As the 2000-2001 school year begins, the staff at the International Center would like to welcome all new students, faculty and research scholars, and for those of you who are continuing your studies and work at Tufts—welcome back! Tufts is an institution that offers a warm and welcoming environment for all. If you are not already aware, there are three separate campuses at Tufts - Medford, Boston and Grafton. The International Center serves populations of the international community on all three campuses. We are, however, physically located in Medford.

The International Center has recently moved into a new location at 20 Sawyer Avenue. So, like many of you who are new to Tufts, the International Center is feeling some cultural adjustment! After 12 years of being located in Ballou Hall, we are now located in a residential house. The advantage of the new location is that we have more space to accommodate our community and the office needs. The disadvantage is that we are more isolated from other offices than previously. However, with such close proximity to the International House residence for undergraduate students (we are just across the street), we look forward to joint events with our new neighbors!

The reason that the International Center moved this summer was because a new building and student service initiative was created at Tufts. This initiative has consolidated many offices into one building which will provide services to students in Medford more effectively. This building is named Dowling Hall. Dowling is connected by a bridge directly behind Packard Hall (the building next to the Undergraduate Admissions Office). The services which are now housed in Dowling are: the Bursar, the Registrar, Dean of Students, Study Abroad, Career Services, Academic Resources, Class Deans, Student Employment, Financial Aid and Pre-Professional Programs. In some cases, there is no longer a distinct office but rather there is a student service desk with representatives who will assist students with questions. The staff has been trained to answer all questions that previously required going to different offices. It is anticipated that you will find the new approach to student services at Tufts to be more convenient and efficient!

The International Center along with the five other culture centers (Asian American Center, African American Center, Gay/Lesbian Bisexual Resource Center, Latino Center and the Women's Center) in Medford did not move to Dowling Hall. It was decided that the Centers would maintain their own identities by remaining in locations throughout the campus. The LGBT and Latino Centers have moved into Bolles House (formerly Career Center) whereas the other centers have remained in their previous locations. On the other hand, the six culture centers are all involved in the Dowling Hall.

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THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER: MEDFORD CAMPUS

The International Center, located at 20 Sawyer Avenue, telephone 617/627-3458, provides counseling to international students, coordinates international activities on campus, and assists students, faculty and research scholars with immigration regulations and procedures. Our services are provided to undergraduates enrolled in Liberal Arts and Engineering as well as graduate students and faculty/scholars in Arts & Sciences, Engineering, the School of Nutrition/HNRCA, BSOT, School of Veterinary Medicine, the Museum School, the New England Conservatory, and faculty/scholars from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

We advise and counsel on various issues including language difficulties, housing/roommate difficulties, cultural adjustment and employment regulations. Please feel free to set up an appointment to speak with the staff if you have any questions or concerns, or would just like to talk.

TUFTONIAN CHALLENGE

1. How many students were in the first graduating class of 1857?
2. What were the first three buildings on campus?
3. What was the tuition for the 1906-1907 year?
4. Who was Tufts' First President?
5. In what year did the first female graduate of Tufts receive her degree?
6. What is Tufts' motto?


FREQUENTLY USED MEDFORD CAMPUS TELEPHONE NUMBERS

You may find the following telephone numbers useful:

- Academic Resource Center, 627-3724
- African American Center, 627-3372
- Asian American Center, 627-3056
- Campus Bookstore, 627-3468
- Campus Operator, 628-5000
- Campus Police, (business) 627-3030

Emergency Calls: (on campus) 66911 (off campus) 627-6911

- Career Planning Center, 627-3299
- Counseling Center, 627-3360
- Dean of Students, 627-3158
- Dining Services, 627-3566
- Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Resource Center, 627-3770
- Graduate School Office, 627-3395
- Health Services, 627-3350
- Health Education/Wellness Program, 627-3861
- Latino Center, 627-3363
- International Center, 627-3458
- Office of Residential Life, 627-3248
- Safety Shuttle, 627-3030
- Student Service Center, 627-2000
  (incl. Bursar Office, Dean of Colleges, Dean of Students, Programs Abroad, Registrar's Office)
- University Chaplaincy, 627-3427
- Women's Programs, 627-3184

Please note that any phone number beginning with the digits "627" is a campus phone number. When calling on a campus phone, dial 7 and the last four digits, which are known as an extension. From outside the campus, you must dial the entire seven-digit phone number.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISING: FLETCHER SCHOOL

The Fletcher School Registrar's Office, located in Cabot #404, telephone 617/627-3055, handles immigration and advising issues for Fletcher foreign students. Students should feel free to come by the office with any questions regarding immigration, travel, employment, academics or other personal concerns.

Fletcher School: Registrar's Office Staff:
- Nora Moser, Registrar
- Ann Marie Decembrele, Associate Registrar
- Judy Iammarino, Assistant Registrar/International Student Advisor
- Carol Murphy, Staff Assistant
MANDATORY IMMIGRATION MEETINGS!

The International Center requires copies of all of your immigration documents (visa stamp, Form I-20, IAP-66 or Form I-797, I-94 card, passport with identity and expiration date page) and those belonging to your family members, as well as your current address for our files. Our office must also verify that your documents were processed properly when you entered the United States. Please be sure to bring your immigration documents to the MANDATORY Immigration Information Session listed below:

Undergraduate Students

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th
Come to one of the following sessions:
11:30-12:00 noon or 12:00-12:30
in the Olin Center, Room 011

Even if you have already submitted copies of your immigration papers to the International Center, you should still attend these meetings in order to gain a better understanding of your immigration rights in the US.

Graduate Students

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th
Come to one of the following sessions:
1:00-1:30 or 1:30-2:00 p.m.
in the Olin Center, Room 011

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):

Question: If I have a question related to my visa status, should I contact the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) directly OR should I contact the International Center?

Answer: The International Center strongly recommends that you contact the Center FIRST for any immigration related questions. The International Center is here to advise and assist you with your immigration matters. The staff will help you to understand your question as it pertains to your particular visa category. If you go directly to the INS, you may find that they are not always helpful and in fact can be confusing and even intimidating in their responses.

If the International Center cannot answer your question, we will either research the answer for you, refer you to an immigration attorney or, if appropriate, refer you to the INS.

Remember however to consult the International Center FIRST for any immigration related questions!
WHO IS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AT TUFTS?

You are presently a member of our growing international community at Tufts University! During the 1999-2000 academic year there were:

- 423 Undergraduate International Students
- 235 Graduate International Students
- 116 International Faculty/Researchers
- 117 Exchange, Special Students and Practical Trainees
- **891 Total International Population**

Last year there were 108 countries represented. The 10 countries with the largest number of foreign students, faculty and scholars at Tufts were (in descending order):

- China
- Japan
- Canada
- India
- Korea
- United Kingdom
- France
- Greece
- Germany
- Taiwan

It is easy to forget that life at Tufts is not limited to the confines of the Medford Campus. Along with the College of Liberal Arts, the College of Engineering, and the Boston School of Occupational Therapy, the Medford campus also includes the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the School of Nutrition, the Gordon Institute and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

Just a “T” ride away is our Boston campus. Here one can find the Tufts School of Medicine and the Tufts School of Dental Medicine. Also downtown are the Sackler School of Biomedical Research, the Jean Mayer Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, and part of the Veterinary School. Out in the countryside of Grafton, Massachusetts, is the main campus of the Veterinary School and the Large Animal Hospital. Opening its doors in 1979, our “Vet” School remains the only veterinary school in New England and one of only twenty-seven such schools in the U.S.

Tufts University has affiliations with both the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and the New England Conservatory. These affiliations provide special degrees and programs in art and music. The Summer School, Conference Bureau, and Professional and Continuing Studies also bring students to the Medford Campus.
Dear New Undergraduates,

As I sit here writing this letter, it has dawned on me that there is no way I could possibly sum up what the next four years could hold for all of you, let alone a single individual. Each of you will cut your own distinctive path through the maze which we call college. Some for the better, others for the worse. Regardless of what the outcome might be, there is one piece of advice that I can offer all of you and that is to take chances. Life is full of opportunities missed, do not let these opportunities slip away simply because the risk is deemed too great.

Robert Frost once wrote "A road diverged in the wood and I took the one less traveled...and that has made all the difference." Don’t feel that you always have to follow the path that everyone else takes, college is about stepping away by yourself, taking a different path than the group. There are many roads leading away from the main road you are on right now. Even though many of them might lead you into dead ends, you can always turn around and try a different road. Someone once told me that life doesn’t come with a road map, just a handful of common sense.

Sincerely,

Bill McCarthy
International Orientation Coordinator, 2000
Undergraduate Organizations at Tufts

There are over 150 clubs and organizations on campus! The following is a partial list of cultural, language and world affairs clubs on campus. For more information about these organizations, please refer to the pamphlet, "Navigator: The Guide to Student Organizations at Tufts University" or check out the website at http://ase.tufts.edu/student-activities/

- African American Society
- Amnesty International
- Arab Student Association
- Armenian Club
- Asian Community at Tufts
- Tufts Association of South Asians
- Caribbean Club
- Chinese Student Association
- Council on International Affairs
- Filipino Cultural Society
- Friends of Israel
- German Club
- Hellenic Society
- Hillel
- Hispanic American Society
- Islamic Society
- Italian Club
- Japanese Cultural Club
- Jadi Umoja (Racial Unity)
- Korean Students Association
- Latin American Society
- Middle East Study Group
- Pan-African Alliance
- Russian Circle
- Turkish Society
- Vietnamese Students Club

The International Club (I-Club)

The I-Club is a very active cultural and social organization whose primary goal is to promote intercultural understanding and exchange throughout the Tufts community. The I-Club plans such events as barbecues, semi-formal dances, cultural evenings, foreign films and the annual Intercultural Festival. Watch for notes in "The Daily" and flyers around campus for information about upcoming events! For additional information you may contact the I-Club President, Sean McDermott at gmcder01@tufts.edu or the Treasurer, Eugene Goh at egoh02@emerald.tufts.edu

The International Scholarship Committee

The International Scholarship Committee (I.S.C.) is a student-run organization, established in 1991 and dedicated to raising financial aid money for continuing and entering undergraduate international students. Since international undergraduate students are eligible for very limited financial aid, ISC has made great efforts especially in fundraising. ISC thus far has raised over $50,000 through fundraising activities and contributions from parents, alumni and current students. To get involved with ISC contact the International Center.

F E L E C T I O N S
for International Club Officers will be held in mid-September. Look in "The Daily" for notification of the exact time and location. All undergrads are invited to come and encouraged to vote!

Student Organizations Fair

Monday, September 11th, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Mayer Campus Center. If you're interested in joining a student organization, this is the time to do it! For further information, call the Student Activities Office at 627-3212.
Graduate Organizations at Tufts

Graduate Student Council

The Graduate Student Council (GSC) was formed to address the many issues all graduate students face, regardless of discipline. The GSC serves as liaison between the Graduate School and the faculty of the graduate students. Additionally, the GSC organizes a newsletter called "The Grad Rag". To share your concerns or to become involved, stop by the Graduate Student Council Office at 120 Packard Ave. or contact the GSC's President, Adrianne Ralph, at 617/627-3576 or by email at aralph01@emerald.tufts.edu. For additional information about the GSC and how to get on the mailing list, check out their website at: www.tufts.edu/~gsc.

Chinese Students and Scholars Association

Since 1992, the Tufts Chinese Students and Scholars Association's mission has been to help foster communication and interaction among Tufts Chinese students and scholars, their families and friends, and between the Chinese and other students at Tufts. TCSSA has organized many social events, such as a celebration of the Chinese Spring Festival, Karaoke, potluck parties, Chinese movies, soccer and volleyball games.

If you have questions regarding TCSSA or would like to be updated about events, please contact TCSSA's website at http://www.tufts.edu/~wliu01/tcssa/.

Indian Student Association at Tufts

The mission of the Indian Student Association at Tufts (ISAT) is to provide all possible help and support to incoming graduate students of Indian origin to enable them to transition comfortably into their new environment. For more information contact Ravindra Subbhiya, Chairman of Orientation Affairs Committee, at rsubbhi01@tufts.edu or the ISAT website http://ase.tufts.edu/isat.

FLETCHER SCHOOL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The Fletcher School sponsors many student-run cultural and educational clubs each year. The following is a list of some Fletcher clubs that focus on racial, ethnic and international issues. For more information contact the Fletcher School Office of Career and Student Services at 627-3060.

- The African Studies Group
- The East Asia Study Table
- The Euroclub
- The Ibero-American Group
- The International Business Group
- The International Negotiations Group
- The International Organizations Group
- The International Women's Group
- International Legal Studies Group
- The Southwest Asia Student Interest

VETERINARY SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS (GRAFTON CAMPUS)

Veterinarians for Global Solutions

The Veterinarians for Global Solutions (V.G.S.) organization deals specifically with international veterinary medicine. All Grafton and Boston students are invited to attend their meetings. For more information please contact the International Programs section of the Veterinary School at (508)839-5302, ext.84767.
CONVERSATION PARTNERSHIP

For those graduate students on the Medford campus who are interested in improving their English and learning more about American culture, the International Center is offering students an opportunity to meet one hour per week with a "conversation partner" who is a Tufts staff person, faculty member or student. This is a great way in which to meet Americans outside of your academic studies as well as to have a chance to develop a friendship with an American.

Some comments from past participants might provide a better understanding of what the program is really all about:

"At first, I expected a conversation partner as an English teacher. Yet I realized it is more interesting for me to share my culture with someone who is interested in it. Since we are friends now, we'll keep in touch... Thank you... It was fun!" - International student from Japan

"I have had a wonderful experience from the Conversation Partnership... We are both very interested in other cultures and both willing to share both the positives and negatives of our respective cultures."

-American partner

If you are interested in this program please contact Monica Rodriguez, International Student Advisor Assistant, at the International Center (x73458) or by email at monica.rodriguez@tufts.edu and/or sign up at International Graduate Student Orientation.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S GROUP

Formed in 1987, the International Women's Group provides an opportunity for Fletcher/Tufts students and spouses, faculty and staff to discuss cross-cultural women's issues. The group serves as a support system for foreign students and their families to help them adjust to life in the United States and to help them adapt to the university community. Meetings are held every Friday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Murrow Room (Fletcher) and are open to all members of the Tufts community. Female spouses and students, both international and American are welcome to join. Call Judy Iammarino at 627-3055 for more information.

A different language is a different vision of life.

—Federico Fellini

LANGUAGE LAB

If you would like to do some self-instruction in English, stop by The Language Lab, located in the basement of the Olin Center. In addition to stocking books and audio and visual materials, the lab also receives live broadcasts of international news from such countries as China, Japan, and Italy. For more details, call 627-3036 or visit during their hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Sunday 2:00-5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Holidays: 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
**Programs for Graduate Students**

The International Center is busy planning several activities for graduate international students. Listed below are upcoming events, so keep them in mind if you are looking for a good way to get to know the area and fellow classmates! Reservations are required, so please call the International Center for more details if you plan to participate.

**Thursday, August 31st: Graduate Orientation**

Members of the International Center staff and representatives of the Tufts administration will make brief presentations during the program. Topics to be covered include critical immigration regulations, academic life in the departments, and issues relating to adjusting to Tufts and the USA.

**Saturday, September 2th: Discover Boston!**

Not that familiar with Boston yet? Well, come on a walking tour and see some of the city’s many sights such as the Boston Common, the Public Garden, and Faneuil Hall!

**Saturday, September 23rd: Apple Picking Trip**

During September we plan to hold our annual orchards of a local farm. Watch for details of the trip in the mail or call the International Center for more information.

**November: Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner**

You can’t miss this event! Bring your own favorite dish from home and share a typical American turkey dinner with us. The result is a delicious international feast to enjoy! Watch for details in the mail or call the International Center for more information.

**Your Trip Ideas**

We want to help you discover New England! Please let us know what trips you want to take in the Fall or in the Spring. We would love to have your input!

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**"SPIRITUALITY AND HEALTH"**

**CHAPLAIN’S TABLE, Fall 2000**

Beginning September 14, join us every Thursday, 5-7pm at the MacPhie Conference Room for good conversation over dinner. This fall’s theme is “Spirituality and Health.” Speakers will address topics such as: “Why Spirituality is Good for Health”, “Religion in the Hospital”, and “Music and Healing”.

Stop by the International Center or the Chaplain’s Office for more detailed information. All are welcome. No reservations required.

*Co-sponsored by Tufts’ Chaplain’s Office x73427, International Center x73458, and Fletcher School x73329.*

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student initiative through direct involvement in a new concept of Class Teams. This is specifically for undergraduate and graduate students in the Arts and Science and Engineering programs. Each team is composed of a class dean, a career services counselor and a student life professional. The teams will ensure a strong comprehensive advising process for students throughout the academic years at Tufts. Each team has the charge to help students take maximum advantage of their academic experience at Tufts, guide the class as a whole and serve as a direct link in support of students’ faculty academic advisors.

On behalf of the staff at the International Center, we look forward to working with you from all three campuses at Tufts. Please feel free to come by and say hello in our new location and to call and ask questions as you have a need. Good luck with your academic pursuits at Tufts!

Sincerely,
Jane Etish-Andrews
Director

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*These programs are co-sponsored by the International Center, the Graduate School and the School of Nutrition.*
**Leisure Activities**

WHERE TO GET INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS

The Ginn Library: Located at the Fletcher School, this library subscribes to numerous foreign newspapers and magazines. The Ginn Library is open to all members of the Tufts Community.

The Out-of-Town News Agency: Located just outside the entrance of the Harvard Square “T” stop, this newsstand carries magazines, local and out-of-state newspapers, as well as many overseas publications.

International Center: Our office also receives several newspapers, newsletters and periodicals, including The Free China Journal, and News of Norway. Feel free to stop by and browse!

**“T” PASSES**

Passes for the MBTA bus and subway lines are sold at Harvard Square, Government Center and Downtown Crossing during the last four and first four working days of the month.

Passes are good for one month of unlimited travel. Bus passes cost $20 per month. Subway passes cost $27 per month, and “Combo” (bus and subway) passes cost $46 per month. For more information, call the MBTA Pass Program at 722-5218. **Student discounts** are available through Tufts. Contact the Student Services Office for more information at x72000.

LOW-COST MOVIE THEATERS

**Somerville Theater**

The Somerville Theater, located at 55 Davis Square in Somerville, in addition to offering live entertainment, often shows movies, usually a few months after they were released nationally. Tickets to movies are sold at a discounted rate of $5.25 for adults at all times and $4.00 for children before 6:00 p.m. This is a great deal if you don’t mind waiting a little while after the movie is released to see it. To find out what is playing there, call 625-5700.

**Capitol Theater, Arlington**

The Capitol Theater, located at 204 Massachusetts Ave. (between Routes 2 & 16; accessible by the 77 “T” bus) in Arlington, also runs movies a few months after their release. The theater has six films showing at a time and tickets are $5.25 for adults at all times and $4.00 for children under 12, before 6:00 p.m. To find out the show times and what movies are playing, call (781) 648-6022.

DISCOUNT MOVIE PASSES!

Movie tickets, sold at a reduced rate of $5.00, are available at the Information Booth in the Campus Center. These special student tickets may be used at either Loews/Sony or Showcase cinemas. Tickets are valid for one year.
Religious Services

Tufts is committed to providing different religious worship services to accommodate students of varied religious backgrounds. The University Chaplaincy is the umbrella organization that advocates for all faith traditions and encourages religious life on campus.

The Catholic Center
58 Winthrop St., (781) 391-7272
Father Dave O’Leary is Associate Chaplain and Director of the Catholic Center

Hillel Center
(behind Miller Hall), 627-3242
Rabbi Jeffrey Summit is Associate Chaplain and Director of Hillel.

The Tufts Orthodox Christian Fellowship
Provides an opportunity for worship and fellowship for Russian and Greek Orthodox students. For more information contact Goddard Chapel x 73427.

The Tufts Islamic Center
76 Curtis St. (Contact Goddard Chapel)

Protestant Ministry at Tufts
Curtis Hall, 628-5000 x72097
Also, ministers from local churches provide additional ministry for Protestant students.

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

Goddard Chapel
- Protestant Worship
- Catholic Mass
- “Reflections” (Interfaith Service)
- “Chaplain’s Table”

Hillel Center
- Shabbat Services (Traditional & Reform)
- Shabbat Dinner**
  **Please call 627-3242 by Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. to reserve a place at dinner.

The Islamic Center
(This is a student organization which holds midday services on Fridays. The Center is open 24 hours a day.)
- Jum’ah Prayer
  midday Friday

For information on religious services off campus, please refer to the “Places of Worship” handout that you received in your arrival packet. If you do not have this handout, feel free to come to the International Center and pick one up.
The Leonard Carmichael Society (LCS) is the undergraduate student-run community service umbrella organization at Tufts. Well over 900 students get involved in one or more of LCS’s 39 programs each semester. The programs focus on everything from hunger, homelessness, and work with children to health education, literacy, work with the elderly and much more!

The International Center is recommending the following nine programs for international students:
- Volunteer Construction Corps
- Volunteer Vacations
- Hunger Project
- Caring Helps In Living With Disabilities (C.H.I.L.D.)
- Junior Achievement
- Kids To College
- Lorax
- Anti-Smoking Awareness
- Somerville Urban Gardeners

To find out more, attend a general interest meeting on Monday, September 11 at 9:30 p.m. at Cohen Auditorium or call the LCS office at 627-3643.