On the Web

Several interesting TED Talk videos on politics and public policy:

A tale of two political systems: Eric X. Li
A venture capitalist and political scientist, Eric X Li argues that the universality claim of Western democratic systems is going to be "morally challenged" by China.
http://www.ted.com/talks/eric_x_li_a_tale_of_two_political_systems

The next age of government: David Cameron
The leader of Britain's Conservative Party says we're entering a new era — where governments themselves have less power (and less money) and people empowered by technology have more. He explores how these trends could be turned into smarter policy.
http://www.ted.com/talks/david_cameron

Coding a better government: Jennifer Pahlka
Jennifer Pahlka is the founder of Code for America, which matches software geniuses with US cities to reboot local services. She believes that apps, built quickly and cheaply, are a powerful new way to connect citizens to their governments — and their neighbors.
http://www.ted.com/talks/jennifer_pahlka_coding_a_better_government

English and American Culture

Movie Nite@ the Library File Screening: The Importance of Being Earnest
Tue, 8/5, 6:30-8:30pm
Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr., Chapel Hill

The Witch’s brew will Fizz and Boom, An Engaging Performance
Wed, 8/6, 2-2:45pm and 4-4:45pm in Meeting Room B
Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr., Chapel Hill

Special Events and Local Tour

A Community Wide Open Mic by The Sacrificial
Event Highlights

A list of Duke and local events relevant to visiting scholars. *Events are free and open to Duke community or to the public. **No registration is required unless noted otherwise. ***Some events are kids and family friendly.

**Talks and Special Events**

**National Night Out**
Join members of the Duke University Police Department and several other departments to show support for a safer campus
Tue, 8/5, 5:30-7:30pm
Mill Village at Duke Central Campus

**Durham Literacy Center Volunteer Orientation**
20% of Durham residents are functionally illiterate and may not be able to read their bill statements or even a menu. The Center is currently looking for volunteer tutors for their fall semester. No teaching experience is necessary; training is provided.
Tue, 8/5, 6-7pm
Durham Literacy Center, 2100 Chapel Hill Rd.

**CPR Class**
This class is open to the public but you MUST register in advance, by phone at (919) 560-4242 ext 19229 or to susan.mangum@durhamnc.gov.
Thu, 8/7, 6pm
Fire Administration, 2008 East Club Blvd

**Author Talk - Carlton Harrell**
The author of "Ocean Ablaze: War Reaches the Outer Banks" will read from and discuss his book.
Thu, 8/7, 7pm
Regulator Bookshop, 720 Ninth St.

**Lecture on Photographer Hugh Mangum**
Sun, 8/10, 3pm
Durham History Hub, 500 W Main St

**Local Tour**

**Durham Farmer’s Markets**
Wed, 8/6, 3:30-6:30pm & Sat, 8/9, 8am-12pm
The Pavilion at Durham Central Park, 501 Foster St.

**South Durham Farmer’s Markets**
Wed, 8/6, 5:30-6:30pm & Sat, 8/9, 8am-12pm
Greenwood Commons Shopping Ctr, 5410 Hwy 55

**Wine Tasting (various locations)**
Tue, 8/5, 5-7pm
Wine Authorities, 2501 University Dr.
Fri, 8/8, 6-8pm
Veritas in Vino at Brandywine Cellars, 6905 Fayetteville Rd

**English and American Culture**

**ESL Testing Date and Location**
For Morning Classes, Tue, 8/5, at 5:30pm, White Building, Room 50
For Evening Classes, Fri, 8/8, at 9 am, White Building, Room 49
Durham Technical Community College, 1637 East Lawson Street
http://www.durhamtech.edu/cgl/esl.htm

**Durham Tobacco Heritage Walking Tour**
Durham’s tobacco heritage is explored through the stories and experiences of Durham residents. Tour takes about 45 minutes to complete. Bring bottled water.
Sat, 8/9, at 10am
Farmer’s Market, 501 Foster St.

**Summer Children’s Festival**
This event will be a treat for the young and the young-at-heart! Enjoy music, dancing, historical crafts, activities, and games.
Sat, 8/9, 10am-4pm
Duke Homestead State Historic Site, 2828 Duke Homestead Rd

**Arts and Music**

**Outdoor Concerts (dates and locations vary):**
Thu, 8/7, 7-8:30pm, CCB Plaza, E Chapel Hill and Corcoran St
Fri, 8/8, 7-9pm, Brightleaf Square, Gregson St. at Main St
Sat, 8/9, 6-9pm
Cinema Circle at The Streets at Southpoint, 6910 Fayetteville Rd.

**Nasher Museum Public Tour**
Thu, 8/7, 6-7pm & Sun, 8/10, 2-3pm
Nasher Museum of Art, 2001 Campus Drive, Durham

**Volunteer and Community Contribution**

**Duke Farm Workday**
Thu, 8/7 & Sun, 8/10, 6-8pm
Email dukecampusfarm@gmail.com if you need a ride at least 24 hours in advance.
4934 Friends School Rd., Durham 27705

**Church World Service Immigration and Refugee Program** provides housing for more than 250 refugees in the Triangle each year. Refugee’s apartment needs beds, dishes, tables, chairs, couches, lamps, towels, blankets, sheets, trash cans, shower curtains, etc. Donate items (IN GOOD CONDITION) to 112 S. Duke Street, Suite 4B, Durham NC 27701 or call for a pickup.
http://cwsrdu.org/contact-us/

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