



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS NEWSLETTER

PALOMAR COLLEGE



ISA's Authentic Thanksgiving Dinner with Food, Friends, Gratitude, & Games.

ISA hosted a Friendsgiving dinner for international students and friends on Thursday, November 20.

Home cooked turkey and traditional Thanksgiving sides were served in the Seal Center. About 25 international students and friends were able to experience a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, most for the first time. Before our meal, we gathered in a circle, created a safe space, and said what we are all thankful for. The room was filled with laughter, music, delicious food, and great conversation, and followed up with board games and card games in the international student office. It was truly an unforgettable experience for our students who were very thankful.

ISA's Halloween Party



Reminders

Winter break is from December 21-January 25.

If you are requesting travel outside U.S. during the break, email the International Student Office.

UC and CSU application deadlines are approaching. Check with the Transfer Center for deadlines and assistance.

Checklist for students graduating in December:

Submit Graduation Petition
Fill out Last Semester
Questionnaire

If transferring in spring 2026, email us your acceptance letter from the school and SEVIS Record Release Request by December 22

If planning Optional Practical Training (OPT) in spring 2026, apply as soon as possible if you have not done so already.



A Tribute to the Men's Soccer Team

Congratulations to the Palomar College men's soccer team for making it to the CCCAA SoCal Regional Playoffs!

Special shout-out to Jakub Kozlowski, who was named PCAC offensive player of the year from the Palomar men's soccer team! 5 of our international students on the men's soccer team, including Jakub, qualified for the CCCAA SoCal Regional Playoffs. Although they did not win their first playoff game on November 17, they had an amazing season. Go Comets!



Felix Hamm

I am originally from Munich in Germany. My major is business and I'm looking to transfer to a 4-year school next summer. My favorite food is honestly just any type of pasta.



Jonatan Maelicke

Hello my name is Jonatan Maelicke and I am from Hamburg, Germany. I play here at Palomar men's soccer as a center back and really enjoy the time here. My favorite food is Wienerschnitzel but In-n-Out is also pretty good. My major is business admin and I hope to transfer to a U.S. university after Palomar College.



Nikola Ilic

Hi everyone! I am from Belgrade, Serbia, and I am majoring in accounting here at Palomar College. After, I plan to build a successful career in the field. However, there is still a long road ahead with two more semesters and OPT, and I am excited for the journey. In addition, I am a part of the men's soccer team as a striker. Before soccer, I was a professional Serbian national folk dancer, and before that, a semi-pro point guard in basketball until a hand injury ended my time on the court. Something unique about me is that I have two different eye colors that change even more depending on the lighting and the mood. It includes grey, light blue, green, and hazel. Weird, right?



Jakub Kozlowski

I am from Molln, Germany. My major is criminal justice, and my plans are to go to a D1 university. I would say that my favorite food is lasagna. I played U17 Bundesliga (Highest Division in Germany). I can speak 3 languages (English, Polish, and German)



Rory Flanagan

I am from Ireland. My major is business admin and I will graduate from Palomar College next semester and hope to transfer to a four-year university.

Go Comets!!!

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**December 3
2:00 p.m.**

**Who is the fastest racer?
Prizes and Food
Don't miss it!**

International Students Holiday Events

Thursday, December 4
2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Christmas Decorating
SU-103
Help decorate the office
and sign up for a Secret
Santa gift exchange

Thursday, December 18
2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Holiday/End of Semester Party
SU-103
Secret Santa gift exchange

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