

## Office of International Programs Newsletter

Welcome our new international students for the spring semester!







PC Students Doing Community Service

## What is Going on at PC?

We are glad to have all students back on campus for this Spring 2024 semester. We are especially excited to welcome 7 new international students from Zimbabwe, Venezuela, Myanmar, Ukraine, France, Taiwan, and Korea. Students are now in their second week of classes, albeit a short 4-day week because of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday this past Monday. Although having the day off from classes, many students chose to participate in the campus-wide service day partaking in a wide range of services from planting trees to trash pick up. Several international students chose to participate and had the unique opportunity to give back, while also getting to know the Clinton community.

The spring semester is off to a fast start with classes having begun on January 8th. Everyone is glad to get back to PC and get the new year started. This is a busy time for Presbyterian College athletics, with several winter sports still going on, such as men's and women's basketball, along with men's and women's wrestling and tennis. Additionally, PC has just announced its creation of a new "Spirit Squad" that will cheer at basketball games and other athletic events.

## **International Buddy Program**

We kicked off the semester with an International Buddy Program bonfire last night. It was our first meeting of the semester. We roasted marshmallows, made smores, and got to know everyone! All of the new international students were paired with a PC student who will be their designated buddy for the semester. Our returning students from the fall were able to reconnect with their buddies as well. We are looking forward to our next Buddy Event in which we will all go to Spare Time in Greenville, which has food, bowling, and an arcade! We are glad to have all of our International Students participate in this program and look forward to the rest of the semester!

## **Future Plans**

Over the next few weeks, the international students will have a chance to explore a little bit of South Carolina with trips to local areas such as Greenville, Simpsonville, and Laurens. In addition, they will also have the opportunity to explore the beautiful historic town of Charleston, SC for a weekend trip next month. Located on the coast, it is known for its diverse culinary scene, historic treasures, and rich culture.

There are many other campus-wide activities coming up! We are looking forward to our Multicultural Mixer which will be taking place in March. It gives our international students the opportunity to share their cultures with the American students at PC, while also learning about all of the other countries and cultures that are represented here on campus. The mixer is soon followed by some of the most popular spring events on campus: Spring Fling and Big Man on Campus.



**Buddy Program Bonfire** 

We want <u>you</u> to come to PC!

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