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ISC UPDATE



*Welcome to the ISC UPDATE! We hope you had a great semester and we would like to show you what we have been up to! If you would like to get involved in any of the projects you read about please don't hesitate to contact one of your program representatives.
Sincerely Yours, Abigail Hoyt and Simohn Engelbrecht (Public Relations Officers)*

Model United Nations Committee Hosts First Conference

On January 19th, International and Chinese students came together for the first ZJU International Campus Model United Nations simulation. Organised by the International Students' Council, our Model UN session invited participants to take up the roles of different United Nations Security Council members as they decided how to respond to the Iran Hostage Crisis (in 1979, groups of Iranian student protestors took over the United States embassy in Tehran and refused to allow the American diplomats to leave). Participants had to research how to think and act like the country they were representing, and then work together to debate key issues and draw up a draft UN Security Council Resolution. They were encouraged to maintain character during the day and were helped to do so through the recreation of the atmosphere and procedures of the real UN Security Council, under the watchful eye of Chair Elisabetta Botta. Participants were all given the opportunity to practice their research, speaking, and writing skills, in English, and also had great fun!





New Self Access Language Center

The Faculty of Arts and Sciences recently launched its new Language Center. The Center offers free on-demand Chinese and English advising and support for all students and staff on International Campus. All campus Chinese teachers offer hours in the Language Center for students to book. They are available to work with students on a range of Chinese learning issues, from character writing to pronunciation to HSK preparation. The Chinese teachers also hope to organise a range of cultural activities. Students looking for help with their English writing can book an advising session with a Peer Writing tutor, graduate students who have been specially trained to help them review their work. English language support services focusing on listening and speaking will also be offered. The Language Center also has a well-stocked library of books and other tools to help students who are learning Chinese and English. If you wish to book an advising session, you can telephone on 0571-87572719. The Center is working on a WeChat booking system for your greater convenience and hopes it will be ready soon.

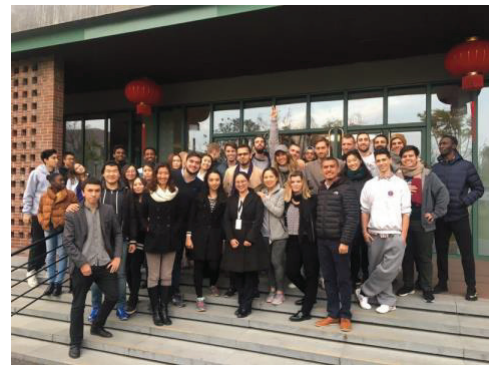
Additional Announcements

Before winter break the Canteen committee worked closely with the administration and the canteen manager to ensure that all students staying on campus would have dining options. Thank you to the administration for working with us and providing their best possible service. In the coming months the Canteen committee plans to continue working hard to keep bringing tasty and healthy options to the table. As always, please feel to share any feedback or suggestions you might have.

The ISC would like to formally thank Erivins Gorelovs for the beautifully designed ISC logo that will represent us as a student body.

We will soon announce the date for our Spring Open Forum so keep your eyes on your WeChat and be thinking about issues on campus that you might be interested in sharing with the ISC.

SNAPSHOTS FROM THE SEMESTER



THE UPDATE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COUNCIL

The International Student Council Strives to improve international students' academic environment and increase cultural understanding. The ISC serves as the liaison to administration and supports students in their transition and daily life at Zhejiang University International Campus.

WE HEAR YOU!

YOUR PROBLEMS, OUR SOLUTIONS

(BASED ON THE CONCERNS RAISED DURING THE OPEN FORUM)

- ✓ **More Washing Machines**- Now have them! Three washing machines and two driers have been added to the laundry room.
- ✓ **Improving the Dining Hall:** The ISC formed a canteen committee and they have been working tirelessly to help make the canteen better. They have sent out several surveys, organized all of the food over winter break and got Baozi added to our menu every day!
- ✓ **Airport Shuttle Bus**- The ISC found a company that offers discounts for groups traveling together. It is available for students coming home from winter break.
- ✓ **More foods at the market**-The Hualian Online Market has an online shopping mall. Now you can order foods online and it will be delivered to campus!
- ✓ **Better parking for eBike:** Next semester there will be a new eBike parking lot near the North Gate. It can hold around 200 ebikes. It will also have meter chargers and security monitored by CCTV.
- ✓ **Increased Security for E-Bike Chargers**
- ✓ **Didi and delivery services on campus:** Next semester food can be picked up at the East gate, which is a lot closer to our dorms!

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

PLEASE JOIN A COMMITTEE TODAY!

- ❖ Events Committee
- ❖ Model United Nations Committee
- ❖ Academic Institutes Committee
- ❖ Canteen Committee
- ❖ Communications Committee
- ❖ Policy Committee
- ❖ Societies Committee

REQUESTS, PROBLEMS, OR CONCERNS?

FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO A REPRESENTATIVE TODAY!

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HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WELCOME BACK!

