From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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Registration Office Hours for Students

The University Registrar’s Office has set up office hours over Zoom for students with registration questions.

**April 17, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
May 14, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Course registration deadlines, instructions, explanations of error messages, FAQs, and a growing library of system tutorials and instructional documentation can be found on the [registration website](#).
- Blue Forms: Several professional schools register on a different timeline than Yale College. You can submit a blue form at any time during registration, however, you might not hear whether you are accepted into the course and whether it will count for a full credit until the add/drop period. See [Blue Forms](#) on the [registration website](#).

Opening of Yale Course Search 2024-2025

**Fall Term Registration**

- **April 15, 8:00 a.m.** Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2025
- **April 16, 8:00 a.m.** Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2026, visiting students, and Eli Whitney students (without a class year)
- **April 17, 8:00 a.m.** Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2027
- **April 26** Classes end after last academic obligation; reading period begins
- **May 17, 5:00 p.m.** Registration closes for all Yale College and Graduate School students

Refer to the [registration website](#) for all dates, instruction, and FAQs.
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.

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing Center/Tutors/Partners: Writing Tutoring and Programs | Porvoo 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.

Additional course enrollment information, instructions, and FAQs can be found on the registration website. Review your fall enrollment schedule on Yale Hub or Degree Audit.

Withdrawal and Cr/D/F Deadlines for Full and Half-term Courses

Important deadlines for courses offered in the second half of the term:

- **Friday, April 26 by 5:00 p.m.** – deadline to change the grade mode to Credit/D/Fail for a full-term course or a course offered in the second half of the term
- **Friday, April 26 by 5:00 p.m.** – deadline to withdraw from a full-term course and a course offered in the second half of the term

Note: Professional school courses cannot be changed to Credit/D/Fail. Some professional school courses end before the April deadlines listed here; the deadline to withdraw from these courses is the last day of the course.

If you wish to convert a course offered in the second half of the term 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.
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](https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/academic-strategies-program)

**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](https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/academic-strategies-program). First-year students can also request mentorship and guidance about Student Accessibility Resources through the [SAS Peer Liaison Program](https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/academic-strategies-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 Karin Gosselink ([karin.gosselink@yale.edu](mailto:karin.gosselink@yale.edu)) for an appointment.

**Individual Mentoring**
Get organized for the semester by meeting with an [Academic Strategies Mentor](https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/academic-strategies-program). 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. Our online mentoring schedule is live. If you’d like to schedule a meeting before then, 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, Apr. 14, 2-5 pm, Poorvu CTL Room 120A**
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!
Letters of Recommendation for National Fellowships  
**Tues, Apr. 16, 4-5 pm, Poorvu CTL Room 120A**  
Are you applying for a national fellowship — such as the Fulbright, Marshall, or Rhodes — and feeling overwhelmed by the process of requesting recommendations? Join us for a discussion of how to identify strong recommenders, cultivate relationships with them, and ensure that the application process goes smoothly for both you and your recommenders.

ADHD Discussion Group  
**Thur, Apr. 18, 4-5 pm, Poorvu CTL Room 118A**  
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Share strategies and support with peers who understand your experience. This is open to both undergraduates and graduate students.

Exam Study Strategies  
**Thur, Apr. 18, 8-9 pm, Online**  
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.

Being FGLI in the Arts: Delilah Dominguez (community arts)  
**Fri, Apr. 19, 4-5 pm Poorvu CTL Room 120A/B**  
Join us for a wonderful discussion about making a living in a different field but still remaining engaged in the arts and community arts programs.

What Can I Do With a Social Sciences Major?  
**Fri, Apr. 19, 5-6 pm WLH 001**  
Join a discussion with a panel of Yale College peers about exploring career possibilities in the social sciences.
The 2024 Yale Sexual Climate Survey

Yale is surveying students about their perceptions and experiences of the campus community, sexual misconduct, campus resources, and bystander intervention. This confidential survey will inform Yale’s prevention, education, and response efforts. Your response to the 2024 survey is critical: with everyone’s help, we can gather the fullest data possible. Please visit tinyurl.com/sexualclimatesurvey and fill out the survey now. Yale will report on the results in Fall 2024. For more details about the survey and Yale’s resources, please see titleix.yale.edu. For information, advocacy, and support, contact SHARE (203-432-2000).
Dear Student,

I write to invite you to join the 2024 Yale College Speech Competition, open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors according to the categories below. Top prize in each category is $1000, with prizes of $500 & $250 for second and third place.

The competition will take place on Monday, April 29. After you sign up, you’ll be assigned a two-hour block between 9am and 5pm on April 29; you must be available for the entire two hours. Please use this link to sign up—the deadline is Monday, April 22, 11:59pm.

All speeches must be original works created by the student and they must be delivered from notes or recited from memory. They must be between 5-8 minutes long; longer or shorter speeches will be disqualified. No visual or audio aids are permitted as part of the oration.

Rules for each category are listed here:

**The Buck-Jackson Prize:** Awarded to a Sophomore for the best original oration on a subject of a patriotic nature. [Note that this does not need to be on an American subject.]

**The Henry James TenEyck Prize:** Awarded to orators among the Junior Class on a subject of the speaker’s choice.

**The David C. DeForest Prize & Townsend Premiums:** For the Senior[s] "who shall write and pronounce an English oration in the best manner." [Note that there are no special requirements for an "English oration."

Good luck, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alfred E. Guy Jr.

Deputy Director, Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning

R.W.B. Lewis Director of Writing

Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs, Yale College

Please contact alfred.guy@yale.edu with questions.
The Elizabethan Club
Yale Undergraduate Student Essay Prize

*call for submissions*

The Yale University Elizabethan Club awards a prize for the best undergraduate student term paper and/or senior thesis/project on a subject of interest to the Club:

+ Outstanding work on literature, arts, or culture of the Renaissance.
+ Outstanding work on interpretations, adaptations, or criticism relating to literature, arts, and culture of the Renaissance.
+ Outstanding work based on research done in the Elizabethan Club Collection (used at the Beinecke Library).

Work from any department is eligible and nominations can come from faculty, advisors, or the students themselves. The competition is open to all Yale students, regardless of department. They do not need to be members of the Club.

The winner will receive a monetary prize.

In order to be considered for this prize, the following deadline must be met:

**By 4pm on Monday, April 22, 2024:** Submit an electronic copy of a completed paper or thesis, double-spaced typed (maximum of 40 pages: not including thesis abstract, images, figures, and bibliography), by sending an email attachment to the registrar for the Program in Early Modern Studies, Julia DiVincenzo (julia.divincenzo@yale.edu).

Papers should be anonymized by removing all identifying information. When submitting, please use the relevant subject line, either “Elizabethan Essay Prize, Undergraduate” or “Elizabethan Essay Prize, Graduate”. [Papers received after 4pm that day cannot be considered because of the tight deadlines under which the selection committees operate.]

Any graduating seniors who have not completed their senior essays by the submission deadline, please notify julia.divincenzo@yale.edu for a submission extension.

Please contact julia.divincenzo@yale.edu with questions, or for more information regarding the prize.
Library workshops for the week of April 15, 2024

ADVANCED SEARCH TECHNIQUES | Online

Monday, April 15 at 7:00pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/12242309
In 30 minutes, learn skills to research like a librarian, including how to use advanced search techniques to find books and articles in Quicksearch.

LATTE WITH A LIBRARIAN | Bass Library

Tuesday, April 16 from 12:30-2:00pm | More info: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11927459
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.

FIRST STEPS WITH ZOTERO | Online

Wednesday, April 17 at 7:30pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/12242325 In 30 minutes, get started using Zotero, free software to help you manage your research, take notes, and create a bibliography.

THERAPY DOG THURSDAY | Bass Library

Thursday, April 18 at 2:00pm | More info: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11929975 Visit Bass Library to meet with Heidi, a yellow Labrador Retriever, whose sole job is to be a calming, comforting presence. See you there!

TOUR: HIDDEN TREASURES IN STERLING LIBRARY

Friday, April 19 at 3:00pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/12242015
Learn how to get around to find what you need and discover lesser-known special collections hidden in plain sight!
Upcoming workshops and events from Yale Library

Hidden Treasures in Sterling Library

First Steps with Zotero

Advanced Search Techniques

Latte with a Librarian

Attend 3 workshops and receive a FREE Yale Library tote bag!

Yale University Library

schedule.yale.edu/calendar/instruction
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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.
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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.

**Community Wellness Specialists**

- Corinne Coia Silliman #403
- Ricky Belizaire Morse Gatehouse
- Cindy Avila Branford #012A
- Whitney Simmons Hopper #020
- Angie Makomenaw Pierson #049

**College Care Clinicians**

- Zelekya Fowler WLH #105
- Nicole Cepeda WLH #106
- Kayla Reid TD #007
- Lauren Moss-Racusin Davenport: #N11
- New Clinician Branford #012B

**SCAN TO GET STARTED**