

**“Got ISAN?!”**  
**Greetings from the International Student Alumni Network (ISAN)**

*“There is nothing permanent except change.” —Heraclitus*

Change, there has been a lot of it at Wooster lately. A new President, a new Director of International Student Affairs, a new Intern, a new Coordinator for International Admissions, new first years, a new season, and a new academic year. While change can be unsettling it brings with it fresh ideas, energy and viewpoints. We at ISAN would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone old and new! To the sophomores, juniors and seniors I would like to say that ISAN continues to be committed to helping you navigate your way during your time at Wooster and beyond. For all the first-years who are still wondering....umm what is ISAN? Google it! Just kidding.

We are a group of international alumni who have banded together to share our ‘real world’ knowledge with you. The Leadership Team of ISAN comprises of Christabel Dadzie’04, Nikita Sharma’01, Sohil Parekh’99, Anant Padmanabhan’99 and Q’ Imam’91. Spread across the country, and involved in diverse educational and professional pursuits, our firm belief in the high quality of the Wooster education coupled with a desire to see Wooster international graduates achieve professional success, has brought us together.

Wooster alums have gone on to work for world class companies and study in Ivy League graduate schools; and you can definitely follow suite. No matter your class year, our goal is to enhance your knowledge about ways to achieve similar success. Having been down this road before, we recognize that international students have singular needs on campus and after graduation. We believe that international alumni are in a unique position to understand student concerns, brainstorm potential solutions, and possibly even mobilize resources to help meet their needs.

ISAN has focused its efforts around three initiatives: Admissions, Retention and Career Development. During the spring and the summer some of you in the incoming class may have received correspondence from Wooster alumni, ISAN members, answering your burning questions about Wooster and sharing with you exactly why Wooster was the right place for them and certainly will be for you. ISAN also runs the “International Alumni Mentorship Program” which matches a current student with an international alum who can serve as the student’s very own informal career mentor. While this program was only available to juniors and seniors before, it is now open to all students! Online chats, ISAN on LinkedIn, ISAN on Facebook etc. are some of the other ways that you can actively contribute and benefit from what ISAN has to offer. During the year ISAN organizes opportunities for international students to network with international alumni by bringing alumni to campus. Your first such opportunity will be during the ISAN meeting on Oct 6 during Home Coming Weekend.

In driving these programs ISAN is working closely with Anne Gates and Sangeeta Asre from OISA, Lisa Castor from Career Services, Sean Menton in admissions and Sandy Eyre Nichols, in Alumni Relations. We are very thankful for their continued commitment to resolving some of the important issues that international students face. We hope that you the next generation of Wooster will be able to see the benefits of the changes we are together able to bring about. However no change is possible without your full support. To make the most of ISAN or for that matter your college experience, you need to be proactive. So pay a visit to the Career Services office and learn more about how you can and *must* start planning now for your future. Become an active member of ISAN. Start networking with alumni. Think about what you want to do with your life and make it happen!

Once again Welcome to Wooster!  
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ISAN Leadership Team

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