Meet Your International Community Support

- The International Centre
- University of Manitoba Students Union (UMSU)
- University of Manitoba International Students' Communit Center (UMICC)
- Spiritual Care



International Centre |



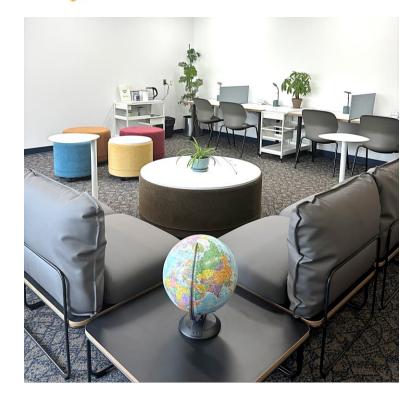
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International Centre website







Student Programming International Centre



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Orientation & Transitions



Updates | Events | Tips | Community

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The International Student Newsletter is delivered on the last week of every month.



Welcome to the International Student Newsletter!

Get important immigration updates, events, tips and community updates to your inbox every month from the International Centre (IC).

Learn more about the IC





@um.international



Intercultural Programs

Intercultural Programs

- Welcome Mentors
- Language Exchange
- Intercultural Leaders
- Social events











Volunteering at Orientation

Students in their second year or more





Why participate in IC programs?

Cross-cultural friendships

- Domestic students in Canada reported only 11% of their friends were international students (Grayson, 2008)
- 56% of international students claimed to have not even one Canadian friend (CBIE, 2013)



Intercultural Friendships

What helps promote friendships across cultures?

- Cultural similarity
- Cultural differences
- Prior intercultural experience
- Targeted socializing



IC Events

Join us for events this Fall and Winter term to meet other international students, or domestic students interested in learning about other cultures and travelling.





P. Sias, J. Drzewiecka, M. Meares, R. Bent, Y. Konomi, M. Ortega & C. White (2008) Intercultural Friendship Development, Communication Reports, 21:1, 1-13.



Weekly Wednesday Conversation Group

- Every Wednesday, starting Sept 11
- 1:30-2:30 pm
- Meet at 541 UMSU
 University Centre



WEEKLY WEDNESDAY CONVERSATION GROUP International Centre



Ways to get involved & meet people

https://umanitoba.ca/student-supports/get-involved

- Peer Mentoring
- Community Engaged Learning
- Volunteer on campus (or off)
- Student exchange
- Recreation services
- Leadership programs
- Student Groups, Clubs and Associations (UMSU will talk about this)
- UMGSA
- HSGSA
- Get a part-time job
- Check out UM Events: <u>https://eventscalendar.umanitoba.ca/</u>



Outdoor Movie

Outdoor Movie Night! Showing: The Fall Guy (2024)

Date Friday, August 30 Time 8:00 pm (or sunset) All students welcome! FREE!



umanitoba.ca/international/orientation

here

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Meet the IC for Coffee & Tea (Winter Clothing Display): Sept 4

Come visit the International Centre staff and on-campus partners: Career Services, Spiritual Care and Student Care!

Take a look at our **winter clothing display**

Come and drop in anytime between **12-2 pm**, coffee and snacks provided! Room 544 UMSU University Centre





Get your SIN on Campus: Sept 5 & 6

- Sept 5 & 6
- 9:00-3:00pm both days
- 217 University Centre
- Registration not required, first come first served
- Scan the QR code for details on what documents to bring









GETTING INVOLVED

Find Your UM Community











DO WE ALL LIKE THE SAME THINGS?

Using menti.com

Mentimeter





How & Importance of Getting Involved

- Find your community
- Gain CCR
- Build your skills and experience
- Passion





UMSU What is UMSU?

We are the University of Manitoba Students' Union (UMSU). We serve students by enhancing student life and increasing the quality of education through consultation, representation, and advocacy.

Meet your 2024-2025 Executive Team:

President – Divya Sharma

VP Finance & Operations – Carolyn Wang

VP University Affairs – Rachhvir Dhaliwal

VP External Affairs – Prabhnoor Singh

VP Student Life – Bolu Akindele







How to get involved with UMSU

- Volunteering
- UMSU Clubs
- UMSU Community Groups
- UMSU Committees (Member Services, Finance, Judicial Board)
- Events (<u>www.umsu.ca/events</u>)
- Job Opportunities
 - We hire students at all of our businesses Degrees Diner, VW Social Club, UMSU Service Centre, GPA's, IQ's Café & Billiards and Umcycle

Find more information on our website at <u>www.umsu.ca</u>

Stay tuned with the latest news and events by following us on Instagram! @myumsu





UMSU Clubs & Associations

- UMSU Clubs bring together people with shared passions and interests to explore a variety of activities.
- With over 100 student clubs and 28 associations, there's something for everyone!
- UMSU Clubs are started by students and can be found on <u>www.umsu.ca/clubs</u>
- Student associations are in form of faculties
 - i.e. University 1, Faculty of Science, etc.
- Interested in joining a club? Stop by our Get Involved Week!
 - September 16 20, 1st floor UMSU University Centre

SCAN ME





UMSU Community Groups

- We have seven community representatives
 - 2SLGBTQIA+ Students' Representative Theodore Biggs-Engel
 - Accessibility Representative Ekamjit Singh
 - Black Students' Representative Damilola Ojo
 - Indigenous Students' Representative Michaela de Hoop
 - International Students' Representative Krupa Mashru
 - Racialized Students' Representative Christabel Attoni-Oteari
 - Women's Representative Heaven Kaur







Upcoming Events

 Keep up with current events on our event calendar (<u>www.umsu.ca/events</u>) and on Instagram @myumsu !









UMSU International Students' Representative

Krupa Mashru (she/her)

- From Kenya
- Major in Athletic Therapy
- Fun fact: I can find rhythm in everything—whether it's in dance, music, or even the hustle and bustle of daily life!
- Contact: isr@umsu.ca
- Instagram: @umanitoba_icc







What is ICC?



The International Students' Community Center (ICC) is a vibrant hub overseen by the UMSU International Students' Representative, dedicated to fostering a sense of unity among international students at the University of Manitoba.



What do we (executives) do?

- Plan various events and activities (Movie Night, Giveaway, Monthly Community Assembly)
- Provide on and off-campus to support international students
- Address challenges (visa matters, academic support, cultural adaptation, and any other topics) that impact the well-being and success of our students.
- Create financial aid and scholarships for international students



- Create an inclusive and welcoming environment for our students
- And much more....





Initiatives

- Giveaways
- Culture Appreciation Event
- Lunch with Us
- Office hours
- UMSU Bursary for International Students
- Collaboration with the International Center









ICC Members

- Sign up to be our member!
- Follow our Instagram @umanitoba_icc and Facebook International Students' Community Center
- Office : 185 Helen Glass (drop by during office hours to hang out!)
- Contact: <u>umsu.intlstudentscenter@gmail.com</u> or <u>isr@umsu.ca</u>







Spiritual Care and Multi-Faith Centre



"Who am I?"

"What will I do with my life?"

"Does it even matter?"

"What is it all about?"



Your Big Questions...

- What "big questions" are you hoping to find answers to while at university?
- What may keep you from asking or searching for answers?
- What might help you step out and go in search of answers?



Travelling Companions

Wholeness includes Connection

"So many aspects of personal growth and development revolve around relationships and interactions. Issues of friendship, sexuality, tolerance, compassion, forgiveness, and autonomy are important aspects of emerging identity that are worked out in the company of peers in the college environment"

(Chickering et. al., 2006)





When finding a group to connect with, make sure that they...

 Invite open and thoughtful investigation
 Help you through some of life's inevitable of beliefs and welcome a critical approach crises to faith

• Encourage you to be a responsible and contributing member of the larger community

• Offer a reasonable and credible belief system upon which to structure your life.

• Encourage relationships with family and friends outside the group

ADDRESSING AGGRESSIVE RELIGIOUS RECRUITING resource https://umanitoba.ca/student/media/umaggressive-religious-recruiting.pdf



Connecting with Student Groups and Spiritual Health Supports

Student communities

- <u>https://umanitoba.ca/current</u> -students/first-year/umcommons/studentcommunities
- <u>https://umsu.ca/student-</u> <u>clubs-associations/student-</u> <u>clubs/</u>







Spiritual Care and Multi-Faith Centre Groups and Activities



- Drum Circles
- Free-Tech Lunches
- Meditating with a Buddhist Monk
- Falun Dafa Body Practices
- Bible Studies
- Prayer Gatherings
- Individual Quiet/Contemplative Times
- Smudging
- Inter-faith Gatherings
- Faith-Based Student Groups



UM Spiritual Care & Multi-Faith Centre

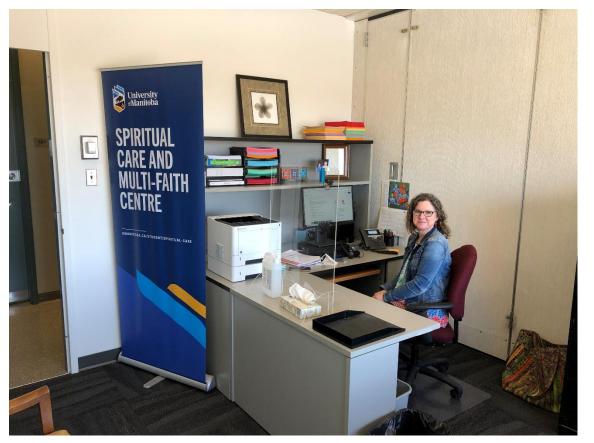
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Meet your Spiritual Care Team...

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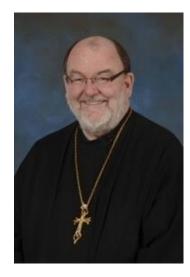
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