

From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office

Dean's Notes– October 26, 2020

Dear Franklinites,

It's Monday morning, back in the pool. Strap on your underwater headsets, cue up Ariana Grande's new single for the fast laps, "Paper Thin" by Liane La Havas (my current obsession) when it gets to feel like molasses and "Faith Healer" by Julien Baker for a contemplative cool down. Swim hard. And, you know, the workout metaphor isn't bad to interpret literally given the candy and carbs in our futures this weekend...

Speaking of Halloween, you'll be hearing from the BFCC and Head Charles this week about Franklin events. First-years particularly should know that even in Covidian times Halloween spans *days* at Yale. Power up these this week with your courses so you can truly relax by the weekend. With the trademark good judgment you have shown in the first half of the semester, of course.... let's have a healthful back half, too.

With you,

Dean Hill

The three witches, casting a spell

Round about the cauldron go;

In the poison'd entrails throw.

Toad, that under cold stone

Days and nights hast thirty one

Swelter'd venom sleeping got,

Boil thou first i' the charmed pot.

Double, double toil and trouble;

Fire burn and cauldron bubble.

-William Shakespeare, Macbeth, Act I, Scene IV

Academic Deadlines

Nov. 4 Last day to withdraw from a fall second-half course without the course appearing on the transcript.

Nov. 20 November recess begins after classes end.

Nov. 30 Classes resume online.

Dec. 4 Fall-term online classes end; online reading period begins.

Dec. 4 Last day to withdraw from a full-term or second-half term course.

Dec. 4 Last day to convert a fall full-term course or a fall second half-term course from a letter grade to Cr/D/F.

Dec. 10 Online reading period ends; online final examinations begin, 7 p.m.

Dec. 10 All course assignments other than term papers or term projects are due.

Dec. 11 Online final examinations continue.

Dec. 14 Online final examinations continue.

Dec. 18 Online final examination period ends; winter recess begins.

Tutoring

The Benjamin Franklin Writing Tutor is Lesley Finn.

Her hours are Wednesdays 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Thursdays 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. (with 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursdays reserved for Benjamin Franklin students only) and by appointment. To sign up for an appointment go to www.yalewco.com or email lesley.finn@yale.edu.

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing Center/Tutors/Partners:

<https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/writing/undergraduate-writing>

Sc/QR Tutoring: <https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/undergraduates/stem-tutoring-programs/small-group-and-1-1-tutoring>

Language Tutoring: <https://poorvucenter.yale.edu/LanguageTutoring>

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

Advising Resources: <http://advising.yalecollege.yale.edu/>

CIPE

THE ONGOING COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) SITUATION

Sponsored outbound international travel from the United States, including study abroad and fellowships, is suspended for Yale College students for the duration of the fall 2020 and spring 2021 terms. This decision is final and will not change even if circumstances should change in the destination country.

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

YALE SUMMER SESSION

Summer's over. Start thinking about summer! In Yale Summer Session, focus on difficult classes, try out a new subject, or ease your course load in future semesters. With over 200 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.

Summer 2021 course offerings will be posted in early 2021. [Sign up for email updates](#) from Yale Summer Session so you hear first when classes are posted. Reach out to summer.session@yale.edu with any questions.

summer.yale.edu
[@YaleSummerSession](#)

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.

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EVENTS

Alumni Perspectives on Disability Inclusion in the Job Search

Tuesday, October 27, 4:00pm

Register here: [https://yale.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAtdO-rrT4tGNHjv340mCNpnNR5Nhe_v5K](https://yale.zoom.us/j/9123456789)

If you're wondering *Should I Reveal A Disability to A Potential Employer, and If So, When?* Join this conversation to hear from Matan A. Koch (YC Alum), Director of RespectAbility California and Jewish Leadership at RespectAbility, Pia Kohler (YSE Alum), Senior Research Fellow at UMass Boston's Center for Governance and Sustainability, and another panelist or two to be announced. The panel will be moderated by Kristen Beyers, Director of Community and Inclusion at Yale School of Management.

Yale Only Graduate and Professional School Virtual Fair

Thursday October 29, 3:00pm-4:30pm

Thinking about applying to one of Yale's Graduate or Professional Schools?

If so, register for this virtual event to network with admissions representatives and get answers to your questions about specific school and programs, learn about application deadlines, degree options, financial aid, future career prospects and more. Similar to an in-person event, you will be able to speak directly with admission representatives from Yale's Graduate and Professional Schools. [Registration Required](#)

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

Designing Your Career @ Yale Programs

Learn to apply design thinking tools and ideas to: explore your possible career futures, take proactive steps to test your career interests, moving from contemplation to action, and become a part of a growing community of life designers Design thinking can help you create a life that is both meaningful and fulfilling, regardless of background and identity, or what your interests might be. **Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors.**

- *Growing Your Network*, Wednesday, November 11, 12-2pm. Learn more about the "Growing Your Network" module and apply in Yale Career Link by Tuesday, October 27, 11:59pm.
- *Unlock the Power of Brainstorming*, Friday, November 13, 10am-12pm. Learn more about the "Unlock the Power of Brainstorming" module and apply in Yale Career Link by Friday, October 30 at 11:59pm.

Seniors: The application for the [James C. Gaither Junior Fellows](#) program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace is now open. Apply via the [Student Grants Database](#). Deadline 1pm, November 11.

RESOURCES

Fall 2020 OCS FAQs: Throughout Fall 2020 the Office of Career Strategy is open and completely operational; however, all staff will be working remotely.

Virtual Advising Available - Until further notice, all career advising appointments will be held by phone or video (Zoom or Skype). Please request appointments through Yale Career Link and select one of the remote location options.

Visit the [Calendar of Events](#) for a full list of upcoming events. Log in to [Yale Career Link](#), powered by Symplicity under Events/Employer Events to sign up. For easier access don't forget to download the Symplicity App now called "Symplicity Jobs and Careers"!

STUDY ABROAD

RESOURCES

Visit the [Study Abroad COVID-19 Updates page](#) for the latest information and resources relating to Yale Study Abroad.

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FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

EVENTS (*All event times are listed in Eastern Time*)

[MacMillan Center Fellowships Office Information Session: Funding Opportunities for Yale Students](#)

Tuesday, October 27, 3:00pm - 4:00pm

[Zoom Link](#)

[Light Fellowship Information Session \(4 of 6\)](#)

Tuesday, October 27, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

[Zoom Link](#)

[Imagining Your Summer: Information Session #4](#)

Wednesday, October 28, 4:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

[Research Planning – Library and Fellowships Workshop](#)

Thursday, October 29, 1:30pm – 2:30pm

[Register Here](#)

[Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations Information Session](#)

Thursday, October 29, 7:00pm – 8:00pm

[Register here](#)

[Summer STEM Fellowship Opportunities Information Session with Dr. Alexia Belperron](#)

Friday, October 30, 3:00pm – 4:00pm

[Zoom Link](#)

[Information Session - Yale College Postgraduate Fellowships \(3 of 4\)](#)

Wednesday, November 4, 4:00pm – 5:00pm

[Zoom Link](#)

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

October 29, 2:00pm ET - [The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans](#) National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, Alumni & Graduate Students

November 1, 11:59pm ET - [USAID Donald Payne International Development Graduate Fellowship](#) National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Alumni

November 9, 1:00pm ET - [Saint Andrew's Society Graduate Scholarship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors

November 11, 1:00pm ET - [James C. Gaither Junior Fellows Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Alumni

November 11, 1:00pm ET - [Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Sophomores & Juniors

November 12, 1:00pm ET - [Harry S. Truman Scholarship Program](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Juniors

November 15 - [Public Policy & International Affairs \(PPIA\) Junior Summer Institute Fellowship](#) National Deadline | Eligible: Juniors

November 15, 11:59pm CST - [Project Horseshoe Farm](#) National Deadline (Fall) | Eligible: Seniors & recent graduates

November 17, 8:00pm ET - [Critical Language Scholarship \(CLS\)](#) National Deadline | Eligible: First-Years, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors

December 4, Noon Beijing Time - [The Yenching Academy of Peking University Scholarship](#) National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Recent Graduates

December 31 - [Rotary Foundation Global Grant Scholarships](#); [District 7980 Foundation Scholarships](#); Contact the [New Haven Rotary Foundation Chair](#) with application questions | Eligible: Seniors/Alumni

January 6, 1pm ET - [Davis Projects for Peace](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors

January 14, 1:00pm ET - [Beinecke Scholarship Program](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Juniors

January 15, 1pm ET - [Boren Undergraduate Scholarship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Years, Sophomores & Juniors

January 27, 1:00pm ET - [Mortimer Hays-Brandeis Traveling Fellowship Program](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors/Alumni

RESOURCES

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

Review [Getting Started](#) to understand the fellowship application process.

Discover a trove of resources to help plan your project in the [Planning Toolkits](#).

[Make an appointment](#) with an adviser or [Schedule a Drop-in Session](#) directly from the Fellowships and Funding website.

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 provide you with the tools that can propel you towards your goals.

Individual Consultations: Sundays through Thursdays, 7-9 pm ET and by request

Our Academic Strategies Mentors will help you develop a weekly study routine, offer strategies for approaching complicated readings and p-sets, and planning for the second half of the semester. Make an appointment to meet 1-1 with a peer mentor through our [online scheduler](#). Students residing in Asia or Europe may find our Friday 5 am ET time slot helpful. Can't meet at these times? You can also request a mentor by emailing us at academicstrategies@yale.edu.

Meet with our Learning Specialist

Do you have a learning difference or other condition that affects how you approach your learning? Meet with our Learning Specialist, Sarah Cussler (sarah.cussler@yale.edu), to discuss strategies for adapting to the challenges of learning online and the different demands of college-level academic work. [And learn more about the resources available to students via Sarah's welcome video.](#)

Workshops

Our workshop sessions will all be online this academic year. Register via YaleConnect to access Zoom links—**you can register up to the start of the workshop if you want to come last minute!**

****New workshop!** Getting the Most Out of Mentorship**

[Tuesday, Oct. 27 @ 8 pm ET](#)

You've likely heard the advice, "Find a mentor!" But finding, establishing, and maintaining mentorship connections can be confusing and intimidating. Who can be a mentor? How can I find one? What's my role as someone being mentored? What can I expect from someone who offers to mentor me? Join Academic Strategies and the [Graduate-Undergraduate Mentorship Initiative](#) to learn how you can best unlock this key life skill.

Fresh Start: Midterm Edition

[Monday, Oct. 26 @ 7 pm ET](#)

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.

Time Management

[Monday, Oct. 26 @ 9 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.

Procrastination: How to Work Through It

[Tuesday, Oct. 27 @ 7 pm ET](#)

This workshop offers strategies for identifying the sources of procrastination and pursuing productive habits that can get you back on track.

Managing a Heavy Reading Load

[Tuesday, Oct. 27 @ 9 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!

Imagining Your Summer (with CIPE)

[Wednesday, Oct. 28 @ 4 pm ET](#)

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!

Motivate Your Online Learning

[Wednesday, Oct. 28 @ 7 pm ET](#)

In these times of pandemic and other crises, it's hard to stay focused and on task with your academics. Learn how to get motivated and keep engaged with your online academic work while giving yourself the time you need to be healthy and grounded.

Essentials for STEM: Reading Effectively for STEM

[Wednesday, Oct. 28 @ 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.

Get the Most Out of Your Reading

[Thursday, Oct. 29 @ 4 pm ET](#)

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, essays, and exams.

Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations

[Thursday, Oct. 29 @ 7 pm ET](#)

Initiate conversations, ask for assistance, request recommendations, and build mentoring relationships with Yale faculty, teaching fellows and staff.

Writing Center Resources:

Working on a midterm paper? These resources can help!

[Residential College Writing Tutors](#): Professional writers, editors and teachers connected with your residential college.

[Peer Writing Partners](#): Single sessions with undergraduate and graduate students trained to offer feedback and positive support for your writing.

[10-Session Writing Tutoring](#): Meet up to ten times with the same Writing Partner over the course of the semester. [Sign up here](#) or email ryan.wepler@yale.edu with questions.

[And check out our online library of writing handouts, model papers, and senior project resources!](#)



APPLY TO BRADY-JOHNSON PROGRAM IN GRAND STRATEGY

Year-Long Seminar

January 2021 through December 2021

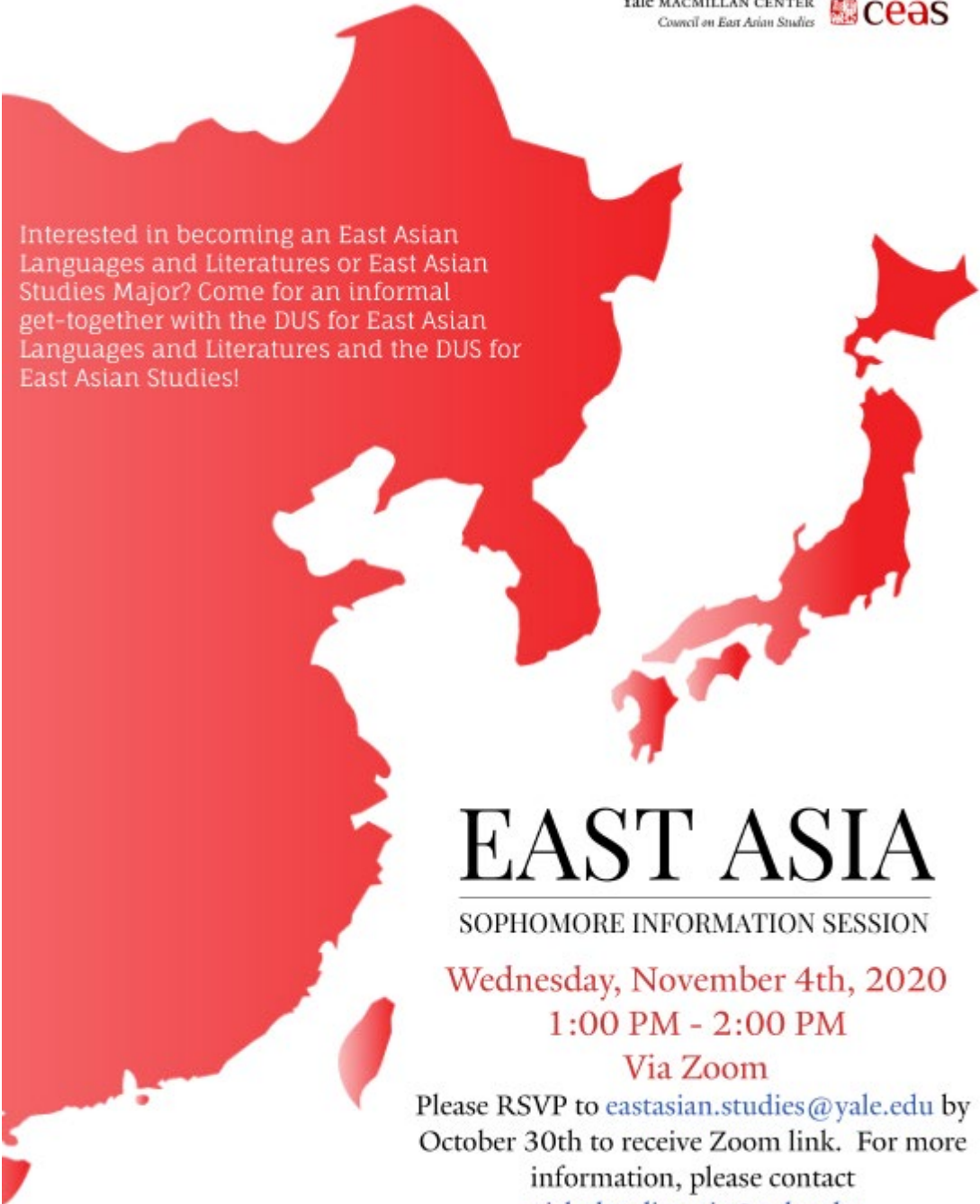
- Seminar focused on politics, social change, and geopolitics
- Team taught by Yale faculty and practitioners from diverse backgrounds
- Summer fellowship for all admitted students
- Private dinners with special guests hosted by the program
- Admission into the course is competitive*

Admission for undergraduates is currently limited to Yale juniors and first-semester seniors as of Spring 2021

Course information and the application link are available at:

<https://grandstrategy.yale.edu/apply>

APPLICATIONS DUE ON NOVEMBER 1, 2020



Interested in becoming an East Asian Languages and Literatures or East Asian Studies Major? Come for an informal get-together with the DUS for East Asian Languages and Literatures and the DUS for East Asian Studies!

EAST ASIA

SOPHOMORE INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, November 4th, 2020

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Via Zoom

Please RSVP to eastasian.studies@yale.edu by October 30th to receive Zoom link. For more information, please contact nicholas.disantis@yale.edu



The Graduate-Undergraduate
Mentorship Initiative (GUMI) and
Academic Strategies Office present

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF MENTORSHIP



OCTOBER 27, 8PM EST
Zoom ID: 93257388183
Registration link:
<http://cglink.me/r873846>

Join Yale undergrads for a
conversation on how to make
the most of a mentorship
opportunity

For more information, visit:
<http://gumi.yura.yale.edu/>

ACADEMIC STRATEGIES PROGRAM

WORKSHOPS FOR THE WEEK

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Program**

