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**Friends of International Students (FIS) Host Program Newsletter, Spring 2023**  
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**A Note from ISSS**

Campus is blooming and students have headed outdoors to chat, study or just enjoy the beautiful sunshine and spring breezes. Students are busy completing exams and final projects as well as making plans for the upcoming summer. Soon family members from around the world will join us for Commencement to celebrate the Class of 2023! Our sincerest congratulations to each of our international graduates. You can find [Commencement details](#) on the Middlebury website.

Are you or any of your friends or family members interested in being matched with a student in the fall? If so, look out for our host recruiting emails where we will announce the dates of our upcoming host information meetings. You can also check the [ISSS website](#) for updates in the coming weeks.

Middlebury College has ended its COVID-19 campus requirements. To view the latest details about this, please visit the [COVID-19 Updates](#) website.

## **Important Dates**

### **Exam Period**

The spring exam period begins on Thursday, May 18 and ends on Tuesday, May 23. This is a great time to reach out and offer your student a chance to get away from their studies for a bit. Why not enjoy a walk around town together or meet up for coffee or tea at a local café? Or why not send a text or handwritten note of encouragement? Just knowing you're thinking about them can make all the difference to your student!

### **Summer Break**

Summer for students begins on Wednesday, May 24 with residence halls closing at noon. Summer housing is offered to students completing in-person summer research, an approved internship, or those employed by the College through the Student Employment Office. If possible, check-in with your student before the break begins. You may find out he/she is staying in Vermont over the break, giving you the great opportunity to plan summer outings. If your student is leaving for the summer, remember that hosts are not expected to provide lodging, transportation to the airport or storage during the break. Helpful year-end advice, including information about storage can be found on the College's [Residential Life website](#). You can also remind your student that there are many [transportation options](#) in town.

### **Upcoming Local Events**

Here are some spring events you may enjoy that are free and open to the public. Please visit the website links for event details.

#### **Pop-up! 3-D Books from Special Collections**

**Beginning Tuesday, May 17**

**Middlebury College, Davis Family Library, Main Level**

Please see the link below for more information on this wonderful exhibit!

<https://www.middlebury.edu/events/event/pop-3-d-books-special-collections-15>

#### **Senior Week Choral Concert**

**Friday, May 26, 7:30-9 pm**

**Middlebury College, Mahaney Arts Center, Olin C. Robison Concert Hall**

The Middlebury College Choir performs favorite choral selections picked by the graduating seniors.

<https://www.middlebury.edu/events/event/senior-week-choral-concert-0>

#### **Commencement**

**Sunday, May 28, 10:00 am**

**Middlebury College, Central Lawn (or via live stream – see the website below for details)**

<https://www.middlebury.edu/college/commencement-2023>



Find other exhibitions, performances and events at the College and the local area, visit the following websites:

- The College Calendar: <http://www.middlebury.edu/events>
- Middlebury College Museum of Art: <http://museum.middlebury.edu/>
- Rohatyn Center for Global Affairs: <https://www.middlebury.edu/office/rohatyn/events-calendar>
- Addison County Chamber of Commerce: <https://www.addisoncounty.com/>
- Burlington happenings: <https://www.sevendaysvt.com/>

### **FIS Story Corner**

We always welcome new pictures and stories from hosts. Tell us about your spring and summer adventures via email at [iss@middlebury.edu](mailto:iss@middlebury.edu)!



**Enjoy the sunny days ahead with your students and thank you for being a part of this special program.**

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