**February Birthdays**

- Feb 2: Biju Rajbhandari
- Feb 4: Ines Valencia-Graul
- Feb 6: Hikari Mine
- Feb 7: Linh Mai Tran
- Feb 8: Linh Ngoc Le
- Feb 10: Dabeen Jeong
- Feb 11: Benjamin Osborn
- Feb 11: Mina Seo
- Feb 11: Jiefang Lin
- Feb 12: Hyung-Ju Suh
- Feb 17: Hoang Nguyen
- Feb 18: Pragyan Sigdel
- Feb 19: Pankhuri Singh
- Feb 23: Thuy Le
- Feb 25: San Gil
- Feb 26: Shiyi Xia
- Feb 28: Yifan Zhang

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PEOPLE OF COLOR EMPOWERMENT WEEK

A collaboration effort between the Committee for Diversity Affairs (CODA), AIO, and many other diversity groups on campus, People of Color Empowerment Week is a celebration of diversity on campus, while focusing on various diversity issues, such as white fragility, black feminism, POC community resilience, and the intersections of all these issues, through discussions and conversations. More importantly, the events throughout the week are to help students of color reclaim their identities and be more empowered to be themselves and continue the work they have been doing. Join the week’s discussions, lectures, self-care workshops and performances.

The self-care workshops are by RSVP only, and students of color are prioritized.

ASK THE ADVISOR

Dear Leah,

In light of the recent executive orders and political rhetoric, what are some precautions I could take if I need to plan to travel overseas? In the future, if I travel out of the country and have trouble at immigration trying to return to the US, what should I do?

Due to recent executive orders that have been published and the fact that their implementation continues to evolve, it is important to consult with ISS on matters of international travel. ISS asks any students planning to travel internationally during Spring Break to schedule a meeting to discuss their plans and what to expect at the port of entry. For all students it is important to stay in status by following all regulations such as maintaining at least 15 units of course work, not working without permission, and updating ISS of any changes to your name, address, major, etc.

In order to plan for a smooth entry into the United States, it is important that you have accurate and valid immigration documents at the time of your entry. **The documents you will need are:**

1. Form I-20 endorsed by ISS for travel dated within the last six months
2. A current passport valid for at least six months after the date of your reentry
3. A valid F-1 visa
4. Financial information showing proof of necessary funds to cover tuition and living expenses
5. I-901 Fee SEVIS Receipt (Printed from www.fmjfee.com)
6. Name and contact information for ISS and Campus Safety (on-call number)

**Recommended documents:**
- Transcript of previous courses and/or schedule for upcoming term
- Lawrence’s letter of admission

For more information about travel and immigration resources, check out go.lawrence.edu/immigration.

I.S.S. STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: ALFIZA URMANOVA

Name: Alfiza Urmanova
Year: Sophomore
Major: Economics and Chinese
Country: Russia
Career Aspiration: Consulting
Why did you choose Lawrence? I received generous financial support from Lawrence.
What is one of the most memorable moments during your years here at Lawrence? Spontaneous snowball fight with my closest friends on the quad
What are you involved with at Lawrence? I’m a Chair of LUCC ad-hoc committee EPOC (Event Planning and Organizing Committee). I’m also a Russian TA and currently working on opening an Amnesty International Chapter.
Do you have any plans yet for life after Lawrence? I plan to work in consulting field.
Do you have any advice for the underclassmen? Set your priorities straight. And the sooner you do that, the better. College work and academics is nothing near you have ever had, so make sure that those five clubs you are in leave the time for you to do work.

CODA/LI COLLABORATION

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, in the Esch-Hurvis room, join Lawrence International and CODA for a guided discussion on how identity politics and how it applies to international students. This is a session for international students to discuss their perspectives. Identity is a very complex concept and it takes different forms depending on geography and cultural context. In this workshop with CODA and LI, we will explore the topic of identity as well as identity geography and space.

The discussion is for J1 and F1-visa students. Email invitations will be sent out. The event is by RSVP only.

LUNCH WITH CANZI

Dr. Canzi Wang, originally from Hunan, China, has been a counselor at Lawrence University since September 2016. Canzi has worked with college students at various places before coming to Lawrence. As an international student herself, Canzi has encountered difficulties that most international students may face, like the language barrier and cultural shock. Canzi is also passionate about working with international students and students who have other marginalized identities.

Lunch with Canzi will provide international students a safe and confidential place to support each other through challenges and stressful times, and connect with each other.

Time: 11 am every Tuesday at International House