The international program office is here to provide support, inspire involvement, and provide you with opportunities and encourage making your semester the best ever. You need to take the lead by deciding the areas that you have an interest in or a passion for and then commit your energy and time towards it. If we can help you achieve those dreams and goals, let us know. We are your partner in this enterprise of obtaining a comprehensive...
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There are over 60 clubs and organization on campus. Getting involved in the student organizations and clubs is one way to meet and make new friends. Some clubs offer good scholarship and leadership opportunities. For more information please visit the student activities office located in the Taylor Building or visit our website:

www.csi.edu/studentActivities/clubs

**Clubs and organization**
- ASCSI Student Senate
- Diversity Council
- Program Board
- Sustainability
- Latinos Unidos
- Black Student Alliance
- Asian Student Organization

**International Student Orientation**

August 20, 2011

All Incoming International Student are required to attend orientation. Students will learn about rules and regulations, maintain status, CSI resources, employment, tour of campus, shopping, ropes course, and a BBQ! Current international student are highly encourage to attend, so they are able to meet and share some of their experience with new international students

**PLEASE RSVP:**
Call 208-732-6383 or 208-732-6223
E-mail: internationalprograms@csi.edu or sculum@csi.edu

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Hi my name is Gerson and I’m an International student from Valencia, Brazil. I play for the CSI Basketball team as Power Forward. CSI is one of the best Colleges I’ve attended so far. The teachers are very friendly and understanding. They all do their best to help athletes succeed. Another thing that I really enjoy at CSI are all the activities that the College organizes for students like movie nights, bowling nights, and all the other events that help students decompress. CSI always wants the athletes to perform well in sports as well as in class. Please come and support our games!

After two stressful weeks of finals, we deserve it! But after the holidays are over and the initial thrill of homework-less freedom subsides, what will you do? Too often, students waste their college winter break sitting around watching TV and getting nothing done. Change that around! Why not take advantage of that to do something productive or out of the ordinary?

Looking for a Job on campus?!?! Make an appointment to see Samra Culum. Get more information for availability, rules and regulations, and proper forms.

Be our friend...!! Join our Facebook page at International Programs of CSI for current international student news and updates. Our office is located in upstairs in the SUB, Student Activities office room 235

Remember!

- 12 credits to maintain full-time status
- For every 12 credits, only 3 credits may be online
- International Students are NOT allowed to work off campus, unless they have received OPT/CPT clearance
- Transfer Students need to fill out proper paperwork and see Elena Butler

**Important Dates for the Winter Break**

December 1st
~Christmas dinner sign up is available in Samra office.

December 16th
~Residence Hall Closes @ 6 p.m.

December 18th
~Christmas dinner

December 25th
~Christmas Day

January 1st
~New Years Day

January 13
~Residence Hall Opens

January 17th
~Spring Semester does Begin; Room and Board due
TRAVEL

A college winter break vacation doesn’t have to be spent halfway across the world, or cost you an arm or a leg. Student travel can be done cheaply! Whatever your destination is, a change of scenery is healthy.

Figure out your budget, get some friends together, and plan a getaway. Want to learn how to snowboard? Curl up in front of a fireplace in a cabin in the woods? Visit your state’s capital? College winter break is the ideal time to do it!

Look into winter events: http://recreation.csi.edu/outdoors/

Winter Break Ideas....

Family Time

This winter break Samra, the advisor, will have a Christmas Dinner at her house. Preferably the week before Christmas, (December 18th 2011). Everyone can bring a dish of food from their country and bring a gift for a gift exchange ($10 limit). It’s a home feeling for many international students because you experience the dinner and the different traditions of each country. Get more information from Samra and the International Office the beginning of December.

Hi my name is Lamin Camara and I’m an International Student from Gambia. Christmas break is one of my best times in the year, because I use that time to travel around and discover new places or to visit friends and family that live in the US.