



Dear Franklinites,

You water signs must be in your contented place today; the rest of us are banging umbrellas and bumping into one other, jolted from our fugue states. But it's not like you'd want to be in Palo Alto or something -- that's a horrible idea. Who needs a Rodin statue, glowy and warm from the sun?

Hang in there, two weeks of classes and lots of fun to come.

-Dean Hill

somewhere i have never travelled, gladly beyond any
experience, your eyes have their silence:
in your most frail gesture are things which enclose me, or which i
cannot touch because they are too near

(i do not know what it is about you that closes and opens; only
something in me understands the voice of your eyes is deeper than
all roses) nobody, not even the rain, has such small hands
-- e.e.cummings, from "somewhere I have never traveled, gladly
beyond"

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CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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 1: Applications for a fall-term Leave of Absence due.

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.

May 22: Residence close for seniors, 12 p.m.

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/QR Tutoring](#)

[Language Tutoring](#)

Dean Hill's drop-in
hours this week:

Thursday, April 19th

11am - 1pm

Yale Academic Strategies Program

<https://orgsync.com/162209/>

<http://ctl.yale.edu/AcademicStrategiesProgram>

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

Finals Strategies: Avoiding Procrastination

Learn why we procrastinate and how to minimize procrastination during stressful periods.

[Tuesday, April 17, 2018 6:00 PM](#)

Center for Teaching & Learning,
301 York St., RM. M104A

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.

[Tuesday, April 17, 2018 7:30 PM](#)

Center for Teaching & Learning,
301 York St., RM. M104A

Final Paper Strategies: Starting, Revising, and Finishing on Time

Tired of pulling all-nighters and begging for extensions? Get organized for your end-of-semester papers with advice from our workshop.

[Wednesday, April 18, 2018 6:00 PM](#)

Center for Teaching & Learning,
301 York St., RM. M104A

Final Exam Strategies

Reduce exam stress by learning new strategies for preparing and studying for finals.

[Tuesday, April 24, 2018 6:00 PM](#)

Center for Teaching & Learning,
301 York St., RM. M104A

Final Paper Strategies: Starting, Revising, and Finishing on Time

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[Tuesday, April 24, 2018 7:30 PM](#)

Center for Teaching & Learning,
301 York St., RM. M104A

Finals Strategies: Avoiding Procrastination

Learn why we procrastinate and how to minimize procrastination during stressful periods.

[Wednesday, April 25, 2018 7:30 PM](#)

Center for Teaching & Learning,
301 York St., RM. M104A

****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.

Working on a term paper?

Get feedback on your work in progress from a Residential College Writing Tutor. Tutors read your draft in advance and offer the opportunity to schedule follow-up appointments. [BOOK AN APPOINTMENT](#) today.

Research/Bibliography Help

Attend a 30-minute Yale Library workshop on Refworks, a great tool for organizing your research and citations for your essays. Sign up for this and other great library workshops [here](#).

[Study Abroad](#)

NOTABLE DEADLINES

- May 1 – [The International Summer Award](#) (ISA) application deadline

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.**

[Yale Summer Session](#)

Yale Summer Session – Dean's Digest, April 12, 2018

Yale Summer Session will visit Branford, Saybrook, and Jonathan Edwards on Monday, April 16 from 11:30am-1:30pm. You can also catch us in Pauli Murray and Benjamin Franklin on Tuesday, April 17 from 11:30am-1:30pm. Come and learn about upcoming summer courses – and maybe score some swag!

Course of the Week: [American Public Sculpture \(AMST S312\)](#)

Includes a three-day, all-expenses-paid trip to Washington D.C.!

Building on a new partnership between the Smithsonian Institution and Yale University, this course offers a broad-based and multidisciplinary exploration of public sculpture in the United States. Course work includes field trips and digital projects as well as readings in the scholarship of public memory, cultural heritage, conservation, and aesthetics. 1 Credit.

The deadline for Yale Summer Session A is May 7th! [Find a course](#) that works with your summer goals today.

[Ready to apply?](#)

Financial assistance available.

Yale Summer Session

summer.yale.edu

[Fellowship Programs](#)

NOT TO BE MISSED

[Schwarzman Scholars Program Information Session with Stephen Schwarzman '69 and Rob Garris, Global Director of Admissions:](#)

Tuesday, April 17, 4:30pm, GM Room, Horchow Hall, 55 Hillhouse Avenue. [Register for this event HERE](#)

Schwarzman Scholars is a highly selective, one-year master's program at Tsinghua University in Beijing that is designed to prepare the next generation of global leaders for the challenges of the future.

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

April 22 – [Japan Foundation – Center for Global Partnership Grant](#)

April 25 - [Blair Dickinson Memorial Prize](#)

April 27 - [New York Senate Graduate Fellowships](#)

May 30 - [The Global Rhodes Campus Deadline](#) .

May 31 - [Rotary Peace Fellowship](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

[IRB Information Session](#): **Monday, April 16, 12:30pm**, 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.

- [Information Session with Alex O' Craik, Senior Liaison and Recruitment Officer \(USA\) at University College London- Graduate Study in the UK](#): **Monday, April 16, 12:30pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 369

Discover how you can earn your Masters in 1 year or PhD in 3 years at a world-leading university. This session will cover topics including entry requirements, the application process, funding opportunities, some of the differences between the UK and US study experience, and more.

- [Fulbright Information Session](#) (4 of 6): **Thursday, April 19, 4:00pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 369

Fulbright Grants offer you many terrific postgraduate opportunities—from scientific research to the practice of an art to the teaching of English in more than 160 countries. Now is the time to start thinking about applying!

- [Workshop: Writing Essays for National Fellowships](#): **Friday, April 20, 12:30 pm**, 55 Whitney Avenue. 3rd Floor, Room 305 Fellowship Programs will be joined by Ryan Wepler, Assistant Director of the Yale College Writing Center, for this writing workshop which is designed to help candidates prepare for external fellowship applications.

DROP-IN HOURS

Drop-in hours are held during the semester every Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. when class is in session. The entire fellowships team is on hand to answer quick questions. No appointment is necessary.

[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)

Internship/Post-Graduate Search Information:

1. New OCS Resource: CareerShift: Recently licensed by OCS for Yale students, this job aggregator is a powerful tool for searching internship and full-time positions posted across thousands of employer websites and other public sites. Link to CareerShift through the [Yale Career Link](#) under Shortcuts (right-hand side of the home page) or under Resources. For help view our [Tips for Using CareerShift](#).

2. Director Position: Yale Summer Events 2018 in Washington, DC: Collaborate with alums, employers, and students to plan events in DC over the summer. This is a great opportunity for you to work with key alums in Washington, DC. Visit this [site](#) to see a sample list of past events. Apply: search for "Yale Summer Events" (use quotation marks) in [Yale Career Link](#). Contact: [Stephanie Waite](#) with questions. *Deadline: April 16*

3. Yale Club of London: Mentorship Program: Intended for alums and current students interested in joining the Yale Club of London. The program is open for signups year-round. Each 'mentorship session' consists of three meetings over the course of three months, with guidelines for mentors and mentees. To learn more and sign up, go to: yale.org.uk/mentoring. For any questions, contact us at mentors.yale.uk@gmail.com

4. Attention students looking for housing in Los Angeles this summer: A Yale parent is offering a fully furnished, 2-story penthouse apartment at a reduced rental rate for May-early August. This apartment is located in the heart of LA. See [link](#) for more details, photos, and contact information.

Upcoming Notable Events:

1. 1stGenYale Alumni Conference-Blazing the Trail: Being the First: Saturday, April 14, 2:30pm-5:30pm, Yale School of Management

2. Health Professions Accepted Student Panel: Monday, April 16, 4:00pm-5:00pm, and Wednesday, April 18, 12:00pm-1:00pm, Office of Career Strategy, 55 Whitney Ave, Room 351 and via Zoom. Hear from students and alums accepted to medical school about preparation during their undergraduate years, gap-year experiences, tips on the process of applying to AMCAS or other applicant services and the interview!

3. [3-Minute Thesis Championship 2018](#): Friday, April 20, Loria Cener, Room 250. Interested in graduate school or curious about the work of your Teaching Fellow? Come watch PhD students compete in Yale's 2nd 3-Minute Thesis Competition. Research is presented in 3 minutes for a chance to win a first prize of \$1200.
 4. [U.S. Career Forum 2018 \(New York\)](#): Saturday, May 12, 10:00am-6:00pm, Javits Center, Hall 1E, [Register](#)
 5. Visit the [Calendar of Events](#) for a full list of upcoming events.
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Application Deadline for Fall 2018 Creative Writing Courses

Wednesday, August 15, 2018 (two weeks before classes begin): submit the [application form](#) and writing sample for English creative writing and journalism courses. [Course descriptions and any special application instructions will be posted on our Classes page in June](#). The application form will open July 1.

FRESH CHECK DAY

Groundbreaking event on **April 20** from **noon to 3 p.m.** on **Cross Campus: Fresh Check Day** at Yale. [Fresh Check Day](#) is the central piece of programming of the Jordan Porco Foundation (JPF), a suicide prevention foundation.

Fresh Check Day is a celebratory, fair-like event that includes peer-run interactive expo booths on a range of topics from substance abuse to suicide prevention, free food, music, and prizes to engage students in discussion about their mental health and suicide prevention in an approachable manner. With this event, Mind Matters hopes to create a positive atmosphere for open dialogue on mental health and mental illness, educate the Yale community on the vast array of mental health resources available to them on campus, and spread awareness of mental illness.

In terms of fun stuff, we're having cotton candy and popcorn machines, lots of free food, food trucks, therapy dogs, a photo booth, student performances, not to mention 8 student-run mental health booths and activities!

3-MINUTE THESIS CHAMPIONSHIP

Yale College Students Invited!

Are your Yale College students interested in graduate school or curious about the research their Teaching Fellows are doing? Then encourage them to attend Yale's 3-Minute Thesis Championship!

- **When: Friday, April 20, 5 to 7 p.m.**
- **Where: Loria Auditorium, 190 York St.**

This competition challenges PhD students from a wide array of disciplines to engagingly and clearly describe their research to a broad audience - in just 3 minutes! Ten finalists will compete for a first prize of \$1,200 in front of a panel of judges including:

- **Lynn Cooley**, GSAS Dean
- **Stephen Roach**, Senior Fellow at the Jackson Institute and former Chairman of Morgan Stanley Asia
- **Devesh Raj**, Senior Vice President of Corporate Strategy, Comcast
- **Lydia Brown**, Senior Producer of the daily WNPR news-talk show, *Where We Live*.

As an added bonus, the graduate student a cappella group **Citations** will perform! Light refreshments will be served.

This event is open to the Yale community. Please invite students, staff and faculty to attend this fun and inspiring event and learn about all of the exciting and innovative work graduate students are doing around campus!

For more information, please see [our website](#). You can see the presentations of last year's finalists [here](#)! Questions? Contact [Brian Frenette](#).

The 3-Minute Thesis Competition is a collaboration between the Center for Teaching & Learning, the Writing Center, Graduate Student Life, the Office for Graduate Student Development & Diversity, and the Office of Career Strategy.

ONEXYS FOR PHYSICS

Planning to take Intro to Physics (either PHYS 170 or PHYS 180) in the Fall of 2018?

Each year a small number of sophomores, juniors, and seniors who enroll in introductory physics struggle significantly with some of the basic high-school level mathematics that we use in these classes. In a number of cases, these students' lack of mathematics skills prevents them from keeping up with the pace of the class, so that they fall behind early in the semester and even the additional resources, that we have in place, such as peer tutoring, are not sufficient for them to be fully successful.

To provide help to these students, we are again offering an online program in Summer 2018, modeled on the ONEXYS (Online EXperiences for Yale Scholars) program for incoming first-years (<http://onexys.yale.edu>), which provides incoming students with structured online math training, and leads to significant student learning gains.

ONEXYS for Physics is aimed at current Yale students planning to take physics next Fall. Over the summer, participants in this program will receive access to online content, including videos, real-time discussions with other students in the program, advice and mentoring from math-savvy Yale students who serve as coaches, and a variety of problem sets, quizzes and other assessments to help them enhance their mathematics skills in preparation for intro. physics in the Fall.

Although sometimes students avoid or delay asking for needed extra help, because they are concerned about what the instructors will think, we would like to emphasize that participation in this program will only be viewed positively by the intro physics instructors.

We ask that any students who may be interested should register their interest via:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfil2r-7KFYbEyohMOXG8SiIWpFJG8X8nIsc3m23Ky_MRQgnA/viewform

We also have a web page: <https://physics.yale.edu/academics/undergraduate-studies/summer-2017-s-onexys-physics>

Interested students will be asked to take an online diagnostic before admission into the program in order to ensure a proper match between the program and students' mathematics skills. The program will run for 6 weeks from late June through early August, and will involve between 5 and 10 hours work per week for participating students.

Students can participate from anywhere in the world that they have an internet connection.