Student Association Greeting:

We encourage all students to attend our weekly student government meetings-- every Tuesday at 6pm on Zoom. Join us and discuss your student experience. We even have door prizes! Email phuong.to@seattlecolleges.edu for the Zoom link. Watch this video to learn more about us and our student advocacy goals: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vWg1pqOcR_o

For more events visit <https://www.facebook.com/southseattlecollege/events>

North:

Transfer Events:

- Let's Talk Transfer Q&A - November 16, 2021, at 3:00pm
- UW Seattle Health Programs Recruitment Info Session – November 17, 2021, at 12:00pm
- Educational Planning Workshops – November 18, 2021, at 5:00pm

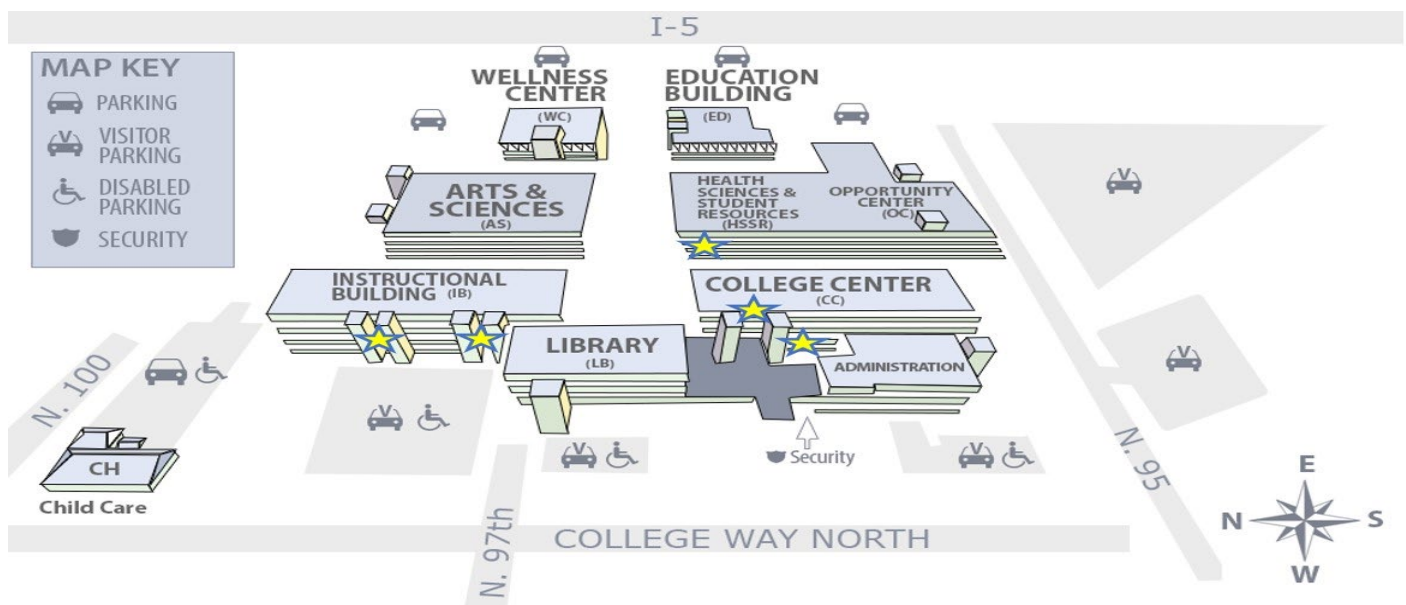
Visit bit.ly/transfercalendar for more transfer events and events' details.

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!

- Instructional Building 2311 (Second Floor) – Lobby Area with Study Carrels
- Instructional 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



Central:

Fall Quarter 2021 Faculty Development Day (No Classes)

Wednesday, November 3, 2021, 8:00am – 8:30pm

Central:

Associated Student Council:

Associated Student Council (ASC) meetings are open to the public in accordance with Washington State Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA - [RCW 42.20.020](https://rcw.wa.gov/title42/chapter20/section020)) as ASC serves as the governing body that makes decisions and takes action on behalf of the Seattle Central student body.

Regular ASC meetings are held every **Monday (starting October 4th thru December 6th) at 3pm** via [THIS ZOOM LINK](#). These meetings are for discussing business, taking action, and hearing from members of the student body. Students and members of the public can make comments at the beginning of each meeting at 3:00pm. Again, meetings are open to the public.

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 you 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>



International Programs offices is open for limited in-person services.

North and Central International Programs
Monday - Thursday
10am – 3pm
starting on November 1, 2021.

South International Program
Tuesday - Thursday
10am – 3pm
starting on November 1, 2021

You can find the detailed schedule of our hours of operation online
here: <https://intl.seattlecolleges.edu/return-to-campus>

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