

Benjamin Franklin College

Dean's Notes - January 14, 2018

Dear Franklinites,

Glad you are back to turn what has felt like a rambling, deserted hotel into a college once again! And those off campus, I hope your pipes didn't freeze while you were away!

I hope there was time enough (but not *too* much) with family, friends, in solitude, en masse, maybe in mass. Whether you came away from the fall semester with academic and personal spoils, or deficits, it is now time to put them down. Let go of what doesn't serve you so you can start the term lighter, freer and more available.

And if you have no idea what extra baggage you're carrying, try writing it down. As I prepare my writing course, I've got Didion on the brain:

"I write entirely to find out what I'm thinking, what I'm looking at, what I see and what it means. What I want and what I fear."

-Joan Didion

Happy hunting,

-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 Tuesdays 12-2:30 p.m. (BF only!), Wednesdays 1-5 p.m. and Thursdays 7-8:30 p.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 p.m.

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing

Center/Tutors/Partners: http://ctl.yale.edu/writing;http://writing.yalecollege.yale.edu/

Sc/QR Tutoring: http://ctl.yale.edu/tutoring/quantitative-reasoning-science

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

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Jan 14: Spring-term classes begin, 8:20 a.m. Upper-level mandatory registration in BF Dean's Office by 5 p.m. Application for 2019 New Haven and online Sumer Session courses open.

Jan 18: Friday classes do not meet. Monday classes meet instead.

Jan 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day; classes do not meet.

Jan 23: Final course schedules due for the Class of 2022.

Jan 24: Final course schedules due for the Class of 2020 and 2021.

Jan 25: Final course schedules due for the Class of 2019; Last day for students in the Class of 2019 to petition for permission to complete the requirements of two majors.

Jan 28: Final deadline to apply for a spring-term Leave of Absence. Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles a student to a full rebate of spring-term tuition.

DEAN'S DROP-IN HOURS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15th & FRIDAY, JANUARY 18th 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Academic Information

Academic Information Course Schedule Deadlines:

Class of 2022 Wednesday, January 23, 5:00 pm

Class of 2021 Thursday, January 24, 5:00 pm

Class of 2020 Thursday, January 24, 5:00 pm

Class of 2019 Friday, January 25, 5:00 pm

Schedules are handed in to Michelle in the BF Dean's Office.

The deadline is strictly enforced. A late schedule incurs a fine of \$50. (Clerical error on schedule is \$50)

A schedule of 3.0 course credits or a schedule of 6.0 or 6.5 course credits needs Dean Hill's permission **before** the schedule is handed in.

Overlapping Class Meeting Times: Requires a conversation with Dean Hill before the Course Enrollment deadline, compelling academic reasons for the overlap, and with Dean Hill's assistance, a petition to the Committee on Honors and Academic Standing.

A schedule with a course in a professional school requires an additional form, which is available in the BF Dean's Office. Hand in the completed form with the syllabus attached by the deadline for your course schedule. [Note: SOM courses cannot be added to your schedule through OCS; they must be written by hand in the "include" section on your schedule.

Only four professional school credits can be offered toward the 36 credit requirement; however, students may enroll in more than four credits understanding that all courses will remain on the academic record and be included in the GPA even if not offered toward the 36 credit requirement.

Courses at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and at a professional school cannot elect the CR/D/Fail option.

Credit for these courses on your transcript: When you put a Professional School course on your schedule, zero (0) course credits are recorded for the course until you hand in to my office the form for the courses (syllabus attached) and the Registrar's Office determines the course credits for that course after that. Some courses earn 1 course credit in Yale College and some earn 0.5 course credits (most commonly in SOM and EPH). Some do not earn credit.

Independent Studies (Directed Reading, Directed Research, etc. as listed by most departments). There are limits on the number that a student can enroll in during a given year and over four years. Enrolling in an independent study requires the additional permission of a Director of Undergraduate Studies.

FIRST-YEARS First-Year Distributional Requirements: At the end of your first year (after two terms of enrollment) the student's record must record enrollment in at least one course credit in two of the three skills categories (WR, QR, and foreign language). For a course with two distributional designations, only one or the other designation can be counted toward the distributional requirements; in other words, no double dipping. A course may, however, count toward both the requirements for a major and for a distributional requirement.

SOPHOMORES Sophomore Year Distributional Requirement: At the end of the sophomore year (after four terms of enrollment) the student's record must record enrollment in at least one course credit in each disciplinary area (Hu, Sc, and So) and at least one course credit in each skills category (WR, QR, and foreign language). For a course with two distributional designations, only one or the other designation can be counted toward the distributional requirements; in other words, no double dipping. A course may, however, count toward both the requirements for a major and for a distributional requirement.

JUNIORS Junior Year Distributional Requirement: At the end of the junior year (after 6 terms of enrollment) a student's record must show successful completion of all skills requirements: two course credits in QR, two course credits in WR, and foreign language). A course completed CR cannot count toward a distribution requirement. For a course with two distributional designations, only one or the other designation can be counted toward the distributional requirements; in other words, no double dipping. A course may, however, count toward both the requirements for a major and for a distributional requirement.

SENIORS Distributional Requirement for the degree: Successful completion of two course credits each in WR, QR, Hu, So, and Sc and completion of the foreign language requirement. A course completed CR cannot count toward a distribution requirement. For a course with two distributional designations, only one or the other designation can be counted toward the distributional requirements; in other words, no double dipping. A course may, however, count toward both the requirements for a major and for a distributional requirement. Senior Fall Term Completion: All students planning to complete degree requirements at the end of the fall term must file a petition by September 12th. See Special Arrangements.

Yale Academic Strategies Program

https://academicstrategies.ctl.yale.edu academicstrategies@yale.edu

Meet 1-1 with our Academic Strategies Mentors

The first few weeks of class are a great time to meet with our Academic Strategies Peer Mentors. During your 1-1 session, you can:

Create a weekly schedule to help manage your time and get things done Set academic and professional goals and identify ways to meet them

Identify challenges and develop strategies to enhance your approach to your academic work Before January 27, email <u>academicstrategies@yale.edu</u> to set up an appointment. After January 27, sign up for an appointment via our <u>online scheduler</u>.

Academic Strategies Workshops

Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations

Tuesday, January 22, 6:00 PM, CTL M104A

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

Time Management

Tuesday, January 22, 7:30 PM, CTL M104A

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, January 23, 6:00 PM, 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!

Creating a Timeline for Your Senior Thesis

Wednesday, January 23, 7:30 PM, CTL M104A

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.

Procrastination: How to Work Through It

Thursday, January 24, 6:00 PM, CTL M104A

Learn how to plan your writing and research, and how to access support resources for your senior thesis. (For full-year and 1-semester senior thesis writers, and juniors planning for the following year.)

STEM Opportunities

STEM Faculty-Student Matchmaking: Do you want to do exciting research with a Yale faculty mentor this summer? If so, come to the inaugural faculty-student matchmaking on January 14 & 15, 2019, 4:00-6:00pm. NOTE: Change in venue location - the event will be held in SSS 114 both days. You must RSVP by responding here, https://goo.gl/forms/M8gtz2WAeM8OP5rl2.

Summer STEM Fellowships: How to Write a Proposal

Wednesday, January 23, 5:00-6:30pm, Ezra Stiles Dining Hall (stage in back of dining hall) *Dean Sandy Chang

Being Human in STEM PHYS 107/MB&B 107/EDST 107 (So credit) Fridays, 2:30-4:20, WLH 204

A collaboratively-designed, project-oriented course that seeks to examine, understand, and disseminate how diversity of gender, race, religion, sexuality, economic circumstances, etc. shape the STEM experience at Yale and nationally, and that seeks to formulate and implement solutions to issues that are identified. Study of relevant peer-reviewed literature and popular-press articles. Implementation of a questionnaire and interviews of STEM participants at Yale. Creation of role-play scenarios for provoking discussions and raising awareness. Design and implementation of group interventions.

Job opportunity for graduating seniors

The Lusk and King labs are recruiting curious, self-motivated graduating seniors interested in building their research skills and experience to join our interdisciplinary team as postbaccalaureate associates. Successful applicants will take on projects related to one or more of the following topics: 1) Mechanisms governing nuclear envelope integrity and repair in mammalian cells; 2) Mechanotransduction through the LINC complex and nuclear lamina in cells and tissues; 3) Defining the impacts of nuclear subcompartments and chromatin modifications on genome integrity; and 4) Dissecting the mechanisms that underlie genome organization and dynamics. Initial 1 year commitment with the possibility of staying on for a 2nd year. If interested, please email Megan King (megan.king@yale.edu) your resume/CV and a short explanation of why you are interested in the position.

Find out more about our team here:

https://medicine.yale.edu/lab/king/

https://medicine.yale.edu/lab/lusk/

https://twitter.com/luskingl

Yale College Writing Center

Residential College Writing Tutors available starting Monday, January 14:

https://www.yalewco.com/index.php

Peer Writing Partners available starting Wednesday, January 23rd @ 3pm, Poorvu CTL tutoring mezzanine

Writing Study Halls (Sundays 2-5 pm, Wednesdays 7-10 pm) starting Wednesday, January 23rd. See https://ctl.yale.edu/tutoring/undergraduate-writing-tutoring for more detailed information.

Summer Planning Resources

Spring semester can get busy quickly, with deadlines for summer opportunities within a few weeks of our return to campus. Don't face the awful choice between studying for midterms and applying for summer programs, internships, and fellowships.

Plan your activity:

CIPE offices are still offering workshops and information sessions after the winter break. <u>Check our calendars</u> for further details.

Future workshops:

Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations: <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 22</u>, 6 pm, <u>CTL M104A</u>
CIPE Summer Fellowships and Funding Information Session: Friday, January 25th, 1-2pm CTL 120A

Proposal writing workshops:

- o Wednesday, January 23rd, 12:30-1:30pm, 55 Whitney Avenue, 305
- o Friday, February 1, 1-2pm, 55 Whitney Avenue, 305

CIPE Drop-ins at 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor (while classes are in session):

Fellowships and Study Abroad: Fridays, 2-4pm

OCS: Monday – Friday, 10am-4pm

CIPE

International Summer Award (ISA) Information Session

Thursday, January 17, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Office of International Students & Scholars, 421 Temple Street

May 1 (students are encouraged to submit their application earlier)- <u>Domestic Summer Award</u> (DSA) Fellowship to Support Experiences with the Arts, Sciences, Government, and Non-Profit

<u>Organizations</u> | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

Visit the <u>DSA webpage</u> for detailed eligibility requirements.

Access the application: <u>Yale Career Link</u> Homepage (under 'Yale College Summer Experiences'), or <u>Yale Career Link</u> (My Account, Professional Experiences)

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

UPCOMING EVENTS

International Summer Award (ISA) Information Session

Thursday, January 17, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Office of International Students & Scholars, 421 Temple Street

Yale College Postgraduate Fellowships Q&A

Friday, January 18, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations

Tuesday, January 22, 6:00pm – 7:00pm CTL, 301 York Street, M104A

Writing an Effective Fellowship Proposal Workshop

Wednesday, January 23, 12:30pm – 1:30pm CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

January 16 - <u>Davis Projects for Peace</u> Campus Deadline | *Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors*

January 17 - Boren Undergraduate Scholarship Campus Deadline | *Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, and Juniors*

January 18 - National Institute of Standards and Technology Summer Undergraduate Research

<u>Fellowship - NIST SURF</u> Campus Deadline | *Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors*

January 18 - Beinecke Scholarship Program Campus Deadline | Eligible: Juniors

January 25 - <u>Mortimer Hays-Brandeis Traveling Fellowship Program</u> Campus Deadline | *Eligible: Seniors/Alumni*

January 31 - Mount Vernon Leadership Fellows Program National Deadline | Eligible: Sophomores

February 1 - Henry Fellowship Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

February 5 - Yale College Postgraduate Fellowships Campus Deadline | Eligible: Juniors & Seniors

February 13 - <u>Udall Scholarship</u> Campus Deadline | *Eligible: Sophomores, Juniors*

February 13 - Fox International Fellowship Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, Graduate Students

February 14 - <u>CIPE Summer Fellowships Common Application</u> Campus Deadline | *Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors*

February 15 - Woodbridge Fellowship Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

February 26 - <u>South Asian Language Fellowship</u> Campus Deadline | *Eligible:First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors & Graduate Students*

February 28 - <u>CIPE Summer Research Fellowship Common Application</u> Campus Deadline | Eligible: *First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors*

Visit the <u>Calendar of Events</u> for a full list of upcoming events and deadlines.

<u>Contact Fellowships</u> with questions or comments.

<u>Fellowship Drop-In Hours</u> Resume on Friday, January 18, 2:00pm – 4:00pm | 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor

OCS

RESOURCES

<u>Yale's Roadtrip Nation</u>: Based on the long-running PBS documentary series, OCS has licensed a database of thousands of real-world professionals' stories. Build your own interactive Roadmap, access 5,000+ informational interview videos, and watch full Roadtrip documentaries, such as Women in STEM and First-Generation College Students. Access at <u>roadtripnation.com/edu/yaleocs</u>, and click 'Create Account' on the top right. *You must use a yale.edu email address and subscription code YALE for full access*.

OCS Drop Ins: Drop-in hours for the spring semester will begin on Monday, January 14. 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 Information Sessions to RSVP.

YALE SUMMER SESSION

The application for Yale Summer Session 2019 is now open!

Yale Summer Session is your time to make progress. Fulfill a distributional requirement in only 5 weeks. Focus all of your attention on a challenging course. But it's not just more Yale courses, it's your chance to try courses you can't get any other time.

Classes are offered in New Haven and online.

Session A: May 27-June 28, 2019 Session B: July 1-August 2, 2019

If you want to boost your resume and get more involved in campus life, apply to be a <u>residential</u> <u>counselor</u> this summer. Counselors receive one free summer course and on-campus housing. Plus, you get to help visiting summer students adjust to life at Yale. How cool is that?

summer.yale.edu/flatiron

summer.yale.edu @YaleSummerSession

STUDY ABROAD

UPCOMING EVENTS

International Summer Award (ISA) Information Session

Thursday, January 17, 4:00pm – 5:00pm Office of International Students & Scholars, 421 Temple Street

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

Yale Summer Session Programs Abroad | Application Deadline: February 15

<u>Credit for Non-Yale Summer Abroad</u> | Application Deadline: **March 1**

<u>Credit for Fall Term Abroad</u> | Application Deadline: **April 1**

Credit for Academic Year Abroad | Application Deadline: April 1

<u>Drop-In Hours</u>: Resume on January 18. Available every **Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** when classes are in session. Check the <u>Study Abroad Calendar</u> for events throughout the academic year.

First-Year Counselor Applications Open

First-year counselor application for the 2019-2020 year is now open. We will be accepting applications through January 31st at 11:59 p.m. EST. You can read more about the program and apply HERE.

Applicants must be seniors in good academic standing during both terms of the academic year 2018-2019, and plan to graduate in the spring of 2020. Counselors are expected to be responsible and mature students who can draw upon their own experiences and the training they receive to respond appropriately to the wide range of questions and issues that first-year college students encounter. Prospective applicants should therefore be able to demonstrate maturity, a commitment to serving others, strong interpersonal skills, and a solid academic record.

CPSC S115 "Introduction to Full-Stack Web Development

Come learn about CPSC S115 "Introduction to Full-Stack Web Development," a new Yale Summer Session course created in collaboration with the Flatiron School. This course is based on the Flatiron School's flagship software engineering bootcamp that has already helped students around the world learn to code.

During 10 weeks on Yale's campus, students will take a deep dive into the intellectual enterprises of computer science and learn to think, and build, like software engineers. Best of all: Students don't need any prior computer science experience to take the course.

Program outcomes:

Earn 2 Yale College credits and QR

Learn Ruby and JavaScript--and apply your knowledge to other software languages Gain experience in front-end and back-end programming Discover how your unique perspective can contribute to a web development team Apply your knowledge in other courses, a job, or in graduate school. summer.yale.edu/flatiron

Yale Alumni Association Reunion Head Clerk Position

Yale Alumni is recruiting students who will make great Reunion Head Clerks for Yale College Reunions this spring. They will be interviewing and hiring 16 Head Clerks to assist during the term, starting after Spring Break, and during reunion weekends May 23 – 26, 2019 & May 30 - June 2, 2019. The application (Job #1981) is open now on the <u>yale.edu.seo</u> website and will close at the end of the month.

Head Clerks process reunion registrations, assist with alumni outreach and later head up a team of their peers during the reunion weekends in May and June. The position requires a high degree of organization and responsibility, as well as significant contact with our staff and with alumni of all ages.

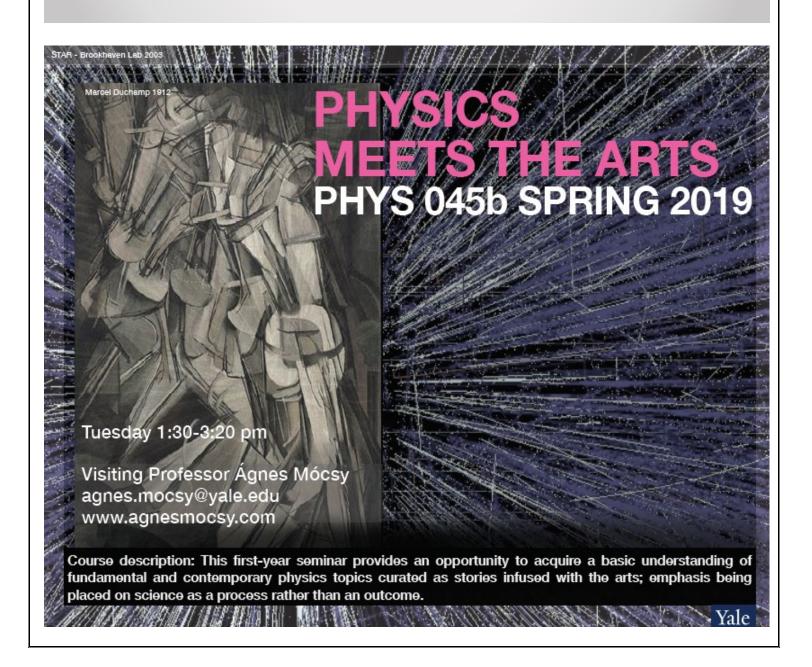
HUMS411: Life Worth Living Course Application

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HUMS411: Life Worth Living

"What does it mean for a life to go well? What would it look like for a live to be *lived* well? In short, what shape would a life worth living take? We will explore these questions through engagement with the lives and visions of founding figures from six diverse traditions of imagining a good life: the Buddha, the Torah and the Hebrew prophetic and wisdom writers, Jesus of Nazareth, Muhammad, John Stuart Mill, and Friedrich Nietzsche. The course will also feature visits from contemporary individuals who understand their lives to be shaped by the traditions in question."

https://yalesurvey.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_74B5iYo3rfHnWuN



Woodbridge Fellowship Applications 2019-20

2019–20 Woodbridge Fellowships – Applications Open! (Close February 15.)

Yale College seniors are invited to apply for 2019–20 Woodbridge Fellowships. Application is through Yale Connect, https://orgsync.com/172098/chapter.

A fellowship is a full-time paid position in the offices of university leader, offering an introduction to the work and administration of Yale. It provides valuable professional experience for potential careers in higher education, particularly for students belonging to minority communities currently underrepresented in university administration.

Applications close on February 15, 2019 at 5 p.m.

Participating offices are: Chaplain's Office, Office of the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Office of International Affairs (Africa), Office of International Affairs (Communications and Research), Office of Public Affairs and Communications, Office of Sustainability, Office of the Secretary and Vice President for Student Life, Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning/ Yale College Dean's Office.

If you have questions about the fellowship or application process, please email Andrew Forsyth, Assistant Secretary for Student Life, andrew.forsyth@yale.edu.

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.

SUMMER NEW HAVEN



Yale University President's Public Service Fellowship

The President's Public Service Fellowship seeks outstanding undergraduate, graduate and professional students to work with organizations that promote economic growth, human development, and neighborhood vitality in New Haven.

Earn \$5,400 to \$8,400 based on experience, degree pending and weeks worked. Fellowship placements range from 8-11 weeks from the end of May through August. Students may apply for placements proposed by local non-profit and public sector organizations posted on the PPSF website.

For more information and application materials, log on to the Fellowship website, or contact karen.king@yale.edu.

Application Deadline: Friday, January 18, 2019

Quick Facts

- Work in New Haven on exciting projects with city government, nonprofits, the arts, and economic development
- 35 students selected from across the university and its graduate and professional schools
- Earn up to \$600-\$700 per week
- Serve 8-11 weeks
- · Weekly Fellowship dinners
- And so much more...

ppsf.yale.edu