Welcome back Franklinites!

It’s a balmy 34 and before you know it there’ll be Adirondacks and picnic tables in the courtyards from which to sip your lemonades.

Subject that’s top of mind for many is housing (well for me it’s Loyola and Sister Jean, but we’ll save that for another time), so let’s tip off with a rundown of what you need to know and do:

Draws start TOIGHT. The Housing Committee has been in full gear over the break to support the process.

Monday, March 26:
9:00 pm Senior Housing Draw and Room Choice
9:30 pm Junior Housing Draw only

Tuesday, March 27:
9:00 pm Junior Room Choice
9:30 pm Sophomore Housing Draw only

Thursday, March 29:
9:00 PM Sophomore Room Choice

**Housing in Benjamin Franklin is a democratic value we should all share – one roof over all, a comfortable room for each and every one. In other words, please check your entitlement at the door.**

Finally, if you haven’t been in lately to chat (or EVER), we’re officially in the back half of the term. Make a time, would love to get to know you.

“You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep spring from coming.” -Pablo Neruda

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**CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**

**April 6:** Last day to convert a full-term course from Cr/D/Fail to a letter grade. Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the second-half of the term without the course appearing on the transcript.

**April 20:** Last day to convert a spring second-half course from the Credit/D/Fail option to a letter grade.

**April 27:** Classes end, 5:30 p.m.; Reading Period begins. Last day to withdraw from a full-term course or a course offered in the second half of the term.

**May 3:** Reading period ends, 5 p.m. Final examinations begin, 7 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 Hill.

**May 9:** Examinations end, 5:30 p.m. Deadline for all term papers and term projects. This deadline can be extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by Dean Hill.

**May 10:** Residence close for underclassmen, 12 p.m.

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**Commencement Cap and Gown Order – April 1 Deadline**

Cap and gown orders should be received or postmarked by **4:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 1**. After April 1, you will incur a $10 late fee. Orders will not be processed after April 13. You can find detailed information about cap and gown orders and pickup [here](#).

Orders may be placed online by students at the [Student Financial and Administrative Services website](#) (by clicking on the Commencement tab) using a credit card or student account. Alternatively, orders may be mailed to Yale Cap and Gown Agency or you may scan and email your form to Mary Rebello, mary.rebello@yale.edu. More information about placing your order is available [here](#).

All graduating students are encouraged to visit [Student Information System (SIS)](#) to confirm their diploma name and degree. **April 9 is the deadline to submit a diploma name change form to the Registrar.** The form can be found on the Student Information System website.
**Resources**

Meet 1-1 with an Academic Strategies Mentor
Want to end your spring on the right foot? Make an appointment with an Academic Strategies Mentor! Get advice on organizing your time, tackling tough academic challenges, and making time for yourself. Click here to sign up.

Help with Applications
Working on a fellowship, internship, or job application? Get feedback on your application materials from a Residential College Writing Tutor. Tutors can offer insight on how readers of your application will perceive you, and help you present the best version of yourself. BOOK AN APPOINTMENT today.

**Academic Strategies Workshops** (2 NEW workshops!)

NEW! Spring Clean Your Schedule
Bring your calendar and set your priorities for the second half of the semester.
**Monday, March 26, 2018 6:00 PM**
Yale Center for Teaching & Learning
301 York St. (SML), RM. M104A

Fresh Start: Midterm Edition
Identify what’s working (and what’s not), and develop new strategies for meeting your academic goals.
**Tuesday, March 27, 2018 7:30 PM**
Yale Center for Teaching & Learning
301 York St. (SML), RM. M104A

Time Management
Develop a weekly schedule that can lead to an active and balanced academic life.
**Wednesday, March 28, 2018 6:00 PM**
Yale Center for Teaching & Learning
301 York St. (SML), RM. M104A

Research Strategies for Undergraduate Essays
Narrow your topic, create a work timeline, and learn more about Yale libraries and other research resources.
**Thursday, March 29, 2018 7:30 PM**
Trumbull College Seminar Room
For Juniors: Creating a Timeline for Your Senior Thesis
Learn how to plan your research and writing, and how to access support resources for your senior project.
**Tuesday, April 3, 2018 6:00 PM**
Yale Center for Teaching & Learning
301 York St. (SML), RM. M104A

NEW! Public speaking for undergraduates: Academic and Professional Presentations
Learn strategies for developing and presenting brief talks, including shaping content, using visuals, and engaging your audience.
**Wednesday, April 4, 2018 7:30 PM**
Yale Center for Teaching & Learning
301 York St. (SML), RM. M104A

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**CIPLE**
**Apply to be a 2018-19 Y-VISP Peer Liaison**
Apply online by Friday, March 30th.

The Yale Visiting International Student Program (Y-VISP) invites elite students from Y-VISP partner institutions to study at Yale every year. The Y-VISP program is currently seeking Peer Liaison (PL) applications from current sophomores and juniors. Y-VISP PLs will assist with Y-VISP student arrival and orientation beginning and will continue their relationship with the students throughout the 2018-19 academic year.

**Fellowship Programs**

**APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES**
March 29 - Global Health: Yale-Collaborative Action Project (Y-CAP)
March 29 - Innovate Health Yale: Internships in Social Entrepreneurship Award
March 29 – Dara Rei Onishi 97 Fellowship
April 15 - Einstein Fellowship
April 22 – Japan Foundation – Center for Global Partnership Grant
April 25 - Blair Dickinson Memorial Prize
April 27 - New York Senate Graduate Fellowships

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Tutoring in BF!

*Resident Writing Tutor*
The Benjamin Franklin Writing Tutor is Lesley Finn. Her office is in Room 24, LL. Hours are Tuesdays 12-2:30 p.m. (BF only!), Wednesdays 1-5 p.m. and Thursdays 7-8:30 p.m. To sign up for an appointment go to www.yalewco.com or email lesley.finn@yale.edu

*Resident QR Tutor*
Xiaochuan Xing, graduate student in Economics - Room 19, Entryway A, LL. Hours are Sundays 7-9 p.m.

**Yale Tutoring Resources:**

Writing Tutors
Writing Partners
Sc/ORTutoring
Language Tutoring
UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Information Session UK Fellowships – Rhodes and Beyond**: Postgraduate study in the UK and Ireland: **Tuesday, March 27, 4:00pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305
  The Rhodes may be the most famous, but there are many other options - whether you’re a US citizen or an international student here at Yale, there are many terrific postgraduate opportunities for degree courses in almost any subject. Campus application deadlines begin in early August, so now is the time to start thinking about applying!

- **IRB Information Session**: **Wednesday, March 28, 3:00pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305
  A Regulatory Analyst from the Human Subjects Committee will guide you through the IRB application process. There will be time for Q and A in this session, so feel free to come along with any questions specific to your application.

- **International Summer Award (ISA) Q&A Session**: **Wednesday, March 28, 4:00pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305
  Staff from CIPE and Student Financial Services will be on hand to answer all your questions about the ISA. Please watch **ISA Funding 101** in advance.

- **Knight Hennessy Fellowship Information Session**: **Tuesday, April 3, 12:30pm**, WLH 201
  Applying to Stanford for graduate school (any of their 125 programs – MBA, MD too)? Come hear about the Knight-Hennessy Scholars program, the largest fully-endowed scholars program in the world.
  Seating is limited. Register at: [https://apply.knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/register/Yale2018](https://apply.knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/register/Yale2018)

DROP-IN HOURS
Please note that Drop-in Hours will not take place on Friday, March 30, as the office will be closed in observation of Good Friday. Drop-ins resume on **Friday, April 6, 2 – 4pm**, when we will be joined by our partners from the **Institutional Review Board (IRB)**.

Study Abroad
THE INTERNATIONAL SUMMER AWARD
The International Summer Award (ISA) provides a stipend for one summer experience abroad for all eligible undergraduates receiving Yale financial aid. For more information, please visit the **ISA website** and attend an **ISA information session**. ISA questions should be directed to **MyCIPE@yale.edu**.

- May 1 – **The International Summer Award** (ISA) application deadline

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **International Summer Award Q&A Session**: **Wednesday, March 28, 4:00pm – 5:00pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305
  Staff from CIPE and Student Financial Services will be on hand to answer all your questions about the ISA. Please watch **ISA Funding 101** in advance of this session.
DROP-IN HOURS
Advisers are available to answer quick questions during drop-in hours which are held every **Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. when classes are in session**. No appointment is necessary. Students are seen on a first-come, first-served basis for a maximum of 15 minutes each.
**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be no drop-in hours held on March 30, as the office will be closed in observance of Good Friday. Drop-ins resume on Friday, April 6.

Yale Summer Session
Does the winter weather make you dream of warm summer days? Don’t just dream it… Plan it! Yale Summer Session offers a **variety of courses** (including online) that fit your major requirements and summer plans.
Looking to meet a distribution requirement this summer? **We’ve got you covered.**

Course of the Week: Business of Hollywood (**Online**)
Are you taking part in an unpaid Hollywood internship this summer? With the new Business of Hollywood online course (FILM S208E), you can intern by day and earn Yale College credit by night. Why wait to complete an independent study in the fall or spring semester when you can fulfill all of your internship requirements in a single summer? Business of Hollywood allows you to earn credit, enhance your internship experience, and set yourself up for success in future semesters.
Financial assistance is available.

Yale Summer Session
summersession.yale.edu

Office of Career Strategy
Connect with the Office of Career Strategy:
**General Drop-in Advising:** Monday-Friday, 10:00am-4:00pm at 55 Whitney Ave., 3rd Fl. (when classes are in session)
**Yale-coordinated Internships Additional Drop-in Hours:** Mondays 10:00am-1:00pm and Thursdays 1:00pm-4:00pm, 55 Whitney Ave., 3rd Fl.

Internship/Post-Graduate Search Information:
1. **Yale-coordinated Internships:** New application deadline for many positions is Wednesday, March 28. Visit, [Yale Career Link](https://www.yalecareers.com), Jobs; use 'Advanced Search' and select 'Yale-coordinated Internships'.
2. **Independent ISA-eligible International Internships:** Eligible students who secure international internships outside the Yale-coordinated International Internships Program may apply to receive [International Summer Award (ISA) funding](https://www.yale.edu/careers/ISA).
3. **Domestic Summer Award Information Session:** Thursday, March 29, 1:00pm-2:00pm, WLH 113, RSVP
Upcoming Notable Events:
1. **Yale Career Panel: A Candid View of Journalism and Publishing Webinar**: Tuesday, April 10, 4:30pm-5:30pm, Register
2. **Career Education Series: Urban Planning & Transportation**: Wednesday, April 11, 4:00pm-5:00pm, Office of Career Strategy, RSVP on Yale Career Link, Events
3. **Trailblazers: Yale Students Meet Macquarie**: Friday, April 13, 3:00pm-5:00pm, Rose Alumni House, Deadline: April 6, Register
4. **1stGenYale Alumni Conference-Blazing the Trail: Being the First**: Saturday, April 14, 2:30pm-5:30pm, Yale School of Management
5. **U.S. Career Forum 2018 (New York)**: Saturday, May 12, 10:00am-6:00pm, Javits Center, Hall 1E, Register
6. Visit the [Calendar of Events](#) for a full list of upcoming events.

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**THE 6TH ANNUAL**

**MARINA KEEGAN AWARD**

**FOR EXCELLENCE IN PLAYWRITING**

In 2013, an award was established to honor the memory of Marina Keegan ’12, a gifted playwright who died in a car accident five days after graduating magna cum laude from Yale.

The award is jointly sponsored by the English and Theater Studies departments.

Graduating seniors in English and Theater Studies, as well as seniors in other departments who have studied playwriting at Yale, are invited to submit a portfolio of dramatic writing for consideration – two plays, at least one of them full-length.

The deadline for Marina Keeghan Award submissions is NOON on Monday, April 16, 2018.

Please deliver two hard copies of your portfolio to Jane Bordiere in LC 107. On the title page, include your name (pseudonym not required), your residential college, your Yale class (you must be a senior), your email address, and your phone number.
1stGenYale alumni invite Yale College students to participate in several student-focused programs:

**Blazing the Trail: Being the First**

**Saturday, April 14, 2018**

Yale School of Management, 165 Whitney Avenue

*This event celebrates diversity of all cultural, ethnic, and racial backgrounds.*

1stGenYale is an alumni-led group whose mission is to celebrate and support the experiences of alumni who were the first in their families and/or from underserved backgrounds to graduate from college or graduate school. As alumni from all schools, we are a family and support current Yale students. By sharing our stories, we want to ease their transition, help them navigate and take advantage of all that Yale has to offer, including its alumni.

**2:30pm-3:30pm**

**Career Explorations**

Networking event with corporate and non-profit sponsors for current students from Yale College and G&P Schools.

**3:30pm-4:30pm**

**Yale Student Panel: Campus Life Today for Students Being First**

Attend our “flip classroom” discussion in which students from Yale College and G&P Schools share their perspectives with alumni and students.

**4:30pm-5:30pm**

**Students & Alumni Networking Reception**

Continue the conversation and connect with alumni and fellow students over light refreshments!

**RSVP –**

All students *must register in advance no later than April 2, 2018*. RSVP to 1stgenyale@gmail.com with your name, class year, field of study, and email addresses (*both Yale and personal email address*). There is no charge for students to attend.

We look forward to seeing you on April 14, 2018!