Calendar of Opening Days for New Students

Class of 2020

FRESHMAN DEAN’S OFFICE
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HARVARD COLLEGE
OPENING DAYS CHECKLIST

Required

- Attend Welcome to the Community on Tuesday, 8/23
- Attend meetings with your entryway on Tuesday, 8/23, Wednesday, 8/24, and Thursday, 8/25
- Learn about the curriculum at Liberal Education: A User’s Guide on Wednesday, 8/24
- Join your Academic Adviser for lunch on Wednesday, 8/24
- Learn about sexual assault prevention at Speak About It on Wednesday, 8/24
- Learn about Harvard’s Honor Code on Thursday, 8/25
- Participate in Conversations with Faculty on the Liberal Arts on Thursday, 8/25
- Hear from President Drew Gilpin Faust and the Deans at Freshman Convocation and be in the photo of the Class of 2020 on Tuesday, 8/30
- Complete Online Check-in by Tuesday, 8/30 at 11:59 pm
- Participate in Extended Orientation (check with your Proctor for dates and times)
- Get a physical examination (for intercollegiate athletes) on Friday, 9/2

Recommended

- Check online (placement-info.fas.harvard.edu) for placement exam times and locations, and complete any necessary exams
- Participate in all academic and advising events
- Take a Crimson Key tour of campus or Harvard Square
- Check out the schedule of student organization meetings and Late Night @ Harvard event listings
- Attend the faculty lecture given by Marcyliena Morgan on Thursday, 8/25
- Check out Happy. Healthy. Harvard. on Thursday, 8/25
- Apply for a Freshman Seminar by 8 am Friday, 8/26
- Discover the excitement of academic life at Pathways into Arts & Humanities, Engineering, Sciences, the Social Sciences on Friday, 8/26
- Have fun at the Intramural Field and Spirit Day on Saturday, 8/27
- Watch your talented classmates at the Annual FAP Pageant on Saturday, 8/27
- Relax at the outdoor screening of Legally Blonde on Saturday, 8/27
- Dance the night away at the First Chance Dance on Saturday, 8/27
- Connect with religious and spiritual groups on Sunday, 8/28
- Experience Love Story on Sunday, 8/28
- Visit the Academic Advising Fairs and the Lamont Library Open House on Monday, 8/29
- Learn about important resources, services, and student life at the Open Houses on Monday, 8/29 and Tuesday, 8/30
- Join Dean Khurana’s Instagram Scavenger Hunt on Monday, 8/29
- Introduce yourself to President Faust and Harvard alumni at the Convocation Reception on Tuesday, 8/30
- Enjoy the Talent Show on Tuesday, 8/30
- Attend the Activities Fair at Radcliffe Quad and the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH) on Friday, 9/2
- Participate in the Class of 2020 Day of Service on Saturday, 9/3
- Get involved with public service at the PBHA Open House on Sunday, 9/4
- Celebrate Labor Day with Intramural Glow-in-the-Dark Capture the Flag on Sunday, 9/4
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Greetings Members of the Class of 2020!

The primary objective of a Harvard College education is to foster your intellectual, social, and personal growth and transformation. This begins during your orientation, what we call Opening Days. The purpose of orientation is to welcome and prepare you for life as a college student and a member of this community. We want you to know that this is your Harvard. It’s where you belong!

Through Opening Days, you should:

• Get to know your academic adviser, proctor, and peer advising fellows;
• Understand the purpose of a liberal arts education;
• Learn about the academic offerings and identify the subjects you want to explore;
• Consider the honor code and how you can help uphold integrity as a fundamental value;
• Understand more broadly what is expected of you as a member of the community;
• Gain familiarity with the opportunities for learning outside the classroom, including co-curricular activities;
• Start to feel at home personally and socially;
• Reflect on the opportunities and responsibilities that come with living in a diverse community;
• Think about how to make good choices about your health, safety, and well-being;
• Get to know the resources and campus services that are intended to support you and enrich your experience;
• Learn your way around campus; and,
• Discover the values, traditions, and history of Harvard.

I urge you to read this entire schedule and to carry it throughout Opening Days. In particular, take note of the events that are marked with an exclamation icon. They are required of you. Other activities are highly recommended for you because they will help you to be prepared and feel connected. The full schedule is also available online on the Freshman Dean’s Office (FDO) website (fdo.fas.harvard.edu) and for download via the Guidebook app.

In the past, some first-years have expressed surprise that the “regular year” does not get off to a faster start. Our response is that we want you to have good information before you begin attending classes, and want your final course selections to be made wisely and to set you up for an exciting term. There are all sorts of people eager to help you. Please don’t hold back. And remember that the students who report the greatest satisfaction with their undergraduate experience talk about the balance of their commitments and a feeling of being connected. These take time to develop. Be patient, and have fun with the exploration that begins during Opening Days.

Any general inquiries about orientation should be directed to the Freshman Dean’s Office, 6 Prescott Street, fdo@fas.harvard.edu, 617-495-1574. We are open from 9 am-5 pm on weekdays; you may also visit our website at fdo.fas.harvard.edu.

We look forward to getting to know you!

Sincerely,

Tom Dingman
Dean of Freshmen
IMPORTANT NOTES

Family Activities on Move-in Day
The Office of Parent and Family Programs and the FDO will host activities for families of incoming students on Tuesday, August 23. Details will be available at parents.fas.harvard.edu, and shared during move-in. The events will include a family resource fair, a welcome by the Dean of Freshmen, tours, and a photo booth.

Check-in and Course Enrollment
Check-in at Harvard refers to “signing in” with the College online by making sure all of your personal information and data are accurate in your records. You may check in at any time between Monday, August 15 and 11:59 pm on Tuesday, August 30. You will receive an email from the Registrar’s Office with a link to check in at my.harvard.edu.

During check-in, you will be asked to verify and update your directory and personal information, to read the Harvard College Honor Code and sign your name to indicate your awareness of and your adherence to it, and to certify that you have reviewed a series of documents including Harvard College’s alcohol and drug policy, voter registration information, and substance abuse laws. The actual check-in process can be accomplished in a few minutes, but we recommend that you leave more time to thoroughly read through the documents provided. You may also print them out.

After check-in, and after courses begin, you will need to electronically enroll in courses. Your online Crimson Cart lists the courses you will be taking during a given semester. You will create and submit your Crimson Cart through my.harvard.edu.

In order to submit your Crimson Cart, you must first have a discussion about your interests and placement recommendations with your academic adviser who will then acknowledge, in my.harvard.edu, that you have had your advising conversation. After this point, assuming there are no other holds on your record, you may submit courses for enrollment. All courses must be submitted by 11:59 pm on Thursday, September 8.

Accessible Education Office (AEO)
The Accessible Education Office (AEO) serves as the central, confidential campus resource for Harvard College students with documented medical, mental health, ADHD, and learning disabilities. If you have been diagnosed with a disability and have not yet registered with the AEO, it is important to contact them as soon as possible. You are encouraged to contact the AEO with any questions regarding accessible transportation, housing, assistive technology, and other academic adjustments consistent with University policies.

Please note that nearly all College buildings used during Opening Days are accessible, though in some cases use of an alternate entrance may be necessary. If you have questions about accessibility, please contact the AEO via phone (617-496-8707) or email (aeo@fas.harvard.edu).

For further information about the AEO, please see aeo.fas.harvard.edu.
Placement Exams

One of the tools that you and your freshman adviser will rely on as you choose your courses will be the results of online and on-campus placement exams. The online placement exams in writing, math, sciences, and some languages were administered over the summer. On-campus placement exams in additional languages and music are administered during Opening Days.

Your exam results are available in my.harvard.edu in the Reports and Documents section in the Placement and Test Scores report. You are strongly encouraged to discuss your placement recommendations with your academic adviser as you explore courses to take.

For more information about the online and on-campus placement exams, including a list of exams, please see: placement-info.fas.harvard.edu.

Freshman Academic Advising

The name and contact information for your academic adviser can be found in the Advising Network tab when you are logged into my.harvard.edu. Your academic adviser is either your proctor or a non-resident member of the College’s faculty or administration.

Your first opportunity to meet your academic adviser will be over lunch on Wednesday, August 24. Your academic adviser will contact you to arrange this meeting.

On Thursday, August 25, at 8 pm all freshmen will meet with their proctors and peer advising fellows (PAFs) to review basic academic information that will be helpful in choosing courses for fall term. Please confirm the meeting place and time with your proctor.

After your initial meetings with your academic adviser, proctor, and PAF, and prior to the start of classes, you will need to arrange an individual appointment with your academic adviser to discuss your intellectual and personal interests. Suggested times for these meetings are included in the “Daily Listings;” please be sure to confirm your own specific meeting place and time with your academic adviser.

Throughout Opening Days, you will also have the opportunity to consult with faculty members about courses that interest you or about concentrations you may be considering. From presentations on the purpose of a liberal arts education to academic fairs focusing on the study of the Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences, Life Sciences, and Engineering and Applied Sciences at Harvard, you will be introduced to compelling issues and questions that will engage you for the next four years. See the “Daily Listings” for more information on the various advising events during Opening Days.
Extended Orientation

It is our hope that your first year at Harvard will be an exciting, challenging, and safe experience. To better prepare you for some of the choices you may face and situations you may encounter, all students are required to participate in two workshops. These workshops are designed to give you a chance to talk with your peers and upperclass students about two important issues: consent, sex, and gender-based violence; and alcohol and other substances. The workshops are highly interactive and build upon earlier programs addressing both topics (Harvard Proof and Speak About It). During the workshops, you will learn about the resources provided to you by the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (OSAPR) and the Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Services (AODS), and will meet student leaders from both groups. These workshops are mandatory. Your proctor will tell you the date, times, and locations for the workshops for your entryway.

International Students

All international students must report with their passports and visa documents to the Harvard International Office (HIO), Room 864, Smith Campus Center, as soon as possible after arrival in Cambridge and no later than 30 days after the start date on their I-20 immigration document. This requirement does not apply to U.S. permanent residents or dual citizens with U.S. citizenship. Participants in the Freshman International Program (FIP) will have had the opportunity to complete HIO registration during FIP both in person and electronically.

Note that international freshmen who did not participate in FIP are expected to attend the orientation for international students on Thursday, August 25 in Straus Common Room.

Advanced Standing

If you completed a series of college-level examinations in high school (e.g. AP tests, IB exams, A-levels), you may be eligible for Advanced Standing. Students interested in Advanced Standing will need to submit their credentials through official channels. If you are eligible for Advanced Standing, your status will be indicated in the Reports and Documents section of my.harvard.edu.

For questions about Advanced Standing visit the Office of Undergraduate Education website (ouc.fas.harvard.edu); to meet with an adviser, contact Noël Bisson, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education, or Anne Marie Sousa, Director of Academic Projects, at oue@fas.harvard.edu.
DAILY LISTINGS

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Tuesday, August 23

ONLINE CHECK-IN REMINDER
All freshmen must visit my.harvard.edu to check in by 11:59 pm on Tuesday, August 30.

EXPOS 10 NOTIFICATION
The Writing Program will email students with their Expos 10 recommendation. The recommendation will also be available in students’ my.harvard portal.

MOVE IN!
Rooms are ready for occupancy at 8 am. You may not claim a permanent space in the suite until all suitemates have arrived. Student meal service will begin in Annenberg Hall with dinner.

MAIL AND PACKAGE PICK-UP
You may pick up your boxes and packages from the Harvard Yard Mail Center. A photo ID is required to claim packages. Room 102, Science Center.

MEDICAL RECORDS ASSISTANCE
The Medical Records department at Harvard University Health Services will be open every day this week to accept medical forms (including immunization records) and assist families of entering students. HUHS, Sixth Floor, 75 Mt. Auburn Street, Smith Campus Center.

COMPUTING INFORMATION BOOTH
Stop by the booth in the Science Center Atrium to get answers and advice related to computing and technology. Science Center Atrium.

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS
If you were not able to receive your immunizations before arriving on campus, stop by HUHS to receive required immunizations. Associated fees range from $65 to $195 depending on the immunization. HUHS, Monks Library, Second Floor, 75 Mt. Auburn Street, Smith Campus Center.

CRIMSON KEY HISTORICAL TOUR
Join us for an hour-long tour highlighting the history of Harvard, from its inception in 1636 to the present, brought to you by Harvard’s own Crimson Key Society. This hour-long tour repeats again at 1 pm and 2 pm. Meet at the plaza tent outside the Science Center.
4:15-5:15 pm
AFTERNOON FITNESS FUN RUN
De-stress on move-in day through community running, which gets your endorphins going and provides the chance to meet more people! Pace and route TBD. We’ll probably divide into smaller pace and distance groups if enough people show up who know their way around. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. Meet at the John Harvard statue.

5-7:15 pm
DINNER
Get together with your roommates or members of your entryway for your first meal at Harvard! Hours for all meals offered in Annenberg Dining Hall can be found in this booklet on page 32, under “Resources and Information.” Family members are welcome to eat dinner at Annenberg for a fee. Annenberg Dining Hall, Memorial Hall.

WELCOME TO THE COMMUNITY
Your entryway, your dorm, and the entire Class of 2020 will become important communities for you. We believe that what makes these communities stronger is a shared commitment to integrity, respect, and compassion. Join the rest of your Yard and your Resident Dean of Freshmen to begin the conversation about the kind of community you want to have at Harvard. In addition to meeting your Dean, you’ll be introduced to proctors, physicians from Harvard University Health Services, officers from Harvard University Police Department, and staff from the Title IX office, all of whom are deeply committed to keeping you and our community healthy and safe.

7 pm Ivy Yard Sanders Theatre
7 pm Oak Yard Science Center Hall B
8:15 pm Crimson Yard Science Center Hall B
8:15 pm Elm Yard Sanders Theatre

MEET YOUR ENTRYWAY!
This is your first chance to meet your entryway mates, proctor, and peer advising fellows (PAFs), and to relax after a long day of unpacking. Your proctor and PAFs will share tips that will help you make sense of all the Harvard lingo, upcoming orientation events, and things you need to know to get off to a good start. Be sure to pick up your dorm t-shirt! Confirm the meeting time and location with your proctor.

Wednesday, August 24
7:45-9 am
CLASS OF 2020 CAMPUS JOGGING TOUR
Start today with health and fitness in mind! Join us for a leisurely trot around the larger Harvard campus (we’ll jog by five of Harvard’s graduate schools!) and surrounding communities. Our pace will be about 10 minutes per mile, and we’ll do about a 4.7-mile loop. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. Meet at the John Harvard statue.
BARRE HARVARD
8-8:55 am
Barre workouts are one of the hottest trends, delivering incredible body-changing results with a low impact workout that is approachable for all fitness levels and ages. Barre Harvard is a combination of yoga, pilates, strength training, and ballet. Class begins center floor, then moves to the ballet barre for the signature “standing legs series” followed by short segments of upper body and core work. We’ll utilize traditional pulsing as well as a variety of ranges of motion to tone and lengthen the muscles of your entire body. Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center (“the MAC”), 39 Holyoke Street.

EXPOS 10 ADVISING BEGINS
9 am-12 pm
All students recommended for Expos 10 must meet with an Expos faculty member to discuss course placement. Sign up for advising sessions at the Harvard College Writing Program Office, 1 Bow Street.

LIBERAL EDUCATION: A USER’S GUIDE
9:30-10:45 am
How will your college experience change you?
Three Harvard professors – Mahzarin Banaji (Psychology), Scott Edwards (OEB), and Jill Lepore (History) – will take part in a moderated conversation about the goals of a liberal education; how to get the most out of your Harvard experience; and how college can foster your intellectual, personal, and social transformation. You will also be invited to put your own questions to the faculty panelists. 9:30-10:45 am, Ivy and Oak Yards; 11:15 am-12:30 pm, Crimson and Elm Yards. Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall.

CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR
11 am-12 pm
Join the Crimson Key Society for an hour-long tour designed to orient new students to Harvard’s campus and Harvard Square. From upperclassmen houses and social spaces to University Health Services and local eateries, students will get the inside scoop! Come learn all of the Harvard lingo. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

LUNCH MEETING WITH YOUR ADVISERS
12:30-1:30 pm
This informal lunch is an opportunity for you to get to know your academic adviser and the other members of your advising group. Your adviser will also arrange another time to meet with you individually during Opening Days to discuss your classes, extracurricular interests, and goals for the year. Time has been set aside on Thursday, August 25, 9 am-1:30 pm and 4-5 pm, and Monday, August 29, 9 am-3 pm for individual advising meetings. Contact your adviser if you need to find an alternative time. Annenberg Dining Hall.

GREEN TOUR OF HARVARD YARD
2-2:30 pm
You know Harvard is one of the best schools in the world, but did you know it’s also one of the greenest? Come on a walking tour with members of the University’s Office for Sustainability to learn why Harvard is consistently ranked first on the Princeton Review’s Green School list. Meet at the John Harvard statue.
3-5 pm  **CREATING COMMUNITY**  
Meet with your entryway and proctor to talk about the principles you value in your community. The College’s policies and expectations of all students will also be shared and discussed. **Confirm the meeting location with your proctor.**

5:15 pm  **“HARVARD ON THE MOVE” RUN**  
Join “Harvard on the Move” (HOTM) to run with other members of the Harvard community! Routes, distances, and paces vary. **Meet on the front steps of the Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.**

7 & 9 pm  **SPEAK ABOUT IT!**  
*Speak About It!* is a performance about sex, consent, boundaries, and healthy relationships. This entertaining, educational, and empowering show uses true stories to illustrate what healthy and consensual sex can and should look like, and how to spark dialogue about it. You’ll be introduced to the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (OSAPR) and will learn about other helpful campus resources. **Consult your proctor for meeting time and place.**

10 pm  **DORM SOCIALS**  
Meet classmates from other entryways and get to know your dorm mates over fun activities and tasty treats. Hosted by the Peer Advising Fellows (PAFs). **Confirm the location with your PAF.**

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**Thursday, August 25**

8-8:55 am  **MINDFUL VINYASA YOGA**  
A well-rounded, thoughtful yoga class for all levels of experience and ability. Inspired by the principles of flow, we will move with the breath, developing strength, flexibility, and an easeful mindset along the way. Sequences will be geared toward those present. A variety of options are given and students are encouraged to develop a sense of what best suits their individual needs throughout class. A yoga mat is recommended but not required, and please dress in layers. **Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.**

8-8:55 am  **INDOOR CYCLING**  
Dynamic cardio training set to motivating music. Experience a variety of drills, intervals, and team challenges. Climb, sprint, and let the energy inspire you. Participants are encouraged to work at their own level. A water bottle is required. Cycling shoes, cross-trainers, or court shoes are recommended. **Limited to first 24 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.**

8-9 am  **MORNING FITNESS FUN RUN**  
Pace and route TBD. We’ll probably divide into smaller pace and distance groups. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. **Meet at the John Harvard statue.**

9 am-1:30 pm  **INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS**  
Meet one-on-one with your freshman academic adviser to discuss your placement test results, your goals for the year, and your fall term course choices. **By appointment.**
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<td><strong>HARVARD COLLEGE FACULTY LECTURE ON HONOR AND INTEGRITY</strong> As the Class of 2020 joins the academic community at Harvard, you will learn about the Harvard College Honor Code and the importance of doing your work with integrity.</td>
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<td><strong>CRIMSON KEY WOMEN’S HISTORY TOUR</strong> Join the Crimson Key Society for a tour that branches into both the Yard and the former Radcliffe campus, tracking the progression of women at Harvard. Learn about the history of the two schools and how they eventually became one. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.</td>
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<td><strong>BRIEF ORIENTATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS</strong> International students who did not participate in the First-Year International Program (FIP) are required to attend. Topics discussed at the orientation will include important immigration and visa requirements, and transition issues, both social and academic. Free lunch provided. Straus Common Room.</td>
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<td>2-3:30 pm</td>
<td><strong>CONVERSATIONS WITH FACULTY ON THE LIBERAL ARTS</strong> What is a Harvard education good for besides a successful career? How can your four years at Harvard develop both your mind and your character? How can an education help you achieve personal fulfillment and prepare you to make contributions to society? Is there such a thing as useless knowledge? Join your entryway for a seminar-style conversation with faculty on the meaning of a Harvard liberal arts and sciences education. The conversation will be based on readings you received earlier in the summer. Confirm location with your proctor.</td>
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4-5 pm  **CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDINGS TOUR**
Join the Crimson Key Society for an hour-long tour designed to orient new students to all of Harvard’s academic buildings. Some classroom buildings, like Harvard Hall, are easy to find. But do you know where the Geological Labs are? How about CGIS? Come learn about these, and more, in preparation for your first course selection week! *Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.*

4-5 pm  **A TASTE OF HARVARD ACADEMICS**
Marcyliena Morgan, Professor of African and African American Studies, will give the prestigious annual Ann Radcliffe Trust lecture. Professor Morgan researches urban speech communities, the African Diaspora, and issues related to language, culture, and identity. She also founded the Hip hop Archive at the W.E.B. DuBois Institute at Harvard. Come meet and learn from Professor Morgan, one of Harvard’s distinguished scholars. Co-sponsored by the Harvard College Women’s Center and the Freshman Dean’s Office. *Emerson Hall 210.*

5-7 pm  **HAPPY. HEALTHY. HARVARD.**
Want to know how to sustain happiness at Harvard? Come check out all the fun and free ways to be happy and healthy during college. Don’t miss the games and giveaways! *Outside Annenberg Dining Hall.*

8-10 pm  **ACADEMIC ESSENTIALS**
After a few days of orienting to life at Harvard, you probably have questions about how to approach choosing your courses. Proctors and PAFs will help clarify what you need to know and should be thinking about for your first semester. You’ll also learn how to manage difficulties or challenges that may occur along the way. *Confirm the meeting location with your proctor.*

10 pm-12 am  **CRAFT YOUR FUN**
Feeling overwhelmed by Opening Days? Come relax with coloring books, puzzles, board games, and various craft stations. Decorate and eat delicious cupcakes, while enjoying the soothing tunes of timeless hits. *Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.*

10 pm-1 am  **THE SOUND OF HARVARD**
Come enjoy live musical performances from Harvard’s favorite student bands and individual performers! Dance with your friends, eat yummy snacks, and let your inner rock star shine. *Cambridge Queen’s Head, Memorial Hall.*

**Friday, August 26**

**FRESHMAN SEMINAR APPLICATIONS DUE** by 8 am. Apply online at [freshmanseminars.college.harvard.edu](http://freshmanseminars.college.harvard.edu).

8-8:55 am  **ZUMBA®**
Zumba combines high energy and motivating music with unique moves and combinations that allow participants to dance away their worries. This class utilizes interval training to maximize caloric output, fat burning, and total body toning. Ditch the workout, join the party! *Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.*
ON-CAMPUS PLACEMENT EXAMS
Students who are interested in studying music or a language for which an online placement exam was not offered during the summer, please visit placement-info.fas.harvard.edu for information about when on-campus exams will be administered. Most exams will be given 9 am-12 pm today. Students are also encouraged to be in touch directly with the appropriate department to get more information about taking placement exams or enrolling in a course.

EXPOS 10 ADVISING CONTINUES
1 Bow Street.

PATHWAYS INTO ARTS & HUMANITIES, ENGINEERING, SCIENCES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Representatives of concentrations in each of Harvard’s four main academic divisions will help you think about related fields of study (e.g., Harvard’s many life sciences options) and how to pursue them. Advice will also be offered on gateway courses that can be a helpful starting point for students looking to explore subjects more broadly. Science Center.

Engineering Hall A
Social Sciences Hall B
Sciences Hall C
Arts & Humanities Hall D
Each division will repeat their presentation so you may attend two sessions.

ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE ADVISING FAIR
Come learn more about our concentrations and introductory courses. Enjoy a catered lunch as you meet the Directors and Assistant Directors of Undergraduate Studies for Applied Math, Biomedical Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Engineering Sciences, Environmental Science and Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering. There will be upperclass students, faculty, and projects from many of our courses in applied mathematics, computer science, and engineering. Lobby of Maxwell Dworkin, 29 Oxford Street.

FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS
Students interested in participating in the Freshman Talent Show on Tuesday, August 30, should prepare a five- to seven-minute performance highlighting your skills (all talents accepted). A piano will be available. Visit freshmanweek.com to sign up for an audition slot. Email freshtalent2020@gmail.com if you have any questions. Holden Chapel.

HOW TO HARVARD
Essential advice and practical tips on how to navigate your academic life at Harvard, including: how to choose courses and create a balanced course load, how to study smart (and find assistance when you need it), and how to transition to college-level writing, math, and science.
CHOOSING YOUR COURSES: FROM EXPLORING TO ENROLLING

As you consider your many options, come learn how to use Harvard’s online tools to explore course offerings, learn more about the courses you’re considering, and enroll in classes. Peer Advising Fellows and staff of the Advising Programs Office will explain and demonstrate resources for exploring and selecting courses, including the online shopping tool, Q Guide course evaluations, course registration, and sectioning tools. Don’t miss this very helpful session!

Science Center Hall B.

STRATEGIES FOR SMART STUDYING

Harvard coursework is considerably more challenging than what most students experienced in high school. This hands-on workshop introduces you to some essential reading and study strategies for managing the volume and complexity of Harvard College work. Being smart is a start; this workshop takes you beyond smart to strategic!

Science Center Hall B.

MAKING THE TRANSITION TO COLLEGE WRITING

You know that all freshmen will take expository writing this year, but you may not know how to approach the writing assignments you’ll get in Expos and your other courses, how to section for an Expos course, or how to decide whether to start with Expos 10 or Expos 20. Come hear advice from Writing Program faculty and Writing Center tutors about writing at Harvard – in Expos and beyond.

Science Center Hall B.

APPROACHES TO PROBLEM SETS

What is a problem set? Can you work on it with others? What do you do if you can’t get the answer? Problem sets are one of the most common assignments, particularly in classes in the sciences (biology, chemistry, physics), quantitative fields (math, engineering, computer science) and social sciences (economics). Faculty and students will offer strategies for successfully completing problem sets and avoiding common pitfalls.

Science Center Hall B.

AFTERNOON FITNESS FUN RUN

Pace and route TBD. We’ll probably divide into smaller pace and distance groups. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. Meet at the John Harvard statue.

HARVARD HILLEL

Join the Hillel community for an hors d’oeuvres reception, services, and our annual Shabbat Dinner Under the Stars. Come to one, two, or all three parts of the evening! Check out the entire Hillel Freshman Kickoff Week calendar at hillel.harvard.edu. 52 Mt. Auburn Street.

5:45 pm Community Sunset Reception, Courtyard
6:15 pm Reform Shabbat Services, Rabb Hall
6:30 pm Conservative Services, Smith Hall
7:00 pm Orthodox Services, Beren Hall
7:45 pm Shabbat (Jewish Sabbath) Dinner Under the Stars, Hillel Courtyard.
Rain location: Hillel Dining Hall
CHABAD HOUSE
Chabad at Harvard invites the Class of 2020, and all students on campus, to experience the sweetness of Shabbat with great cuisine and family warmth. Join us for all of the events below, or stop by any time! For more information, visit chabadharvard.org. 38 Banks Street.

6-7 pm  Shabbat Hour Reception
7:15 pm  Shabbat Services
7:45 pm  Gourmet Shabbat Dinner

SOCIALS AT THE SOCH
Come to the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH – pronounced “sock”) and join in any of the following activities! You may choose to ride the shuttle to the Quad, which departs from the Boylston Gate on Massachusetts Avenue, approximately every 20 minutes. Sponsored by the Crimson Key Society and the SOCH. 59 Shepard Street.

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<td>Karaoke: Show off your voice and jam to all of your sing-along favorites. SOCH Performance Hall, Second Floor.</td>
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Saturday, August 27

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS may be submitted 10 am-3 pm at the Expository Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street. For all information about Expos, please see the Harvard College Writing Program website at writingprogram.fas.harvard.edu.
**10 am - 8 pm**

**EXTENDED ORIENTATION**
Your proctor will tell you the time, date, and location for your extended orientation workshops. You must resolve any conflicts so that you can attend the workshops with your entryway.

**11 am - 11:55 am**

**INDOOR CYCLING**
Dynamic cardio training set to motivating music. Experience a variety of drills, intervals, and team challenges. Climb, sprint, and let the energy inspire you. Participants are encouraged to work at their own level. A water bottle is required. Cycling shoes, cross-trainers, or court shoes are recommended. Limited to first 24 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

**11:15 am - 12:10 pm**

**KICK & CORE**
A total-body cardiovascular workout incorporating basic punches, kicks, jumping jacks, and many other boxing combinations, followed by strength exercises to target your core. These classes are packed with energy and are a really fun way to relieve stress! Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

**12-1 pm**

**CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDINGS TOUR**
See page 11 for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

**12-4 pm**

**LANGUAGE VERIFICATION EXAMS**
If you are eligible to fulfill the foreign language requirement based on your score on one of the on-line foreign language placement exams, you will have already received an email inviting you to schedule a verification exam either today or Sunday, August 28. Advanced sign-up is required. Check your email for details. Language Resource Center, Lamont Library.

**1-2 pm**

**CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR**
See page eight for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

**1-3 pm**

**SIXTH ANNUAL FRESHMAN INTRAMURAL FIELD AND SPIRIT DAY**
Think your dorm is the best? Show your spirit during an afternoon of fun field day games including necking-the-orange, balloon stomp, sponge relay, and dorm versus dorm tug-of-war. A tradition in its sixth year, Field and Spirit Day is a chance to get to know people both in your dorm and entryway, learn more about the Intramural Program, and compete for the spirit award. To capture the latter, wear your dorm t-shirt and be loud (face paint, dorm-wide cheers, and other forms of spirit encouraged!). Rain date is September 3, same location and time. Tercentenary Theatre.

**7 & 9 pm**

**FIRST-YEAR ARTS PROGRAM (FAP) PAGEANT**
Showcasing the completely original artistic creations of the FAP Class of 2020. Tickets (free, but limited) are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the door. Space will be limited, so arrive early! Farkas Hall, 10–12 Holyoke Street.
8–10 pm  CINEMA 1636 OUTDOOR SCREENING OF LEGALLY BLONDE
Please join us as we salute the end of the summer and the start of the school year with *Legally Blonde*, a hilarious Harvard favorite, presented on a giant outdoor screen! There will also be free popcorn and cotton candy! Hosted by the College Events Board and the Office of Student Life. Widener steps, Tercentenary Theatre. Rain Location: Science Center Hall B.

10 pm–1 am  FIRST CHANCE DANCE
Come to the Northwest Lab Building to get down for the first time with the entire class of 2020! Live DJ, great venue, fun atmosphere. Get there early because you won’t want to miss this! Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. Northwest Labs, 52 Oxford Street.

**Sunday, August 28**

10 am  “HARVARD ON THE MOVE” RUN
Join “Harvard on the Move” (HOTM) to run with other members of the Harvard community! Routes, distances, and paces vary. Meet on the front steps of the Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

10 am–12 pm  FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS
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10:30–11:25 am  ZUMBA®
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**COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**
These informal events offer you a chance to connect with some of the religious and spiritual communities and groups at Harvard. A full list of all the religious communities and chaplaincies can be found in the “Resources and Information” section on pages 34–35 of this book. Many of the groups will also be at the Student Activities Fair on Friday, September 2.

10:30–11:30 am  SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHAPLAINCY
Welcome to Harvard! Come sample the best of Boston’s breakfast pastries (from Chinese pork buns to sticky buns), meet our chaplains, and talk with students and alumni about Christian life at Harvard, finding a fellowship on campus, and going to church in the area. Boylston 105.

10:30 am–1:30 pm  CRU CHAPLAINCY
Join our annual cookout for burgers and snacks. Come meet new people, learn more about Christian Impact and Athletes in Action at Harvard, and enjoy some good food and fun with members of this dynamic Christian community! All are welcome. harvardci.com. Annenberg West Lawn.
11 am-12:30 pm  
**HUMANIST CHAPLAINCY**  
Come learn what the Humanist Hub is all about! We will host a brief conversation about what we do and discuss an example of our work that treats *Harry Potter* as a sacred text. Light refreshments will be served. humanisthub.org. Humanist Hub, 30 John F. Kennedy Street, Fourth Floor.

11 am-1 pm  
**CHABAD HOUSE**  
Join Chabad for bagels, lox, and a full spread brunch, as we welcome the class of 2020! Learn about Chabad, the soul of Jewish life on campus, and the amazing Jewish student community. chabadharvard.org. Chabad House, 38 Banks Street.

11 am-1 pm  
**UNITED METHODIST CHAPLAINCY AT HARVARD**  
Join us at a welcome brunch (at about 12:15 pm), immediately following worship at 11 am at Harvard-Epworth United Methodist Church. Come and meet other young adults and the rest of the congregation, and share in this joyful, progressive, and inclusive community. he-umc.org. Harvard-Epworth United Methodist Church, 1555 Massachusetts Avenue.

12-2 pm  
**INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
InterVarsity is a national movement of students who want to know God and make God known, with three interdependent ministries at Harvard College: Asian-American Christian Fellowship (AACF), Harvard-Radcliffe Christian Fellowship (HRCF), and Soulfood Christian Fellowship. Connect with our upperclassmen, chaplains, and staff, and learn more about getting involved! Harvard Hall 104.

12-2 pm  
**LUTHERAN CHAPLAINCY**  
BBQ on Stoop 66. Meet, eat, make friends, pet a pug, play Kubb, sign up for fall New Hampshire retreat, discover best-kept secret study and hangout space, and learn about Harvard Square Homeless Shelter volunteer opportunities. unilu.org. 66 Winthrop Street.

12-2 pm  
**PRESbyterian Church in America (Reformed University Fellowship)**  
Come learn more about Christian fellowship that will equip you for spiritual growth at Harvard and toward an engaged faith beyond! harvardruf.org. Phillips Brooks House, Parlor Room.

12:30-2 pm  
**THE MEMORIAL CHURCH**  
Be a part of the #spaceofgrace! Come meet our unique and welcoming community in the heart of Harvard Yard — we’re excited to meet you and you may be surprised. As we like to say, “Everyone may not belong to MemChurch but MemChurch belongs to everyone.” Join us for brunch, make new friends, discover new conversations. memorialchurch.harvard.edu. The porch of the Memorial Church (Tercentenary Theater).
12-1 pm **CRIMSON KEY HISTORICAL TOUR**
See page six for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

12-4 pm **LANGUAGE VERIFICATION EXAMS**
See page 15 for details. Language Resource Center, Lamont Library.

12-6 pm **EXTENDED ORIENTATION**
Your proctor will tell you the time, date, and location for your extended orientation workshops. You must resolve any conflicts so you can attend the workshops with your entryway.

1-3 pm **PLAZA AND CHILL**
Come out and enjoy what the Science Center plaza has to offer. After lunch, hang out and enjoy the beautiful weather and some sweet treats while also catching some rays, playing lawn games, and getting to know the Class of 2020. Hosted by Crimson Key Society. Science Center Plaza.

1-2:30 pm **HOST FAMILY PROGRAM RECEPTION**
This festive event is for participants in the Host Family Program to connect with their hosts and learn about each other. Refreshments will be served! Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.

2-3 pm **CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR**
See page eight for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

3-4 pm **CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDINGS TOUR**
See page 11 for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

3-4 pm **FRESHMAN CREW INTEREST MEETING**
Meetings for all freshmen (men and women) interested in trying out for the Crew program. Meetings to be held in:

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4-5 pm **WOMEN’S RUGBY INTEREST MEETING**
Meeting for freshmen women interested in trying out for the Women’s Rugby varsity team. Science Center Hall D.

8 & 10 pm **LOVE STORY**
Watch *Love Story*, the Oscar-winning portrayal of the ultimate romance between a Harvard hockey player and a Radcliffe musician who fall in love. Provided with Crimson Key Society’s own live and witty commentary. This event reminds us all not to take Harvard too seriously. Don’t miss out on this Opening Days tradition! Tickets are free and space is limited, but the experience is priceless. Science Center Hall B.
Monday, August 29

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted **9:30 am-4 pm** at the Expository Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street.

8-8:45 am

**SHOCKWAVE® TOTAL BODY CIRCUIT TRAINING**
Cross training at its best! This circuit challenge combines high-intensity, short-burst rowing intervals with dynamic, functional strength stations for legs, core, and arms. Sculpt and transform your body while your teammates cheer. Minimal time, max effort, and extreme results. It doesn’t get better than this! **Limited to first 60 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.**

9 am-3 pm

**INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS**
Meet one-on-one with your freshman academic adviser to discuss your placement test results, goals for the year, and fall term course choices. **By appointment.**

9-9:35 am

**MAKING SENSE OF YOUR MATH PLACEMENT SCORE**
First-year students who are planning to enroll in a math course this fall and wonder how to get math placement advice should attend this very short session. We will help you make sense of your math placement score with regards to choosing courses. You will get lots of information about the advising resources that are available to you and meet many of the course heads of the freshman-level courses. **Science Center Hall B.**

9:45-11 am

**SHOULD I TAKE MATH 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 55, OR AM 21?**
Open discussion for students who are unsure about which mathematics course numbered 18 or greater to take. A short description of the various courses will be presented at the outset, and then all questions from the audience about these math courses (and other mathematics courses) will be answered. **Science Center Hall B.**

10 am-1 pm

**FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**
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11:15 am-12:15 pm

**PREPARING FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL**
Do you think you might apply to medical (or vet or dental) school? Science faculty and premedical advisers will discuss which courses meet premed requirements as well as helpful resources for students considering a medical career. **Science Center Hall B.**

1-3 pm

**LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE: LAMONT AND BEYOND**
Food, fun, prizes, and tours! Come to Lamont Library, the 24-hour undergraduate hub, and learn about the many resources and services available to you in the Harvard Library. **Lamont Library, Harvard Yard.**
GET CONNECTED! OPEN HOUSES FOR COLLEGE RESOURCES AND SERVICES
Harvard College has incredible resources and services to support you during your college years. Our goal is to connect you with the people and programs that will be interesting and helpful to you. At the open houses listed below, you can learn important information about academic help and counseling services, study abroad, career services, financial aid, and wellness. Collect a Harvard passport at the first open house you visit and get it stamped at every location. Students who visit every open house will be entered into a drawing for great prizes.

1-3 pm

BUREAU OF STUDY COUNSEL (BSC)
The BSC is a center for Harvard students’ academic and personal development. The BSC can help you make challenging choices about your time and priorities; approach your intellectual and creative work with strategy, skill, and spirit; explore who you are, where you have come from, and what matters to you; develop a sense of voice and authority in your scholarship, leadership, and life; and discover what leaves you feeling enlivened and engaged. Come to the BSC open house to meet the staff and learn about BSC resources, including one-on-one conversations with an academic counselor; workshops on topics like perfectionism, procrastination, and speaking up in class; peer tutoring; the Harvard Course in Reading and Study Strategies; and the Cranium Corner of study strategy materials. (Or just come to play with the Legos in the reception area!) Light refreshments will be served. 5 Linden Street.

CENTER FOR WELLNESS
Stop by the Center for Wellness and receive a complimentary chair massage! The Center for Wellness offers individual massage, acupuncture, and chair massage appointments. We also work with the FDO to offer yoga classes, special brain breaks, and other health promotion and stress-relieving activities throughout the year. 114 Mt. Auburn Street, Seventh Floor.

GRIFFIN FINANCIAL AID OFFICE
Financial knowledge, for all students, is important to us. Stop by our office to learn about what financial resources and education are available to you. You may have questions regarding financial literacy topics such as budgeting your semester, understanding credit, filing taxes, or investing in your future. Or you may be interested in financial aid topics such as understanding your work-study funding, financial aid available for study abroad, or the options available to you if you choose to borrow a loan. Whatever questions you may have, our staff is looking forward to meeting you and answering them. 86 Brattle Street.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES (OCS)
Discover how the Office of Career Services can help you learn about internships, research, international opportunities, and premedical advising. Meet our great team of advisers. Learn about our fabulous fall programs and pick up a timeline for freshmen. In addition, talk with advisers from the Student Employment Office (SEO) to learn about working during the semester on campus. Refreshments served. 54 Dunster Street.
OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION (OIE)

Harvard considers the experience of studying and living in a foreign culture to be a vital part of a transformative Harvard undergraduate education. It is never too early to make a plan for your term abroad! Come see us during your freshman year, so you can learn about term-time and summer study abroad, and how it will fit in with your time at Harvard. The OIE is the hub for international experiences, and our staff and peer advisers will speak with you about the variety of options available. Learn about funding for summer study abroad, and how financial aid covers term-time study abroad. Be proactive, and plan your study abroad experience today! 77 Dunster Street, First Floor.

ACADEMIC FAIRS

Explore Harvard’s many fields of study. Representatives of the 49 concentrations and the foreign language programs will be on hand to answer your questions and to offer guidance on course selection. To prepare for the fairs, be sure to read about the various concentrations in the print and online versions of the 49 Book (concentrations.fas.harvard.edu)! Science Center Atrium and Plaza Tent.

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Classics, Comparative Literature, East Asian Studies, English, Folklore and Mythology, Germanic Languages and Literatures, History and Literature, History of Art and Architecture, Linguistics, Music, Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Philosophy, Comparative Study of Religion, Romance Languages and Literatures, Slavic Languages and Literatures, South Asian Studies, Theater, Dance, and Media, and Visual and Environmental Studies. Science Center Plaza Tent.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES


MATH, ENGINEERING, AND THE SCIENCES


SOCIAL SCIENCES

6–10 pm  EXTENDED ORIENTATION
Your proctor will tell you the time, date, and location for your extended orientation workshops. You must resolve any conflicts so you can attend the workshops with your entryway.

7 pm  DEAN KHURANA’S INSTAGRAM SCAVENGER HUNT
Bond with your friends and explore Harvard with Instagram clues from Dean Khurana (@deankhurana)! Tag your pictures according to the rules of the hunt, and get a chance to win awesome prizes. Come with a prepared team of friends, roommates, and Annenberg buddies, or create a team on the spot. At least one member of your team must have an Instagram account. Meet on the steps of Widener Library.

7 pm  WOMEN’S SOCCER VS ARMY

10 pm–1 am  BE LASER-DARY!
Come play late–night laser tag in the vast space of the Old Yard, enjoy life–sized outdoor games and activities, and make fluorescent art with your hands. Refreshments will be served! Tercentenary Theatre.

Tuesday, August 30

ACCEPT/DECLINE DEADLINE FOR FRESHMAN SEMINARS BY 9 AM
EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted from 11:30 am–1 pm at the Expository Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street. This is the final day to submit a term change request.

8–8:55 am  MAT PILATES
A 55–minute strength building class that uses your own body weight to build core strength, balance, and good posture. A yoga mat is recommended but not required, and please dress in layers. Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

9:30–11 am  COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS
Who am I? How do I relate to others? What experiences, beliefs, values, and questions am I bringing with me to college? What is likely to be new for me? How might my peers answer these same questions? How might their perspectives eventually impact mine? Join your entryway for a facilitated conversation on identity, and what it means to be members of a community as diverse as ours. Confirm the location with your proctor.

GET INVOLVED!
OPEN HOUSES FOR STUDENT LIFE
Student life at Harvard is full of opportunities to explore your identity, try something new, grow as an individual and consider how to make the world a better place. At the open houses listed below, you can gather valuable information about the arts, BGLTQ student life, public service, women and gender, intercultural and race relations, and student activities. Collect your Harvard passport at the first open house you visit and get it stamped at every location. Students who visit every open house will be entered into a drawing for great prizes. Learn your way around the Yard and Harvard Square while you visit any or all of the open houses!
11:15 am-1 pm

HARVARD COLLEGE WOMEN’S CENTER
All students are welcome! Drop in for refreshments and games, meet our staff and undergraduate interns, and learn about Women's Center programming. Designed both for student meetings and relaxation, the Women’s Center’s lounge, kitchen, and conference room are available for student use. The Center offers a lounge area, free coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, free safe-sex supplies, and access to four computer workstations with low-cost print, copy, and fax.

The mission of the Harvard College Women’s Center is to promote gender equity by raising awareness of women’s and gender issues, developing women’s leadership, and celebrating women who challenge, motivate, and inspire. In alignment with these goals, we centralize resources and offer student-focused programming to strengthen individuals and student organizations. The Women’s Center is committed to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students that encourages dialogue and diversity.

Canaday Hall Basement, B Entry.

HARVARD COLLEGE OFFICE OF BISEXUAL, GAY, LESBIAN, TRANSGENDER, QUEER, AND QUESTIONING (BGLTQ) STUDENT LIFE
The Harvard College Office of BGLTQ Student Life provides support, resources, and leadership development for bisexual, gay, lesbian, transgender, queer, and questioning students. Through collaboration with students and student organizations, the office creates opportunities for fellowship, thoughtful dialogue, and the pursuit of knowledge. We seek to foster a safer, more diverse and inclusive campus by educating and engaging the Harvard community about the multiplicity of sexual and gender identities. Allies are highly encouraged to stop by, participate in events, and become vital parts of the office. All are welcome.

7 Linden Street, Second Floor.

THE HARVARD FOUNDATION FOR INTERCULTURAL AND RACE RELATIONS
In 1981, the President and Deans of Harvard University established the Harvard Foundation, an intercultural, interethnic, and interreligious agency. Its purpose is to work with undergraduate students of all backgrounds to improve intercultural understanding on campus through scholarly programs and cultural celebrations, and to recognize the contributions of both national and international figures whose works and deeds have served to improve the quality of our collective life. The Harvard Foundation works with over 70 cultural and ethnic student groups on campus to support their initiatives related to improving race relations. Student organizations receive grant money to fund selected activities as part of the Foundation’s grant support program. All first-year students and their families are welcome to visit our office.

Basement of Thayer Hall, Room 2.
OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE
The Office of Student Life serves as a hub of involvement on campus, supporting nearly 400 student organizations as well as campus-wide events and traditions. Each fall, we coordinate the Student Activities Fair, highlighting the wide array of dynamic activities Harvard College has to offer. Our office also works closely with the College Events Board to host large-scale events and traditions, including the fall Welcome Back event and Yardfest in the spring. We also facilitate other leadership development opportunities throughout the year. Stop by the office during the open house and meet our staff, grab a map of the upcoming activities fair, and learn about student-initiated programming, particularly Late Night @ Harvard! University Hall, Ground Floor South.

OFFICE FOR THE ARTS
The Office for the Arts at Harvard (OFA) is a central resource for students interested in making art of any kind. Meet our staff at the open house, help yourself to a free t-shirt and refreshments, and learn about the OFA’s many sources of support, including artist project grants, fellowships for promising student artists, and subsidies for music lessons. Check out the OFA’s affiliated music ensembles, including the Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra, Holden Choirs, Kuumba Singers, Pops Orchestra, Baroque Chamber Music Ensemble, among others. Dive into the theater scene working with our production staff in campus theater venues and in the Houses. The OFA’s Dance Program offers classes at the Dance Center on Garden Street; and students work with professional ceramists and sculptors sponsored by our Ceramics Program in a state-of-the-art studio in Allston. Learning from Performers, a program that brings to Harvard some of the world’s most inventive and distinguished artists working in various disciplines, presents workshops, master classes and other opportunities for these artists to work directly with you. And be sure to sign up for ARTS FIRST—Harvard’s annual four-day festival showcasing the best of student performing and visual arts activity every spring. Whatever your arts journey, let us help you realize your creative ambitions! 74 Mt. Auburn Street.

PUBLIC SERVICE OPEN HOUSE
The Phillips Brooks House Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship is the hub of public service on campus. Drop by the building anytime during this open house to meet staff and learn about opportunities such as the following: The Center for Public Interest Careers (CPIC), which provides summer internships and postgraduate fellowships for students exploring public interest careers; the Mindich Program for Engaged Scholarship (MPES), which connects student service work with academics; the Phillips Brooks House Association (PBHA), a student-led nonprofit organization with more than 80 service organizations; and the Public Service Network (PSN), which supports approximately 50 independent student-led service organizations. Information will also be available about opportunities available through the Institute of Politics (IOP) and the Office of Career Services (OCS). Phillips Brooks House Parlor Room, Harvard Yard.
FRESHMAN CONVOCATION AND CLASS PHOTO

1:15 pm CONVOCATION PROCESSION
Join your entryway, proctor, and Harvard alumni for a procession into Tercentenary Theatre. Meet outside your entryway promptly at 1:15 pm. Dressy attire is suggested. This is a great time for taking photos!

2 pm CONVOCATION
University President Drew Gilpin Faust, Edgerley Family Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences Michael D. Smith, Danoff Dean of Harvard College Rakesh Khurana, Emma Woo ’17, Alumni Association President Martin J. Grasso, Jr., Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church Reverend Jonathan L. Walton, and Dean of Freshmen Thomas A. Dingman welcome the Class of 2020 to Harvard College. This ceremony marks your official start as a member of the Harvard community and will introduce you to the history, values, and future of America’s oldest institution of higher education. Tercentenary Theatre.

3 pm PHOTO OF THE CLASS OF 2020
Join your classmates for a photo. Steps of Widener Library.

CONVOCATION RECEPTION
University President Drew Gilpin Faust and Dean of the College Rakesh Khurana invite all first-year students to a reception to celebrate the Class of 2020 and the start of the 2016–2017 academic year. Light refreshments will be served. To prevent crowding at the reception, please attend with your Yard at the time below. Old Yard.

- **Crimson**: 3:30–4 pm
- **Elm**: 3:30–4 pm
- **Ivy**: 4:4:30 pm
- **Oak**: 4:4:30 pm

In the event of inclement weather, a rain location or rain date for Convocation, the class photo, and the reception will be announced.

8 pm FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW
Come support your classmates as they reveal their hidden talents, and see some of the fascinating people that make up the Class of 2020! Tickets (free, but limited) will be available at the door. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall.

Wednesday, August 31

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES. PLEASE FOLLOW THE MONDAY SCHEDULE INSTEAD OF WEDNESDAY.

4–5:30 pm I’M FIRST: WELCOME SOCIAL FOR FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS
Come celebrate the beginning of your undergraduate journey with Harvard’s First Generation – ‘first gen’ – college student community. After opening remarks from faculty, upperclassmen will be available to discuss how to navigate the academic and social life at Harvard. Join us for great food and conversations as we welcome you into your new community. Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.
8:30-10:30 pm  THE FRESHMAN GREEN FAIR
Join the Resource Efficiency Program (REP) to see how students eat, live, and breathe green at Harvard. Sip refreshing smoothies as you chat with representatives from environmental clubs, concentrations, and groups on campus. Each booth will have a different flavor. Most importantly, all fair attendees will receive a free Green ’20 travel mug to use at brain break and cafés for the rest of the year! Annenberg Dining Hall.

Thursday, September 1

4-5 pm  BGLTQ+ IN THE YARD
Curious about what it’s like to be a BGLTQ-identified student at Harvard? Interested in engaging with and helping strengthen our BGLTQ community? Come hear first-person narratives from current students, touching upon being ‘out’ on campus, navigating family relationships, using identity labels, being a ‘good’ ally, seeking help when you need it, and more. Each narrative will be followed by open-ended Q&A. Students of all identities are welcome, especially those hoping to be supportive of their BGLTQ friends. Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.

9-11 pm  COURSE SELECTION WEEK STUDY BREAK
Course Selection Week got you confused, excited, and/or hungry? Come talk about exploring classes with all 190 Peer Advising Fellows over bowls of ice cream! Annenberg Dining Hall.

Friday, September 2

8 am-4:15 pm  PHYSICAL EXAM FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS
A physical examination conducted by Harvard University Health Services (HUHS) is required of every incoming freshman who plans to participate in a varsity or a junior varsity athletics program. This examination is a prerequisite to participation in any practice or tryout sessions, or the issuing of equipment. Freshmen who will participate in intramurals or club sports do not need this exam. It is important that participants in varsity and junior varsity sports report to the Harvard University Health Services in the Smith Campus Center for their physical exams according to the following schedule. Please use the entrance at 75 Mt. Auburn Street to enter HUHS. Historically, the wait time is shorter earlier in the day. If you have a class conflict during your scheduled time, please come during an alternate period that does not cause you to miss class. Athletes must arrive by 4:15 pm in order to be seen. All times noted are for men and women unless specified by M or W.

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12 pm **EXPOS 10 & 20 SECTIONING BEGINS**
Consult the *Guide to Expos* for details. Available online at [writingprogram.fas.harvard.edu](http://writingprogram.fas.harvard.edu) or at 1 Bow Street.

4–7 pm **STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIR AND TASTE OF BOSTON DINNER**
Leaders of nearly 400 recognized student organizations at Harvard College invite you to learn more about extracurricular and student life at the College. Groups span a wide variety of interests and passions representing academic and pre-professional, college life, creative and performing arts, cultural and racial initiatives, gender and sexuality, government and politics, health and wellness, hobbies/special interests, media and publications, peer counseling/peer education, public service, religious and spiritual, and women’s initiatives. Guidebook, a mobile app, will help you navigate the fair. Radcliffe Quadrangle and the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH), 59 Shepard Street.

Taste of Boston dinner is served on the Quad 5–7 pm. Please note that Annenberg Dining Hall will be closed.

Fair rain date: Monday, September 5, 2–4 pm.

4:30 pm **MEN’S SOCCER VS VILLANOVA**
Ohiri Field.

7 pm **WOMEN’S FIELD HOCKEY VS HOLY CROSS**
Under the lights. Harvard Field Hockey Stadium.

**LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD**
Looking for something fun? Want to meet more members of the Class of 2020? Come hang out! Everything is free and all are welcome.

8–10 pm **LMAO**
LMAO is a yearly showcase of Harvard’s premiere comedy performance groups. Featuring improv (Immediate Gratification Players, On Thin Ice), stand-up comedians (Harvard College Stand Up Comic Society), and sketch comedy (On Harvard Time), this is one of the largest comedy events of the year! Tickets (free, but limited) will be distributed at the door, not in advance. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall.
RUSH HOUR
Join the Harvard Black Men’s Forum (BMF), the Harvard Black Students Association (BSA), the Harvard-Radcliffe Chinese Students Association (HRCSA), and the Asian American Brotherhood (AAB) for the eighth annual Rush Hour Party! Kick off the school year right at one of the biggest parties of the year, and come through for a great time. Harvard College ID required for entry, +1 guest permitted. Northwest Labs, 52 Oxford Street.

Saturday, September 3

10 am–5 pm  CLASS OF 2020 DAY OF SERVICE
Don’t miss the annual First-Year Day of Service and the opportunity to demonstrate that the Class of 2020 cares about the public good! The day will begin with an orientation from Dean Khurana at 10 am and a welcome to Cambridge and Boston from community leaders. You will then participate in public service projects that will allow you to learn about and contribute to the community in which Harvard is embedded. Service projects will not require any prior knowledge or skill and will include landscaping, light construction, shelving canned food, sorting school supplies for children, etc. Lunch will be provided for your service team, and you will be back on campus by 5 pm. Science Center Plaza Tent.

You must register on the PBH website: publicservice.fas.harvard.edu/freshman-day-service. The Class of 2020 Day of Service is open to all! When registering, please make sure to note if you need accommodations for religious reasons (e.g., you observe the Sabbath) and/or have accessibility needs.

Brought to you by Phillips Brooks House: Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship with the public service offices and organizations on campus.

7:30 pm  WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL VS GEORGIA
Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD

7:30–10 pm  A CAPPELLA JAM
The Freshman A Cappella Jam showcases the talent and diversity of Harvard a cappella. Come see the Callbacks, LowKeys, Opportunities, Veritones, Krokodiloes, Din and Tonics, Pitchers, KeyChange, Under Construction, the Fallen Angels, and Mirch at their first performance of the year! Tickets (free, but limited) will be distributed at the door, not in advance. Doors open at 7 pm. Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall.
10 pm-1 am  **BOLLYWOOD DANCE PARTY**  Enjoy a night of dancing and partying to the greatest Bollywood hits, from Bhangra to Bangalore Days. Regardless of whether you are a trained Bharatanatyam dancer or if you’ve never heard a Bollywood song before, come and discover the community of South Asian dance and music on campus and showcase your moves. This event is organized by Harvard Deepam, Harvard Bhangra, Harvard South Asian Dance Company, and Harvard Mirch. There will be samosas! Harvard College ID required for entry, +1 guest permitted. Lowell House Dining Hall.

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**Sunday, September 4**

3-5 pm  **PHILLIPS BROOKS HOUSE ASSOCIATION (PBHA) OPEN HOUSE**  Want to volunteer and serve in Boston and Cambridge while gaining skills in leadership and organizational management? This open house is an opportunity for first-years to learn about and become involved in the many community service and social change programs run out of PBHA, Harvard’s largest student-led organization. From after-school tutoring and adult services, to a student-run homeless shelter and prisoner education, the PBHA open house is the place to go if you are interested in becoming involved in the Boston and Cambridge communities! Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard.

A panel and question and answer session to orient students to the 70+ programs will be offered at 2:30 pm. Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.

4 pm  **HARVARD ATHLETICS CRIMSON KICKOFF: MEN’S SOCCER VS HOFSTRA**  Join us for the Harvard Athletics Crimson Kickoff event! Harvard students who download and check in on the CrimZone Rewards App get a free official Harvard superfan t-shirt, free food, and a chance to compete in halftime promotions to win prizes! Gates open at 3 pm. Free admission with HUID. Harvard Athletic Complex, Ohiri Field.

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**LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD**

8-10 pm  **LATINX BIENVENIDA**  Concilio Latino, Fuerza Latina, Raza, and the Harvard Latino Men’s Collective are excited be hosting a Latinx Bienvenida! Join us for good food, music, karaoke, and icebreakers! Get acquainted with other freshmen with this introduction to the Latinx and Latin-American community on campus. Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.
GAMEATHON
Harvard Radcliffe Science Fiction Association (HRSFA), Harvard College eSports Association (HeSPA), Harvard College Video Game Development Club (HGD), and Harvard Association for the Promotion of Interplanetary Expansion (HAPIE) are proud to present the largest gaming event of the year. Complete with Super Smash Bros. stations and over thirty board games, along with titles such as League of Legends and Settlers of Catan, free pizza, and raffles to win high-end PC gaming gear from SteelSeries — you won’t want to miss this massive, five-hour-long gaming frenzy. SOCH Community Hall, 59 Shepard Street.

INTRAMURAL GLOW-IN-THE-DARK CAPTURE THE FLAG
Did you love Intramural Field and Spirit Day? Let the fun continue with a giant, spirited game of Capture the Flag, glow-in-the-dark style! Competition is Yard vs. Yard -- we’ll provide glow sticks and J.P. Licks ice cream. Steps of Widener Library, Tercentenary Theatre.

EXPOS 10 AND 20 SECTIONING DEADLINE
Monday, September 5

LABOR DAY All University offices are closed.
EXPOS 10 AND 20 SECTION NOTIFICATION
Students enrolling in Expos 10 and 20 during the fall term will be notified of their section assignment by email this evening.

EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted at 1 Bow Street.

EXPOS 10 AND 20 CLASSES BEGIN
Tuesday, September 6

Wednesday, September 7

EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted at 1 Bow Street.

Thursday, September 8

EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted at 1 Bow Street. This is the final day to submit a change request.

LATE NIGHT AT THE HARVARD ART MUSEUMS
The Harvard Art Museums welcome the Class of 2020 and all Harvard students to a special student-only night at the museum with festive refreshments, live music, student tours, raffle prizes, open galleries, and more. Free admission; HUID required at the door. Harvard Art Museums, 32 Quincy Street.

COURSE REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Before completing registration in my.harvard, your adviser will need to acknowledge that you have had an advising conversation.
Friday, September 9

**ALL EXPOS SECTION ASSIGNMENTS ARE FINAL**

**LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD**

**7–10 pm**  
**SOUTH ASIAN MOVIE NIGHT PRESENTS: PK**  
Come to Harvard’s Annual South Asian Movie and Game night to watch *PK*, India’s highest-grossing film. Eat free south Asian food and play some carrom board with your friends! Hosted by Dharma (Harvard’s Hindu Students Association), Harvard South Asian Association, and the Harvard University-India Initiative. Ticknor Lounge and Fong Auditorium, Boylston Hall.

**8–10 pm**  
**HARVARD UNDERGROUND**  
Looking for high-energy beats, smooth rhythms, sweet tunes, and dope moves unlike anywhere else on campus? Join Harvard Underground for a night guaranteed to be #lit, featuring performances by The Harvard Undergraduate Drummers (THUD), Breakers, Passus, TAPS, KeyChange, Expressions Dance Company, and more! Tickets (free, but limited) will be distributed at the door, not in advance. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Lowell Lecture Hall.

Saturday, September 10

**LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD**

**8–10 pm**  
**DANCE JAM**  
Interested in dance here at Harvard? Dance Jam is the presentation of the premier dance groups on campus. Spanning different styles and methods, this performance will give you just a glimpse of what is offered through these troupes. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to see what you can do! Tickets (free, but limited) will be distributed at the door, not in advance. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Sponsored by: CityStep, Expressions Dance Company, and Passus. Lowell Lecture Hall.

**10 pm–2 am**  
**HOTSPOT**  
Kick off the year with HOTSPOT, the first of Harvard’s annual queer parties! Join Queer Students and Allies (QSA), along with Harvard Queer Asians (HQA), and Harvard College Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian, Transgender, Queer, and Allied Students in the Sciences (HBASIS) for a wild night! Harvard College ID required for entry, +1 guest permitted. SOCH Penthouse, 59 Shepard Street.
Annenberg Dining Hall Hours

Annenberg is the freshman-only dining hall. It will open for dinner on Tuesday, August 23 at 5 pm. Standard meal hours are:

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The Crimson Key Society

The Crimson Key Society (CKS) is the oldest student organization dedicated to serving the undergraduate community and Harvard’s visitors. CKS provides guided tours of the campus without charge for you and visitors to Harvard. In addition, its members host many of the social events for freshmen during Opening Days. We hope these activities will prove to be a great opportunity to meet new peers outside of the classroom and allow you to feel comfortable at Harvard right away. Crimson Key members can be identified by their red t-shirts.

If you have questions about CKS, social events, or campus life in general, members of CKS will be happy to help you at the Crimson Key tent in the center of the Old Yard 9 am-5 pm, Tuesday, August 23 through Monday, August 29. You can also stop by the tent to hang out with CKS members, or rent sports equipment, like Frisbees, footballs, and Spikeball nets! For more information, check out freshmanweek.com.

The Harvard COOP

The Harvard Cooperative Society (The COOP), founded in 1882 by a group of Harvard students as a cooperative, still serves the needs of Harvard’s students, faculty, and alumni. The COOP is located in the heart of Harvard Square and sells textbooks (new, used, rental, and e-textbooks), other course-related materials, and the largest selection of Harvard logo apparel and gifts anywhere. All Harvard students are eligible for membership and receive an immediate 10% discount on their purchase in addition to any current promotions or sales being offered. Please join at any store location or online at thecoop.com.

Harvard Student Agencies

Harvard Student Agencies (HSA), located at 67 Mt. Auburn Street, offers many useful services to students: HSA Cleaners provides laundry and dry cleaning services, and microfridge and TV rentals; HSA Dorm Essentials provides linens, drink delivery, furniture, refrigerators, and fans; and the Harvard Shop sells affordable Harvard merchandise and apparel. hsa.net.

Information Center

Located on the first floor of the Smith Campus Center, 30 Dunster Street, the Harvard Information Center welcomes visitors and community members to Harvard. The center’s staff answers general questions and provides maps and pamphlets on activities at Harvard and greater Cambridge. During business hours, the staff are
available for queries on all things Harvard! A light-up locator map is available for use outside the center when it is closed. Additionally, you can find University publications and event listings in the center, as well as information on guided tours of the campus.

The Harvard Gazette chronicles everyday life at the University, on a daily basis through its website, and every other week in a colorful print format during the academic year. The Gazette provides news coverage, campus profiles, multimedia portraits, and numerous links to official Harvard announcements. harvard.edu/visitors.

Library Orientation and Tours
Students are welcome in all of the libraries. Group and individual orientations are available on request. Go to hcl.harvard.edu/libraries for more information about the libraries. Widener and Houghton Libraries conduct regular tours during the academic year. Details are at hcl.harvard.edu/info/tours. Special tours to welcome first-year students to Lamont Library, the 24-hour undergraduate hub, will be offered during the freshman open house, 1-3 pm on Monday, August 29. Lamont Library will also have limited hours on Saturday, August 27 and Sunday, August 28, 12-4 pm. hcl.harvard.edu/libraries/lamont.

Museums
Admission to Harvard’s museums is free for students with a valid Harvard ID!

The Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology
peabody.harvard.edu
26 Oxford Street
Open seven days a week, 9 am-5 pm

Museum of Comparative Zoology
mcz.harvard.edu
485 Broadway
Open seven days a week, 9 am-5 pm

The Semitic Museum
semiticmuseum.fas.harvard.edu
6 Divinity Avenue
Monday through Friday, 10 am-4 pm and Sunday, 1 pm-4 pm
Closed Saturdays, holidays, and Sundays before Monday holidays

The Harvard University Museum of Natural History
hmnh.harvard.edu
Public entrances at 26 Oxford Street and at 11 Divinity Avenue
Open seven days a week, 9 am-5 pm

The Harvard Art Museums
(Fogg, Busch-Reisinger, Arthur M. Sackler)
harvardartmuseums.org
32 Quincy Street
Open seven days a week, 10 am-5 pm

Swim Test
All students who wish to row or sail must first successfully complete a 100-yard swimming test and tread water for two minutes. To take the test, simply bring your Harvard ID and report to the lifeguards at Blodgett Pool during regular operating hours. For operating hours, check gocrimson.com and click on Recreation or call the facility directly at 617-495-0597.
Harvard Chaplains

The Harvard Chaplains are a professional community of more than thirty chaplains, representing many of the world’s religious, spiritual, and ethical traditions, who share a collective commitment to serving the spiritual needs of the students, faculty, and staff of Harvard University. More information can be found on the Harvard Chaplains’ website (chaplains.harvard.edu) or by using the links/email addresses below.

Baha’i Association
eleanor@sapiro-mitten.com

Baptist (American)
oldcambridgebaptist.org

Baptist (Southern)
hcs.harvard.edu/~absk

Buddhist Chaplaincy
CharlesRiverZen.org

Cru
pat.mcleod@cru.org

Catholic Student Center
harvardcatholic.org

Chabad House (Jewish)
chabadharvard.org

Christian Science Organization at Harvard
margitokson84@gmail.com

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
thompsonjs@ldschurch.org

Episcopal Chaplaincy (Anglican)
harvardepiscopalians.org

Foursquare
hearlistenobey.com

Harvard Hillel (Jewish)
hillel.harvard.edu

Harvard Hindu Fellowship (Vedanta Society)
vivekananda.org

Harvard Korean Mission Church
rkahng@post.harvard.edu

Humanist Chaplaincy (Humanist/Agnostic/Atheist)
harvardhumanist.org

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
hcs.harvard.edu/~hrcf

Islamic Society (Muslim)
hcs.harvard.edu/~his/

Lutheran Campus Ministry
unilu.org

Mennonite Chaplaincy
bh492@mail.harvard.edu

Orthodox Christian Fellowship
hcs.harvard.edu/~ocf

Presbyterian Church in America
(Reformed University Fellowship)
harvard.ruf.org
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)
johnmbach@yahoo.com

Seventh-day Adventist Chaplaincy
rsimpson@atlanticunion.org

Sikh Community
singh@fas.harvard.edu

Swedenborgian Chaplaincy
swedenborgchapel.com/Chapel/index.html

The Memorial Church
(Protestant, Non-denominational University Church)
memorialchurch.harvard.edu

United Methodist Chaplaincy
pastor.herb@he-umc.org

Zoroastrian Association
zagba.org

MUSICAL ENSEMBLES

The Harvard Choruses
Andrew Clark, Director of Choral Activities

Harvard Glee Club (TTBB Chorus)
The Harvard Glee Club, founded in 1858, is the oldest collegiate men’s chorus in America. The ensemble of fifty men strives to further the tradition of men’s choral music, to foster lifelong brotherhood, and to engage the community through the love and performance of music. Its alumni include Virgil Thomson, Elliot Carter, William Christie, Theodore Roosevelt, and Franklin Delano Roosevelt, among others. The Glee Club collaborates with arts groups on campus and around the world through national and international tours, including its upcoming tour to East Asia in January 2017. Glee Club features its own student-led a cappella group, Glee Club Lite. harvardgleeclub.org.

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:15-6:30 pm.

Radcliffe Choral Society (SSAA Chorus)
The Radcliffe Choral Society is a treble choral ensemble at Harvard University, under the direction of Dr. Andrew Clark. The group performs a distinctive repertoire spanning nine centuries of choral literature: sacred and secular, a cappella and accompanied, collaborative and choral-orchestral. The Radcliffe Choral Society aims to foster the appreciation and enjoyment of women’s choral music through the commission of new works, high-caliber performances, and domestic and international travel. Featuring a student led a cappella group, ‘Cliffe Notes, the Radcliffe Choral Society promotes excellence in women’s choral music and celebrates the extraordinary community formed through its music-making. radcliffechoralsociety.com.

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Mondays 7-9:30 pm and Wednesdays 4:15-6:30 pm.

Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum (SATB Chorus)
Harvard’s celebrated mixed-voice chorus, the Collegium performs works from the fifteenth century to the present. Though the members of the ensemble span the full range of academic concentrations at Harvard, the students are united by the joy of singing in community. Together, they work to sustain and advance the choral art through dynamic performance, adventurous collaborations, and community engagement, from masterworks by Bach and Mozart to new compositions by renowned composers and works by Collegium members. This season includes Bach’s

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masterpiece *B-minor Mass* with professional orchestra. Collegium features its own student-led *a cappella* group, Collegium Underground. hrcm.org

**REGULAR REHEARSAL:** Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 4:15–6:30 pm.

**Harvard-Radcliffe Chorus (SATB Chorus)**
Founded in 1979, the Harvard-Radcliffe Chorus (HRC) is made up of 100 undergraduates, graduate students, faculty, staff, and community members. The ensemble presents two major choral-orchestral performances per year exploring a wide range of repertoire spanning the baroque, classical, romantic, 20th century, and present day music. Members bring a variety of music backgrounds and experience levels, which also provides an opportunity to interact with Harvard alumni and career professionals. hrc.harvardchoruses.fas.harvard.edu.

**REGULAR REHEARSAL:** Wednesdays 7–9:30 pm in Lowell Lecture Hall.

**OPEN REHEARSAL:** Come rehearse with the Harvard Choruses, and get a feel for our special brand of music making. All you need is a pencil and a voice.

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**AUDITIONS:** Held in the basement of Memorial Hall. No audition piece required; drop in any time listed below. For more information, e-mail harvardchoruses@gmail.com or visit harvardchoruses.fas.harvard.edu/auditions.

*NB: we will be auditioning freshmen, returning students, and graduate students on these dates in order to complete the process by the registration deadline, as Harvard Glee Club, Radcliffe Choral Society, and the Collegium may be taken for credit.*

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**SKILLS FOR SINGING CLASS:** This co-curricular course provides training in fundamental skills for singing: ear training, sight-reading, and vocal technique. ofa.fas.harvard.edu/skills-singing-course. Tuesdays (starts September 20) 7–9 pm in Holden Chapel.

**The Harvard University Choir (UChoir)**
Edward E. Jones,
Gund University Organist and Choirmaster, Director

For over 180 years, the Harvard University Choir has provided a unique opportunity for student singers to perform diverse choral literature at the highest level, both in concert and during the services of the Memorial Church. Its program of daily and weekly choral services, tours, commissions, and recordings make it one of the premier college chapel ensembles in the United States. Recent seasons have included Bach’s *Mass in B minor*, Britten’s *St. Nicolas*, Gluck’s *Orfeo ed Euridice* and Mozart’s *Requiem*. Choristers receive a weekly stipend in recognition of their commitment. To hear the choir, come to the Freshman Sunday and Opening of Term services at 11 am on Sunday, August 28 and September 4. Email the Choir Secretaries (UCHoir@gmail.com) for an updated schedule or with any questions about the audition process. Check the UChoir website for more information, including audition and rehearsal locations. uchoir.harvard.edu.

**REGULAR REHEARSAL:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5–6:30 pm.

**OPEN REHEARSAL:** Thursday, September 1, 5–6 pm.
TEA TIME: To learn more about UChoir, join us for tea time on Thursday, September 1, 4-5 pm.

COMPLINE: To hear UChoir in a different setting, come to the beautiful candlelit service of Compline on Thursday, September 1, at 9 pm.

AUDITIONS: Held at the following times.

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Kuumba Singers
Sheldon K.X. Reid ‘96, Director

The oldest existing Black organization at Harvard College, the Kuumba Singers is a 100-member choir dedicated to the expression of Black creativity and spirituality through song, dance, spoken word, and other forms of creative expression. Founded in 1970 as a source of unity and strength for Black students, Kuumba (a Swahili word for creativity) continues to provide a community of support for students throughout Boston and Cambridge. All are welcome to join, and no auditions are required. Our introductory meeting will take place at 7 pm on Tuesday, September 6 in the SOCH Penthouse. For more information, e-mail president@kuumbasingers.org or visit kuumbasingers.org.

The Harvard Bands
Mark Olson, Director of Bands and Harvard Wind Ensemble
Yosvany Terry, Director of Jazz Ensembles

Harvard University Band: The Harvard University Band’s unique style, energy, and humor have formed the center of Harvard’s spirit for over 95 years. We perform traditional fight songs and student-arranged pop tunes for football, basketball and hockey games, as well as community events throughout Cambridge and Boston. In addition to musicians, the HUB welcomes non-instrumentalists who wish to join Prop Crew. harvardband.org.

Wind Ensemble: The Harvard Wind Ensemble provides an opportunity for woodwind, brass, and percussion players to perform original wind ensemble and chamber literature spanning the history of the wind repertoire. The ensemble performs six concerts each year including an annual performance in New York City. Internationally known musicians perform with and compose for the ensemble. harvardwe.fas.harvard.edu.

Jazz Ensembles: Jazz at Harvard comprises both big bands and several combos. The jazz ensembles perform several concerts on and off campus and are featured in a jazz combo festival in Boston. A highlight each year is the residency of a Jazz Master sponsored by the Office of the Arts. harvardjazz.fas.harvard.edu.

AUDITIONS: Sign up for a ten-minute audition on our website (harvardband.org), or call 617-496-BAND to set up a time that works for you. Walk-ins welcome! Auditions are held in the Band Room at 74 Mt. Auburn Street.

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*NOTE: If you are auditioning for the Jazz Band Rhythm section and cannot make this time, contact Director of Jazz Ensembles Yosvany Terry at yosvanyterry@fas.harvard.edu.
The Bach Society Orchestra
Sasha Scolnik-Brower ‘17, Conductor

The Bach Society Orchestra is Harvard’s oldest and premier chamber orchestra. Popularly known as BachSoc, the orchestra is staffed, managed, and conducted entirely by students, and is the oldest student-run orchestra on campus. BachSoc is committed to the highest standards of music-making and boasts a long line of distinguished alumni musicians and conductors, including John C. Adams ’69, Alan T. Gilbert ’89, and Yo-Yo Ma ’76. Known for its varied programming and extremely close-knit community, the orchestra is an integral part of the Harvard musical scene. In accordance with its commitment to making classical music more accessible, last season BachSoc became the only orchestra at Harvard that does not charge admission and remains dedicated to community outreach. Music Director Sasha Scolnik-Brower will lead the Bach Society Orchestra in its 62nd season. For information about this season’s repertoire, audition requirements, and more, please visit our website. Sign-ups for auditions will be available at the Student Activities Fair and through our website. bachsoc.org.

AUDITIONS: Held in the Music Building, Room G20.

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The Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra
Phoebe Carrai, Conductor
Sarah Darling ’02, Assistant Conductor

Travel back in time with the Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra – a group dedicated to bringing back to life the vivid rhetoric and dancing rhythms of baroque music. Harvard Baroque is led from within by renowned baroque cellist Phoebe Carrai and violinist Sarah Darling ’02. We rehearse once a week, playing on equipment borrowed from Harvard’s Early Instrument Collection. Harvard Baroque performs two concerts of orchestral music annually, plus evenings of chamber music. No prior experience with early instruments is necessary, only a love of music and a willingness to play well with others while experimenting with new sounds! For more information visit harvardbaroque.org or email sarahdarling@post.harvard.edu.

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Mondays 4-6:30 pm in Paine Hall.

AUDITIONS: Held at the Music Department.

Sunday Sept. 4 6-9 pm

The Harvard Pops Orchestra
Allen Feinstein ‘86, Conductor

The Harvard Pops Orchestra is a symphonic orchestra performing popular repertoire and presenting thematic performances, often involving film, dance, and student-written scripts. As the oldest college pops orchestra, we are an interactive and student-driven group with a host of artistic opportunities for our members, with Allen Feinstein ’86 as our conductor and director. Sign up for an audition slot at the Activities Fair. For more information, visit harvardpops.com or email harvardpops@gmail.com.

AUDITIONS: Held in the basement of Lowell Lecture Hall.

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Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra
Federico Cortese, Music Director

The Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra (HRO), America’s oldest symphony orchestra, enters its 209th season under the musical direction of Maestro Federico Cortese. HRO’s repertoire ranges from classical masterpieces to emerging contemporary works. The 80-person orchestra performs four major concerts in Sanders Theatre each year. The orchestra has toured extensively since 1967 and, most recently, Asia in 2015, the Middle East in 2013, and Cuba in 2011; it is currently planning a tour to South America for summer 2017. Contact President Patrick Sanguineti ’17 (psanguineti@college.harvard.edu) for more information. hro.squarespace.com.

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Mondays 7-9 pm and Fridays 3-5:30 pm.

AUDITIONS: We have openings in all sections; please prepare a five-minute solo of your choice; no scales or sight-reading. Auditions are held in Paine Hall. Sign up for auditions online.

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The Mozart Society Orchestra
Sean Rodan ’17, Conductor
Sam Wu ’17, Conductor

The Mozart Society Orchestra (MSO), founded in 1984, is Harvard’s premier student-led orchestra. The ensemble enjoys both the intimacy of chamber gems and the power of symphonic masterpieces. In addition to musical excellence, showcased in two concerts a year, as well as an undergraduate concerto competition, MSO boasts one of the most collegial atmospheres of Harvard’s musical groups. For more information visit msoweb.wordpress.com or email daniellekatz@college.harvard.edu.

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Tuesdays 7-9:30 pm in the Music Building.

AUDITIONS: Held in the Music Building, Room G20.

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Receiving College Credit

Undergraduates are eligible to receive Harvard College credit in the following performance courses:

Music 10A. Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra
Music 14A. Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum
Music 15A. Harvard Glee Club
Music 16A. Radcliffe Choral Society

These courses may be taken repeatedly. To receive credit, the course must be taken in the fall and spring terms consecutively, and is worth two credits. A maximum of four semesters (two years) may be counted as degree credit.
The Freshman Dean’s Office wishes to thank all of the faculty, staff, students, and alumni who have contributed to Opening Days. Special thanks go to the proctors, peer advising fellows, Crimson Key Society, Harvard Yard Operations, the Office of Student Life, Jason Luke, Leanne Gaffney and the Harvard Alumni Association, and the Calendar of Opening Days Committee:

Jatnna Amador                  Alexander Moore ’17
Sue Brown                      Jessika Nebrat ’17
Tom Dingman                    Sheila Reindl
Ann Gaylin                     Anne Marie Sousa
Laura Hess                      Katie Steele (co-chair)
Shanna Kornachuck              Gregg Tucci
Brooks Lambert-Sluder          Lisa Rask Viola
Steph Lavallee                 Jasmine Waddell
Glenn Brody Magid (co-chair)   Dom Zarcone
Torey Martin

Finally, the FDO would like to thank the following interns who worked this summer to help plan Opening Days:

Erica Chang ’19 (FDO Intern)
Marija Jevtic ’18 (Freshman Programming Intern)
Laila Virgo-Carter ’17 (FDO Intern)
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