



Student Affairs

November 2020 Newsletter

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IMPORTANT REMINDER: Use your IMSA email address for any and all IMSA purposes. Using another email address will delay your communication and may cause confusion.

IMPORTANT DATES

- November 14 TEDx Youth @ IMSA
- November 16 Intersession Proposals Due
- November 20 Turkey Gobbler Extravaganza (details under Student Activities in this Newsletter)
- November 21 Family Feud (details under Student Activities in this Newsletter)
- November 21 and/or 22 Virtual 5K (details under Student Activities in this Newsletter)
- November 24 Faculty PD 2:30-4:30 pm
- November 25-29 no classes (Thanksgiving)
- November 30 classes convene (A day)
- December 6 Admissions Preview Day (Virtual)
- December 14-16 final exams (December 17 open if needed for makeups)



Welcome to TEDxYouth@IMSA 2020! For those unfamiliar with what a TEDx event is, "it is a local gathering where live TED-like talks and performances are shared with the community." What makes these events so unique, is that they are full day experiences filled with brilliant speakers, thought provoking video, and mind blowing conversations; and this is exactly the kind of experience we're curating with TEDxYouth@IMSA. We are crafting experiences that unleash new ideas, inspire, and inform. With our first event premiering last year (recapture the experience on [Digital Commons](#) or on [YouTube!](#)), we are gearing up and getting ready for round two with our 2020 event theme: Forté. Our student led Organizational Team has a plethora of fun activities planned for everyone to have fun and engage with us in the weeks leading up to the big day on November 14th, so make sure to follow us on our social media pages to stay updated on what's coming up next:

Instagram: [tedxyouimsa](#)

Facebook: [TEDxYouth.IMSA](#)

[IMSA Website](#) (for more info, Zoom backgrounds, and more!)

[REGISTER here](#) for the event and check out our Newsletter on the IMSA website link above for information on

our speakers!

If you have any questions please contact TEDxYouth@IMSA Lead Organizer, LaDonna Hawthorne, at lhawthorne@imsa.edu.

See you on the big day! Until then, remember to bring the forte in your own way.

We are still seeking proposals for Intercession 2021!

(SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Monday, November 16 by 11:59PM)

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

IMSA's 2021 Intercession will be the week of January 11, 2021. All sessions will be held remotely due to the ongoing pandemic. Sessions will vary in time and length, but will be facilitated between 9:00 AM CST until 2:30 PM CST on Tuesday (12th), Wednesday (13th), Thursday (14th) of Intercession week.

Intercession proposals are invited from current and alumni IMSA faculty and staff; current and former IMSA Board members; current and alumni parents; alumni students; and other professional/academic IMSA partners.

Please review the attached proposal submission guidelines for clarification on the proposal process. In particular, note the variety of session lengths and days in this new remote format, which will provide increased flexibility for what types of sessions can be offered.

When you are ready, [use this form to submit your proposal\(s\)](#).

If you have any questions about Intercession or the proposal process, please contact the IMSA Principal's Office at prinoffc@imsa.

If you would like to participate in the Intercession Selection Committee, please contact Paul Gaszak, Dean of Student Support and Equity, at pgaszak@imsa.edu.

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<https://www.imsa.edu/academics/intercession/>



We are super excited to bring you our [Winter Store](#) filled with a variety of warm weather items, casual wear and accessories. With cold weather, holidays and the new year right around the corner; we want you to look your best in these fun "Titan" items. Perfect for students, staff, parents, alumni and supporters too; there's truly something for everyone.

Shop fast, because this limited sale will close on November 24, 2020.

Store Link: <https://fancloth.shop/VUAPQ>

Balfour 2020-2021 Yearbook Information

Attention Students! You can order your 2020-21 yearbook now at Balfour.com (click above). Because we are in distance learning, we will be collecting your images differently this year. Please be on the look out for an email explaining how to submit a photo from Joyce Symoniak.

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

The final exam schedule for the fall 2020 semester has been posted at the following link:

<https://www.imsa.edu/academics/academic-schedules-mod-schedules/>

All final exams will be via distance learning. Teachers will provide specific information to students regarding details

about how the exam will be administered.

[This is the schedule for courses that have requested an exam time slot during final exam week](#) Please note that some courses will have final projects, papers, or other assessments that occur prior to final exam week.

[Dr. Dave DeVol](#)

STUDENT ACTIVITIES



Join us for a weekend packed with *FAMILY, FOOD, FITNESS & FUN!*

Turkey Gobbler Extravaganza

Friday, November 20, 6-7pm: Just in time for Thanksgiving, CAB kicks off the holiday season watching a LIVE cooking show featuring our very own IMSA faculty & staff! They will have 20 minutes to prepare a dish, perfect the presentation, and we'll find out if they are the Master Chef! Participants will be entered into a drawing for some fun prizes. Join us here: <https://imsa.zoom.us/j/94145702066>

Family Feud

Saturday, November 21, 7:30pm-9pm: Families and teams battle it out to see which family reigns supreme. Email walker1@imsa.edu to register your family for a game slot. Watch the game Live here: <https://imsa.zoom.us/j/98796447699>

Virtual 5k

There's still time to register for the first ever **IMSA Virtual 5k** hosted by SCC. Join IMSA's community (virtually) with a wonderful run — right in the comfort of your neighborhood. A "Turkey Trot" of sorts, this event is sure to help you burn off some of that yummy dinner and all of the leftovers.

- Run on **Nov 21 or Nov 22**
- Sign up for \$30 and **get a free shirt!**
- Questions? Email team@imsascc.com
- Register at: <https://imsascc.racery.com/r/imsa-scc-first-annual-5k/>



SERVICE LEARNING

200 service learning hours are required for graduation.

Senior Reminder: For the 2021 graduating class, all approved and validated service learning hours during the 2020-2021 academic year will count towards the two hundred required for graduation. The requirement that a certain number of hours be internal or external has been suspended. Please check PowerSchool for current service learning hour totals.

New opportunities are available! Please check out the [service learning](#) page of IMSA's website for new virtual and in-person opportunities. There is a special section entitled, "Spotlight: New Service Learning Opportunities."

Please don't procrastinate.



IMSA Student Emergency Relief Fund Not only has IMSA's alumni, Sam Yagan '95 and Jessica Droste Yagan '95, committed to supporting the IMSA Student Emergency Relief Fund in a major way to bring the \$100,000 goal in reach, the successful power couple want to send their support to all IMSA students, especially seniors, during these challenging times.

Jessica, managing partner and CEO of Impact Engine, LLC, an investment firm with a mission to bring more capital to a market where financial returns are linked to positive social and environmental impacts, holds a Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy from Haverford College, an MBA from the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, and a Master of Public Administration from the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government. Prior to Impact Engine, Jessica led the creation of McDonald's Corporation's global and U.S. sustainable sourcing strategies.

Sam, who hails from rural Bourbonnais, IL is the son of Syrian immigrants and best known as the co-founder of SparkNotes and Ok Cupid. He is currently the CEO of Chicago-based ShopRunner, an e-commerce network that provides free two-day shipping and returns across multiple merchants. Sam holds a bachelor's degree in Applied Mathematics and Economics from Harvard University and an MBA from **Stanford University**.

Applications to the **Student Emergency Relief Fund** are ongoing and provide assistance for basic essentials, including food, rent, utilities and access to remote learning technology. Preference is given to Tier 1 and Tier 2 families, but all families are eligible to apply. If you have any questions about the Student Emergency Relief Fund, please reach out to Mrs. Tami Armstrong at tarmstrong@imsa.edu.

FREE WEBINARS

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each webinar will take place on Tuesdays @ 5pm Central

November 17, 2020 - Fermin Fernandez - Industrial Engineer - Managing Director of the Chicago Connectivity and the Bosch IoT digital innovation team in USA. Passionate about developing high performing and inspired teams that can materialize ideas and innovative visions to life. Industrial Engineering Major with Masters in Business Administration and PMP Certified.

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3pRuRhFfR4SGMDKfM0CU0Q

November 24, 2020 - Robert Dieter MD- Cardiologist - Dr. Robert Dieter specializes in Cardiovascular Disease (Cardiology) and has over 24 years of experience in the medical field. He graduated from University Of Illinois College Of Medicine Chicago medical school in 1996. He is affiliated with medical facilities Loyola University Medical Center and Macneal Hospital. He has been recognized as one of the top 3 cardiologists in the Midwest.

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eaTNOem1TdGLiuz3MtE0bQ

December 1, 2020 - Hector Rasgado PhD. Professor at the Department of Physiology and Biophysics at the Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science in North Chicago. He studied a Masters in Neurosciences at the CINVESTAV (Mexico) and a Doctorate at the CINVESTAV and the University of Maryland. He also studied Piano performance and composition at the National School of Music (UNAM). His scientific research is on membrane transport, cell volume regulation, Cystic Fibrosis and the effects of music on brain function. This research has been supported by the NIH, American Heart Association (AHA), Novartis Pharmaceuticals and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pMB5tP1eQrIlrD8LBG4t5A

December 8, 2020 - Luis Mar M.Sc. Industrial Engineering -Director of Operations at Hillmar Cheese the 3rd largest cheese producer in the US. Luis Mar is a Supply Chain and Manufacturing executive with extensive experience in multiple industries and cultures, creating extraordinary results the right way, with people at heart. Passionate about leading organizations through cultural transformation and evolution.

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_joo2hUdoQXep_kmTI5R-bg