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Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, September 10, 7-8:30PM – Food Literacy Project (FLP) Open Meeting: Intro to HUDS with Crista Martin & David Davidson.** Looking to learn more about food systems? Want to hear from local food business owners, farmers, activists, chefs, writers, professors, historians? The Food Literacy Project is a great way to engage in food education on Harvard's campus, whether it's through a guest speaker presentation, a field trip, or a cooking class. FLP is HUDS' food education initiative, and we're thrilled to kick off the new school year with an introduction to HUDS with Managing Director, David Davidson, and Director for Strategic Initiatives & Communications, Crista Martin. Find out what it takes to provide students with 25,000 meals day! Smith Campus Center, Isaacson Room, 2nd Floor.



- Wednesday, September 11, 8-10PM – Harvard Student Late Night.** Bring your HUID, and head to the museums to kick off the year with art, fun, food, friends, and

more. Visit our special exhibition *Crossing Lines, Constructing Home: Displacement and Belonging in Contemporary Art*, listen to the museums in new ways with sound design by DJ Saskia, explore the collections with a Student Guide, meet your Student Board, and pick up an application for our undergraduate student programs. Check out the Art Study Center to see works available to rent through the Student Print Rental Program. Harvard Art Museums, 32 Quincy St.

- Thursday, September 12, 4:30-6PM – Maintaining Heritage Languages in Our Communities.** To mark the United Nations International Year of Indigenous Languages, participate in a discussion about revitalizing languages and creating strong multilingual identities. How can we retain the strength of our identities when our language is attacked, denied, or just lost through lack of practice and resources? How can we ensure that culturally and linguistically sustainable practices are embedded in our teaching, parenting, and social activities? Spend time with our presenters, watch short animations, view children's books, and discuss ways to support multicultural communities using these tools. Geological Lecture Hall, 26 Oxford St.



First-Year Arts

Seeking candidates for the First-Year Arts Council. Have ideas for fun arts programming? Want to learn about some of the arts resources available to students? Want to facilitate community-building arts initiatives? Join the First-Year Arts Council! The First-Year Arts Council is a group of three students who have a passion for making art and planning programming events for the coming academic year. The goal is to create fun, inclusive, hands-on events, at times in coordination with Harvard Art Museums, the Office for the Arts, and other graduate student-artists, for the benefit of the Class of 2023. To apply, send a brief statement of interest to the Director of First-Year Arts Initiatives, Evander Price, by **Friday September 13:** evanderprice@fas.harvard.edu.



IM Field Day



Course Offering

HAA 17K: Introduction to Contemporary Art. Why is there such an unprecedented variety of forms, materials, processes, and projects in art today? You'll find out in this class, while you develop interpretive tools to make sense of it all, tapping your capacities for attention, curiosity, and self-reflection to fuel meaningful encounters with the art of our time. Don't feel like you know a lot about art? Not oriented toward the Humanities in general? No problem! By the end of the semester, you'll be familiar with many of the different ways art is made today – non-traditional formats such as performance, installation, and intervention; traditional modes like figurative painting; and a range of practices, from gardening to crowdsourcing, that are being used in new, critical, and provocative ways. For course details, visit: canvas.harvard.edu/courses/59718.



Reminder



Monday, September 9, 11:59PM, is the course registration deadline. Before completing registration in my.harvard, your adviser will need to acknowledge that you have had an advising conversation.

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Submissions

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Safety Notice

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Resources for First-Years



First-Year Piano Loan Program. Through this unique opportunity, 11 Yamaha AvantGrand N2 hybrid pianos are available to first-year students for practice, composition, or to simply entertain and socialize with other students in their dorm room. The piano provides the feel of a grand piano but is encased in a cabinet the size of a small upright. All applicants must be first-year students in residence. The application consists of: three short essays about one's musical aspirations and background, as well as how the piano might be used; confirmation that the applicant has discussed with his/her roommates the implications of having the instrument in the suite; and uploading a file or including a link to musical performance or compositions (optional). If selected, a piano will be moved into the student's dorm room and reside there from mid-September until mid-May, courtesy of the First-Year Experience Office, Piano Technical Services, and the Office for the Arts. Applications available **September 9-13**: pts.fas.harvard.edu/freshman-piano-loan.

Gen Ed Drop-in Advising Hours. Curious about the College's Gen Ed, divisional distribution, and Quantitative Reasoning with Data requirements? Stop by the Gen Ed Office during drop-in advising hours. You can also submit questions through the Gen Ed Questions form: gened.fas.harvard.edu/questions. **Wednesdays, 1-3PM, Smith Campus Center, 4th Floor.**



Music Lesson Subsidy Program. This program supports instrumental and vocal instruction to qualified, full-time, enrolled undergraduates currently receiving financial aid. It is intended for students who, without financial help, could not make a sustained commitment to taking music lessons. New applicants must demonstrate a certain level of proficiency and/or potential, as evidenced by their musical activities. Apply by **Monday, September 16**: ofa.fas.harvard.edu/music-lesson-subsidy-program. Questions? Contact Stephanie Troisi, Student Services Coordinator: troisi@fas.harvard.edu or 617-495-8895.



Opportunities for First-Years



Audition for the Harvard Radcliffe Dramatic Club's Common Casting. Common Casting is a week of auditions held at the beginning of each semester, during which you can audition separately for almost every show on Harvard's campus! Any Harvard undergrad can audition; no previous theater experience necessary. The Fall 2019 season includes *Mama Mia!*, *The Wolves*, *West Side Story*, and more! A detailed schedule of evening auditions on **Friday, September 6 & Saturday, September 7** can be found here: hrdctheater.org/fall-2019-common-casting-schedule.

Learn about Mock Trial. Visit the Harvard Mock Trial information sessions. Grab some food, and listen to the team talk about their community, travel, and competition. Then sign up for tryouts at: harvardmocktrial.org/trying-out! **Saturday, September 7, 5-6PM or 6-7PM, Sever 113.**



Join the Harvard College Debating Union! Are you interested in competitive debating, international travel, and lifelong friends? The HCDU is Harvard's only internationally competitive debate association and one of the most successful debate teams in the world. Over the years, team members have debated in Cape Town, Mexico City, Dublin, Toronto, Oxford and Sydney. The HCDU holds both national and world championship titles! Our written application is due **Sunday, September 8, at 5PM**. Reach out to Romina Lilollari (rominalilollari@college.harvard.edu) with questions, or visit hcdy.org for a link to the application. To find out more about us, join us for an info session and demonstration debate on **Saturday, September 7, 12-1:30PM, in Emerson Hall 105**. Come watch some of the most competitively successful debaters in the world debate head to head, learn more about our application and tryout process, and enjoy some Insomnia cookies. We are so excited to meet you!

make jazz.

Make Jazz. The Harvard Jazz Combo Initiative launches this fall to create opportunities for students to participate in jazz combos. The combos are coached by saxophonist and composer Don Braden '85. Open to undergraduates. Interested students must submit a recording of themselves playing two tunes. Find out more here: ofa.fas.harvard.edu/jazz-harvard-combo-initiative. Audition deadline is **Tuesday, September 10**.

Foster a Love of Learning through Harvard Ed Portal Student Mentoring. Are you passionate about education? Do you want to make an impact in the local community? Love working with kids? Want to gain teaching experience? Looking for a well-paying on-campus job? Work one-on-one with 1st-12th grade students to create curriculum and inspire a love of learning! Apply to become a Mentor by **Wednesday, September 11**: edportal.harvard.edu/become-mentor.



Harvard Art Museums Student Rental Program. Don't have posters yet? Fear not! For a small fee, rent a genuine print by an artist like Andy Warhol and hang it in your room for the entire year. You can find the program specifics at: harvardartmuseums.org/faq. For more information, please contact Janet Chen, Senior Assistant Registrar: janet_chen@harvard.edu or 617-495-3877.