Dear Franklinites,

I feel great deanly pride this week in Benjamin Franklin, and the power of a small group to effect change on a grand scale. The Beanjamin opened over the weekend (I have dubbed it The Bean heretofore) in the Fellows’ Lounge, sprawling onto the terrace with tunes, lights, puzzles, a couch and great vibes. Get yourself an almond latte or an avocado toast (Ada’s had three already) and just hang a bit in the afternoons.

And when you see them, say thank you to sophomores Alexa Stranger, Razan Sulieman and Isabel Sands, and first-years Sarah Chute, Jacob Cramer, Brett Jennings and Elizabeth Van Ha for their leadership and service to Franklin. I am not exaggerating when I say I believe this space will be transformative for our community. Let’s make it so.

Speaking of spaces, if you like sweaty ones there’s room in next week’s *HIIT* class with Ysa: **Sunday at 11:00 am.** Come sign up in the Dean’s Office. She’s the bomb.

*There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about.*

— Margaret J. Wheatley

*A cold wind was blowing from the north, and it made the trees rustle like living things.*

— George R.R. Martin, *A Game of Thrones*

Warmly,

Dean Hill
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.

*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 11am-3pm and Wednesdays 12:30pm-4:30pm. To sign up for an appointment go to www.yalewco.com or email lesley.finn@yale.edu

*Resident QR Tutor*

Nicholas E. Smith, a graduate in Chemistry – Room 19, Entryway A, LL. Hours are Wednesday 8-9 p.m.

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing Center/Tutors/Partners: http://ctl.yale.edu/writing;http://writing.yalecollege.yale.edu/
Sc/QR Tutoring: http://ctl.yale.edu/tutoring/quantitative-reasoning-science
Language Tutoring: http://cls.yale.edu/foreign-language-tutoring
Advising Resources; http://advising.yalecollege.yale.edu/.
Apr 26: Classes end, 5:30 p.m.; reading period begins. Last day to withdraw from a spring full-term course or a course offered in the second half of the spring term. See Withdrawal from Courses and Grades.


May 2: 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 the student’s residential college dean.

May 8: 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 9: Residences close for all students except seniors, 12 noon.

May 20: University Commencement.

May 21: Residences close for seniors, 12 noon.
Yale Academic Strategies Program  
https://academicstrategies.ctl.yale.edu  
academicstrategies@yale.edu

Academic Strategies Workshops  
All workshops are held in the Poorvu Center (the new name for the CTL). Room M104A is located on the Poorvu Center’s Writing Center mezzanine, just up the stairs near the 301 York St. entrance to Sterling Library.

Finals Strategies: Avoiding Procrastination  
Tuesday, April 16, 6:00 PM, Poorvu Center M104A  
Everyone procrastinates—but how do you keep your procrastination to a minimum, especially at times of high stress? This workshop helps you identify what triggers procrastination and suggests approaches that can help you work through it and re-engage with your assignments.

Academic and Professional Presentations: Public speaking for undergraduates  
Wednesday, April 17, 7:30 PM, Poorvu Center M104A  
Professors frequently are 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.

Writing emails, Presentations, Reports: Academic and Professional Communication (for undergrads)  
Tuesday, April 30, 6:00, Poorvu Center M104A  
Have a professional internship this summer? Developing an end-of-semester presentation of your research. Come learn the strategies for writing effectively for professional and formal academic audiences.

Creating a Timeline for senior thesis (for juniors)  
Wednesday, May 1, 4:00, Poorvu Center M104A  
Planning to write a year-long or 1-semester senior thesis next academic year? Get a head start on your planning and preparation with our senior thesis workshop! Get an overview of the senior thesis process and draft a project calendar to get it all done.

Meet 1-1 with our Academic Strategies Mentors  
It’s crunch time! Meet with an Academic Strategies Mentor to make a plan to get it all done. Students report feeling calmer and more confident after working out a study plan with a mentor.

During your 1-1 session, you can:

- Create a weekly schedule to help manage your time and get things done
- Set academic and professional goals and identify ways to meet them
- Identify challenges and develop strategies to enhance your approach to your academic work
Want to make an appointment? Visit our online scheduler.

**First-Generation/Low-Income Community Initiative**

**FGLI Community Initiative Study Hall:** Need a quiet, supportive place to study? Join the FGLI Ambassadors for snacks and encouragement at the Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning, Room 121 on Mondays starting at 6 pm.

**Yale College Dean’s Office Resources:** Check out the resources available for students on significant financial aid, including the Loaner Laptop program, the Career Closet, and the Winter Clothing Grant: https://fgli.yalecollege.yale.edu/financial-resources/deans-office-services. For emergencies or unexpected expenses, talk to your RC Dean or HOC and check out our SafetyNet system.

**Yale Libraries**

**Level Up Your Research Papers**

Wednesday, April 17th at 11 AM is your next opportunity to meet with a librarian for 30-minutes to learn how to organize, annotate, & cite items in your writing more efficiently. Whether you are just starting out and want to find resources, or if you just need to keep track of them – librarians can help!

Precise topics of each session will be driven by student need. Topics covered can range from: finding resources, saving citations, creating a bibliography, citation management using RefWorks and Zotero, creating an annotated bibliography, and more! See the full schedule at: http://bit.ly/yulLEVELUP.

**Yale College Writing Center**

- Residential College Writing Tutors available: https://www.yalewco.com/index.php
- Peer Writing Partners available daily, Poorvu CTL tutoring mezzanine
- Writing Study Halls (Sundays 2-5 pm, Wednesdays 7-10 pm).

See https://ctl.yale.edu/tutoring/undergraduate-writing-tutoring for more detailed information.

**Summer Planning Resources**

**Apply now for your DSA!** Deadline is May 1, but you are encouraged to apply as early as possible.

**Domestic Summer Award (DSA) Fellowship to Support Experiences with the Arts, Sciences, Government, and Non-Profit Organizations** | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

Visit the DSA webpage for detailed eligibility requirements.

Access the application: Yale Career Link Homepage (under ‘Yale College Summer Experiences’), or Yale Career Link (My Account, Professional Experiences)
The CIPE office will be closed on Friday, April 19th. There will be no drop-in hours or appointments on this day.

**International Summer Award (ISA) Information Sessions** *(Last one!)*
Friday, April 26, 4:00-5:00PM
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

May 1 (students are encouraged to submit their application earlier)- **Domestic Summer Award (DSA) Fellowship to Support Experiences with the Arts, Sciences, Government, and Non-Profit Organizations** Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors
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**FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Writing Essays for National Fellowships Workshop**
Thursday, April 18, 12:30pm - 1:30pm
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

**Fulbright Information Session (3 of 4)**
Tuesday, April 23, 4:00pm - 5:00pm
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

**International Summer Award (ISA) Information Session**
Friday, April 26, 4:00pm – 5:00pm
55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

**Fulbright Information Session (4 of 4)**
Wednesday, May 1, 12:30pm - 1:30pm
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

**UK Fellowships - Rhodes & Beyond: Information Session (5 of 6)**
Wednesday, May 1, 12:30pm - 1:30pm
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 369

**Writing Essays for National Fellowships Workshop**
Thursday, May 2, 2:00pm - 3:00pm
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

**UK Fellowships - Rhodes & Beyond: Information Session (6 of 6)**
Friday, May 3, 12:30pm - 1:30pm
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305
APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

April 26 - New York Senate Graduate Fellowships National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Graduates
May 1 - The International Summer Award (ISA) Application deadline - The ISA provides a stipend for one summer experience abroad | Eligible: undergraduate students receiving a Yale scholarship.
May 1, 1PM - MacMillan Center Academic Year Fellowships for Language Study Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors, & Graduate Students
May 1 - Woodrow Wilson Academy of Teaching and Learning National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Recent Graduates
May 15 - Einstein Fellowship National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Graduates aged under 35
May 26 - Scotland’s Saltire Scholarships National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Graduates who are citizens of Canada, India, Japan, USA, Pakistan, or China
May 31 - Rotary Peace Fellowship District Deadline | Eligible: Seniors
May/June - Gotoco China National Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors
June 14, 1PM – Global Rhodes Campus Deadline | Eligible: International Seniors & Recent Graduates who are not citizens of existing Rhodes Regions
September 15 - The German Chancellor Fellowship for tomorrow’s leaders National Deadline | Eligible: Seniors & Recent Graduates

Visit the Calendar of Events for a full list of upcoming events and deadlines.
Contact Fellowships with questions or comments.

Fellowship Drop-In Hours are every Friday from 2:00pm – 4:00pm while classes are in session. Drop-in Hours will not be held on Friday, April 19, as the office will be closed in observance of Good Friday.

OCS
UPCOMING EVENTS

Last Call: Domestic Summer Award (DSA) Q&A
Friday, April 26, 3:00pm-4:00pm
Location TBD

Campusto Careers: End of Semester Video Chat Career Fair
Thursday, April 18, 2:00pm-5:00pm
Register

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES
Interested in Connecting with Yale Alums During Summer 2019? Through the survey on Yale Career Link, list multiple locations even if you will only be there part of the summer. Your email and name will then be sent to the closest Yale alumni club and you will be added to their list for any summer events. You can add or change locations at any time up to May 3.
Bulldogs Across America Open Internship Positions:
- **Museum Intern, St. Louis Cardinals**, St. Louis, MO
- **Marketing & Philanthropy Intern at CHI Saint Joseph Health, Bulldogs in the Bluegrass**, Louisville, KY
- **Database and Special Projects at Yew Dell Botanical Gardens, Bulldogs in the Bluegrass**, Louisville, KY

Yale Alumni Community Service Fellowship Open Internship Positions:
- **Island Program Facilitator (YACSF), Mayhew Program**, Bristol, New Hampshire
- **Resource Mobilization & Development Internship-YACSF, mothers2mothers**, New York City
- **Community Programs Intern-YACSF, Immigrant Social Services**, New York City

Domestic Summer Award (DSA) Fellowship to Support Experiences with the Arts, Sciences, Government, and Non-Profit Organizations
Visit the [DSA webpage](https://example.com) for detailed eligibility requirements.
Access the application: [Yale Career Link](https://example.com) Homepage (under ‘Yale College Summer Experiences’), or [Yale Career Link](https://example.com) (My Account, Professional Experiences)
Deadline: May 1

RESOURCES

**OCS Drop Ins:** Drop-ins are available when classes are in session, Monday-Friday, 10:00am-4:00pm.

The office will be closed on Friday, April 19th in observance of Good Friday and will reopen Monday, April 22.

**Reserve Space at 55 Whitney for a Virtual/Remote Interview**
Visit the [Calendar of Events](https://example.com) for a full list of upcoming events. Log in to [Yale Career Link](https://example.com), powered by Symplicity under Events/Employer Information Sessions to RSVP.

**YALE SUMMER SESSION**
Looking for summer plans? Limited spots are still available for the [Yale x Flatiron School Web Development Bootcamp](https://example.com)!

Yale University and the highly regarded Flatiron School have come together to create a 10-week summer course that will teach you to think and build like a web developer.

- Master programming languages like Ruby, HTML, and JavaScript through hands-on, project-based learning
- Gain experience in front-end and back-end programming
- Earn 2 Yale College credits + QR
- Build your own GitHub portfolio
- Full-time, fully immersive experience on Yale’s campus for 10 weeks
- No prior coding experience needed

Submit your application by Monday, April 29 at 5pm.

Financial assistance is available.
[summer.yale.edu](https://summer.yale.edu)
[@YaleSummerSession](https://twitter.com/YaleSummerSession)
UPCOMING EVENTS

International Summer Award (ISA) Information Session
Friday, April 26, 4:00pm – 5:00pm
55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

Study Abroad Drop-In Hours: Available every Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. when classes are in session. Drop-in Hours will not be held on Friday, April 19, as the office will be closed in observance of Good Friday. The final Drop-in Hours of the semester are Friday, April 26.

Check the Study Abroad Calendar for events throughout the academic year.
Dear Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors,

Are you a great public speaker? Do you want to practice and improve your public speaking skills? If so, sign up for the Yale College Public Speaking Competition. There are separate competitions for sophomores, juniors, and seniors, and prizes of $1,000, $500, and $250 are awarded in each category. If you are interested in competing, fill out the [application form](#). **The deadline for submission is Friday, April 19, at 11.59 p.m. EDT.**

The competition will take place on Monday, April 29 in room 410 Sterling Tower (SSS), 1 Prospect Street. Applicants will be assigned to a block of time in the late morning or afternoon and must be available for that entire time block which is generally 1-2 hours long. All speeches must be original works created by the student, and they must be delivered from notes or recited from memory. They must be between 5-8 minutes long; longer or shorter speeches will be disqualified. Rules, based on the terms of the endowments that fund them, are listed below:

The Buck-Jackson Prize: Awarded to a sophomore for the best original oration on a subject of a patriotic nature. [Note that this does not need to be on an American subject].

The Henry James TenEyck Prize: Awarded to orators among the junior class on a subject of the speaker’s choice.

The David C. DeForest Prize & Townsend Premiums: For the senior[s] "who shall write and pronounce an English oration in the best manner." [Note that there are no special requirements for an “English oration”].

Prize winners will be notified by email on or before May 3. You may view the full list of prize winners [here](#).

With best wishes,

Camille Lizarríbar  
Dean of Student Affairs  
Associate Dean of Yale College