

NEWSLETTER

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RUNIN, Running! -A Welcome Gala for the New Students

As a part of the RUNIN grand opening program, the student government planned a series of activities to welcome the new students including an entertainment gala held on 9/24 in the NENU Natural Museum Auditorium. This event featured about two hours of performances of singing, dancing, instruments, and comedy shows. According to the students organizers of this exciting event, the theme of the party was to reflect the great desire and best wish for our school and the new students to continue to make progress. The event was an enormous success. It brought great joy and harmonious atmosphere to the audiences. Pictured below is students dancing to the "Gangnam Style" with some of our faculty members.



RUNIN's Strength and Pride -A Diverse Faculty

OUR FACULTY - RUNIN has not only had a dramatic expansion in its student population since its inception las fall, it has built a uniquely strong and diverse faculty with multinational and multidisciplinary backgrounds. Our faculty are authorities in a variety of different fields, from Business to Law, and in the areas of academic and creative writing. They hold advanced degrees from across the English-Speaking world. Twenty faculty members are currently working on site in Changchun, China to serve as Instructors, Course Facilitators or English language teachers. These individuals come from diverse education and social backgrounds and have extensive teaching experiences from across Asia, Europe and the U.S. They are a critical force in cultivating and fostering the vigorous academic atmosphere and conducive learning environment at RUNIN.



Alex Settles Conducting Blackboard Workshop for RUNIN Faculty/Staff

RBS Management professor Alex Settles gave a two hour workshop on Blackboard during his intensive teaching period at Changchun. His expertise and experience in using the Blackboard has helped RUNIN staff understand and grasp the fundamentals of this educational platform.



Shaojie Zhang Spoke at Education Conference

On Oct. 20-21, Shaojie Zhang, RUNIN Dean, gave a speech at the 17th China Annual Conference on International Education held in Beijing. RUNIN Assistant Dean Yilu Xu also attended the conference. Participants of the meeting were from all over the country.



Esspresso Café has made its mark on the NENU campus as RUNIN’s first entrepreneurial club. Featuring a menu of coffee, soda and food, Espresso is student-staffed and offers services to both faculty and the students. This club has provided an opportunity for students to put into practice the skills and knowledge of accounting, marketing, event planning and scheduling that they have learned in their classes. Not only does this program allow students to operate their own small business, it also encourages the use of English. This program is entirely voluntary based and the positions are open both sophomores and freshmen. Our faculty and students love Espresso Cafe!



Outstanding Student Achievers at RUNIN

Featured in this issue is National Scholarship Recipient Yang Nan (Chloe), the current President of the Coalition of Student Associations. Chloe is a Sophomore from Guangzhou majoring in SCM. She is not only one of the top academic performers, but also has been a student leader throughout her time here. Chloe can be seen all over the school, participating or coordinating



Yongwei Zhang is Recipient of Mt. Changbai Award

RBS Associate Dean, RUNIN Executive Vice Dean Yongwei Zhang was recently honored by the Jilin Provincial Government with the prestigious Mt. Changbai Friendship Award for his outstanding contribution to building bridges between Chinese and American Universities. This award is the highest honor given by the Provincial Government in recognition of the significant contribution made by a foreign national to the cultural and economic development of Jilin Province.



Yongwei Zhang accepting Award Certificate from the Provincial Governor

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every extracurricular or academic event. She is respected and loved by her professors and fellow students alike. Chloe is a pioneer and she has many good business ideas. She started the "FeedU" program, offering healthy breakfasts to RUNIN students. She said that promoting healthy eating habits was important. She also started a program called "Art for All" which seeks out to sell the art of young artists, encouraging an entrepreneurial spirit in artistic fields. Chloe is also an avid sports fan, attending and coordinating almost every part of the RUNIN sports program. She is always found playing sports in the fields or cheering in the crowd for others. At this point Chloe is planning on transferring to Rutgers at the end of her sophomore year and completing her Bachelor's degree in New Jersey. Go, Chloe! We wish you the best!



The student-athletes of RUNIN sought the help of their American teacher Malcolm Branch to coach them through their 3-game campaign. The team made tremendous strides in carving out a name for themselves as a young but promising group that will continue to make progress and advance in the rankings. The RUNIN Hoops finished the all-university 3-player tournament in third place. This is the first year that RUNIN has had a completely organized athletic program which now not only competes in basketball, but also includes a soccer program with the help of coach Jordan Neeser, another American teacher of theirs from Idaho.



Upcoming Events in November

Professor Pi-Chi Han of Taiwan National Kaohsiung Normal University will visit to discuss international education; RBS Associate Dean Manish Kumar will visit to meet colleagues at NENU and to discuss RUNIN budget;