



From the Benjamin Franklin College Dean's Office

Dean's Notes– February 8, 2021

Dear Franklinites,

Schedules in, sun's out. Progress. If you made a mistake, you can fix it. See the guidance below, and panic pas*.

Happy birthday to my daughter Ada, 13! Any advice for managing *two* teenagers under one roof most welcome.

GYLT,**

Dean Hill

*French for don't panic; it's actually *ne panique pas*, but didn't want to get too fancy on you on a Monday morning.

**If you read last week's notes, you know.

Canary

for Michael S. Harper

Billie Holiday's burned voice

had as many shadows as lights,

a mournful candelabra against a sleek piano,

the gardenia her signature under that ruined face.

(Now you're cooking, drummer to bass,

magic spoon, magic needle.

Take all day if you have to

with your mirror and your bracelet of song.)

*Fact is, the invention of women under siege
has been to sharpen love in the service of myth.*

If you can't be free, be a mystery.

-Rita Dove

Yale Tutoring Resources:

Writing Center/Tutors/Partners: [Writing Tutoring and Programs | Poorvu 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 \(yale.edu\)](#)

Late add FAQ

Q. Will I be able to request changes to my schedule after add/drop period?

A. Yes. You may request permission to add a course after final schedules are submitted, but doing so requires the permission of the instructor and the authorization of your college dean.

Timely requests for adding a course after the deadline are routinely approved when, for example, a student on a waitlist for a limited-enrollment course learns, after schedules were due, that a space has become available, or when an adviser identifies a significant problem with a student's final schedule. And, as has always been the case, you may drop a full-term course until 5 p.m. on the last day of classes. Please note that a fee of \$20 will be charged for the processing of any approved course change notice after add/drop period.

To request changes to your schedule (such as dropping a course, requesting a late add, or changing a section) please complete a Course Change Notice form, available on the Registrar's website here: <https://registrar.yale.edu/forms-petitions> [Course Change Notice](#)

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 spring 2021 term. This decision is final and will not change even if circumstances should change in the destination country. Please [see the Yale Travel Policy in regards to Summer 2021 travel](#).

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

The Yale Summer Session Residential Life Staff application is now open. Develop your leadership, organizational, communication and conflict-resolution skills! Multiple positions are available with differing compensation, including free courses, room & board, and salaries.

Applications will close on Friday, February 19 at 4pm EST. Job descriptions and applications [can be viewed here](#).

summer.yale.edu

[@YaleSummerSession](#)

OCS

EVENTS

Designing Your Career @ Yale: Acceptance and Life Vision Creation

- Friday, February 26, 10am-12pm
- Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors
- [Apply in Yale Career Link](#) by February 19

RESOURCES

[Customize Your New OCS Weekly Newsletter](#): Customize your OCS newsletter by choosing among our [career communities](#) and [affinity/identity communities](#), to receive updates about events, new jobs, and helpful articles/blogs. *OCS strongly recommends that everyone take just 2 minutes to update your preferences to ensure you receive the most relevant content.* [Visit the OCS site](#) for more information, and sign up today!

[Office of Career Strategy: Spring 2021 FAQs](#): In Spring 2021, the Office of Career Strategy is open and completely functional, however all staff are working remotely. Review our [Spring 2021 FAQs](#) to learn about the many ways to engage with OCS.

[Class of 2020 Class List & Summer 2020 Peer List Now Available](#): Search and contact thousands of recent Yale graduates and current Yale students who have volunteered to discuss their post-graduate roles and summer employment experiences! Prior Class Lists and Summer Peer Lists are also available. Search by major, employer name, city, state, country, and more.

[STUDY ABROAD](#)

RESOURCES

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

Study abroad advisers continue to be available to hold virtual meetings with students via Zoom. To schedule a meeting, please use our [online appointment system](#).

[FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS](#)

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

[Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations](#)

Tuesday, February 9, 7:00pm - 8:00pm

[Register Here](#)

[Imagining Your Summer Information Session](#)

Wednesday, February 10, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

APPROACHING APPLICATION DEADLINES

February 10, 11:59pm ET - [FAO Schwarz Fellowship National](#) Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, recent Graduates

February 12, 1:00pm ET - [Udall Scholarship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Sophomores, Juniors

February 14, 11:59pm ET - [National Institute of Standards and Technology Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship - NIST SURF](#) National Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors

February 15, 1:00pm ET - [Fox International Fellowships Application for Outgoing Yale Students](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: Seniors, Graduate Students

February 16, 1:00pm ET - [Yung Wing Scholarship](#) Campus Deadline Eligible: Juniors, Seniors, Alumni & Graduate Students

February 16, 5pm ET - [South Asian Language Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors & Graduate Students

February 28, 11:59pm PT - [The Tillman Scholar Program](#) National Deadline | Eligible: Undergraduate, Graduate, or Professional Students who are Service members or spouses

March 2, 11:59pm PT - [U.S. Department of State's Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program](#) National Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

March 3, 1:00pm ET - [Women in Government Fellowship](#) Campus Deadline | Eligible: First-Year Students, Sophomores & Juniors

RESOURCES

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

Search for Yale funding and campus information for external awards on the [Yale Student Grants Database \(SGDB\)](#)

Review recently recorded workshops and info sessions in our [Webinar Series](#).

Get planning tips on our [Research, Internship, and Public Service 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/undergraduates/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: By request from Jan. 25 – Feb. 12.

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 semester. Consultations can be arranged from January 25th through February 12th by emailing us directly 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? Are you wondering if your academic challenges might be connected to an undiagnosed learning difference? 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. Learn more about the resources available on our [Learning Challenges at Yale](#) page on our Academic Strategies website.

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!**

Creating a Timeline for Your Senior Thesis

[Monday, Feb. 8 @ 4 pm ET](#)

Learn how to plan your writing and research, and how to access support resources for your senior thesis.

Getting the Most Out of Mentorship

[Monday, Feb. 8 @ 7 pm ET](#)

Join Yale undergrads for a conversation on how to make the most of any mentorship opportunity, including peer, graduate student, faculty, and alumni mentorship.

Reading Effectively for STEM

[Monday, February 8 @ 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.

Fresh Start: Positive Change for Your Academic Life

[Tuesday, February 9 @ 4 pm ET](#)

Refresh your approaches to your academic work through a series of activities that identify your current strengths and develop new strategies for meeting the challenges of this semester.

Cultivating Faculty Mentors/Recommendations

[Tuesday, February 9 @ 7 pm ET](#)

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

Time Management

[Tuesday, February 9 @ 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.

Imagining Your Summer (with CIPE) – Back by popular demand!

[Wednesday, February 10 @ 1 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!

Approaches to Your Leave of Absence

[Wednesday, February 10 @ 4 pm ET](#)

Planning to take a leave of absence this spring? Join our discussion about how to transition in and out of your leave and practices that can help you make your leave meaningful and productive for you.

Getting the Most Out of Your Seminars & Lectures

[Wednesday, February 10 @ 7 pm ET](#)

Learn preparation, participation, note-taking, and review strategies to help you succeed in these two very different learning environments.

How to Study Away from Campus: A Guide to Motivation, Connection, and Time Management

[Wednesday, February 10 @ 9 pm ET](#)

Learn how to create environments, schedules, and peer networks to help support your learning while away from campus and help you stay refreshed and motivated to engage in your academic work.

Strategies for Reading Literature

[Thursday, February 11 @ 4 pm ET](#)

How do we read deeply and completely without running out of time? This workshop introduces techniques to help you effectively read and respond to literary works.

Pathways for Sophomores

[Thursday, February 11 @ 7 pm ET](#)

Sophomore year offers new challenges: increased course loads, upper-level classes, and identifying a major. This interactive workshop helps students set goals and make long-term plans for the year.

Strategies for Intro Math: Problem Sets & Exams

[Thursday, February 11 @ 9 pm ET](#)

Learn strategies for efficiently working on intro math problem sets and key approaches for studying for exams.

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.

European Studies Undergraduate Fellows Network

Career Conversations

February 11 @ 12pm EST

Mato Meyer / Chief Technical Adviser, United Nations Development Programme in Kosovo

Join us for the launch of the European Studies Undergraduate Fellows Network! This is the first of a series of career conversations with Yale alumni and affiliated partners in Europe.

Join us on Zoom!

To learn more about joining the Fellows Network, visit our site: bit.ly/ESCUndergradNetwork

Mato Meyer graduated with an MA in Russian and East European Studies (REES) in 2002. He has held positions with the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and United Nations for more than 15 years. [Read more about Mato here.](#)

Register Here:
bit.ly/Mato-Meyer

Event Open ONLY to students

**Yale
NUS
College**

Yale *Global Health Studies Program*

Yale **MACMILLAN CENTER**
European Studies Council

Latin American & Iberian Studies Undergraduate Fellows Network

Career Conversations

February 10 @ 12pm EST

Ruth Álvarez-DeGolia / Co-Founder & Executive Director, Mercado Global

Join us for the launch of the Latin American & Iberian Undergraduate Fellows Network! This is the first of a series of career conversations with Yale alumni and affiliated partners in Latin America.

Join us on Zoom!

To learn more about joining the Fellows Network, visit our site: <https://clais.macmillan.yale.edu/people/undergraduate-fellows-network>

Ruth Álvarez-DeGolia graduated from Yale College with distinction in 2004. Since then she has overseen Mercado Global's growth from a small non-profit working with a dozen artisans in Guatemala's highlands to its recognition as an innovator in social enterprise. [Read more about Ruth here.](#)

Register Here: bit.ly/Ruth-A-D

Event Open ONLY to students

Yale
NUS
College

Yale *Global Health Studies Program*

Yale MACMILLAN CENTER

Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies

Let's Talk Move-In

Communal living looks different during COVID, and sometimes having conversations around these dynamics can be tricky - here are some questions to help you and your housemates create a space in which everyone feels safe, comfortable, and respected.

General Housing Dynamics



- How will your house make group decisions? How will you ensure everyone's concerns are heard?
- What are your feelings about living in a space with drugs/alcohol?
- Consider your different budget expectations. What are you comfortable sharing? How will you manage shared expenses?
- What are the cleaning expectations among you & your housemates? How can you divide responsibilities evenly?
- How will you respect each other's schedules and spaces? Do you want quiet hours? Which rooms are available for Zoom calls?

Moving In

- Have you discussed the different COVID precautions that you and your housemates have been taking over the break? While traveling to New Haven? How does this impact everyone's comfortability level upon move-in?
- How do you feel about your roommates' family or friends coming to help them move in? Will you mask and/or socially-distance inside the house during move-in?
- Do you or your housemates plan to quarantine or distance from each other after move-in? Do you have the space and/or resources to do this?



Let's Talk Move-In

I want to share a resource created by our Communication and Consent Educators to help people navigate off-campus living. We know that living off campus looks and feels different than it ever has before—you can use this guide to jumpstart conversations and create a home environment in which everyone feels safe and comfortable. As we navigate new living spaces or return to old ones amidst the recent surge in cases, it is more important than ever to establish open channels of communication and mutual expectations with the people you live with. I hope that you find this resource useful and even pass it on to a neighbor or two.

Yale Alumni

Student Leadership Positions

Class of 2022 Officers
Class of 2023 YAA Delegate
Class of 2024 YAA Delegate

Are you interested in being a class leader?
Attend an information session to learn more!

Info Session 1:
Wednesday, Feb. 10th
5pm EST

bit.ly/YAAFEB10

Info Session 2:
Tuesday, Feb. 16th
9am EST

bit.ly/YAAFEB16