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### Daylight Saving Time Ends!



This Sunday, November 3rd, Daylight Savings Time ends so be sure to set your clocks back an hour! Don't want to be an hour early for your classes on Monday!

## Spring 2020 Registration

Currently enrolled students this Fall 2019 may register for Spring 2020 courses according to the following date structure:

Current *Seniors & all Graduate level students* – October 28

Current *Juniors* ss# ending in 00-49 – October 29

Current *Juniors* ss# ending in 50-99 – October 30

Current *Sophomores* ss# ending 00-49 – October 31

Current *Sophomores* ss# ending 50-99 – November 1

Current *Freshmen* ss# ending 50-99 – November 4

Current *Freshmen* ss# ending 00-49 – November 5

### How Do I Register for Classes?

Go to the Banweb tab in your MyUWG portal at <https://myuwg.westga.edu/>

Here also is a PowerPoint with steps on [How To Register](#)

## BE A STAR IN OUR NEW VIDEO!



UWG's [official international video](#) is nearly 8 years old. We need you to help us create a brand-new video similar to the past version. This would involve being interviewed on camera, or being filmed around campus. If you are interested, please contact: Rashika Webb at: [rashikaw@westga.edu](mailto:rashikaw@westga.edu) Thank you!

## BE AWARE OF EMAIL AND PHONE SCAMS!

Regarding the Exchange Visitor Program and an increasing number of phone and email scams affecting exchange visitors. The Department has seen an uptick in housing and rental scams where exchange visitors transfer money before they start their program to a fraudulent realtor or landlord, scamming the victims out of hundreds if not thousands of dollars. Other reported scams involve phone calls from alleged government representatives demanding personal information and money with threats of deportation from the U.S.

Here is a helpful video to watch about [IRS Imposter Scams](#) and other resources provided by the Federal Trade Commission:

[Imposter Scams](#)

[Scam Awareness](#)

[Identity Theft](#)

## [Housing Scams](#)

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – INTERNATIONAL NIGHT 2020



ISAP is starting to plan its 35<sup>th</sup> annual International Night 2020! International Night is done for students BY students, so we need your talent, flair and help! This year will bring back visitors from local schools and the Carrollton community also.

We expect 300-400 guests in attendance to celebrate **YOU**.

**When:** February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Where:** Campus Center Ballroom

**Committees:**

- Global Food Fair
- Stage Production (flag parade, talent show, fashion show)
- Decorations
- Marketing / Fundraising

To sign up for a planning committee, the flag parade, fashion show, or talent show, email: [rashikaw@westga.edu](mailto:rashikaw@westga.edu)

### **Plan Ahead!**

1. The fashion show portion will feature traditional costumes and daily wear from your home country. There will be an emcee and high energy music. You will receive coaching on how and where to walk. Each participant will be featured 1-2 minutes. Bring it!
2. The talent show portion will last around 45 minutes, so acts will be limited to 3-5 minutes each, based on auditions, tbd. Talent is open to all UWG students with a global theme: *sing, dance, poetry slam, dramatic reading, ensemble vocal, stand-up comedy, play an instrument, acrobatics, magic trick, demonstration of a ceremony...*

### **TRAVEL SIGNATURES**

Planning to travel over Thanksgiving Break or Christmas Break? Read this!

**Traveling Within the US?** Take the following documents with you:

- Valid I-20 (F-1 Students) or DS-2019 (J-1 Students)
- Valid electronic I-94 printout

- Valid Passport

*\*No updated travel signature is required if you are not re- entering the U.S. after travel.*

**Traveling Outside the US?** You **need** a valid / updated travel signature! Only a Designated School Official (DSO) at UWG can sign your I-20 or DS-2019. You can stop by the ISAP office to request a travel signature. Be sure to request this asap, and be aware of office hours.

- Signatures are valid 1 year from the date of the last signature
- You must have the following documents to return to the U.S.
  - Valid F-1 or J-1 Visa
  - UWG I-20 or DS-2019 with travel signature endorsed within 1 year
  - Passport, valid 6 months into the future
  - Enrollment verification and UWG unofficial transcript

### SHOPPER SHUTTLE & ISAP SHUTTLE REMINDERS

- “UWG Shopper Shuttle” continues on **Fridays only, 12pm - 4pm**. The shuttle picks up in front of Row Hall and takes you to Walmart / Target areas and back.
- The ISAP Shuttle provides transportation at the beginning and end of the semester **only**. If you are traveling over the Thanksgiving break and need a ride to the airport, you need to contact fellow classmates or use the transportation networks of Uber or Lyft.

### ENROLLMENT REMINDER

- **ISAP will conduct *enrollment audits in October and December* to ensure compliance.**
- Here is a link to the [enrollment requirements'](#)

### UPCOMING EVENTS



**November 9<sup>th</sup> | Farmers Markets (Nam Dae Mun & Caycee Foods) - FULL**

# GLOBAL HUNGER BANQUET


THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2019  
6:00 P.M. // Z-6 LOWER LEVEL

**SEE HUNGER IN A WHOLE NEW WAY**

Take action! Please bring canned goods to donate to the Carroll County Soup Kitchen.

Experience firsthand how your decisions can affect others in the world. Learn about powerful role you can play when you decide to stand up against injustice.

*"Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right, the right to dignity and a decent life." – Nelson Mandela*




**GO WEST UWG**  
CENTER FOR DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION  
Inclusion is for Everyone

Supporters: UWG Center for Diversity and Inclusion, Housing and Residence Life, Dina West, UWG Counseling Center, Black Student Alliance, Wesley at UWG, the Multicultural Greek Council, & College Girls Rock.  
Community Partners: Carroll County Soup Kitchen, League of Women Voters of Carrollton-Carroll County, NAACP, & Carrollton High School Air Force JROTC

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# CULTURE THROUGH CUISINE SERIES



Enjoy Authentic Cuisine prepared by Int'l Students. Tuesdays at 5:30 PM!

**11.12.19** Featuring Pumpkin Pancakes–Curacao Dish  
5:30PM - 7:00PM Center Pointe Suites

**1.14.20** Featuring Jollof Rice Nigerian Dish  
5:30PM - 7PM Center Pointe Suites

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Open to all UWG Residence Hall Students.  
Sponsored By: Int'l Student Admissions and Programs, Housing and Residence Life and ISC Club

- Remember to download [WolfConnect](#), to view details and sign up for all campus events.
- Also check out [West Georgia Outdoors](#), part of URec and they offer all kinds of low-cost, off campus trips. Here are some of [URecs upcoming trips!](#)

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Include your 917 and full name
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*Please sign-in at the front desk!*  
Monday – Friday (except Tuesday mornings)

9:30am – 11:30am | 1:30pm – 4:30pm.