



Scrawled shortcuts through the research maze...

## **Meet & Greet**

It's the start of the semester. There are lots of new people on campus. Feeling shy? Here are some resources to help you make that great first impression...

### **Emily Post's Etiquette**

Your great-grandmother used an earlier edition of this tried-and-true compendium of proper social niceties. Now in its 17<sup>th</sup> edition, this resource tells it all, from the correct way to introduce people to how to behave at unfamiliar religious ceremonies.

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### **How to Win Friends and Influence People**

Another old standby, this 1937 book by Dale Carnegie is available in our stacks at call number: **158.1 C289h**. Too busy to read book this week? Several short summaries are available on the internet. Here's one said to be a transcript of Carnegie's own summary:

<http://www.westegg.com/unmaintained/carnegie/win-friends.html>

### **Kwintessential Cross Cultural Solutions**

An Algerian acquaintance has invited you to dinner in his home. On arrival you are met by a room full of strangers... Whom do you greet first? Should you shake hands? This site specifically covers meeting and greeting customs in countries all over the world, but also covers many other etiquette topics.

<http://www.kwintessential.co.uk/resources/country-profiles.html>

### **College Life: Meet People and Make New Friends**

One of many sites with suggestions for meeting people on campus:

<http://www.iamnext.com/people/froshfriend.html>

### **Do's and Don'ts Around the World: A Country Guide to Cultural and Social Taboos and Etiquette: Europe**

In case you plan to go abroad....Is a kiss or a handshake the traditional method of greeting in Germany? Is it acceptable for a guest to bring food to a social gathering in the Netherlands? A lengthy table of behaviors for each European country tells all.

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*\* Warning: Browsing reference books can be amiable!*