Welcome back Berkeleyites,

I hope you had a wonderful spring break! I hope your time away (or on our quiet campus) was an opportunity to reflect and recharge for the homestretch of the semester. In a little over six weeks many of you will have successfully completed your first year at Yale, your last year at Yale, or a major milestone in between! It will go by quickly, so plan and prioritize accordingly so that you can make the most of it.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if there is anything I can do to support you during the final weeks of the semester. Even if that is to just listen. My door is often open.

*Please note that Housing is now upon us, please mind the important deadlines inside and view the website here for other important information (updated with new info by tomorrow). Importantly, the class of 2021 housing session is this **Tuesday, March 27th at 8pm** in the dining hall. Also, it is tradition that Berkeleyites in North and South court open their doors for our housing open house which is this **Thursday, March 29th at 8pm**.

**The Credit/D/Fail Conversion to a Letter Grade deadline is next Friday, April 6th at 5pm. Do not wait until the last minute if you plan to convert your C/D/F to a letter grade, do it now. There are NO EXCEPTIONS for missing the deadline.

Cheers to a wonderful and productive week,
Dean Miller
IMPORTANT
CHECK YOUR ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS ONLINE!

Please note that YOU are responsible for keeping track of your distributional requirements and enrolling for courses appropriately.

Yale Degree Audit is a system that can help and is located on the Academics tab of Student Information System (SIS). If you have questions after reviewing this information for yourself, please be in touch with me.

The Academic Regulations about distributional requirements can be found here.

EMAILS/APPOINTMENTS

Important Note:
The Berkeley College Office closes at 5pm and is not open on the weekends, therefore please expect that emails received after 5pm will be responded to the next business day unless it is of a more urgent nature.

When making appointments with me, it is much faster to call or email Damaris with your availability when making the initial request, it will make the process easier and more efficient. Similarly, if you have a routine question that you wish to send by email, please send it to both Damaris and me, and whoever can answer it first, will. Please remember that Damaris is at lunch from noon to 1pm every day. So please plan accordingly, especially when calling/emailing to schedule appointments.

DROP-IN HOURS THIS WEEK

DROP-IN HOURS
Monday (appts. only), Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (2-3:30pm or appts.), and Friday (BK College Office Closed for Good Friday Holiday Observance)

APPOINTMENTS
If you would like an appointment with me, please contact Damaris (Damaris.Cardona@yale.edu; 203-432-0502), and she will schedule you appropriately.

“If nothing ever changed, there’d be no butterflies.”
MARINA KEEGAN AWARD
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 Keegan 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 CONFERENCE

1stGenYale alumni invite all Yale College and G&P Students
to participate in several student-focused programs:

\textit{Blazing the Trail: Being the First}
\textit{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 AYA Shared Interest Group whose mission is to celebrate and support the experiences of alumni who were among 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
\textit{Career Explorations} - Networking event for Yale College and G&P students to share your unique talents, perspectives and experiences with corporate & non-profit sponsors: Macquarie, AQR Capital Management, Honest Tea, Girls, Inc., LEDA (Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America), KIPP Schools, MLT (Management Leadership for Tomorrow), and New Haven Promise (to date).

3:30pm-4:30pm
Yale Student Panel: 
\textit{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
\textit{Students, Alumni, and Sponsors Networking Reception}
Continue the conversation and connect with alumni, sponsors, and fellow students with refreshments!

\textbf{RSVP –}
All students \textit{must register in advance no later than April 6, 2018}, RSVP to 1stgenyale@gmail.com with your name, class year, field of study, and both email addresses \textit{(Yale and personal email address)}. There is no charge for students to attend. Thank you. We all look forward to seeing you!
RESOURCES AROUND CAMPUS

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Information Session UK Fellowships – Rhodes and Beyond: Post graduate 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

Visit the Calendar of Events for a full list of upcoming events and deadlines.

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).
OFFICE OF CAREER STRATEGY

U.S. Career Forum 2018 (New York): Saturday, May 12, 10:00am-6:00pm, Javits Center, Hall 1E, Register

Visit the Calendar of Events for a full list of upcoming events. Log in to Yale Career Link, powered by Simplicity under Events/Employer Information Sessions to RSVP.

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, 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.
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
BK HOUSING IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tuesday, March 27th: Mandatory Class of 2021 Housing Meeting, 8pm BK Dining Hall

Wednesday, March 28th, by 5pm: Deadline for preliminary consultation with Dean Miller regarding exceptional accommodations or possible housing consideration

Thursday, 29 March, 8 pm: BK Open House, all classes. Please allow visitors to view your suite!

Thursday, March 29th (updated due to BKDO closed for Good Friday): Deadline for authorized recommendation for exceptional housing (i.e. Medical Accommodations) and use of different class year deadline (2019 and 2020 only). Final discussion for consideration. NO exceptions considered after this date. Ensure that you have completed all necessary appointments and have necessary approvals for any accommodation requests.

Monday, April 2nd, 10am: Deadline to sign up for configurations (2019 & 2021) - Date subject to change in accordance with new software rules. I will make you aware well in advance if this is the case.

Tuesday, April 3rd: Lottery, Computer Generated, Housing Committee members meet with Dean Miller or Head Evans, and run a program that randomly assigns numbers;

Wednesday, April 4th: Class of 2019 & 2021 Housing Draw, Dining Hall

9 pm: Rising Sophomores (2021) Draw

9:30 pm: Rising Seniors (2019) Draw

Sunday, 8 April, 10 am: Deadline to sign up for configurations (2020) - Date subject to change in accordance with new software rules. Pre-draws (2020), if needed, to follow.

Monday, April 9th: Class of 2019 Lottery

Tuesday, April 10th: 9pm Room Draw (9pm), Dining Hall

*Please contact David Stevens with any housing questions that you may have regarding the housing process. He will be able to help you and/or consult with me directly regarding those questions.

Housing Committee Members (Spring 2018)

Class of 2019

David Stevens (Chair)

Class of 2020

Sonali Durham

Emma Longhurst

Michael Kearney

Class of 2021

Xan Minan

Andy Xie

Amar Patel

Michael Whalen

*Dates subject to change due to software efficiency. Will keep you posted. If changes are made, I will do my best to ensure that those changes are advantageous to the process and not detrimental.
Returns Friday, April 6th 4-5pm.
Due to Spring Break and Good Friday Holiday!

Berkeley College Common Room

Looking for a great way to decompress after a hectic week of classes and other obligations. Well join us for a cup of tea and a few sweets at our weekly BK Tea and Talk!

Invite a friend/mentor/adviser or come alone to meet new people, it is an informal time to simply connect with others in the BK community.

Stay a little or stay a while!

**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

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.

YALE ACADEMIC STRATEGIES PROGRAM (website here)

RESOURCES AROUND CAMPUS
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**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](mailto: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.

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

**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.
Apply to be a 2018-19 Y-VISP Peer Liaison

Apply online by Friday, March 30th.

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.

March 26th: Classes Resume, 8:20am

March 30th: Good Friday Holiday, Berkeley College Office Closed.

April 6th: Last day to convert from the Credit/D/Fail option in a full-term course to a letter grade. See Grades

Last day to withdraw from a course offered in the second half of the term without the course appearing on the transcript. See Withdrawal from Courses and Grades

April 20th: Last day to convert from the Credit/D/Fail option to a letter grade in a course offered in the second half of the term. See Grades

April 27th: Classes end, 5:30pm; reading period begins. Last day to withdraw from a full-term course or a course offered in the second half of the term. See Withdrawal from Courses and Grades

May 1st: Applications for fall-term Leaves of Absence due.

May 3rd: Reading Period ends, 5pm.

Final examinations begin, 7pm.

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 dean.

May 9th: Examinations end, 5:30pm.

Deadline for all term papers and projects. This deadline is extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by the student’s dean.

May 10th: Residences close for underclassmen, 12 noon.

May 21st: University Commencement.

May 22nd: Residences close for seniors, 12 noon.