



WEEKLY UPDATE – Oct. 31

International Education Week

Nov. 11–18

International Education Week (IEW) 2022 is coming! The theme of IEW 2022 is "Let's move forward together" and our activities highlight our collaborative efforts that bridge cultures and differences to make us better global citizens. This week, and every week, we aim to promote a global perspective and highlight the diversity that strengthens our community. See the list of events below and on the [IEW website](#).



Job Success Strategies

[Register here »](#)



International Networking Reception

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Friendly Soccer Match

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Cafe International

UC 411/412



Library Display

Gleeson Library



Taste the World

Market Cafe



Submission by Maeve Harding from the 2011 Photo Contest

IEW Photo Contest

Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to submit a photo from a place outside of their home country that fits into one of the submission categories and ties with this year's theme of #ForwardTogether. Up to two photos may be submitted. The USF community will vote for their favorite, and the photo with the most votes from each category will win a prize.

Submissions are open and close on Nov. 9. Online voting will be from Nov. 11 to midnight, Nov. 18. Winners will be announced via email and the website on Monday, Nov. 21. [Submit your photos here »](#)



Culturescape: Ticket Presale

Get ready for Culturescape! This highly anticipated annual event, organized by the ISA Club, is a celebration of cultural diversity featuring performances and cuisines from the various cultural clubs that call USF home. Join us on **Friday, Nov. 11 at 6 p.m. in the McLaren Conference Center**. Tickets are required — advance purchase is recommended. [Buy your tickets now »](#)

Happy Halloween

Ever wondered about the **history and tradition of Halloween**? Celebrated in the U.S. on Oct. 31, the name "Halloween" comes from "All Hallows Eve," or the day before All Saints Day, a traditional holy day for Christians. According to tradition, the spirits of the dead were able to come back to life to harm people and crops in the physical world. People tried to appease the restless spirits on Halloween, and these practices led to many of today's Halloween traditions. For example, people used to wear costumes of monsters, ghosts, and devils to scare away harmful spirits. Today, people still celebrate by wearing costumes.

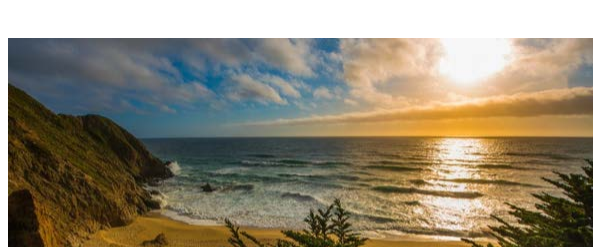
When selecting a costume for Halloween, it's important to avoid cultural appropriation. Culture appropriation is "the unacknowledged or inappropriate adoption of the customs, practices, ideas, etc., of one people or society by members of another and typically more dominant people or society." [Learn more about cultural appropriation and Halloween »](#)

Lane Center Events



Inspiration, Aspiration, and Imagination

The Lane Center hosts a Thacher Talk with Tom Lucas S.J., Inspiration, Aspiration, and Imagination. This conversation celebrates 25 years of the **Thacher Gallery** and this year's theme, "Memory and Community." This event will be held on **Nov. 3 from 3–4 p.m.** in McLaren 251. [Learn more »](#)



Go In the Wilderness: The Call to Prophetic Witness

The Lane Center is Celebrating Black Catholic History Month: Go In the Wilderness: The Call to Prophetic Witness with **Joseph Brown, S.J.** This event will be held on **Nov. 4 from 5:30–6:30 p.m. PDT** at Fromm Hall 125, Maraschi Room, and via Zoom. Registration is required. [Register »](#)

ISSS OFFICE RESOURCES

Requesting a Document from ISSS?

If you are requesting an immigration document or letter from our office, remember that we request **ten business days** to process requests. Make sure you plan accordingly so you have enough time to receive your document before you need it. All ISSS requests should be submitted through the **MyISSS student portal** (select the home icon, site home, and then requests on the left-hand menu). You can view our **MyISSS Student Handbook** for assistance with your submission.

Adviser Appointments and Workshops

Appointments can be made online. Please visit the **ISSS website** to schedule an appointment. Appointments are still booked in 15-minute increments. To schedule a workshop, select workshops from the first menu option in our scheduler. Students must complete an OPT workshop before applying for OPT.

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