









Hello International Students and Friends,

We made it! Through the snow, hail, midterms, projects, and finals, the end of the semester has arrived! Whether you are going home, taking classes, or working, we hope the summer brings great experiences. The OIP will continue to be open during the summer, and these newsletters will come out once a month. Be on the lookout for some of the fun events we plan to have. Congratulations to those who are graduating; we wish the best for your next adventure!

The OIP



TOMORROW - Valpo Commencement

Valpo's commencement ceremony is tomorrow starting at 9:00am; Click

HERE for the schedule and livestream



Things to do in the Summer

- Drive-in Movie Theater: The 49er drive-in theater in Valparaiso is a must-do in the summer. This is one of the top drive-in's in the U.S., and they show newly-released movies.
 - Click for more information: 49er Drive-In
- Valpo Car & Motorcycle Show (May 19): Come see some unique cars at this annual event! This year, the event is from 9am-3pm at 215 E. Division Rd. Valparaiso, IN.
 - Click for more information: <u>Car Show</u>
- Central Park FREE outdoor movies and concerts: During the summer, Valparaiso hosts weekly concerts and movies at Central Park Plaza. Movies start June 4 and concerts start July 18.
 - Click for more information: <u>Movies and concerts</u>
- Pierogi Fest (July 26-28): The Pierogi Fest in Whiting, Indiana (45 minutes away) is a famous annual event with food vendors and live music. Join over 300,000 people at this event!

- Click for more information: <u>Pierogi Fest</u>
- Indiana Dunes: Just a short drive towards Lake Michigan is a wonderful place to hike dunes and hang out at the beach. Go to watch a sunset, swim, or walk trails!
 - Click for more information: Indiana Dunes
- Other activities include: blueberry picking, 4 v 4 Valpo sand volleyball league, July 4 fireworks, and Porter County Fair
 - Email adam.reinsma@valpo.edu if you want to learn more about these opportunities.

Congrats to Dr. Jeff Doebler

Dr. Jeff Doebler, professor of music and director of music education and bands, is the 2024 recipient of the Martin Schaefer-Hugh McGuigan Award for his substantial contributions to internationalizing the campus. He received the award in Provost Eric Johnson's office on Wednesday, May 8.



End of Semester Information

With the end of the semester approaching, there are a few key things that you should keep in mind, espcially relating to travel and updating your immigration record. See the email sent to you last week titled "End of Semester Reminders from the OIP" for detailed information.

International Graduation Reception



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**.



See you around campus!



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