Upcoming Fall Events:

- **1 September:** FIN E-board Election & Progressive Floor Dinner
  We will be holding a meeting for the entire FIN community in order to discuss upcoming events and hold elections for the 2013-14 Executive Board in the FIN Ground Lounge at 6 P.M.

- **2 September** Labor day NO IU Classes!!
  This would be a great day for a Trio outing in the Bloomington community!

- **4 September:** Q100 Classes start!
  Make sure you have registered for the Q100 course (#2902) through OneStart and chosen your sections times on Oncourse.

- **4 September:** Guest Suite visitor, Cedric Nunn
  South African Photographer, Cedric Nunn, will be our first visiting artist in the Guest Suite this fall! Please be sure to look for information on an FIN event with Cedric Nunn! **food will be provided**

- **13 September:** FIN 30th Anniversary Kick Off Event
  FIN will be celebrating its 30th anniversary this fall! We will kick things off with appetizers, live music, a showcase of FIN memorabilia, and an open house. Be sure to stay for special remarks and a dinner while you get to know the history of FIN and the diverse community you are a part of!

- **25-29 September:** 2013 Lotus Festival
  FIN residents will be given an opportunity to purchase heavily discounted tickets to the 2013 20th Anniversary Lotus World Music and Arts Festival here in Bloomington. This year’s festival will feature musicians representing over 20 different cultures and traditions. For more: http://lotusfest.org/festival-main/festival-events
GET TO KNOW YOUR FIN TRIOS!

Each FIN student will be a part of a FIN Trio; groups of three from different floors, multi-gender, and include at least one international student. The groups are first and foremost meant to be a way for you make new friends in the community. Trios have the opportunity to explore not only FIN but the larger IUB community, support other students, and contribute to FIN’s overall development. Planning a community event and/or Trio group event is another aspect of Trio group participation this year. We hope you will share your interests and experiences among your Trios, leading to an exploration of your identities in your new communities!

If you hear of an event that you want to repeat, or if you or your Trio has an event in mind, don’t hesitate to bring it up!

There are event proposal forms on the bulletin boards outside of the FIN offices, or you can just speak to the E-Board about helping you plan something. We want to try to keep up our record of frequent and entertaining events, so we need your help and initiative!

Get ‘Em to the Guest Suite

Do you know where the FIN Guest Suite is? Did you even know we had a Guest Suite? Located on the Ground Floor in Room 032, this suite allows for us to host interesting international or internationally focused visitors. We are happy to say that this year we will have special visitors from South Africa, Bangladesh, Cuba, Mongolia, Russia, and Ireland in FIN’s Guest Suite!

While we frequently are contacted with requests for visitors, FIN can invite whomever we think would be an exciting guest! We’ve had a number of great visitors over the years. Last year, we had Mbala, a Jamaican artist, Dr. Michael Curtin, a Global Studies scholar, and Dr. Patricia McKee, an Art and Religion scholar and playwright.

Do you have someone you want to invite to FIN? Talk to Dr. Galuska, Camille, or the E-board about planning a visit!
FIN Trip Opportunities

Last academic year, our Executive Board conceived and planned an overnight trip for FIN residents. We took a large group of students to St. Louis, Missouri for a couple days in April and were able to see much of what the city had to offer. This included visiting the Gateway Arch, the City Museum, and a visit to Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site in Illinois.

These trips were made possible through a combination of E-Board funds and planning and outside funding. If you have ideas for potential excursions, whether within or outside Bloomington, feel free to let us know! We are excited for the upcoming year and hope to be able to take more trips like these.

Meet Your RAs!

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The above charts depict some of the demographic information of our FIN community! This information will change as the make up of our community changes throughout the year. Be sure to look out for more information on our diverse community!