

Benjamin Franklin College

Dean's Notes - October 8, 2019

Dear Franklinites,

We're a week away from fall break, so use your most precious commodity – time – wisely right now, knowing you will soon get a chance to decompress. This doesn't mean you should forego rest or diversion, but when you sit down to study or write try to devote your focus solely to the task for the block you've assigned yourself. One hour, maybe two in a sitting. Then take a walk, have an apple, send an encouraging text to a friend, and repeat. You'll get there.

And after your Long Night Against Procrastination tonight (or your long nights ahead if you procrastinated through it, for real now), it's time for **Popeyes** with me on Wednesday. Come take a break, hang with friends, de-stress with some good chicken and biscuits.

Common Room next to the Dining Hall, WEDNESDAY @ 10 pm. If you haven't had a proper conversation with me, re-introduce and say hello!

Look forward,

Dean Hill

Tutoring in BF!

Resident Writing Tutor

The Benjamin Franklin Writing Tutor is Lesley Finn. Her office is in Room 24, LL near Stairwell/Entry A. Hours are Mondays 9 a.m. – 11 a.m., Tuesdays 1 p.m. – 3 p.m., Wednesdays 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. (BF students only), and Fridays 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. To sign up for an appointment go to www.yalewco.com or email lesley.finn@yale.edu.

Resident QR Tutor

Nicholas E. Smith, a graduate in Chemistry – Room 19, Entryway A, LL. Hours are Wednesday 8-9:30 p.m.

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing Center/Tutors/Partners:

https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/writing/undergraduatewriting

Sc/QR Tutoring: https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/tutoring/quantitative-reasoning-sciencestem-fields

Language Tutoring: http://cls.yale.edu/foreign-language-tutoring

Academic Strategies: https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/academic-strategies-program

Advising Resources: http://advising.yalecollege.yale.edu/

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

- Oct 14: Classes begin for courses offered in the second half of the fall term.
- Oct 15: October recess begins, 11 p.m. Deadline to apply for a spring 2020 Term Abroad. See <u>Special Arrangements</u>.
- Oct 21: Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.
- Oct 25: Midterm.; Last day to withdraw from a fall full-term course without the course appearing on the transcript. See Withdrawal from Courses and Grades. Last day to convert from a letter grade to the Credit/D/Fail option in a fall full-term course. Deadline to apply for double credit in a single-credit course. See Special Arrangements. Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles a student to a rebate of one-quarter of the fall term's tuition. See Undergraduate Regulations.
- **Nov 7:** Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the second half of the fall term without the course appearing on the transcript. See <u>Withdrawal from Courses</u> and <u>Grades</u>. Last day to convert from a letter grade to Credit/D/Fail option in a course offered in the second half of the fall term. See <u>Grades</u>.
- Nov 23: November recess begins, 9 p. m.
- **Nov 30**: Last day to relinquish on-campus housing for the spring term without charge. See *Undergraduate Regulations*.
- **Dec 6:** Classes end, 5:30 p.m. reading period begins. Last day to withdraw from a fall full-term course offered in the second half of the fall term. See <u>Withdrawal from Courses</u> and <u>Grades</u>.
- **Dec 12**: Reading period ends, 5 p.m., Final examinations begin, 7 p. m. Deadline for all course assignments, other than term papers and term projects. The deadline can be extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by Dean Hill.
- **Dec 15:** Applications for 2020 Yale Summer Session Programs Abroad, Non-Yale Summer Abroad, Fall 2020 Term Abroad, and 2020 2021 Year Abroad open.
- **Dec 18:** Examinations end, 5:30 p.m.; winter recess begins. Deadline for all term papers and term projects. This deadline can be extended only be a Temporary Incomplete authorized by the student's residential college dean.
- Dec 19: Residences close, 12 noon.

CIPE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Opportunities Fair

Friday, November 8th, 2:30-4PM

Silliman Dining Hall

Chart your course to summer with the Center for International and Professional Experience (CIPE)! Stop by the annual CIPE Summer Opportunities Fair to learn about hundreds of amazing internship, study, and funding opportunities in the U.S. and abroad for summer 2020. Chat with staff, faculty, and students affiliated with our four units; the Office of Career Strategy, Study Abroad, Yale Summer Session, and Fellowships- to find experiences that are right for you. There you go, your summer is planned!

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

OCS

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCS STEM Connect Coding Practice Session 1

Thursday, October 10, 7:30-9:30PM WTS B52
Bring a pencil, paper, and laptop

OCS STEMConnect Coding Practice Sessions are series of events led by peer students/volunteers, to help those searching for technical jobs gain hands-on coding experience, as well as network with peers to do mock interviews. During this first session, we will begin by an overview of the coding interview, how to prepare for it, resources available, and what OCS offers. Then the session leader will walk through three concrete problems to help you warm up. If there is time left, additional problems will be given to those who wish to continue practice in pairs. Everyone is welcome, while the event particularly targets those who are relatively new to technical job searching and need some guidance. Some knowledge of data structures and algorithms is assumed.

RESOURCES

<u>Request an OCS Workshop-</u>All student organizations in Yale College, GSAS, or whose members include postdocs are welcome to request a workshop (this includes the cultural centers, athletic teams, Greek-letter organizations, performance, political, cultural, and pre-professional groups, faculty and staff).

<u>Check out micro-internships through Parker Dewey-Micro-internships allow you to work on paid,</u> short-term, professional projects offered by employers around the country that can be completed remotely. These Micro-internships can help you develop professional skills, connect with employers across a variety of industries, and explore career paths. *International students must receive work authorization to complete a project through Parker Dewey; see <u>OISS</u>.*

OCS Drop Ins: Drop-ins are available when classes are in session, Monday-Friday, 10:00am-4:00pm.

Visit the <u>Calendar of Events</u> for a full list of upcoming events. Log in to <u>Yale Career Link</u>, powered by Symplicity under Events/Employer Events to RSVP.

YALE SUMMER SESSION

Don't settle for less this summer. At Yale Summer Session, you get more.

More space to focus on a laborious course. See what 5 weeks of your undivided attention can accomplish.

More freedom to choose a course that inspires you. Dive into a passion project or try something completely new this summer.

More access to resources that take your learning to the next level. Take advantage of museums, private tutoring, and libraries without the term-time crowds.

More bang for your buck with reduced tuition. Receive <u>financial assistance</u> for up to two credits.

Summer 2020 course offerings will be posted in December. <u>Sign up for email updates</u> from Yale Summer Session so you hear first when classes are posted.

summer.yale.edu
@YaleSummerSession

STUDY ABROAD

UPCOMING EVENTS

Semester Study Abroad Panel for International Students

Monday, October 7, 4:00 - 5:00pm OISS, 421 Temple Street

Study abroad with the School for Field Studies (SFS)

Monday, October 7, 4:00 - 5:00pm 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd floor, Room 309A

Study in Stockholm with the Swedish program

Tuesday, October 8, 4:00 - 5:00pm 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd floor, Room 309A

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

October 15 - Credit for Spring 2020 Term Abroad Application Deadline

RESOURCES

<u>Study Abroad Drop-In Hours</u> will be held on **Friday, October 11, from 2-4PM** at 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd floor.

Meet with a Study Abroad Adviser – Schedule an appointment directly from our website!

Search the <u>Study Abroad Calendar</u> for information sessions and other study abroad events throughout the academic year.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Richard U. Light Information Session 4

Monday, October 7, 4:00pm - 5:00pm CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Rm 305

Yale College Postgraduate Fellowships Information Session

Tuesday, October 8, 4:00pm - 5:00pm CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Rm 305

Public Service & Pizza: Info Session

Tuesday, October 8, 6:00pm - 7:00pm Dwight Hall Library

Princeton in Asia Information Session

Wednesday, October 9, 4:00pm - 5:00pm CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Rm 305

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

October 7, 1:00pm EST - Keasbey Scholarship Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

October 9, 12pm UK Time - <u>Gates Cambridge</u> Round 1 National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Alumni

October 10, 1:00pm PST - <u>Knight-Hennessy Scholars Program</u> National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Alumni

October 16, 2:00pm EST - Echoing Green Fellowship National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors/Alumni

October 23, 1:00pm EST - Michel David-Weill Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

October 23, 11:59pm PST – <u>The Hertz Foundation Graduate Fellowship</u> National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

October 21-25 (depending on field), 5pm - <u>National Science Foundation Graduate Research</u>

<u>Fellowship</u> National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, Alumni & First-year Graduate Students

October 30, 11:59pm - Princeton in Africa National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Recent Graduates

October 31, 12pm EST - Princeton in Asia National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Recent Graduates

November 1, 2:00pm EST - The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans National

Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, Alumni & Graduate Students

November 1 - <u>USAID Donald Payne International Development Graduate Fellowship</u> National

Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Recent Graduates

November 11, 1:00pm EST - <u>James C. Gaither Junior Fellows Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace</u> Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors/Alumni

November 12, 1:00pm EST - <u>Saint Andrew's Society Graduate Scholarship</u> Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

November 18, 1:00pm EST - <u>Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship</u> Campus Deadline | Eligible: Sophomores & Juniors

November 19, 8:00pm EST - <u>Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program</u> National Deadline | Eligible: First-Years, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors

November 21, 1:00pm EST - <u>Harry S. Truman Scholarship Program</u> Campus Deadline | Eligible: Juniors

RESOURCES

Visit the <u>Fellowships Calendar</u> for a full list of upcoming events and deadlines. <u>Make an appointment</u> directly from the website to discuss these and a host of other opportunities

<u>Fellowship Drop-In Hours</u> will be held on Friday, October 11, from 2-4PM.

Yale Academic Strategies Program

https://orgsync.com/162209/

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

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

Events

Staying on campus over October Break? Enjoy great free food at our <u>Academic Strategies Open House Lunch</u>, Thursday October 17, 11 am – 1 pm, Poorvu Center Room 120A.

Workshops

Most workshops are held in the Poorvu Center (the new name for the CTL). Room M104A is located on the Poorvu Center's Writing Center mezzanine, just up the stairs near the 301 York St. entrance to Sterling Library. You are encouraged to RSVP via Yale OrgSync (https://orgsync.com/162209/).

Pathways for Sophomores

Monday, October 7, 4:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Sophomore year offers new challenges, including increased course loads, upper-level classes, and identifying a major. This interactive workshop helps students set goals and make long-term plans for the year.

Cultivating Faculty Mentors

Monday, October 7, 6:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Monday, October 14, 4:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Reduce exam stress by learning new strategies for preparing and studying for midterms and finals. This workshop offers suggestions for preparing for and taking problem-based, short answer, and essay exams.

Creating a Timeline for Your Senior Project

Monday, October 7, 7:30 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Learn how to plan your writing and research, and how to access support resources for your senior project.

Public Speaking for Undergraduates

Tuesday, October 8, 4:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Professors are increasingly asking students to engage in public speaking, from leading class discussion to more formal presentations. This workshop suggests preparation and performance strategies to help you do your best.

Procrastination: How to Work Through It

Tuesday, October 8, 6:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

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.

Exam Study Strategies

Tuesday, October 8, 7:30 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Reduce exam stress by learning new strategies for preparing and studying for midterms and finals. This workshop offers suggestions for preparing for and taking problem-based, short answer, and essay exams.

Fresh Start: Midterm Edition

Wednesday, October 9, 4:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Tuesday, October 15, 4:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Want to refresh your approaches to your academic work? Our mentors will lead you through a series of activities to help you identify your current strengths and develop new strategies for meeting the new challenges presented by your current semester's courses.

Managing a Heavy Reading Load

Wednesday, October 9, 6:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

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!

Time Management

Wednesday, October 9, 7:30 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Monday, October 14, 6:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Set priorities and develop a weekly schedule that can lead to an active and balanced academic life.

Pathways for First-Years

Thursday, October 10, 4:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

First years get a lot of advice from a wide variety of sources. But what do you really want to get out of your first year? This interactive workshop helps students identify goals and sources of satisfaction, and it offers strategies for avoiding common pitfalls like overextension and burn out.

Writing Emails, Presentations & Reports: Academic & Professional Communication

Thursday, October 10, 6:00 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Learn strategies for writing for professional and formal academic audiences.

Seminars & Lectures: Notetaking and Participation

Thursday, October 10, 7:30 PM, Poorvu Center, 2nd Floor

Seminars and lectures make different demands on students. Learn preparation, participation, notetaking, and review strategies to help you succeed.

1-1 Mentoring

Meet with an <u>Academic Strategies Mentor</u>! They will help you develop a weekly study routine, offer strategies for approaching complicated readings and p-sets, and help you develop a plan for getting through midterms. Have questions? Please email us at <u>academicstrategies@yale.edu</u>.

Academic Strategies Web Guides

Midterms thrown you off? Get back on track with our <u>Academic Strategies web guides</u>, including <u>Academic Resources</u>, our guide to finding the resources you need to support your academic work.

Yale College Writing Center

- Residential College Writing Tutors available: https://www.yalewco.com/index.php
- Peer Writing Partners available daily, Poorvu CTL tutoring mezzanine
- Writing Study Halls (Sundays 2-5 pm, Wednesdays 7-10 pm).

See https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/undergraduates/writing-tutoring-and-programs for more detailed information.

<u>The Community Initiative</u>: Empowering first-generation and low-income students at Yale A partnership between the Yale College Dean's Office and the Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning: https://fgli.yalecollege.yale.edu

Meet with an FGLI Ambassador

Do you have specific questions about some of the initiatives or resources we offer? Do you have any questions about your professor's office hours? Are you from the West Coast and want to know more about Winter in New Haven? Then visit our team of ambassadors during their office hours! We are located at the front desk of 55 Whitney Avenue, 2nd floor.

Career Clothes Closet

In partnership with the Asian American Cultural Center, the Community Initiative has developed the Career Closet, a source of professional clothing for students that need professional attire for interviews, receptions, and all other formal events. Students can check out multiple items of clothing for 2 weeks, all free of charge. https://fgli.yalecollege.yale.edu/financial-resources/deans-office-services/career-closet

STEM Opportunities

Summer STEM Fellowship Information Sessions

Wednesday, October 23: Dr. Alexia Belperron will discuss *International Fellowship Opportunities* in the Silliman Dining Hall from 11:45-12:45pm

Friday, November 1 - Dr. Alexia Belperron will discuss, *How to Find a Lab*, in LC 104 from 3:00-4:00pm

Student Employment Opportunity: Lab assistant

Looking to work in a lab but have never been in a research lab before? We are looking to hire an undergraduate student lab assistant to help out with animal facility tasks such as prepping cages and equipment, and assisting with colony management. There is potential for increasing responsibility and involvement with research projects. We are a microbiology-immunology lab on the medical school campus. Approximate working hours is 10-hrs per week. **No previous lab experience is required**. Please contact Mytien Nguyen, Mytien.nguyen@yale.edu with any questions. Job ID: 23715.

Guide to STEM at Yale

For <u>Dean Sandy Chang's Guide to STEM at Yale</u> and other useful information for STEM-interested students, please visit: https://science.yalecollege.yale.edu.

Yale Library Resources

StatLab workshops: Using a new stats program? Get help from StatLab! Visit their website for workshops on LaTex, R, Stata, and other common programs: http://statlab.yale.edu/workshops/

Tours of Sterling Memorial Library for students begin September 30th and continue through mid-October. Tours are an hour-long overview, designed especially for undergraduates, of Sterling Memorial Library, with special focus on the arrangement of collections, where and how to get research help, and the intellectual rewards of browsing. All students are welcome. Registration required: https://bit.ly/SMLstacks

Spend Spring 2020 in London!



Spend the spring in London while earning Yale College credits!

- Students of all majors are welcome
- No prerequisites are required
- Opportunities for travel in the UK and Europe

Yale in London runs throughout the spring term from January 13 through April 24, 2020.

Apply now via <u>mycipe.yale.edu</u> until October 15, 2019. For more information: jemma.field@yale.edu

The following courses are offered in spring 2020:

Margaret Homans, Yale University Queen Victoria and Royal Representations

What made the Victorian era "Victorian"? This course studies Victorian literary and visual culture by investigating Queen Victoria's role as a monarch and empress who was also a wife, widow, and mother. Readings include Lewis Carroll's Alice books, fiction by Margaret Oliphant and George Eliot, and the queen's own writings. (HU, WR)

Margaret Homans, Yale University Virginia Woolf's London

This course considers Virginia Woolf's London novels in the context of the lively groups of artists, writers, and local and international political activists in the London of her day. Topics include her experiments with literary form, her approaches to questions of sexuality, gender, race, and imperialism, and her legacy today. (HU, WR)

Mark Wheatley, Writer and Lecturer Modern British Theater

This course provides an introduction to London theater, both from behind-the-scenes and in performance, through current productions of classic and contemporary works. Students will examine theatrical conventions and the historical and cultural contexts of the plays, the economics of London theater, and the political and social implications of the stories the plays tell. (HU, WR)

Mark Hallett, Paul Mellon Centre The Golden Age of Painting in Britain

The course examines painting in Britain during a period of remarkable artistic and cultural change. Particular focus is given to the relationship between painting and different forms of artistic display, performance, and self-promotion in the Georgian period. We will also be making close readings of individual practitioners including Reynolds, Turner, and Constable. (HU)

Yale Degree Audit

Yale Degree Audit (YDA) is a tool that tracks your progress toward the bachelor's degree.

YDA is located on the Academics tab of Student Information System (SIS). YDA displays the Yale College degree requirements that you have already completed and those that are still pending. A "Look Ahead" feature shows you how future course enrollment might apply toward your degree. Yale Degree Audit does not take the place of face-to-face advising, although you may wish to share your audit with your adviser. Instead, it provides an easy-to-read summary of requirements, allowing you and your adviser to spend more time discussing course selection and academic goals.

Do not rely solely on your degree audit when planning your courses; continue to use Yale's standard systems for schedule planning and employ YDA as an additional tool. More features will be added to YDA in the future, including the ability to track progress toward major requirements.

If you have suggestions, general observations, or questions that are not answered by the FAQs, send them to registrar@yale.edu using the subject line "Degree Audit." If you believe that academic information in your degree audit is incorrect, contact our office.