STUDENT SPOTLIGHT | TING HU

Featured in our Student Spotlight this month is Ting Hu. A sophomore Business Management major, Ting is way ahead of her game and showing us how you can turn your major into your passion. She’s only in her second year of college and has already started a business of her own! Ting has created a fashion line called “A Thousand Miles.” A Thousand Miles is her independent brand and she explains what her business does: “We produce exquisite and original clothes and accessories. My designer and I work with different independent designers and personal brands to produce limited edition products. Our top priority is to create something that will not only allow you to express yourself, but also become a part of who you are.”

A Thousand Miles stands to signify Ting’s journey from China to the United States as an international student and how much this evolution has meant to her. This is not just a business venture for Ting, she has put a part of her heart into this. While this venture began as a way to give her keepsake memories from her time in America, it has snowballed into an impressive career opportunity.

Ting is still taking baby steps into the business world and we want to tell her how much we appreciate what she is doing and that we are extremely proud of her! Good Luck, Ting!

OIS IS MOVING

The Office of International Students is moving! By late October, we will be located at: 215 North Third Street (the ground floor of the Camden Apartments Residence Hall).

Our new space will include a special lounge area for international students to congregate, meet, relax, and study! Check the Rutgers–Camden International Student Facebook page to find out exactly when we move.

OIS will be sharing the ground floor of the Camden Apartments with ELS Language Center. We are excited to welcome ELS and their new international students to campus!

BIRTHDAYS!

Julian (10/9), Minyoung (10/10), Min Yi (10/14), Albandary (10/20), Lingcai (10/23), David (10/24), Manying (10/26), Xize (10/27)
As you can see under ‘Important Dates + Events’ to the left, there are some great events happening around campus this month! Here’s some more information about a few of these activities:

- **10/16:** “How to Write a Great Research Paper” Workshop — Hear tips on how to construct and write a proper research paper.
- **10/18:** Terror Behind the Walls at Eastern State Penitentiary — If you love a thrill, visit this former prison-turned-haunted-attraction with OIS! (Email OIS to reserve your spot)
- **10/20:** Learning Abroad Fair — Would you like to travel abroad with your classmates during winter break, spring break, or in May? Find out about this year’s programs to Brazil, Cuba, Germany, England, South Africa, and more!
- **10/22 & 10/29:** CPT & OPT Workshops — Learn about the CPT and OPT application processes and criteria
- **10/28:** Career Workshop — A Career Counselor will discuss career opportunities for international students ahead of the November internship Fair

**COMING UP: INTERNATIONAL WEEK (NOVEMBER 16—20)**

Come November we will be hosting our biggest event! The Office of International Students presents to you (welcome drumroll) **International Week!** International Week is a week-long special event full of enriching activities, lectures, and symposiums where we celebrate cultures, cuisine, cinema, music, and much more from around the world!

A month from now may seem far away, but we’ve been planning for a long time—and we have hand-picked some of the best events just for you. International Week runs from the 16th to the 20th of November and the events are going to be held all around campus. One highlight is the International Pageant, where students can represent their nation and show us something unique about their culture. **If this interests you, sign up! Email ois@camden.rutgers.edu to register. There will be prizes for the winner!**

While most people say “save the date,” we say “save the week!” This is going to be an affair to remember.

**CULTURE CORNER: HALLOWEEN IN AMERICA**

Halloween is celebrated every year in the United States on October 31st. Historically, Halloween acknowledged the harvest and the start of winter. Neighbors would share stories of the dead, tell fortunes, and dance. Over time, however, the holiday has created some very unique traditions in this country. In particular, the United States now associates Halloween with some very unique traditions in this country. In particular, the United States now associates Halloween with tales of the dead, tell fortunes, and dance. Over time, however, the holiday has created some very unique traditions in this country. In particular, the United States now associates Halloween with events like:

- **Costumes** — Children and even some adults dress in costumes on October 31st. While Halloween in some countries means scary and gory costumes, that is not necessarily the case in the United States. Popular costumes include princesses, animals, and athletes.
- **Trick-or-Treating** — Children walk door-to-door in their neighborhood asking “trick or treat?” and collect candy.
- **Haunted Houses** — A popular activity to do around Halloween is visiting a haunted house! On October 18th, we will be visiting a former prison in Philadelphia!
- **Carving Pumpkins** — Another popular activity to do around Halloween is pumpkin carving. Decorating your homes with spider webs and scarecrows is also very common.

Is Halloween celebrated in your country?!