

From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office



Dear Franklinites,

The start of the semester is certainly going by quickly!

Though everyone should now be fully settled into classes, I'd like to remind you to please pay close attention to your Degree Audit. Your Degree Audit helps you keep track of the courses you've enrolled in, progress towards your major and distributional requirements, as well as overall progress towards your degree requirements - including the number of credits applied towards your degree. This is a great time to once again check your Degree Audit to ensure that you are on track. It is also a great time to double check that you are registered for all courses you've intended to register for and that you successfully dropped any course you no longer wish to enroll in. If you have been attending a course that you realize is not appearing on your Degree Audit or if you wish to remove a course from your schedule, please complete the Yale College Schedule Change Form (Course Change Notice) which can be found on the University Registrar's Office page of forms and petitions.

Warmest,

Dean Rencher

"Whatever we believe about ourselves and our ability comes true for us." — Susan L. Taylor

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Feb. 4	T	Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the first half of the spring term without the course appearing on the transcript. Applications for Yale 2025 Summer Session Abroad close, 11:59 p.m.
Feb. 6	Th	Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles a student to a rebate of one-half of spring-term tuition (Undergraduate Regulations).
Feb. 26	W	Last day of courses offered in the first half of the spring term. Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the first half of the spring term. Last day to convert from a letter grade to Cr/D/F option for a course offered in the first half of the spring term.
Feb. 27	Th	Courses offered in the second half of the spring term begin.
Mar. 4	T	Applications for 2025 Non-Yale Summer Abroad close, 11:59 p.m.
Mar. 7	F	Midterm. Spring recess begins after last academic obligation. Last day to withdraw from a spring full-term course without the course appearing on the transcript. Deadline to apply for double credit in a single-credit course. Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles a student to a rebate of one-quarter of the term's tuition (Undergraduate Regulations). Final ABX exam grades are due.
Mar. 24	M	Classes resume.
Apr. 1	T	Applications for fall 2025 Term Abroad or 2025–2026 Year Abroad close, 11:59 p.m.
Apr. 3	Th	Last day to withdraw from a spring second-half course without the course appearing on the transcript.
Apr. 11	F	Fall term registration opens for Graduate School students, 8:00 a.m.
Apr. 15	T	Fall term registration opens for Class of 2026, 8:00 a.m.
Apr. 16	W	Fall term registration opens for Class of 2027, visiting students, and Eli Whitney students (without a class year) 8:00 a.m.
Apr. 17	Th	Fall term registration opens for Class of 2028, 8:00 a.m.

Resident Writing Tutor

The Benjamin Franklin Writing Tutor is Lesley Finn. Her office is in Room 24, LL near Stairwell/Entry A. Hours are:

Tuesdays

10 am – 12 pm

4 pm – 5:30 pm

Wednesdays

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Thursdays

12 pm – 2 pm

Tuesday and Wednesday hours on Zoom only.

To sign up for an appointment go to <https://www.yalewco.com> or email lesley.finn@yale.edu.

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing Center/Tutors/Partners: [Writing Tutoring and Programs | Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning \(yale.edu\)](#)

Sc/QR Tutoring: [Small-Group and 1-1 Tutoring | Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning \(yale.edu\)](#)

Language Tutoring: [Center for Language Study | Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning \(yale.edu\)](#)

Academic Strategies: [Academic Strategies Program | Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning \(yale.edu\)](#)

Advising Resources: [Welcome | Advising Resources \(yale.edu\)](#)

Credit/D/Fail & Withdrawal Deadlines for Full-term and Half-term Courses

First Half-Term Courses:

- **Tuesday, February 4 by 5:00 p.m.** – withdraw without a W appearing on your transcript
- **Wednesday, February 26 by 5:00 p.m.** – deadline to change the grade mode to Credit/D/Fail
- **Wednesday, February 26 by 5:00 p.m.** – withdraw with W appearing on your transcript

Second Half-term Courses:

- **Thursday, April 3 by 5:00 p.m.** – withdraw without a W appearing on your transcript
- **Friday, April 25 by 5:00 p.m.** – change the grade mode to Credit/D/Fail
- **Friday, April 25 by 5:00 p.m.** – withdraw with a W appearing on your transcript

Full-term Courses:

- **Friday, March 7 by 5:00 p.m.** – withdraw without a W appearing on your transcript
- **Friday, April 25 by 5:00 p.m.** – change the grade mode to Credit/D/Fail
- **Friday, April 25 by 5:00 p.m.** – withdraw with a W appearing on your transcript

Yale Hub will remain open to convert full-term and second half-term Yale College courses to Credit/D/Fail until April 25. Attempts to convert courses offered in the first half of the term to Credit/D/Fail after 5 p.m. on February 26 will not be valid.

The Yale College Online Course Change Notice form is available on the [University Registrar's Office website](#) for students to request course withdrawals. This also includes late professional school course requests. The normal \$5 administrative fee will apply to all course withdrawals and late additions, including late adds due to instructor permission granted after add/drop period has closed.

If you wish to convert a Yale College course to Credit/D/Fail, take the following steps. Once you convert your grade mode to Credit/D/Fail it cannot be reversed.

1. Log into [Yale Hub](#).
2. Select the Course Enrollment tab and click "Yale College Change Course from Letter Grade to Credit/D/Fail."
3. Change the drop-down selection from "YC – Letter Grade" to "Credit/D/Fail."
4. Click "Submit Changes" to save the conversion.
5. A confirmation of the change will be sent to your University email account. If you do not receive the confirmation email, your change was not processed. You can confirm all of your course grading modes by viewing your "Course Schedule Details by Term" in Yale Hub.

From Office of Career Strategy:

Sustainability X Summer: Drop-in Summer Funding and Career Office Hours

Mon, Feb 3 | 12 – 2 PM

Kroon Hall, G-02

UBS Information Session

Thu, Feb 6 | 5 - 6 PM

The Blake Hotel

Are you a student eager to launch your career in banking? Looking for a 2026 summer internship?

This is your chance!

Join our networking sessions to discover who we are, what we do and how you can kickstart your career with us.

Who's eligible to attend? Sophomores graduating between December 2026 and June 2027

From Office of Fellowships and Funding:

Imagining Your Summer (w/ Fellowships and Funding)

Mon, Feb 3 | 8 PM – 9 PM

[Zoom link](#)

Summer Fellowships and Funding (w/ Fellowships and Funding)

Thu, Feb 6 | 4 PM – 5 PM

Poorvu Center, Room 120C

Fox International Fellowship: Info Session

Fri, Feb 7 | 12 PM – 1 PM

[Zoom link](#) | [Presentation slides and other sessions](#)

MacMillan Center: Informational Session for Academic Year and Summer Funding (Undergraduate, Graduate and Professional Students)

Fri, Feb 7 | 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

[Zoom link](#) | [Presentation slides and other sessions](#)

Fulbright Session: General Information Session #1

Fri, Feb 7 | 2 PM – 3 PM

55 Whitney Ave, Floor 3, Room 369

YALE IN LONDON

STUDY IN LONDON IN SUMMER 2025!

APPLICATION DEADLINE March 4, 2025

SESSION ONE June 2 – July 11

SESSION TWO June 30 – August 8

QUESTIONS? Write to jemma.field@yale.edu

- Students from all majors are welcome
- All courses earn Yale College credits
- Classes include visits to the UK's best museums, galleries, and cultural spaces
- Courses are taught by world-leading academics, writers, and thinkers from Yale and the UK
- Full social program including dinners, boat trips, and performances



YALE IN LONDON STUDENTS AT ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW, SUMMER 2023

PHOTO BY DANI TAGEN



FOR MORE INFORMATION



TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

YALE IN LONDON

SUMMER 2025 COURSES

Power, Empire, and Colonialism in London's Museums

(SESSION ONE)

Amanda Sciampacone, art historian

This course will use site visits to the houses of writers and artists to study literary and artistic creativity and intellectual life in Britain from the early 19th to the late 20th century. Case studies will include John Keats and Keats House in Hampstead; Elizabeth Gaskell's *Life of Charlotte Brontë* and the Brontë parsonage in Haworth; Charleston and the interlocking lives and aesthetic practice of Vanessa Bell, Duncan Grant, and Virginia Woolf; Derek Jarman's Prospect Cottage and gardens in Kent; Barbara Hepworth's home and sculpture garden in St. Ives; and Ian Hamilton Finlay's Little Sparta, near Edinburgh.

London Neighborhoods: Architecture, Planning, People, and Change in Place-Based Communities

(SESSION ONE)

Elihu Rubin, Yale University

In 1964, UCL sociologist Ruth Glass used the term "gentrification" to describe the dynamics of neighborhood change in London. These tensions around investment, newcomers, "authentic" culture, affordability, displacement, and sense of place endure in our efforts to understand, appreciate, and equitably plan for place-based communities. In weekly visits to sites across London, we will learn to read the city as a latticework of land use patterns, infrastructure, and building types with the goal of cultivating environmental literacy: an awareness, curiosity, and critical appreciation for our physical surroundings and a sense of the politics and culture of urban change as it touches down in the places where we live, work, and recreate.

Coming to England

(SESSION TWO)

Caryl Phillips, Yale University

This course will look at how post-World War II migration from the Commonwealth — primarily the Caribbean — has transformed Britain into the most multiracial and multicultural country in Europe. We will primarily look through the lens of literature but will also factor in questions of history (both recent and long ago), and examine the sociopolitical ramifications of Britain's evolution into a country that still struggles to come to terms with its cultural plurality.

Ways of Being Irish in London

(SESSION TWO)

Colm McAuliffe, writer and curator

The Irish in London have a long and complicated history, taking in colonization, revolution, assimilation, and transformation. This course analyzes their often remarkable contribution to the artistic and cultural world of contemporary London. It brings to life the diversity and strangeness of the Irish migrant experience, and how this has been expressed through film, music, literature, and theater. The course draws on readings, both close and wide, from poetry, novels, archival BBC broadcasts, oral testimony, popular music, and much more, introducing students to a cavalcade of writers, singers, and provocateurs who often shocked Britain but, to their own surprise, also made it their home.

**Poorvu Center
Office of Educational Opportunity
Disability Peer Mentor Program**

ADHD Discussion Group



**WEDS, JANUARY 22ND @ 5PM
THURS, FEBRUARY 6TH @ 5PM
WEDS, FEBRUARY 19TH @ 5PM
THURS, MARCH 6TH @ 5PM
WEDS, APRIL 2ND @ 5PM
THURS, APRIL 17TH @ 5PM**



**Share strategies and support with peers
who understand your experience. This is
open to both undergraduates and
graduate students.**

**POORVU CENTER
OFFICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY
DISABILITY PEER MENTOR PROGRAM**

AUTISM DISCUSSION GROUP

**THURS, JANUARY 30TH @ 5PM
WEDS, FEBRUARY 12TH @ 5PM
THURS, FEBRUARY 27TH @ 5PM
WEDS, MARCH 26TH @ 5PM
THURS, APRIL 10TH @ 5PM
WEDS, APRIL 23TH @ 5PM**

**JOIN OUR AUTISM DISCUSSION
GROUP, A SUPPORTIVE SPACE WHERE
YOU CAN SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES,
CHALLENGES, AND TRIUMPHS WITH
FELLOW STUDENTS WHO UNDERSTAND.
CONNECT, LEARN FROM ONE ANOTHER,
AND BUILD A COMMUNITY THAT
CELEBRATES NEURODIVERSITY.**



Chronic Illness Discussion Group

THURS, JANUARY 23RD @ 5PM

WEDS, FEBRUARY 5TH @ 5PM

THURS, FEBRUARY 20TH @ 5PM

WEDS, MARCH 5TH @ 5PM

THURS, APRIL 3RD @ 5PM

WEDS, APRIL 16TH @ 5PM

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APPLY TO BE A YALE COLLEGE

PEER LIAISON

for the 2025-26 academic year

Applications open December 18th for the Yale Centers & Communities listed below

Afro-American Cultural Center Asian American Cultural Center Chaplain's Office

La Casa Cultural

Middle Eastern & North African Native American Cultural Center

Office of International Students & Scholars Office of LGBTQ Resources

Student Accessibility Services

Application Deadline:

February 5th (by 11:59PM)

To learn more, visit: tinyurl.com/peerliaisons

The Adrian
Van Sinderen
Book Collecting
Prizes
For Sophomores and Seniors

To encourage undergraduates to collect books, build their own libraries, and read for pleasure and education, Adrian Van Sinderen, Class of 1910, established two prizes in 1957, one for seniors (\$1,000) and one for sophomores (\$700). Finalists are required to show a selection of their personally collected books.

Application forms and more information are available online at vansinderen.yale.edu
Deadline: 5 pm, Monday, 24 February 2025

Library workshops and events for the week of February 3

FIRST STEPS WITH ZOTERO | Online

Monday, February 3 at 8pm | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/13938783>

Learn how to manage your research, take notes, and create a bibliography with Zotero. Yale users can create a free account with unlimited storage!

ADVANCED SEARCH TECHNIQUES | Online

Tuesday, February 4 at 7pm | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14075911>

In 30 minutes, learn skills to research like a librarian, including how to use advanced search techniques to find books and articles in Quicksearch.

HOW TO FIND SCHOLARLY ARTICLES | Online

Thursday, February 6 at 7pm | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14076004>

Are you ready to find articles thoroughly and efficiently -- without relying on Google Scholar, while also avoiding paywalls (\$\$)? Learn strategies to find the best possible scholarly articles from Yale Library.

ZOTERO INTENSIVE FOR SENIOR ESSAYS | Bass L06A

Friday, February 7 from 4-5pm | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14075744>

In this hands-on session we'll guide you through using Zotero - for your specific needs for your Senior Essay - to make your bibliographies a breeze.

YC' 26: SENIOR EXHIBIT FELLOWSHIP, INFORMATION SESSION | Online

- Tuesday, February 4 at 4pm | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14062678>
- Friday, February 7 at noon | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14062724>
- Monday, February 10 at noon | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14062763>
- Tuesday, February 11, at 4pm | Register: <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/14062770>

One rising senior (Yale College 2026) will be selected to receive a \$4,200 stipend to support a summer research fellowship, mentoring, and exhibit production support over the course of nine months to create and curate a professional-quality exhibit. Learn tips for creating a successful exhibit proposal and about what goes into creating a physical exhibition. Learn more: library.yale.edu/sml-exhibition-committee/students.

...and there's more! BROWSE ALL UPCOMING LIBRARY WORKSHOPS at <https://schedule.yale.edu/calendar/instruction>.

FEBRUARY

Library Workshops & Events

RESEARCH SKILLS

How to Find Scholarly Articles

Thursday, Feb. 6 at 7pm

Thursday, Feb. 13 at 7pm

Thursday, Feb. 20 at 7pm

Thursday, Feb. 27 at 7pm

Advanced Search Techniques

Tuesday, Feb. 4 at 7pm

Sunday, Feb. 9 at 1:30pm

Sunday, Feb. 16 at 1:30pm

Sunday, Feb. 23 at 1:30pm

TOURS & EVENTS

Hidden Treasures | Sterling Library

Friday, Feb. 14 at 4pm

Friday, Feb. 21 at 4pm

Friday, Feb. 28 at 4pm

Button Making with Book Covers

Bass Library

Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 8pm

Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 8pm

Cookies & Questions | Bass Library

Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 8pm

CITATION MANAGEMENT

First Steps with Zotero

Monday, Feb. 3 at 8pm

Monday, Feb. 17 at 8pm

Monday, Feb. 24 at 8pm

Next Steps with Zotero

Monday, Feb. 10 at 8pm

Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 8pm

NEW! Zotero Intensive for

Senior Essays | Bass Library

Friday, Feb. 7 at 4pm

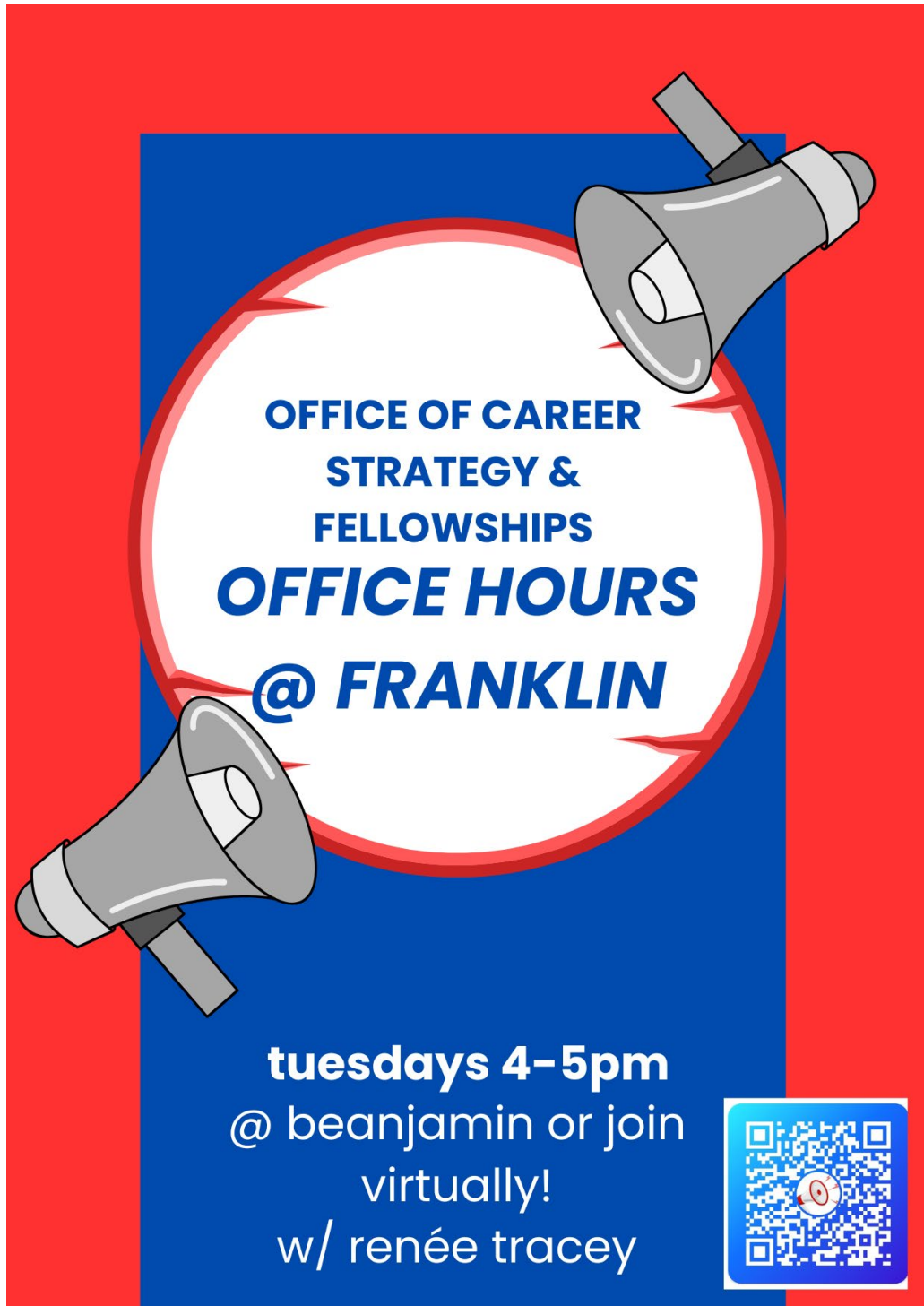
Friday, Feb. 14 at 4pm

Friday, Feb. 21 at 4pm

See the full schedule & register:




"Every Tuesday in the Beanjamin 3-4pm or join virtually!"



**OFFICE OF CAREER
STRATEGY &
FELLOWSHIPS**
OFFICE HOURS
@ *FRANKLIN*

tuesdays 4-5pm
@ beanjamin or join
virtually!
w/ renée tracey





EXPLORE YOUR OPTION

Cindy Avila
Community Wellness
Specialist
Office: Branford #012B



Corinne Coia
Director of Yale College
Wellness Programs
Office: Silliman #403



Angie Makomenaw
Community Wellness
Specialist
Office: Pierson #049

Whitney Simmons
Community Wellness
Specialist
Office: Hopper #020



Ricky Belizaire
Community Wellness
Specialist
Office: Morse Gatehouse



Yale College Community Care



Lauren Moss-Racusin
College Care
Clinician
Office: Davenport #N11



Nicole Cepeda
College Care
Clinician
Office: WLH #106



Kayla Reid
College Care
Clinician
Office: WLH #105

Kim Nguyen
College Care
Clinician
Office: Murray #401



Clara Mesa
College Care
Clinician
Office: Branford #012A

Yale HEALTH

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Meet your **Student Health Care Navigator:**



Camilla Luker, MPH

My name is Camilla Luker and I am your Student Health Care Navigator at Yale Health! Whether you are a new student on campus or continuing your studies, I am here to help you navigate your Yale Health healthcare and services. I recognize that insurance and healthcare can be tricky, but I want to help you access the care you need while in the Yale community. You can reach out or schedule a time to meet with me whenever you have questions!

Contact Camilla at yhstudentnavigator@yale.edu or scan the QR code to schedule a meeting:



Yale Degree Audit

Yale Degree Audit is a web-based tool that calculates and displays how an individual student's courses may count toward the requirements for the bachelor's degree. The degree audit enables students to monitor their own progress toward the completion of degree requirements. It also helps students, and their advisers discuss course selection for current and future terms more meaningfully by clarifying what requirements the student still needs to complete. Log into [Yale Hub](#) to pull up your audit.

Unlike a transcript, your degree audit is an unofficial document provided for your information and convenience. The audit serves as a tool to provide you with helpful and timely information when you are planning your course schedule, discussing your schedule with your adviser, and reviewing your progress toward completing the requirements for the bachelor's degree. Your degree audit is **not** an official academic transcript.

Yale Degree Audit will help you:

- Determine what requirements you need to fulfill in order to complete your bachelor's degree.
- View a list of all courses in which you have enrolled and the distributional designations each course carries.
- View individual course grades and cumulative grade-point average (GPA)