Dear Franklinites,

As the semester quickly approaches its end, I am sending you so many positive wishes for everything that is on your mind at the moment. If you're thinking about a difficult exam, a term paper, or a last p-set that is due this week, know that you are capable, and I certainly believe in you!

Please also refer to the "End of Term Notes" that you received on December 4th if you need assistance with navigating the final days of the term. As always, please read the remainder of this newsletter for the different opportunities available to you this month.

Warm Wishes,

Dean Rencher
CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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

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

Dec.  Th Residents close, 12 noon.

Yale College Spring 2024 Registration Dates

Registration for Yale College and Graduate School students
December 21, 5:00 p.m. Registration and waitlists close for all Yale College students
January 8, 8:00 a.m. Add/drop period opens for all Yale College 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 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.
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)
Instructions to apply for housing accommodation

If you are requesting housing accommodations for the 2024-2025 academic year, please reach out to Student Accessibility Services (SAS) following the steps below. The deadline for housing accommodation requests is January 25, 2024 (including a completed SAS housing form from your treatment provider).

Steps to request housing accommodations for next year:
1. Complete an SAS accommodation request form in the Accommodate system.
2. Have your current provider that you have been working with this year complete the SAS housing form and return it via email to sas@yale.edu or secure fax at (203) 432-8250. Be sure to allow enough time for your provider to complete the form by the January 25th.
3. Schedule an appointment with SAS.

Please contact SAS with any questions at sas@yale.edu.

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Prospective 2024-2025 First-year Counselors!

Being a FroCo is a great way to make a positive impact on our community and guide the college’s future by shaping the new generation of Franklinites. And work closely with the Dean!

We will be accepting applications through January 22 at 11:59 p.m. EST. You can read more about the program and access the application on the first-year counselor website.

Applicants must be in at least their fifth term of enrollment in spring 2024 and are in a position to their degree no later than spring 2026. It is mandatory that counselors remain in good academic standing during both terms of the academic year 2024-2025. Counselors are expected to draw upon their own experiences and the training they receive to help shape the first-year environment and 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.
CS50 Fair

With the reading period in full swing (sigh), I am reaching out to invite you to the **annual CS50 Fair** that has been a CS50 tradition for the 7th time this year! A truly epic experience as you can observe, try out and experience the final projects that the CS50 students worked so hard on. **Fun fact:** most of the students have never taken CS before!

**CS50 Fair | Tue, Dec 12, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM | Tsai CITY, 17 Prospect St.**

*Win a prize! 🎧 Get inspired! 😍 Grab some snacks! 🍭*

Beyond witnessing your peers' amazing achievements, there will be lots of snacks, banger music and....

👑 **RAFFLE PRIZES!** Every conversation you have at the Fair, will bring you one step closer to winning one of...

- Nintendo Switch - OLED Model: Mario Red Edition
- Apple AirPods Pro (2nd Gen)
- CS50 Hoodie
- CS50 Beanie

All are welcome! No need to register or stay for the entire event, just show up 😊

Hoping to see you there!

Ozan Erat, Ph.D.
Lecturer in Computer Science
LIBRARY EVENTS DURING READING WEEK

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

SELF-CARE GOODIE BAGS & RAFFLE
•  Monday, December 11 starting at 10 am, while supplies last | Bass Library
Grab a self-care goodie bag with a variety of items to help you feel your best during Reading Week! Each bag includes a raffle entry to win a “happy” lamp and tote bag.

LATTE WITH A LIBRARIAN
•  Monday, December 11 from 11am – 12:30 pm | Bass Library
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!

STUDY BREAK: SNACK CARTS
•  Monday, December 11 starting at 2 pm, while supplies last | Marx Library

MAKE A ZINE!
•  Monday, December 11 at 3 pm | Haas Arts Library
Spend time during reading week to take a moment for yourself. Contribute a page to our Finals Motivation Zine, make your own mini-Zine, or just draw or collage with us! Supplies provided.

HEIDI THE THERAPY DOG
•  Monday, December 11 at 3 pm | Haas Arts Library

STUDY BREAK: INSOMNIA COOKIES
•  Monday, December 11 at 7 pm, while supplies last | Marx Library

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

STUDY BREAK: BAGELS, COFFEE, & TEA
•  Tuesday, December 12 at 10 am, while supplies last | Marx Library

BUTTON MAKING WITH BOOK COVERS
•  Tuesday, December 12 at 11 am | Haas Arts Library
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.

VIRTUAL PAINT WITH A WHALE
•  Tuesday, December 12 at 1:30 pm | Marx Library, Young Family Study
Join us at Marx Library where we will have a live, private virtual painting session with a beluga whale from Mystic Aquarium.
HEIDI THE THERAPY DOG
- Tuesday, December 12 at 3 pm | Marx Library

COOKIES & QUESTIONS
- Tuesday, December 12 at 9 pm | Bass Library
Get answers to your most pressing questions (and a free Insomnia cookie!) from Library Peer Mentors.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13
TAROT CARD READINGS
- Wednesday, December 13 at noon | Haas Arts Library
Get your fortune read and look at the materials in the special collections that are guided by the mysterious and invisible! Tarot cards read on a first come, first serve basis.

BUTTON MAKING WITH BOOK COVERS
- Wednesday, December 13 at 2 pm | Bass Library
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.

CHAIR YOGA WITH YC3
- Wednesday, December 13 at 2 pm | Marx Library
Join host Ricky Belizaire, a Community Wellness Specialist (CWS) within Yale College Community Care (YC3), who will be leading a chair yoga session. Healthy snacks will be provided, while supplies last!

MAKE A POSTCARD TO SEND HOME
- Wednesday, December 13 at 2 pm | Haas Arts Library
Send some snail mail to friends and family back home! Design your own postcard using discarded book jackets and craft supplies. Supplies and stamps provided.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14
MAKE A FINALS SELF-CARE KIT
- Thursday, December 14 at 11 am | Haas Arts Library
Take a break and make your own Finals Self Care Kit in the Haas Arts Library Great Hall. Decorate a reusable bag and fill it with a variety of items we'll have to help you feel your best!

HEIDI THE THERAPY DOG
- Thursday, December 14 at 2 pm | Bass Library
{RECHARGE}
DURING READING WEEK

FRIDAY, DEC 8
Make a Paper Box
11 am–12:30 pm, Haas Arts Library
Cocoa & Marshmallows
4 pm, Bass Library

MONDAY, DEC 11
Goodie Bags & Raffle Prize
while supplies last, Bass Library
Latte with a Librarian
11 am–12:30 pm, Bass Library
Snack Carts
2 pm, Marx Library
Heidi the Therapy Dog
3–4 pm, Marx Library
Make a Zine
3–4:30 pm, Haas Arts Library
Insomnia Cookies
7 pm, Marx Library

TUESDAY, DEC 12
Bagels, Coffee, & Tea
10 am, Marx Library
Button Making with Book Covers
11 am–12:30 pm, Haas Arts Library
Virtual Paint with a Whale
1:30 pm, Marx Library
Heidi the Therapy Dog
3–4 pm, Marx Library
Cookies & Questions
9–10:30 pm, Bass Library

WEDNESDAY, DEC 13
Tarot Card Readings
12–1 pm, Haas Arts Library
Button Making with Book Covers
2–3:30 pm, Bass Library
Chair Yoga & Snacks with YC3
2–2:45 pm, Marx Library
Make a Postcard to Send Home
2–3 pm, Haas Arts Library

THURSDAY, DEC 14
Fortune Teller Origami
all day, Bass Library
Make a Self-Care Kit
11–12:30 pm, Haas Arts Library
Heidi the Therapy Dog
2–3 pm, Bass Library

Open to all students
Yale UNIVERSITY LIBRARY
Yale College Students — Come join us!

1stGenYale alumni volunteers connect you directly to host organizations who are looking for summer interns just like you! For the non-profit internships, undergraduates on financial aid are eligible for possible one-time funding by Yale through the Office of Career Strategy’s Summer Experience Award (SEA). All students can apply for fellowships and awards through the Office of Fellowships and Funding or their graduate and professional schools.

Since 2020, we have placed 249 students in funded internships. This is a great opportunity! Get to know leaders in their professions, whether Yale faculty or organization presidents, and have a window into postgraduate academia or professional careers. Build your resume and be a more competitive candidate for post-graduate employment or education. We offer virtual, in-person, or hybrid internships.

1. **Apply NOW for fellowship funding from Yale’s resources.** Even before you know which specific internship projects you want, search for funding that could cover the general field. Letters of recommendation take time to obtain so start now! See our 1stGenYale Funding Guide. Then search in the Student Grants Database. For fellowship applications questions, sign-up for a quick advising appointment in the Fellowships Office. Use our 1stGenYale Pathfinder resource to track and organize your applications and experiences.

2. **Apply for 1-2 positions with 1stGenYale at tinyurl.com/BeASummerBulldog.** Find detailed program information there. For unpaid positions, you do not have to have funding in place yet. Exception: Seniors are required to have funding in place before applying to unpaid positions. **Application due date: February 8, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. ET.**

We look forward to reading your application! Kindly share this opportunity with your Yale friends. For any questions, please email SB24@1stgenyale.org.

Go Bulldogs!
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. Currently, major requirements are not included in the audit. 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).

**EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS**

**Community Wellness Specialists**

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

**College Care Clinicians**

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 Gatehouse
- Cindy Avila
  - Branford #012A
- Whitney Simmons
  - Hopper #020
- Angie Makomenaw
  - Pierson #049

**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**