

# From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office



Dear Franklinites,

Welcome back from your October break!

I'd like to remind you that the **Midterm Deadline is this Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 5pm**. You have until Friday at 5pm to withdraw from a full-term course without the course appearing on your transcript. To drop a class, please complete the [Yale College Schedule Change Form \(Course Change Notice\)](#) on the Registrar's website: <https://registrar.yale.edu/forms-petitions>.

As always, you can schedule an appointment to meet with me by sharing your availability with Michelle Tracey. This week, you can also feel free to drop by without an appointment during the following times:

## Drop-in Hours

- Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> – 1pm-3:30pm
- Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – 9:30am-11:30am

Best,

Dean Rencher

# CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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Oct. M Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.  
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Oct. F Midterm. Last day to withdraw from a fall full-term course without the course appearing on  
27 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.

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Nov. Th Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the second half of the fall term without the  
9 course appearing on the transcript.

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Nov. F November recess begins after last class.  
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Nov. M Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.  
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Nov. Th Last day to relinquish on-campus housing for the spring term without charge (Undergraduate  
30 Regulations).

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Dec. F Classes end; reading period begins. Last day to convert from a letter grade to the Cr/D/F  
8 option for a full-term course and/or a course offered in the second half of the fall term. Last day to withdraw from a full-term course and/or a course offered in the second half of the fall term.

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Dec. Th Reading period ends, 5:00 p.m. Final examinations begin, 7:00 p.m. Deadline for all course  
14 assignments, other than term papers and term projects. This deadline can be extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by Dean Rencher.

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Dec. W Final examinations end, 5:30 p.m.; winter recess begins. Deadline for all term papers and term  
20 projects. This deadline can be extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by Dean Rencher.

## Lunch or Dessert with Dean Rencher

Please email Michelle Tracey to sign up as a group or individually.

October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – Dessert

October 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm – Lunch in the dining hall

November 1<sup>st</sup> at 12:30pm – Lunch in the dining hall

November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm – Lunch in the dining hall

November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm – Dessert

November 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm – Lunch in the dining hall

November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – Dessert - **RESERVED**

November 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm – Lunch in the dining hall

November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm – Dessert - **RESERVED**

November 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm – Lunch in the dining

### *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 10am - 2pm and Wednesdays 12pm - 4pm (with 2pm - 4pm reserved for BF students only)

To sign up for an appointment go to <https://www.yalewco.com> or email [lesley.finn@yale.edu](mailto: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 \(yale.edu\)](#)

### **Course Change Forms**

Online Course Change Notice forms will be available on the [University Registrar's Office website](#) for you to request course withdrawals and late additions. 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.

## Yale College Spring 2024 Registration Dates

### Preference Selection for Yale College Students

- November 1, 8:00 a.m. Preference Selection sites open for Yale College students to rank their choice of first-year seminars and multi-section courses
- November 3, 5:00 p.m. Preference Selection sites close for Yale College students
- November 9, 5:00 p.m. Deadline for departments to push Preference Selection results to student registration worksheets

### Registration for Yale College and Graduate School students

- November 13, 8:00 a.m. Registration opens for Graduate School students and for Yale College students in the Class of 2024
- November 14, 8:00 a.m. Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2025, visiting students, and Eli Whitney students (without a class year)
- November 15, 8:00 a.m. Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2026
- November 16, 8:00 a.m. Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2027
- December 21, 5:00 p.m. Registration and waitlists close for all Yale College and Graduate School students
- January 8, 8:00 a.m. Add/drop period opens for all Yale College and Graduate School students
- January 16, 8:00 a.m. First day of classes
- January 23, 5:00 p.m. Add/drop period closes for all Yale College and Graduate School students

### Reminders

- Some courses require instructor permission. To register for these courses, you will be prompted to submit a formal request. If the instructor grants permission, you must actively accept the seat in order to be enrolled in the course. More information can be found on the [registration website](#).
- For courses with a discussion/lab section, you must select both the lecture/seminar and the section during the registration period.
- Waitlists will be cleared between the end of registration and the beginning of the add/drop period. If you haven't gotten into a course from the waitlist, you should consider different courses as soon as add/drop opens.

Additional messages will be sent closer to the start of registration.  
Refer to the [registration website](#) for all dates, instruction, and FAQs.

## Yale Academic Strategies Program/Office of Educational Opportunity

[https://yaleconnect.yale.edu/PoorvuAcademicStrategies/club\\_signup](https://yaleconnect.yale.edu/PoorvuAcademicStrategies/club_signup)

<https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/academic-strategies-program>

Our mission is to help all Yale undergraduates be active, empowered learners at Yale. Through peer academic mentoring, interactive workshops, and connections to resources, we hope to provide you with the tools that can propel you towards your goals.

**STEM Navigators:** Want to learn the best practices for succeeding in introductory STEM Courses? Join STEM Navigators, a mentoring network that provides you with information, events, and support to guide you through these crucial first courses. Sign up via this link: [STEM Navigators sign up](#)

### Disability Peer Mentorship Program

This program matches students with disabilities with peer mentors who have similar experiences navigating academic life at Yale for individual mentoring. Students can request a mentor via this form: [Disability Peer Mentor Request](#). First-year students can also request mentorship and guidance about Student Accessibility Resources through the [SAS Peer Liaison Program](#).

### Meet with our Learning Specialist

Have a learning difference or other condition that affects how you accomplish your academic work? We can talk with you about new approaches for meeting Yale's academic challenges. Contact our new Learning Specialist, Geoffrey Canales ([geoffrey.canales@yale.edu](mailto:geoffrey.canales@yale.edu)), for an appointment.

### For First Years: College Transition Videos

Did you know that [diving into your syllabi can help you succeed in your classes](#)? What to learn [the keys to performing well on p-sets](#)? Learn about these topics and more through our college transition videos: <https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/undergraduates/academic-strategies/first-years-workshops-videos-events>

### Individual Mentoring

Get organized for the semester by meeting with an [Academic Strategies Mentor](#). Mentors will help you develop a weekly study routine, offer strategies for approaching complicated readings and p-sets, and help you develop a plan for prepping for those first exams. To request a mentor please email us at [academicstrategies@yale.edu](mailto:academicstrategies@yale.edu).

### Workshops

Our famous workshop sessions are available in person and online! Register via the YaleConnect links below. FYI: Poorvu CTL M104A is upstairs from the York Street Entrance to Sterling Memorial Library. Poorvu CTL 120 A, B, C, and 121 are the classrooms on the first floor. Questions? Contact us at [academicstrategies@yale.edu](mailto:academicstrategies@yale.edu).

## **STEM Navigators Study Hall**

[Sun, Oct. 22, 2-5pm, Poorvu CTL 120B](#)

Snacks? While studying and meeting peers? Come complete your p-sets, study, and meet your peers in your STEM courses. Snacks and peer mentors are here to help you with any questions about majors, summer opportunities, or classes to take in the future!

NOTE: Tutoring NOT provided by mentors!

## **Imagining Your Summer**

[Mon, Oct. 23, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL 120A](#)

Interested in summer study abroad, fellowships, or internships, but don't know how to get started? Hear from students who have done these things to help you identify some possible summer opportunities. You will leave with a clearer idea of what is possible and the resources you can access to make your vision happen. Now is the perfect time to start planning!

## **Getting the Most Out of Mentorship**

[Mon, Oct. 23, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL M104A](#)

Join Yale undergraduates for a conversation on how to make the most of any mentorship opportunity, including peer, graduate student, faculty, and alumni mentorship.

## **Senior Thesis Power Hours**

[Mon, Oct. 23, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL 120A](#)

The Academic Strategies Senior Thesis Power Hours are designed to help students stay motivated and accountable while working on their senior theses. They will be held throughout the semester to give students a chance to help each other with solidarity and accountability in the development and writing of their senior theses. The sessions are facilitated by an Academic Strategies Peer Mentor.

## **Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations**

[Mon, Oct. 23, 8-9pm, Online Event](#)

Initiate conversations, ask for assistance, request recommendations, and build mentoring relationships with Yale faculty, teaching fellows and staff.

## **STEM Navigators & Yale OCS: How to Network in STEM**

[Tue, Oct. 24, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL 120C](#)

How do I network? The skills and knowledge you need to make important connections for your academic and career pursuits are untaught in classrooms. Come to this workshop for information and direct feedback and practice on how to network!

## **Managing a Heavy Reading Load**

[Tue, Oct. 24, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A](#)

Feeling overwhelmed by piles of reading? Learn some essential strategies to make the most of your limited reading time. Have less stress and create more free time!

## **Organize Your Time**

[Tue, Oct. 24, 8-9pm, Online](#)

When is the last time you asked yourself "How am I going to get all of this done??" You are not alone! This interactive workshop offers evidence-based strategies and the opportunity to start figuring out what will work best for YOU: you will not only learn about ways to make the most out of your time, but also do some actual work toward your own scheduling and planning needs.

## **Procrastination: How to Work Through It**

[Wed, Oct. 25, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A](#)

We all procrastinate. When your procrastination habits get in the way of your goals, however, it's time for a change. This workshop offers strategies for identifying the sources of procrastination and pursuing productive habits that can get you back on track.

## **STEM Navigators: MYTHBUSTIN' Medical School**

[Thur, Oct. 26, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL 120C](#)

What are the common myths and misconceptions about medical school and medical careers? Come hear from Yale's Director of Advanced Degree Applications & STEM Career Advising to know what to believe/not believe about those ~ spooky ~ tales - all while snacking on some Halloween treats!

## **The Psychology of Time Management**

[Thur, Oct. 26, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A](#)

Ever wondered why it can be hard to manage your time--even when you have already learned the experts' tips and tricks? Come to this workshop to find out why! You will learn about some of the major cognitive obstacles to organizing your time and take away a set of mental tools for increasing your awareness of these common thought processes so that they can be prevented or interrupted.

## **Imagining Your Summer**

[Thur, Oct. 26, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL 120B](#)

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## Yale School of Management - Silver Scholars Program

The [Silver Scholars Program](#) at the Yale School of Management allows students to **earn a Yale MBA degree within three years**, directly after graduation, spring-boarding them toward their career goals and leadership positions. The program is designed for exceptional students with **strong leadership potential**. These students enroll in our full-time MBA program where they make up about 5% of the student body. Rather than the traditional summer MBA internship, Silver Scholars complete a year-long internship, extending their experience to three years. **All Yale College students receive a 50% tuition discount and an application fee waiver.**

The admissions committee seeks applicants with a combination of **intelligence, maturity, and curiosity who aim to be future leaders** in their field of interest. Candidates from **all majors** are welcome to apply; we enjoy the diversity of interests and backgrounds that Silver Scholars bring to the broader MBA class at Yale SOM.

If you would like to speak with an admissions representative, please email [maria.derlipanska@yale.edu](mailto:maria.derlipanska@yale.edu) to schedule an appointment.

Application deadlines for the 2023-24 application cycle:

Round	Application Deadline (by 5pm ET)	Admission Decision (by 5pm ET)
Round 1	September 12, 2023	December 5, 2023
Round 2	January 4, 2024	March 26, 2024
Round 3	April 9, 2024	May 16, 2024

## Dwight Hall Day of Service

Dwight Hall is hosting a **Day of Service** on **Saturday, November 4th from 12 pm to 5 pm.** for all students interested in getting involved in New Haven service activities! Volunteers will have an opportunity to participate in groups with students from their residential college. But that's not all – the volunteers from the residential college with the most sign-ups will win a secret prize! Students can sign up using the following or using the QR code provided before November 3rd:

<https://tinyurl.com/dhdos>. We look forward to seeing you there!



 @dwighthallat Yale  
 isc@dwighthall.org

Be a part of

# Dwight Hall Day of Service!

**November 4th, 12 - 5pm** Register  
Dwight Hall Common Room **now!**

This event was co-sponsored with 



**APPLY TO**

# CREATIVE WRITING & JOURNALISM CLASSES

 **SPRING 2024** 

**SEE THE FULL LIST OF COURSES ONLINE**

Offered at introductory, intermediate, and advanced levels in

POETRY ✦ FICTION ✦ DRAMA ✦ SCREENWRITING  
CREATIVE NON-FICTION ✦ JOURNALISM

**COURSES WITH NO APPLICATION ARE FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED OR REQUIRE PERMISSION ON YCS DURING REGISTRATION FROM NOVEMBER 13-DECEMBER 21.**

**APPLICATIONS FOR COURSES THAT REQUIRE THEM ARE DUE ONLINE BY NOON ON NOVEMBER 1.**

- Most classes have no prerequisites.
- You may apply to more than one class.
- Applications may include statements of interest and writing samples.

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If you have questions, you may contact Richard Deming, Director of Creative Writing ([richard.deming@yale.edu](mailto:richard.deming@yale.edu)) or Erica Sayers, Registrar ([erica.sayers@yale.edu](mailto:erica.sayers@yale.edu)).

## Library workshops and events for the week of 10/23/23

### LATTE WITH A LIBRARIAN | Thain Café, Bass Library

- **Tuesday, October 24 from 12:30 – 2pm | More info:**  
<https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11204673>

Meet with a librarian for a drop-in research consultation. Any student who asks a library or research-related question will receive a FREE Yale Library mug.

### MIDTERM BUTTON-MAKING BREAK | Haas Arts Library

- **Tuesday, October 24 at 2:00pm | More info:** <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11030337>

Take one and make one! De-stress by learning how to hand-press buttons using images from discarded book jackets. Make a few to share with others, take one for yourself.

### HOW TO FIND SCHOLARLY ARTICLES | Online

- **Tuesday, October 24 at 5:00pm | Register:** <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11326780>
- **Wednesday, October 25 at 7:30pm | Register:** <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11332676>

Are you ready to find articles thoroughly and efficiently - without relying on Google Scholar while also avoiding pesky paywalls? In 30-minutes, learn strategies to find the best possible scholarly sources from Yale Library's databases, including Quicksearch Articles+ and subject-specific databases.

### DEMYSTIFYING THE LITERATURE REVIEW | Online

- **Thursday, October 26 at 10:30am | Register:** <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11300246>

Learn how to conduct a literature review for your research papers, independent projects, and fellowship applications. In this 45-minute workshop, students will learn: why a literature review is important, how to conduct a literature review, and ways to evaluate and synthesize your sources.

### FIRST STEPS WITH ZOTERO | Online

- **Thursday, October 26 at 7:30pm | Register:** <https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11326837>

Join us for 30 minutes to learn about Zotero, free software to help you manage your research.

## Upcoming Library Workshops

How to Find  
Scholarly Articles



Latte with  
a Librarian



Demystifying the  
Literature Review

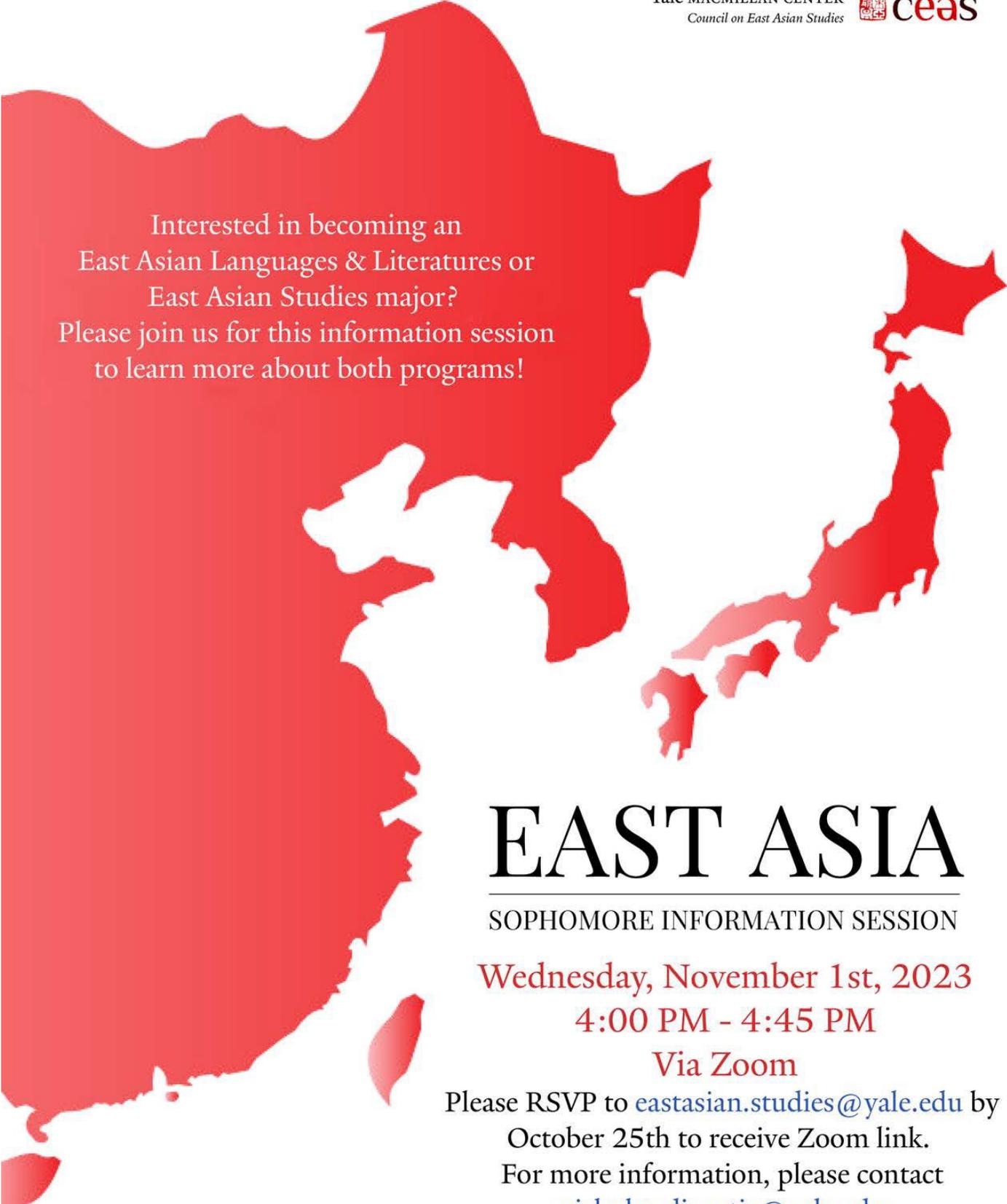


Any student who  
attends 3 workshops  
will receive a FREE  
Yale Library tote bag

First Steps  
with Zotero



Yale University Library  
[schedule.yale.edu/calendar/instruction](https://schedule.yale.edu/calendar/instruction)



Interested in becoming an  
East Asian Languages & Literatures or  
East Asian Studies major?  
Please join us for this information session  
to learn more about both programs!

# EAST ASIA

SOPHOMORE INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023

4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Via Zoom

Please RSVP to [eastasian.studies@yale.edu](mailto:eastasian.studies@yale.edu) by  
October 25th to receive Zoom link.  
For more information, please contact  
[nicholas.disantis@yale.edu](mailto:nicholas.disantis@yale.edu)



# EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

## Community Wellness Specialists

## College Care Clinicians

During a wellness session, we focus on skill building and strategies.

During a therapy session, we focus on therapeutic support and processing.

Check out our common list of topics, we provide support on in a wellness or therapy session, by scanning the QR Code below.

Specialists



Corinne Coia  
Silliman #403



Ricky Belizaire  
Morse Gatchouse



Cindy Avila  
Branford #012A



Whitney Simmons  
Hopper #020



Angie Makomenaw  
Pierson #049

Clinicians



Zelekyia Fowler  
WLH #105



Nicole Cepeda  
WLH #106



Kayla Reid  
TD #007



Lauren Moss-Racusin  
Davenport #N11



New Clinician  
Branford #012B

## SCAN TO GET STARTED

