From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office

**CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Oct.  10</th>
<th>T</th>
<th>Applications for spring 2024 Term Abroad close, 11:59 p.m.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Oct.  13</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>Last day of courses offered in the first half of the fall term. Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the first half of the fall term. Last day to convert from a letter grade to the Cr/D/F option in a course offered in the first half of the fall term.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oct.  16</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>Courses offered in the second half of the fall term begin.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oct.  17</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>October recess begins after last class.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oct.  23</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oct.  27</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>Midterm. Last day to withdraw from a fall full-term course without the course appearing on the transcript. Deadline to apply for double credit in a single-credit course. Withdrawal from Yale College on or before this date entitles a student to a rebate of one-quarter of the term's tuition.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nov.  9</td>
<td>Th</td>
<td>Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the second half of the fall term without the course appearing on the transcript.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nov.  17</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>November recess begins after last class.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nov.  27</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nov.  30</td>
<td>Th</td>
<td>Last day to relinquish on-campus housing for the spring term without charge (Undergraduate Regulations).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dec.  8</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>Classes end; reading period begins. Last day to convert from a letter grade to the Cr/D/F option for a full-term course and/or a course offered in the second half of the fall term. Last day to withdraw from a full-term course and/or a course offered in the second half of the fall term.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dec.  14</td>
<td>Th</td>
<td>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.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dec.  20</td>
<td>W</td>
<td>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.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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.
Yale College Spring 2024 Registration Dates

Preference Selection for Yale College Students
November 1, 8:00 a.m.  Preference Selection sites open for Yale College students to rank their choice of first-year seminars and multi-section courses
November 3, 5:00 p.m.  Preference Selection sites close for Yale College students
November 9, 5:00 p.m.  Deadline for departments to push Preference Selection results to student registration worksheets

Registration for Yale College and Graduate School students
November 13, 8:00 a.m.  Registration opens for Graduate School students and for Yale College students in the Class of 2024
November 14, 8:00 a.m.  Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2025, visiting students, and Eli Whitney students (without a class year)
November 15, 8:00 a.m.  Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2026
November 16, 8:00 a.m.  Registration opens for Yale College students in the Class of 2027
December 21, 5:00 p.m.  Registration and waitlists close for all Yale College and Graduate School 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.

Additional messages will be sent closer to the start of registration.

Refer to the registration website for all dates, instruction, and FAQs.
Global Affairs major

Are you interested in the Global Affairs major?

The application is now available for Yale Sophomores, until Tuesday, October 24, 2023, at 11:59pm EST.

The link to apply as well as RSVP to the Information Session can be found on our website. Please don’t hesitate to reach out to jackson.registrar@yale.edu with additional questions.

*****************************************************************************

CCE Hiring Outreach

Interested in becoming a CCE? The Communication and Consent Educators are a diverse, creative group of undergraduates drawn from across campus to foster a more positive social and sexual climate. Through workshops, programs, and conversations, they collaborate within their own communities to build a culture of respect and support. The CCEs are paid employees of the Yale College Dean’s Office, working 5-10 hours per week, with longer hours during training periods in August and January. If you are interested, please complete this interest form, where you will be prompted to download & complete the CCE application: https://tinyurl.com/CCEFall23. Applications are due October 18th at 5:00 PM. If you have any questions, please email gcc@yale.edu.
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 our new Learning Specialist, Geoffrey Canales ([geoffrey.canales@yale.edu](mailto:geoffrey.canales@yale.edu)), for an appointment.

**For First Years: College Transition Videos**
Did you know that diving into your syllabi can help you succeed in your classes? What to learn the keys to performing well on p-sets? Learn about these topics and more through our college transition videos: [https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/undergraduates/academic-strategies/first-years-workshops-videos-events](https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/undergraduates/academic-strategies/first-years-workshops-videos-events)

**Individual Mentoring**
Get organized for the semester by meeting with an Academic Strategies 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. To request a mentor 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).
Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations
Mon, Oct. 9, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A
Thu, Oct 12, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL M104A
Initiate conversations, ask for assistance, request recommendations, and build mentoring relationships with Yale faculty, teaching fellows and staff.

STEM Navigators: Biochemistry, Biophysics Lab Techniques
Mon, Oct.9, 5-6pm, Poorvu CTL 120C
Are you unfamiliar with biochemistry & biophysics lab techniques and would like more exposure/explanation of concepts from the course? Our STEM graduate mentors are here to help! Come to this workshop for clarification on the most confusing and tested lab techniques for introductory biochemistry and/or biophysics courses!

Senior Thesis Power Hours
Mon, Oct. 9, 7-9pm, Poorvu CTL 120A
The Academic Strategies Senior Thesis Power Hours are designed to help students stay motivated and accountable while working on their senior theses. They will be held throughout the semester to give students a chance to help each other with solidarity and accountability in the development and writing of their senior theses. The sessions are facilitated by an Academic Strategies Peer Mentor.

Strategies for Intro Physics
Mon, Oct. 9, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL M104A
Come to this workshop to talk about how to approach physics at Yale! We will address everything from tackling p-sets, to thinking like a physicist, to organizing and planning your work for these classes.

Strategies for Reading Literature
Tues, Oct. 10, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A
Reading literature presents special challenges. How do we read deeply without running out of time to complete the reading? This workshop introduces techniques to help you effectively read and respond to literary works.

STEM Navigators: Introductory Genetics Lab Techniques
Tues, Oct. 10, 5-6pm, Poorvu CTL 120B
Are you unfamiliar with biology genetics & development lab techniques and would like more exposure/explanation of concepts from the course? Our STEM graduate mentors are here to help! Come to this workshop for clarification on the most confusing and tested lab techniques in introductory genetics & development courses!
**Procrastination: How to Work Through It**  
**Tues, Oct. 10, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL M104A**  
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.

**Organize Your Time**  
**Tues, Oct. 10, 8-9pm, Zoom**  
When was the last time you asked yourself "How am I going to get all of this done??" You are not alone! This interactive workshop offers evidence-based strategies and the opportunity to start figuring out what will work best for YOU: you will not only learn about ways to make the most out of your time, but also do some actual work toward your own scheduling and planning needs.

**Exam Study Strategies**  
**Wed, Oct. 11, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A**  
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.

**Public Speaking**  
**Wed, Oct. 11, 7-8pm, Poorvu CTL M104A**  
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.

**Strategies for Intro Math**  
**Wed, Oct. 11, 8-9pm, Zoom**  
Learn strategies for efficiently working on intro math problem sets and key strategies for studying for exams.

**Imagining Your Summer**  
**Thu, Oct. 12, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL 120C**  
Interested in summer study abroad, fellowships, or internships, but don't know how to get started? Hear from students who have done these things to help you identify some possible summer opportunities. You will leave with a clearer idea of what is possible and the resources you can access to make your vision happen. Now is the perfect time to start planning!

**Reading Analytically for Social Science**  
**Thu, Oct. 12, 4-5pm, Poorvu CTL M104A**  
This workshop provides an overview of deep reading to generate effective contributions to class discussion, develop essay topics, and identify strong evidence for essays. Participants will get practice with these strategies in our interactive session.
Optimize Your Reading
Thu, Oct. 12, 8-9pm, Zoom
Learn general strategies for effectively reading texts for any Yale class. Learn how to preview a text, effectively interact with the text while reading, and review your reading for class, essay, or exam preparation.

STEM Navigators Study Hall
Sun, Oct. 15, 2-5pm, Poorvu CTL 120B
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!

Required Workshop for Class of 2027

Class of 2027

Academic Integrity Workshop
October 9th
8:00pm
Franklin Dining Hall

Yale College required session with the Office of Student Affairs
This is a mandatory workshop where you will need to scan your Yale ID to ensure you’ve attended. Many of you are fully engaged in midterms or are nearing them, therefore, this workshop will be particularly useful for you as you continue the term and beyond!
Interested in becoming an East Asian Languages & Literatures or East Asian Studies major? Please join us for this information session to learn more about both programs!

EAST ASIA
SOPHOMORE INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
Via Zoom

Please RSVP to eastasian.studies@yale.edu by October 25th to receive Zoom link. For more information, please contact nicholas.disantis@yale.edu
UPCOMING LIBRARY WORKSHOPS

- October 9 through October 18 | Find a tour
  The Yale College Class of 2027 is invited for special, close-up tours of the Beinecke Library exhibition hall and courtyard level reading and classrooms. The tour will discuss the history and architecture of the building, highlights of collections, permanent and special exhibitions, and how you can explore the collections and engage with them in the reading room.

FIRST STEPS WITH ZOTERO

- Thursday, October 12 at 6:00 pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11376717
- Saturday, October 14 at 1:00 pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11332628
  Join us for 30 minutes to learn about Zotero, free software to help you manage your research.

ADVANCED SEARCH TECHNIQUES

- Tuesday, October 10 at 6:00 pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11376687
  Learn how to research like a librarian, including how to use Advanced Search to find books and articles in Quicksearch.

READING STRATEGIES FOR WRITING PAPERS

- Friday, October 13 at 1:30 pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11300129
  Learn strategies - that you can begin during the research process - to efficiently read and analyze scholarly articles, including lateral reading, selective reading, and active reading.

MINI TOUR: CALL NUMBERS AND HIDDEN TREASURES IN STERLING LIBRARY

- Friday, October 13 at 4:00 pm | Register: https://schedule.yale.edu/event/11335152
  Join a Library Peer Mentor for a 30-minute tour inside the 16-story Sterling Library stack tower. This tour is designed and hosted by students for students!
Upcoming events from Yale Library

Mini Tour: Call Numbers and Hidden Treasures in Sterling Library

First Steps with Zotero

Reading Strategies for Writing Papers

Yale University Library
schedule.yale.edu/calendar/instruction
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).