



**Hello International Students and Friends,**

The long Easter weekend is here! In today's newsletter, don't miss the Easter highlights and today's alumni panel. Also, check out the OIP student ambassador job posting and other information below.

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## Easter Highlights

**This coming Sunday, April 9, is Easter! But what is this holiday, and how/why do people celebrate it? Click through links below to find out.**

- [Click here](#) to see fun ways families in the U.S. have traditionally celebrated Easter.
- [Click here](#) for a view of Easter traditions around the world.
- [Click here](#) for a Q&A about why Easter is important for Christians.

**Here are a few options of local churches which have Easter services.**

- [Valparaiso University Chapel](#)
- [Liberty Bible Church](#) (many Easter activities)
- [Calvary Church](#) (modern style service)
- [Immanuel Lutheran](#) (traditional style service)

**Here are Easter movie options for the weekend!**

- [The Jesus Film](#) 1979 G (start watching from 1hr 24min point for Easter story)

- [Risen](#) 2016 PG-13 (historical fiction about the resurrection story)
- [Ben Hur](#) 1959 G (historical fiction which ends with an Easter theme)
- [The Passion of the Christ](#) 2004 R (an account of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection)



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International Coffee Hour Today!

# INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR

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**THURSDAY**

**APRIL 6 4-5P.M.**

**INTERNATIONAL  
STUDENT  
LOUNGE  
(UNION 246)**

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND  
CONVERSATION!**

**THIS WEEK'S TOPIC:**

***Easter***



Alumni panel on  
Zoom  
Today, April 6,  
5:30 PM

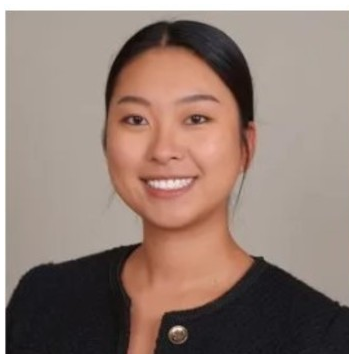
Join us for a Zoom conversation with [5 Valpo international alumni!](#) All of them are currently living & working in the U.S.

- Hear real-life post-graduation experiences from those who went before you at Valpo.
- Get practical career advice for job searching, and ask any questions you want!

[Click here to join on Zoom](#) on Thursday, April 6, 5:30PM (for approx 1 hr).



**Chamindu Amarasinghe**  
Physics, 2018



**Xiaotong (Tonia) Xu**  
Civil Engineering, 2018



**Bharath Gade**  
Information Technology, 2016



**Junaid Ehsan**  
Information Technology, 2021



**Pradeep Dilli**  
Information Technology, 2016

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## Dinner with a Friendship Family

Would you like to go to a local family's house for dinner sometime in April or May? [Click here](#) to sign up! Friendship Families ([see their Facebook page](#)) has partnered with the OIP for many years to provide opportunities for international to get to know local Valpo people. There's no better way to experience American culture than eat dinner in a local home!



## Visa Election & Events

If you are interested in being an executive member of VISA for the academic year 2023-2024, fill out [this form](#) before Monday, **April 17**. We recommend you to apply as soon as you can so that you can get to know the positions better.

### **Upcomming VISA Events**

- VISA General Meeting, Friday, April 14, 5-6PM, Brown and Gold Room
- Eid Night, Friday, April 21.
- Brazil Cultural Night, Friday, April 28.

Follow VISA on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

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## Student Ambassador Job

# Posting in OIP!

OIP is looking for student ambassadors to start working this summer. To learn more click on the link below:

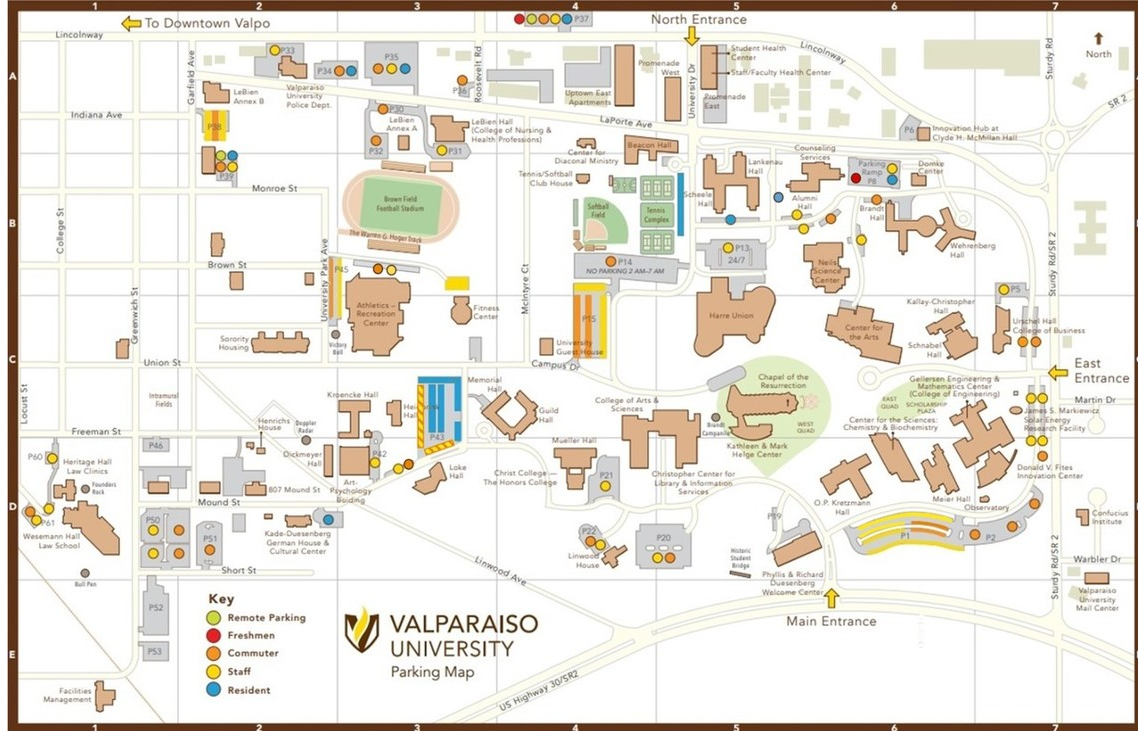
[Link for Handshake.](#)



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## Make Sure to Follow Parking Signs On Campus!

Don't get parking tickets! Check the map below to find out where you are & aren't allowed to park on campus.



## CPT-OPT Workshops!

Here are the dates and times for the next [CPT](#) workshop.

- April 27, Time: 4:30PM

Here is the date and time for next [OPT](#) workshop.

- OPT - April 11, Time: 5PM

**Location: All in Suite 200 (Union 2nd Floor) Multipurpose Room**



## OIP Hours

The OIP is located at **Harre Union Suite 250**. Stop by to pick up documents, make an appointment, or just chat between **9 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday**.



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See you around campus!

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