



From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office

Dean's Notes– January 25, 2022

Dear Franklinites,

I wish you all a happy first day of classes, improv-style. If you are in need of a boost of optimism about the state of affairs with Covid and campus, I will give it. I feel it coming. A more open time ahead with lots to look forward to. In person.

For now, focus on assembling a schedule that brings you creative grist. You didn't come to Yale to check boxes. You checked boxes to get to Yale. So, make sure you are enrolling in some classes that give you great energy. And in which you will be able to reciprocate.

All deadlines and course instructions are in this newsletter, which always goes on our website, too. Happy shopping.

There is no need to run, strive, search or struggle. Just be. Just being in the moment in this place is the deepest practice of meditation. Most people cannot believe that just walking as if you have nowhere to go is enough.

-Thich Nhat Hanh, Vietnamese monk, 1926-2022

-Dean Hill

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Jan. 25 T Spring-term classes begin, 8:20 a.m. with online instruction through February 4.

Jan. 28 F Friday classes do not meet; Monday classes meet instead.

Jan. 31 M Add/drop period closes, 5:00 p.m.

Feb. 4 F Last day for students in the Class of 2022 to petition for permission to complete the requirements of two majors.

Feb. 8 T Final deadline to apply for a spring-term Leave of Absence (section J).

Feb. 8 T Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles the student to a full rebate of spring-term tuition (Undergraduate Regulations).

Feb. 8 T Deadline to complete applications for financial aid for the 2022 spring term, for students not enrolled in the 2021 fall term.

Feb. 15 T Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the first half of the spring term without the course appearing on the transcript.

Feb. 15 T Deadline for applications for Yale Summer Session Programs abroad.

Feb. 18 F Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles a student to a rebate of one-half of spring-term tuition (Undergraduate Regulations).

Mar. 9 W Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the first half of the spring term.

Mar. 9 W Last day to convert from a letter grade to Cr/D/F option for a course offered in the first half of the spring term.

Mar. 10 Th Courses offered in the second half of the spring term begin.

Mar. 18 F Midterm.

Mar. 28 M Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.

Apr. 1 F Deadline to apply for Non-Yale Summer Abroad.

Apr. 7 Th Last day to withdraw from a spring second-half course without the course appearing on the transcript.

Apr. 29 F Classes end; reading period begins.

Resident Writing Tutor

The Benjamin Franklin Writing Tutor is Lesley Finn. Her office is in Room 24, LL near Stairwell/Entry A. To sign up for an appointment go to www.yalewco.com or email 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 \(yale.edu\)](#)

First-Year Counselor Application Open

The first-year counselor [application](#) for the 2022-2023 year is available online. All juniors are eligible to apply through January 31st at 11:59 p.m.

This year we will be able to allow seniors who will complete their course of study in Fall 2023, as well as those who will graduate in Spring 2023, to serve as FroCos. Counselors are expected to be responsible 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.

If You Hope to Enroll in Two Overlapping Courses

To enroll in two overlapping courses, you must petition the Committee on Honors and Academic Standing through my office. The rules governing overlaps depend on the type of courses that overlap: namely, whether they are “asynchronous” or “synchronous.” Please see below for details. But regardless of the type of course, it is always the case that:

- *petitions to my office are due by the end of Add/Drop period;
- *no more than two courses may overlap;
- *the express permission of both instructors is necessary, but not itself sufficient, for approval; and
- *the two final exam times, as given in Yale Course Search, may not overlap.

Synchronous/Asynchronous Overlaps

Every course must have an in-person synchronous component, such as a lecture, section, or lab. An *asynchronous* course (as below) refers to a course approved to have a period that does not require in-person meeting at the same time; a *synchronous* course refers to a fully synchronous course.

- (a) Two synchronous courses may have a small and insignificant overlap in meeting times (i.e., no more than 15 minutes once per week, including travel times), with permission from the instructors of both courses, via petition to the residential college dean, so long as the final exams do not overlap.
- (b) One asynchronous course may overlap with one synchronous course, including for the full class meeting time, with the permission of both instructors, via petition to the residential college dean, so long as the final exams do not overlap.
- (c) Two asynchronous courses may overlap with each other, including for the full class meeting time, with the permission of both instructors, via petition to the residential college dean, so long as the final exams do not overlap.

Questions? Think you may have extenuating circumstances? As always, I’m happy to help: if you’d like to consult with me, just schedule a meeting or send me an email query.

Add/Drop Period is Open

Add/Drop period has begun and your Registration worksheet is now open in [Yale Course Search](#) (YCS) for you to make adjustments to your spring schedule. Registration worksheets will remain open for adjustments until the end of Add/Drop period at 5:00 p.m. (ET), Monday, January 31.

Reminders

- You are enrolled in a course if there is a black checkmark next to it on your Registration worksheet.
- Enrollment in professional school courses requires the additional submission of a [Request to Enroll in Professional School Course form](#). If the request is approved, the University Registrar's Office will apply the appropriate course credit to your schedule.
- You should only place courses on your Registration worksheet with the intent to enroll.
- You must enroll in at least three course credits and no more than five-and-a-half course credits per [academic regulations](#).

Resources

- Additional course enrollment information and instructions can be found on the [University Registrar's Office registration website](#).
- [Yale Hub](#) has information and resources to assist you during your time at Yale.

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THE ONGOING COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) SITUATION

Sponsored travel for Yale College students will be governed by the [Yale College Travel Policy](#), but should public health concerns require, further restrictions may be imposed at any time.

RESOURCES

Yale students have a free subscription to the [Daily Chatter](#), a great resource for keeping up with global news presented from a non-partisan perspective.

Follow CIPE on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) to keep informed

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EVENTS

Common Good & Creative Careers

- [Government, Education & Nonprofit Career Fair \(Virtual\)](#) on February 18 – Office of Career Strategy – Yale University
- [All Ivy Environmental & Sustainable Development Career Fair, Friday, February 25th, 10am - 1pm](#), Virtual. Register now to view all employers!

Health Professions, Grad School & STEM

- [Health Professions Scholarship Program – Military Medical Recipient Panel](#), January 26th
- [Yale CBIT 10th Annual Hackathon](#), January 28-30th

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

- [Associate Consultant, CBPartners](#), apply by January 31st
- [Sales & Trading and Research opportunities, Susquehanna International Group](#), apply by February 4th

Health Professions, Grad School & STEM

- The [Health Professions Application Preparation Process](#) is now available (*for applicants planning to apply in 2022 for entrance in 2023*).
- [Applying to Veterinary Programs](#) (initial application opens January 2022)
- [Programming & Data Science](#) Information

Common Good & Creative Careers

- [Youth Development Professional/Summer Camp Staff-YACSF](#)
- [Yale President's Public Service Fellowship Deadline: Friday Jan 21, 4pm](#)
- [Summer Experience Award \(SEA\) Virtual Q&A Session, Friday, January 28th, 3pm - 4pm](#), Virtual – SEA is an award available to all students on any amount of Yale financial aid.
- [Post-Graduate Fellowship Listings by Category](#) (over 10 different categories to select from)
- [Applications are now open for the 2022 Summer Community Organizing Fellowship](#)
- [Yawkey Community Service Funded Internship is now open! Deadline: March 3, 1pm EST](#)

RESOURCES

- [GoingVC Research Library](#): career resources for venture capital.
- [Firsthand \(previously Vault\)](#): company, profession, and industry overviews.

STUDY ABROAD

UPCOMING EVENTS

London School of Economics (LSE) Summer School Info Session

Tuesday, February 1, 3pm - 4pm

[Zoom link available here](#)

International Study Award (ISA) Info Session

Wednesday, February 2, 4pm - 5pm

[Zoom link available here](#)

Summer Study in Stockholm with The Swedish Program

Wednesday, February 2, 4pm - 5pm

[Zoom link available here](#)

Meeting ID: 856 7923 1896

Passcode: 880780

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

February 15, 2022 - [Yale Summer Session Programs Abroad](#)

RESOURCES

Visit the [Study Abroad COVID Updates](#) page for the latest information including:

- The Roster of Anticipated 2022 Yale Summer Session Programs Abroad
- Application Deadlines and Review Processes for Summer 2022 and Fall or Academic Year 2022-2023 Abroad
- Information about the Yale Travel Policy
- Planning Tips
- Funding Resources

FELLOWSHIPS AND FUNDING

UPCOMING EVENTS (Eastern Time)

Essential Library Research Skills

Tuesday, January 25, 1pm - 1:30pm

[Register here](#)

Fellowship Proposal Writing Workshop

Tuesday, January 25, 5pm - 6pm

[Zoom link available here](#)

[How to Write a Research Proposal](#)

Wednesday, January 26, 5pm - 6pm

[Zoom link available here](#)

[International Study Award \(ISA\) Info Session](#)

Wednesday, February 2, 4pm - 5pm

[Zoom link available here](#)

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

February 3, 1:00pm ET - [Mortimer Hays-Brandeis Traveling Fellowship Program](#) Campus Deadline
| Eligible: Seniors/Alumni

February 3, 1:00pm ET - [Yung Wing Scholarship Campus Deadline](#) Eligible: Juniors, Seniors, Alumni
& Graduate Students

February 4, 1:00pm ET - [Henry/Mellon/Kings Fellowships Common Application](#) Campus Deadline
| Eligible: Seniors

February 4, 1:00pm ET - [Udall Scholarship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Sophomores, Juniors

February 10, 11:59pm ET - [FAO Schwarz Fellowship](#) National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, recent
Graduates

February 15, 1:00pm ET - [Fox International Fellowships Application for Outgoing Yale Students](#)
Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, Graduate Students

February 16, 1:00pm ET - [CIPE Summer Fellowships Common Application](#) Campus Deadline |
Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

February 16, 5:00pm ET - [South Asian Language Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Year
Students, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors & Graduate Students

February 17, 1:00pm ET - [Yale College Postgraduate Fellowships](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Juniors
& Seniors

February 17, 1:00pm ET - [Frederick Mortimer Clapp Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible:
Seniors

February 23, 1:00pm ET - [CIPE Summer Research Fellowship Common Application](#) Campus
Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

March 1, 11:59pm PT - [U.S. Department of State's Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship
Program](#) National Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

March 2, 1:00pm ET - [Alexander P. Hixon Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: International
Undergraduates

March 2, 1:00pm ET - [Women in Government Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Year
Students, Sophomores & Juniors

March 3, 1:00pm ET - [MacMillan Center Summer Fellowships for Language Study](#) Campus Deadline
| Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors, and Graduate Students

March 3, 1:00pm ET - [Yawkey Community Service Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-
Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors

RESOURCES

Visit the [Fellowships Calendar of Events](#) for a full list of upcoming events and deadlines.

Watch our [online presentations](#) at a time that works for you

Review the [Summer 2022 Fellowships Planning Guide](#) for advice and tips

[Meet with an adviser](#) to discuss your plans.

YALE SUMMER SESSION

The [Yale Summer Session application](#) will open on Monday, January 24 at noon! In Yale Summer Session, focus on difficult classes, try out a new subject, or ease your course load in future semesters. With over 150 courses in New Haven, Online, and Abroad from a range of disciplinary fields, every Yale College student can find a course that meets their needs and helps them succeed.

Session A: May 30 – July 1, apply by May 4

Session B: July 4 – August 5, apply by June 8

Check out our website and social media for updates. Reach out to summer.session@yale.edu with any questions.

summer.yale.edu

[@YaleSummerSession](#)

Yale Academic Strategies Program

https://yaleconnect.yale.edu/PoorvuAcademicStrategies/club_signup

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

Our mission is to help all Yale undergraduate 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.

Meet 1-1 with an Academic Strategies Mentor

Get organized for the semester by meeting with an [Academic Strategies Peer 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. Use our online [ASP Mentor Schedule](#) to reserve an appointment, or request to be matched with a mentor by emailing us at academicstrategies@yale.edu.

Senior Thesis Peer Groups

Students will meet regularly to share strategies, support, solidarity, and accountability in the development and writing of the senior thesis. Sign up here: [ASP Senior Thesis Groups](#).

Disability Peer Mentorship Program

A collaboration between Academic Strategies and Disability Empowerment at Yale, 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: <http://tinyurl.com/2021MentorRequest>. 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 Academic Strategies Learning Specialist Sarah Cussler (sarah.cussler@yale.edu) for an appointment.

Workshops & Events

Our workshop conversations will be **online** through February 4. Register via YaleConnect to access Zoom links:

Assistive Tech – Drop-in session

[Tuesday, Jan. 25, 5-6 pm ET](#)

How can assistive tech ease your workload this semester? Need to make a to-do list that gets done? Need to organize materials for a research paper? Want to make your work more efficient with text-to-speech apps? Assistive Tech mentors can help you identify and use apps that fit your preferences and needs. Can't make a drop-in hour? Use this form to request a 1-1 meeting: [Assistive Tech Mentor Request Form](#). Sponsored by the Disability Peer Mentor Program.

Time Management

[Tuesday, Jan. 25, 7-8 pm ET](#)

Time management is key for lowering stress at Yale. Set priorities and develop a weekly schedule that can lead to an active and balanced academic life.

So You Don't Feel Like Doing Your Work: Motivating Your Online Learning

[Tuesday, Jan. 25, 8-9 pm ET](#)

Have trouble staying focused and on task? Learn how to get motivated and keep engaged with your work while giving yourself the time you need to be healthy and grounded.

Get the Most Out of Your Language Classes

[Wednesday, Jan. 26, 4-5 pm ET](#)

Learn the daily habits and mindsets that can help you succeed in learning a language at Yale.

Managing a Heavy Reading Load

[Wednesday, Jan. 26, 7-8 pm ET](#)

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!

Reading Effectively for STEM

[Wednesday, Jan. 26, 8-9 pm ET](#)

Learn strategies for reading purposefully and efficiently for STEM courses. Effectively read textbook chapters and scientific articles; navigate jargon, data, and figures; use readings to prep for problem sets and exams.

Strategies for Intro Math: Problem Sets & Exams

[Thursday, Jan. 27, 4-5 pm ET](#)

Learn strategies for efficiently working on intro math problem sets and key approaches for studying for exams.

Strategic Planning for Your Senior Thesis

[Thursday, Jan. 27, 7-8 pm](#)

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.

Pathways for First Years

[Thursday, Jan. 27, 8-9 pm ET](#)

What do you really want to get out of your first year? This interactive workshop helps students identify goals and sources of satisfaction while avoiding common first year pitfalls.

Yale-China Fellowships still sending Fellows to China

Yale-China continues to send Yalies to China! Teach in mainland China or Hong Kong for two transformative years as part of a 116-year-old Yale tradition. Gain first-hand understanding of one of the most influential societies in the 21st century. Fellowship includes intensive Mandarin study for mainland Fellows and Cantonese options for those in Hong Kong, ongoing professional support from Yale-China staff, and post-fellowship career mentoring. For more information, visit www.yalechina.org/ycf **Application Deadline: February 28, 2021 midnight**

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.