CALENDAR OF OPENING DAYS
for new students CLASS OF 2021

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A full map of campus may be obtained from the Information Center in the Smith Campus Center, 30 Dunster Street, or online at map.harvard.edu.
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Greetings Members of the Class of 2021!

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. 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. Take note of the events that are shaded in red and 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 on the Freshman Dean’s Office website (fdo.fas.harvard.edu) and for download via the Omni 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. All sorts of people are eager to help you, so please ask questions and utilize the help that is available. 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.

The Freshman Dean’s Office, located at 6 Prescott Street, is open weekdays from 9 am to 5 pm. 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, the Harvard College Fund Parent Engagement Programs Office, and the FDO will co-host activities for families of incoming students on **Tuesday, August 22**. Details are available at parents.fas.harvard.edu. The events will include a student resources fair for families, a welcome lounge, a welcome by the Dean of the College and Dean of Freshmen, tours, and an informal family farewell at the end of the day.

CHECK-IN & 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 14 and 11:59 pm on Tuesday, August 29**. 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 7**.

ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION OFFICE
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 placement exams, including a list of exams and information about reading the Placement and Test Scores report, visit 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 23. Your academic adviser will contact you to arrange this meeting.

On Thursday, August 24, 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 dates, 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 24 at 11:30 am 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. For questions about Advanced Standing visit the Office of Undergraduate Education website (oue.fas.harvard.edu); to meet with an adviser, contact oue@fas.harvard.edu.
EXPOS STUDIO 10 NOTIFICATION
The Writing Program will email students with their Expos Studio 10 recommendation. The recommendation will also be available in students’ my.harvard.edu portal.

9 am – 3 pm  MOVE IN!
Rooms are ready for occupancy at 9 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.

9 am – 5 pm  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. Science Center Room 102.

9 am – 4:30 pm  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 Mount Auburn Street, Smith Campus Center. Due to construction in the area, please follow signs to Harvard University Health Services.

9 am – 5 pm  COMPUTING INFORMATION BOOTH
Stop by to get answers and advice related to computing and technology. Science Center Atrium.

11 am – 3 pm  IMMUNIZATION CLINICS
If you were not able to receive your immunizations before arriving on campus, stop by HUHS to receive required immunizations. Fees range from $65 to $195 depending on the immunization. HUHS, Monks Library, Sixth Floor, 75 Mount Auburn Street, Smith Campus Center. Due to construction in the area, please follow signs to Harvard University Health Services.

11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm & 2 pm  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. Meet at the Plaza Tent outside the Science Center.

4:15 pm – 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. The group will probably divide into smaller pace and...

Meet at the John Harvard statue in Harvard Yard.

5 pm – DINNER
7:15 pm 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 2021 will become important communities for you. 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. We believe that what makes these communities stronger is a shared commitment to integrity, respect, and compassion. In addition to meeting your Dean, you’ll be introduced to proctors, physicians from Harvard University Health Services, officers from the 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 Crimson Yard Sanders Theatre
7pm Elm Yard Science Center Hall B
8:15 pm Oak Yard Sanders Theatre
8:15 pm Ivy Yard Science Center Hall B

MEET YOUR ENTRYWAY!
This is your first chance to get to know 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 23

7:45 am – CLASS OF 2021 CAMPUS JOGGING TOUR OF HARVARD
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 a 4.7-mile loop. Running attire required for safety. Weather permitting. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge.

Meet at the John Harvard statue in Harvard Yard.

8 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. Please dress in layers, as the studio can be chilly. This is a barefoot class. Limited to first 39 participants.

Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.
8 am – 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. Please arrive 10 minutes early to get help with bike set-up.
**Limited to first 24 participants.**
Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

9:30 am – EXPOS STUDIO 10 ADVISING BEGINS
12 pm & 1:30 pm – All students recommended for Expos Studio 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.

11 am – 3 pm  **IMMUNIZATION CLINICS**
See description on page six.

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm **LUNCH MEETING WITH YOUR ADVISERS**
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 **Friday, August 25, 9 – 10 am; Monday, August 28, 11 am – 3 pm; and Tuesday, August 29, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm** for individual advising meetings. Contact your adviser if you need to find an alternative time. **Annenberg Dining Hall, Memorial Hall** (unless another location is announced by your adviser.)

1 pm – 3 pm  **FREE TIME!**

2 pm – 3 pm **CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR**
Join the Crimson Key Society for an hour-long tour designed to orient new students to Harvard’s campus and Harvard Square. From upperclass 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.**
3 pm – 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. Running attire required for safety. *Meet on the front steps of the Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.*

7 pm & 9 pm  **SPEAK ABOUT IT!**  *Speak About It!* is a performance about sex, consent, boundaries, and healthy relationships – and navigating all of it! 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.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24**

7:45 am – 8:30 pm  **INDOOR CYCLING EXPRESS**  See description on page eight.

8 am – 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.*

8 am – 9 am  **MORNING FITNESS FUN RUN**  Pace and route TBD. The group will probably divide into smaller pace and distance groups. Running attire required for safety. Weather permitting. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge.  *Meet at the John Harvard statue in Harvard Yard.*

9:30 am – 4:30 pm  **EXPOS STUDIO 10 ADVISING CONTINUES**  *1 Bow Street.*
HARVARD COLLEGE FACULTY LECTURE ON HONOR AND INTEGRITY
As the Class of 2021 joins the academic community at Harvard, you will learn about the Harvard College Honor Code and the importance of doing your work with integrity. Memorial Church.

9:30 am – 10:15 am Ivy and Oak Yard
10:45 am – 11:30 am Crimson and Elm Yards

11:30 am – 1 pm BRIEF ORIENTATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
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.

1 pm – 2:15 pm PATHWAYS INTO HARVARD ACADEMICS: AN OVERVIEW
Deans of Undergraduate Education will help you to understand the elements of a Harvard education, and representatives of Harvard’s four academic divisions (Arts and Humanities, Engineering, Sciences, and Social Sciences) will talk about the similarities and differences among related fields of study at Harvard. They will also offer practical advice on how you can begin to explore different fields of study. Science Center.

Engineering Hall A
Social Sciences Hall B
Sciences Hall C
Arts and Humanities Hall D

2:15 pm – 3:30 pm PATHWAYS THROUGH THE HARVARD CURRICULUM: STUDENT EXPERIENCES
Whether you know exactly what you are planning to study or whether you are still trying to decide, choosing the first four courses of your freshman year can feel like a very big decision. Current students will share their experiences in their academic career and provide advice on how to make the most of the academic opportunities. Science Center Hall B.

2 pm – 3 pm CRIMSON KEY HISTORICAL TOUR
See description on page six.

3 pm – 4 pm CRIMSON KEY WOMEN’S HISTORY TOUR
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.
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 academics. Additional sessions in this series take place on Friday and Monday. See pages 12, 13, and 20.

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm CHOOSING YOUR COURSES: FROM EXPLORING TO ENROLLING
Advisers, faculty, proctors, and students have encouraged you to “Explore!” How do you begin to narrow your search? In this session you will learn how to use Harvard’s online tools to learn about Harvard courses and how to enroll in them. Peer Advising Fellows and staff of the Advising Programs Office will explain and demonstrate such resources as the online course shopping tool, the online course evaluation tool (the Q Guide), and the course registration and sectioning tools. Don’t miss this very helpful session!

Science Center Hall B.

4 pm – 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 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 Crimson Key Society information tent in Harvard Yard.

4 pm – 4:40 pm GREEN TOUR OF HARVARD YARD
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.

5 pm – 7 pm HAPPY. HEALTHY. HARVARD.
Wondering how to sustain your health and 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 pm – 10 pm ACADEMIC ESSENTIALS
After a few days of orienting to life at Harvard, you probably have questions about 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 – 1 am THROWBACK THURSDAY!
College already got you stressing? Feel like a kid again with laser tag and glow-in-the-dark lawn games! Jam to your favorite hits from the 90s and 2000s while eating the snacks of your childhood. Instagram-worthy photos guaranteed!

Tercentenary Theatre.
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 25**

**FRESHMAN SEMINAR APPLICATIONS DUE** by 8 am. Apply online at freshmanseminars.college.harvard.edu.

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<td><strong>ON-CAMPUS PLACEMENT EXAMS</strong> Students who are interested in studying music or a language other than French or Spanish should take a placement exam. Visit placement-info.fas.harvard.edu for information about when on-campus exams will be administered. 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.</td>
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<td><strong>STRATEGIES FOR SMART STUDYING</strong> 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! <strong>Science Center Hall B.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>MAKING THE TRANSITION TO COLLEGE WRITING</strong> You know that all first-years will take a course to meet the expository writing requirement 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 Studio 10 or with Expos 20. Come hear advice from Writing Program faculty and Writing Center tutors about writing at Harvard – in Expos and beyond. <strong>Science Center Hall B.</strong></td>
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12 pm – 1:30 pm  **ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCES ADVISING FAIR**
Come learn more about our concentrations and introductory courses. Enjoy lunch as you meet the Directors and Assistant/Associate Directors of Undergraduate Studies for Applied Math, Biomedical Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Engineering Sciences, Environmental Science and Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering. Speak with upperclassmen and faculty, and view projects from many of our SEAS courses.

*Lobby of Maxwell Dworkin, 33 Oxford Street.*

12 pm – 4 pm  **FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**
Harvard’s Got Talent! Students interested in participating in the Freshman Talent Show on *Tuesday, August 29*, should prepare a 5-7 minute performance highlighting your skills (all talents accepted!). A piano will be available. Visit *freshmanweek.com* to sign up for an audition slot. Email freshtalent2021@gmail.com if you have any questions. *Holden Chapel.*

1:15 pm  **HARVARD ISLAMIC SOCIETY FRIDAY PRAYER**
Contact: his@hcs.harvard.edu. *Lowell Lecture Hall.*

**HOW TO HARVARD**
See description on page 11.

2 pm – 3 pm  **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.*

3 pm – 3:40 pm  **GREEN TOUR OF HARVARD YARD**

3 pm – 3:35 pm  **MAKING SENSE OF YOUR MATH PLACEMENT SCORE**
First-year students who are planning to enroll in a math course this fall and want to get math placement advice should attend this very short session. It will help you make sense of your math placement score with regards to choosing courses. There you will meet advisers and many of the course heads of the freshman-level courses. (We welcome those who are uncertain about their own placement to also come to our advising hours, a schedule of which is at math.harvard.edu/advising_and_sectioning.)

*Science Center Hall B.*
3:35 pm – 5:30 pm **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 any other mathematics courses) will be answered. Students who took these courses in previous years will be present to help answer questions. *Science Center Hall B.*

4 pm – 5 pm **EMERGING SCHOLARS PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION**
The Emerging Scholars Program is a scholarship enrichment program to support STEM-interested students who are taking Math M as freshmen. This session offers an introduction to the program and its application process, as well as an opportunity to meet involved faculty and current program participants. *Science Center Room 309.*

5 pm – 6 pm **AFTERNOON FITNESS FUN RUN**

6 pm – 7 pm **HARVARD CHABAD SHABBAT HOUR**
54 Banks Street. [chabadharvard.org](http://chabadharvard.org)
Contact: Chaplain Rabbi Hirschy Zarchi, [rabbichabadharvard.org](mailto:rabbichabadharvard.org).

6:15 pm, 6:30 pm, & 7 pm **HARVARD HILLEL SHABBAT SERVICES**
Reform Service is at 6:15 pm, Conservative service is at 6:30 pm, and Orthodox service is at 7 pm. *Rosovsky Hall, 52 Mount Auburn Street. hillel.harvard.edu.*
Contact: Chaplain Rabbi Jonah Steinberg, [jonah@hillel.harvard.edu](mailto:jonah@hillel.harvard.edu).

7 pm **CRU CHAPLAINCY PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND REFLECTION**
Join us for a J.P. Licks Ice Cream Social afterward. *Buttrick Room, Memorial Church Lower Level, Harvard Yard.*

7:15 pm **HARVARD CHABAD KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICES**
Followed by Shabbat dinner at 8 pm. *38 Banks Street. chabadharvard.org*
Contact: Chaplain Rabbi Hirschy Zarchi, [rabbichabadharvard.org](mailto:rabbichabadharvard.org).
SOCIALS AT THE SOCH
Come to the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH - pronounced “sock”) and join in any of the following activities! Some events will be in Houses around the SOCH, or out on the lawn. You may choose to ride the shuttle to the Quad, which will be departing from the Boylston Gate on Massachusetts Avenue approximately every 20 minutes. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society and the SOCH. 59 Shepard Street.

9 pm – LIVE STUDENT BAND
12 am Gather some friends and listen to one of Harvard’s very own student bands out in the courtyard! SOCH Courtyard.

9 pm – CABOT CAFE HANGOUTS
12 am Sip on delicious drinks while playing board games at the Cabot Cafe. Cabot House.

9 pm S’MORES IN THE COURTYARD
Come hang out by the fire-pit and try your hand at this favorite summer treat! SOCH Courtyard.

9 pm GLOW-IN-THE-DARK FRISBEE

9 pm LONG EXPOSURE PICTURES
Grab a glowstick and get creative! Pictures will be posted through DropBox and accessible to students. Quad Lawn.

9 pm TV STATION
Watch your favorite television shows, like Modern Family or Game of Thrones. SOCH Living Room, 1st Floor.

9 pm SALSA DANCING WORKSHOP
Learn how to salsa with the Ballroom Dance Team. SOCH Event Hall, 1st Floor.

10 pm HIP HOP DANCING WORKSHOP
Practice your hip-hop moves with Harvard’s Expressions Dance Company. SOCH Event Hall, 1st Floor.

10 pm MOVIE NIGHT
Chill out and catch a flick with friends. SOCH Living Room, 1st Floor.

10 pm MAKE YOUR OWN NACHOS
Try to find the perfect ratio of chips to cheese, plus toppings. SOCH Performance Hall, Penthouse level.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted 10 am – 4 pm at the Harvard College Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street.

9 am & 9:30 am HARVARD HILLEL SHABBAT SERVICES
Orthodox service is at 9 am and Conservative service is at 9:30 am. Rosovsky Hall, 52 Mt. Auburn Street. hillel.harvard.edu Contact: Chaplain Rabbi Jonah Steinberg, jonah@hillel.harvard.edu.

9:30 am – EXPOS STUDIO 10 ADVISING CONTINUES
4 pm 1 Bow Street.
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**  See description on page eight.

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 pm – 1 pm  **CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDINGS TOUR**  See description on page 11.

12 pm – 4 pm  **FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**  See description on page 13.

12 pm – 4 pm  **LANGUAGE VERIFICATION EXAMS**  If you are eligible to fulfill the foreign language requirement based on your score on the French or Spanish online foreign language placement exams, you will receive an email inviting you to schedule a verification exam either today or **Sunday, August 27.** Advance signup is required. Check your email for details.  
* Language Resource Center, Lamont Library.

1 pm – 2 pm  **CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR**  See description on page eight.

1 pm – 3 pm  **SEVENTH 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 seventh year, Field and Spirit Day is a chance to get to know people both in your entryway and dorm, 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!). J.P. Licks ice cream will be served. Rain date is September 2, same location and time.  
* Steps of Widener Library, Tercentenary Theatre.

7 pm & 9 pm  **FIRST-YEAR ARTS PROGRAM (FAP) PAGEANT**  Showcasing the completely original artistic creations of the FAP Class of 2021. 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 pm – 10 pm  **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 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 2021! Live DJ, great venue, fun atmosphere, and most importantly, free food. Get there early because you won’t want to miss this! Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. *Northwest Labs, 52 Oxford Street*.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

9 am & 10:30 am  **LUTHERAN CHAPLAINCY WORSHIP SERVICES**

*University Lutheran Church, 66 Winthrop Street.*
unilu.org
Contact: Chaplain Kathleen Reed, kreed@unilu.org

10 am  **“HARVARD ON THE MOVE” RUN**

See description on page nine.

10 am  **PRESbyterian CHURCH IN AMERICA / REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOwSHIP WORSHIP SERVICE**

*Christ of the King Presbyterian Church, 99 Prospect Street. harvard.ruf.org*
Contact: Chaplain Jeremy Mullen, jeremy.mullen@ruf.org

10 am  **UNITED METHODIST CHAPLAINCY WORSHIP SERVICE**

*Harvard-Epworth United Methodist Church, 1555 Massachusetts Avenue. he-umc.org*
Contact: Chaplain Herb Taylor, pastor.herb@he-umc.org

10:30 am  **AMERICAN BAPTIST CHAPLAINCY WORSHIP SERVICE**

*Old Cambridge Baptist Church, 1151 Massachusetts Avenue. oldcambridgebaptist.org*
Contact: Chaplain Cody Sanders, cody.j.sanders@gmail.com

10:30 am  **QUAKER CHAPLAINCY MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP**

*Friends Meeting House, 5 Longfellow Park.*
Contact: Chaplain John Bach, johnmbach@yahoo.com

10:30 am – 11:25 am  **BARRE HARVARD**

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, 39 Holyoke Street.*

**10:45 am – INDOOR CYCLING**
**11:40 am** See description on page eight.

**11 am**
**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CHAPLAINCY WORSHIP SERVICE**
*First Church in Cambridge, Congregational, UCC, 11 Garden Street. firstchurchcambridge.org*
Contact: Chaplain Karin Case, karincase@firstchurchcambridge.org

**11 am – 12:30 pm**
**MEMORIAL CHURCH FRESHMAN SUNDAY SERVICE**
University inter-denominational Protestant church.
*Memorial Church, Harvard Yard. memorialchurch.harvard.edu*
Contact: Rev. Alanna Sullivan, alanna_sullivan@harvard.edu; 617.495.5508

**12 pm – 1 pm**
**CRIMSON KEY HISTORICAL TOUR**
See description on page six.

**12 pm – 4 pm**
**LANGUAGE VERIFICATION EXAMS**
See description on page 16.

**12 pm – 4 pm**
**FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**
See description on page 13.

**12:30 pm – EXTENDED ORIENTATION**
**8 pm** See description on page 16.

**PAF GROUP MEETING**
Meet with your PAF for a personalized tour and small group advising session. Your PAF will share inside tips for your first year, demystify confusing lingo and acronyms, suggest strategies for navigating the exciting challenges ahead, and explain the difference between Lowell House and Lowell Lecture Hall. **Confirm meeting location with your PAF:**

- **1 pm – 3 pm** Ivy and Elm Yards
- **3 pm – 5 pm** Crimson and Oak Yards
1:30 pm – HUMANIST CHAPLAINCY WEEKLY SUNDAY INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER SERIES
For atheists, agnostics, and allies. August 27 speaker: Colin Stokes ’96. The Humanist Hub, Harvard Square 30 JFK Street, 4th floor, humanisthub.org Contact: Chaplain Greg Epstein, greg_epstein@harvard.edu

2 pm – CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR
See description on page eight.

2:30 pm – LATTER-DAY SAINTS CHAPLAINCY WORSHIP SERVICES AND CLASSES
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2 Longfellow Park, ldschurch.org Contact: Chaplain John Thompson, ThompsonJS@ldschurch.org

3 pm – CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDINGS TOUR
See description on page 11.

5:30 pm EPISCOPAL CHAPLAINCY SERVICE OF THE EUCHARIST
Followed by supper at the Christ Church. Christ Church Cambridge, 0 Garden Street. harvardepiscopalians.org Contact: Chaplain Margery Kennelly, mkennelly@comcast.net

8 pm & 10 pm LOVE STORY SCREENING
Watch 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’s own live and witty commentary. This traditional Opening Days event reminds us all not to take Harvard too seriously! Grab some friends to enjoy the 70’s groove. Space is limited, but the experience is priceless. Science Center Hall B.

8 pm – HARBOR’S AMAZING RACE
Think you already know your way around campus? Put your knowledge to the test by competing in Harvard’s inaugural Amazing Race! Gather a team of 3-6 people (or form one on the spot!) and stop by Widener Steps any time between 8 pm to 10:30 pm. Follow clues to locations around Harvard’s campus where you will complete challenges to unlock your next clue. Pinocchio’s Pizza (a Harvard student favorite) will be awarded to all competitors, with three random teams earning a special prize! Race begins and ends in Tercentenary Theatre.

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted 9:30 am – 4 pm at the Harvard College Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street.
8 am – VINYASA YOGA LEVEL I
A power based form of yoga, with a strength building style that links a series of postures together in a flow of breath. This is a vigorous style of yoga – be prepared to sweat as you increase your flexibility, strength, and balance. Level I - Appropriate for all levels including the new exerciser and beginning yoga student. Limited to first 39 participants.
Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

9:30 am – CONVERSATIONS WITH FACULTY ON THE LIBERAL ARTS
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.

11 am – INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS
See description on page 12.

11:30 am – 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.

11:30 am – EXPOS STUDIO 10 ADVISING CONTINUES
5 pm 1 Bow Street.

1 pm – EXTENDED ORIENTATION
See description on page 16.

HOW TO HARVARD
See description on page 11.

1 pm – GETTING HELP IS ESSENTIAL
You’ve gotten here because you are smart, motivated, and independent. Those qualities will be important at Harvard, as will asking for help and using the resources and services that are available to you. Come hear from other students who will tell you their own stories about taking advantage of Harvard’s academic, personal, and financial support resources. Science Center Hall B.

2 pm – RESOURCES AND SERVICES FAIR
Harvard College has incredible resources and services to support you during your college years. This is your chance to connect one-on-one with the people and programs that will be interesting, enriching, and helpful to you. Nearly 25 offices will be at the fair, including but not limited to, career services, study abroad, financial aid, academic help, and counseling services. Science Center Cafe.
3 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:

- Men’s (combined) Science Center Hall E
- Women’s (combined) Science Center Hall A

**ACADEMIC FAIR**  
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 Guidebook app!

*Science Center Atrium and Plaza Tent.*

3 pm – **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.*

5 pm  
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**  
African; Celtic; Classical; East Asian; Germanic; Near Eastern; Romanic; Slavic; South Asian Languages; and Linguistics. Advising on language placement, concentrations with a foreign language component, secondary fields, language citations, and other opportunities involving language study. *Science Center Plaza Tent.*

**MATH, ENGINEERING, AND SCIENCES**  
Applied Mathematics; Astrophysics; Biomedical Engineering; Chemical and Physical Biology; Chemistry; Chemistry and Physics; Computer Science; Earth and Planetary Sciences; Electrical Engineering; Engineering Sciences; Environmental Science and Public Policy; Human Developmental and Regenerative Biology; Human Evolutionary Biology; Integrative Biology; Mathematics; Mechanical Engineering; Molecular and Cellular Biology; Neurobiology; Physics; Psychology; and Statistics. *Science Center Atrium.*

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
African and African American Studies; Anthropology; East Asian Studies; Economics; Government; History; History and Science; Psychology; Social Studies; Sociology; and Studies of Women, Gender, and Sexuality. *Science Center Plaza Tent.*
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<td>8:30 pm – 10 pm</td>
<td><strong>COMMUNITY NIGHT AT THE PLAZA</strong>&lt;br&gt;Come out and experience a taste of the Harvard community! Enjoy free food, live performances, and interactive booths where you’ll meet current students, faculty, and staff from across campus. This event will be an opportunity to engage with the Harvard community while celebrating the talents of diverse student groups and the vibrant arts and culture on campus. Featuring music and dance from student groups and food trucks serving local cuisine. Science Center Plaza Tent.</td>
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<td>10 pm – 1 am</td>
<td><strong>CARDS AGAINST INSOMNIA</strong>&lt;br&gt;Before Opening Days comes to a close, head on over to the Cabot Science Library for game night! Take a break in between rounds of Apples to Apples to play some trivia or put together a giant lego set. Board games, card games, and video games will be provided, but feel free to bring your own favorites. Trivia begins at 10:30 pm and 11:30 pm. Insomnia cookies and other snacks will be provided. Cabot Library, Science Center.</td>
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<td><strong>COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS</strong>&lt;br&gt;Who am I? How do I relate to others? What experiences, beliefs, values, and questions am I bringing with me to college? How might my peers answer these same questions? How might their perspectives eventually impact mine? How will I make Harvard a home? Join your entryway for a facilitated conversation on identity, and what it means to be members of a community as diverse as ours. <strong>Confirm the location with your proctor.</strong></td>
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**ACCEPT/DECLINE FRESHMAN SEMINARS BY 9 AM**

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS<br>May be submitted 11:15 am – 1:30 pm at the Harvard College Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street. This is the final day to submit a term change request.
11:15 am –  A TASTE OF HARVARD ACADEMICS
12:15 pm Sarah Lewis, Assistant Professor of History of Art and Architecture and African and African American Studies, will deliver the prestigious annual Ann Radcliffe Trust lecture. Professor Lewis’s research focuses on depictions of race in contemporary art and in 19th and 20th century American culture. Come meet and learn from Professor Lewis, one of Harvard’s distinguished scholars. Co-sponsored by the Harvard College Women’s Center and the Freshman Dean’s Office. Menschel Hall, Harvard Art Museum.

11:30 am – INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS
1:30 pm See description on page 12.

1:45 pm CONVOCATION PROCESSION
Join your entryway, your proctor, and Harvard alumni for a procession into Tercentenary Theatre. Meet outside your entryway promptly at 1:45 pm. Dressy attire is suggested. This is a great time for photos!

2:30 pm CONVOCATION
University President Drew Gilpin Faust, Edgerly Family Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences Michael D. Smith, Danoff Dean of Harvard College Rakesh Khurana, Marcus Granderson ’18, Alumni Association President Susan Novick, Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church Reverend Jonathan L. Walton, and Dean of Freshmen Thomas A. Dingman welcome the Class of 2021 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.

3:30 pm PHOTO OF THE CLASS OF 2021
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 2021 and the start of the 2017-2018 academic year. Light refreshments will be served. To prevent crowding at the reception, please attend with your Yard at the time below. Old Yard.

4 pm – 4:30 pm Ivy and Oak Yards
4:30 pm – 5 pm Crimson and Elm Yards

In the event of inclement weather, alternate plans for Convocation, the class photo, and the reception will be announced.

8 pm FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW
Harvard’s Got Talent! Come support your classmates as they share their hidden talents and see some of the fascinating people that make up the Class of 2021! Grab your friends to see some jaw-dropping performances by your very own classmates. Tickets (free, but limited) will be available at the door. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall.
ONLINE CHECK-IN DEADLINE
All freshmen must visit my.harvard.edu to check in by 11:59 on Tuesday, August 29.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

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

4 pm – 5:30 pm WELCOME FOR FIRST GENERATION AND LOW INCOME STUDENTS
Come celebrate the beginning of your undergraduate journey with Harvard’s First Generation College and Low Income Student communities. After opening remarks from administrators and the First Generation Student Union (FGSU), first generation and low income students and alumni will be available to discuss life at Harvard. Please join us for great food and conversation as we welcome you into your new community. Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.

8:30 pm – 10:30 pm GREEN BRAIN BREAK
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 ’21 travel mug to use at brain break and cafes for the rest of the year! Annenberg Dining Hall.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

9 am EXPOS SECTIONING BEGINS FOR EXPOS STUDIO 10 AND EXPOS 20
Consult the Guide to Expos for details. Available online at writingprogram.fas.harvard.edu or at 1 Bow Street.

4 pm – 5:30 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. The narratives will be followed by open-ended Q&A. Students of all identities are welcome, especially those hoping to be supportive of their BGLTQ friends. Stick around afterwards for ice cream! Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall.

6 pm – 7 pm UNDOCU-HARVARD: WELCOME EVENT FOR UNDOCUMENTED, DACA, AND MIXED STATUS FAMILY STUDENTS
Get to know the campus support systems in place to support students affected by immigration policies, and enjoy great food! You will have the chance to meet Katie Derzon, the Fellow for Undocumented Students; Jason Corral, attorney for Undocumented/
DACA students at the Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinic; and the UndocuSupport team from around the College, such as Admissions and Financial Aid, Counseling and Mental Health Services, Career Services, and Academic Advising! Older students who are Undocu+ will also be there to talk about their experiences navigating life at Harvard and finding a community in Act on a Dream. All identities welcome and no status assumed. Feel free to visit diversity.college.harvard.edu/undocumented-students to receive support and information in lieu of the event.

Meet at the John Harvard Statue at 5:45 pm.

9 pm – 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 and ask questions over bowls of ice cream! Annenberg Dining Hall.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8 am – 4:15 pm PHYSICAL EXAM FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETES
A physical exam 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. Due to construction, please allow extra travel time and use the marked entrance for HUHS at the Smith Campus Center. 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. In order to be seen, athletes must arrive by 4:15 pm. All times noted are for men and women unless specified as M versus W. Smith Campus Center.

8 am Fencing, Golf, Sailing, Tennis, and Track and Field
9 am Squash
9:30 am W Rugby and M Volleyball
10 am Alpine Skiing, Nordic Skiing, and Swimming
10:30 am Basketball
11 am Hockey
11:30 am Wrestling
12 pm Baseball, Softball, Lacrosse, and W Water Polo
12:30 pm Lacrosse
1:30 pm Crew (recruited)
9 am – 2pm Crew (walk-on)
STUDENT INVOLVEMENT 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 from 5 pm – 7 pm. Please note that Annenberg Dining Hall will be closed.

Rain Date: Monday, September 4, 2 pm – 4 pm.

LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD:
Looking for something fun? Want to meet more members of the Class of 2021? Come hang out! Everything is free and all are welcome.

DANCE JAM

Enjoy a spectacular showcase that highlights the wide variety of dance groups at Harvard! Watch the Harvard Ballet Company, Harvard-Radcliffe Modern Dance Company, Crimson Dance Team, Ballroom Dance Team, Expressions Dance Company, TAPS, Asian American Dance Troupe, South Asian Dance Company, Harvard Beakers, Candela, Padame, and Deepam perform in a fun and welcoming environment. This is a great opportunity to view the diversity of dance on Harvard’s campus! Doors open at 8 pm with free tickets available at door.

Lowell Lecture Hall, Lowell Hall.

RUSH HOUR

Rush Hour has become a traditional dance to kick off the year! This high energy evening also provides first year students with an introduction to the event hosts; Harvard Radcliffe Chinese Students Association, Black Students Association, and Black Men’s Forum. These organizations aspire to welcome freshmen to campus with a fun and free social event. HUID is required for entry, and one guest may accompany a Harvard student with a valid ID or driver’s license.

Northwest Labs, 52 Oxford Street.

CLASS OF 2021 DAY OF SERVICE

Don’t miss the annual First-Year Day of Service, the opportunity to demonstrate that the Class of 2021 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 with community organizations.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

10 am – 5 pm

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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.

The Class of 2021 Day of Service is open to all! Register at publicservice.fas.harvard.edu/freshman-day-service. 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 together with the various public service offices and organizations on campus.

LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD:

7 pm – 11 pm  FRESHMAN A CAPPELLA JAM
Join the audience for a series of performances as an introduction to the vibrant and active a cappella community on campus! With all officially recognized a cappella groups performing in this joint extravaganza (Callbacks, Cliffe Notes, Collegium Underground, Din and Tonics, Fallen Angels, Fusian, Glee Club Lite, Krokodiloes, LowKeys, Opportunities, Pitchers, Under Construction, and Veritones), this show promises to deliver a night of music and performances for all to enjoy! Doors open at 7 pm with free tickets available at the door. Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall.

8:30 pm – 12 am  SKETCHFLIX ‘N CHILL
Join the Harvard Sketch Club for a relaxing movie night where participants will have the opportunity to pause and sketch throughout the film. With art materials being provided, stop by and capture some beautiful scenes in a low-key environment. Open event with limited materials. Straus Common Room, Straus Hall.

10 pm – 2 am  ELECTRO-SOUL DANCE PARTY / MUSIC SHOWCASE
Check out this high-energy dance party performed and hosted by Harvard’s own experienced live musicians. Electro-Soul strives to showcase Harvard’s diverse music scene while providing a space for students to connect through dance and music. This event will certainly be a formative and memorable experience for incoming students – especially those interested in joining or supporting Harvard bands and musical nightlife. HUID required for entry. Cambridge Queen’s Head Pub, Memorial Hall.

11:59 pm  SECTIONING DEADLINE FOR EXPOS STUDIO 10 AND EXPOS 20
EXPOS SECTIONING NOTIFICATION FOR EXPOS STUDIO 10 AND EXPOS 20

Students enrolling in Expos Studio 10 and Expos 20 during the fall term will be notified of their section assignment by email this evening.

PHILLIPS BROOKS HOUSE ASSOCIATION OPEN HOUSE

2 pm – 3 pm  A panel and question and answer session to orient students to the 70+ programs and introduce some partner initiatives in social justice and community engagement. Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard.

3 pm – 5 pm  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 justice programs run out of PBHA, Harvard’s largest student-led organization. From after-school tutoring and adult services, to two student-run homeless shelters and prisoner education, to environmental, legal, and workers’ rights groups, the PBHA open house is the place to go if you are interested in becoming involved in the Boston and Cambridge communities and thinking more critically about social change! Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard.

LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD:

6 pm – 9 pm  BURRITO BONANZA

Come enjoy a burrito and other goodies while having the opportunity to meet student organizations such as HealthPALS, Harvard VISION, Medical Humanities, DAPA, CARE, SHARC, Red Cross, FIMRC, and NAYEP! Take part in various wellness activities such as glow in the dark yoga, meditation, board games, and more. All are encouraged and welcome to engage in a comfortable environment for making connections and building friendships! HUID required for entry. Gym Floor, Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

6 pm – 9 pm  HEAT UP THE NIGHT

Take part in this fun, upbeat exercise routine set to a night club theme. A live DJ will be setting the mood with dance party style music to get everyone (of all experience levels) pumped for each exercise. This will be an interval training workout, with all body weight exercises. No equipment required, just bring yourself! HUID required for entry. Mezzanine, Malkin Athletic Center, 39 Holyoke Street.

8 pm – 2 am  GAMEATHON

Gameathon is a large and inclusive social night featuring games and fun for all! Come meet and socialize with people over video games, board games, and the like! This is also a great chance to meet and receive information about the large, accepting community of game and game-enthusiast clubs.
on campus, such as the Harvard-Radcliffe Science Fiction Association, Association for the Promotion of Interplanetary Expansion, and Harvard Esports Association. No experience necessary. HUID needed for building entry.

*Student Organization Center at Hilles.*

**9:15 pm – 10:15 pm**

**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 Pinocchio’s Pizza. *Steps of Widener Library, Tercentenary Theatre.*

**10 pm – 2 am**

**OPEN HAUS @ CQH**

This showcase of student musicians and artists at Harvard College creates a fun party atmosphere for students. It will include music showcases and art displays by student artists and DJs. It will be held at Cambridge Queen’s Head Pub, where food and refreshments will be provided. This event is co-hosted by WHRB, the SOCH Recording Studio, Quad Sound Studios, and the Harvard Student Art Show. HUID required for entry. *Cambridge Queen’s Head Pub, Memorial Hall.*

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

**LABOR DAY**

All University offices are closed.

**5 pm – 8 pm**

**CAMP HARVARD**

Welcome to Harvard College! The College Events Board invites you to our annual Welcome Back Event. Complete with s’mores, lawn games, and other fun surprises, this annual event is a chance to recapture the summer as you reunite with friends, meet new ones, and celebrate the start of a new year. HUDS will be grilling and serving a delicious picnic meal at the event, and don’t miss the dunk tank – your opportunity to take aim at some of Harvard’s leaders. Stop by the CEB table to meet board members and snag some free Harvard temporary tattoos! Please note that all dining halls including Annenberg will be closed. HUID required for entry. Rain date is Friday, September 8, 5 pm – 8 pm. *Tercentenary Theatre.*

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

**9:30 am – 4 pm**

**EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS**

May be submitted at 1 Bow Street.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

**EXPOS STUDIO 10 AND EXPOS 20 CLASSES BEGIN**

**9:30 am – 4 pm**

**EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS**

May be submitted at 1 Bow Street.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:30 am – 4 pm  EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS
May be submitted at 1 Bow Street. This is the final day to submit a change request.

8 pm – 10 pm  LATE NIGHT @ THE HARVARD ART MUSEUMS
The Harvard Art Museums welcome the Class of 2021 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. Harvard Art Museums, 32 Quincy Street.

11:59 pm  COURSE REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Before completing registration in my.harvard, your adviser will need to acknowledge that you have had an advising conversation.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

ALL EXPOS SECTION ASSIGNMENTS ARE FINAL

LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD:

7 pm – 10 pm  CULTURE NIGHT AT THE SOCH
Stop by the SOCH for a chance to meet and interact with multiple organizations and individuals at Harvard who strive to cultivate a cultural and spiritual community on campus. SOCH, 59 Shepard Street.

AAA PRESENTS: SPAM MUSUBI/SUSHI AND KARAOKE
Delicious treats coupled with karaoke will be a fun way to spend the evening! Join us for spam musubi (a popular Hawaiian dish made with grilled spam and rice) and sushi for a fun chance to mingle with one another, and to learn more about the Asian American community on campus. SOCH Community Hall.

HOPES FOR HARVARD
Take part in this great opportunity to express the hopes you have for your time at Harvard! Meet friendly upperclassmen in a space for introspection and a platform for students to share a bit about themselves on film. These contributions will be filmed and used as part of a video series. SOCH Living Room.

LATE-NIGHT AND LATTER-DAY SAINTS
Make cookies and play games for the evening with the Latter-Day Saints! This event serves as a chill alternative to other happenings on campus. Come see how Harvard can foster a faith-inclusive and faith-promoting college experience! SOCH Room P-14.
LATINX BIENVENIDA
Come to the 3rd Annual Latinx Bienvenida to get an introduction to the Latinx and Latin American community on campus, and to enjoy an evening of good food, music, karaoke, and ice breakers! Take the opportunity to mingle and foster connections with your first-year and upperclassman peers. This event is hosted by Concilio Latino, Fuerza Latina, and the Harvard Latino Men’s Collective. SOCH Performance Hall.

SOUTH ASIAN LIFE AT HARVARD
Come join the South Asian student organizations of Harvard for an evening of performances, entertainment, and mingling. This is a great way to meet upperclassmen from various South Asian organizations! SOCH Event Hall.

8 pm – LATE NIGHT @ HOUGHTON LIBRARY
Drop in and chill out with food, drink, live music, door prizes, and entertainment inspired by Houghton Library’s new exhibition: Altered States: Sex, Drugs, and Transcendence in the Ludlow Santo-Domingo Collection. Houghton Library.

10 pm – Slinky Silent Disco
This is an opportunity for students to come together and groove to quality tunes, while separated from the rest of the world with a pair of headphones. This creates a fun and fantastic connection between all groovers on the dance floor. There will also be refreshments! HUID required for headphones. Tercentenary Theatre.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

LATE NIGHT @ HARVARD:

7 pm LMAO
LMAO is the biggest and most inclusive comedy event of the year! For the past seven years, this show has been coordinated by the Stand-Up Comics Society and includes the Immediate Gratification Players, Three Letter Acronym, On Thin Ice, On Harvard Time, and Satire V. Enjoy some short-form improv, stand-up, long-form improv, sketches, parody, and other comedic wackiness by the comedy groups of Harvard College in a fantastic and hilarious show! Free tickets available at door. Doors open at 7pm. Lowell Lecture Hall, Lowell Hall.

10 pm – HOTSPOT
Hotspot is a dance that is explicitly queer friendly, hosted by Harvard College Queer Students and Allies. Held in the Student Organization Center at Hilles, students can dance to a live DJ in one room and socialize over refreshments in another. This event has been attended by hundreds of queer students and allies over the years. It is open to Harvard undergraduates with an HUID and one outside guest who has a valid ID or driver’s license. SOCH Event Hall.
ANNENBERG DINING HALL HOURS
Annenberg is the freshman-only dining hall. It will open for dinner on Tuesday, August 22 at 5 pm. Standard meal hours are:

- Hot Breakfast (Mon–Sat): 7:30 am – 10:15 am
- Continental Breakfast (Mon–Sat): 10 am – 11 am
- Continental Breakfast (Sunday): 7:30 am – 10 am
- Brunch (Sunday): 11:30 am – 2:15 pm
- Lunch (Mon–Sat): 11:30 am – 2:15 pm
- Dinner: 4:30 pm – 7:15 pm
- Brain Break (Sun–Thurs): 9:15 pm – 10:45 pm

THE CRIMSON KEY SOCIETY
The Crimson Key Society is the oldest student organization dedicated to serving the undergraduate community and Harvard’s visitors. In addition to providing tours of the campus, its members also 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 any questions about the Crimson Key Society, social events, or campus life in general, members of the Crimson Key Society will be happy to help you at the Crimson Key tent in the center of the Old Yard from 9 am – 5 pm, Tuesday, August 22 through Monday, August 28. You can also stop by the tent to hang out with CKS members, or borrow 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, serves the needs of Harvard’s students, faculty, and alumni. The COOP is located in the heart of Harvard Square and sells everything a student needs, including 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 percent member discount on their purchases in addition to any current promotions or sales being offered. Please join and shop at any store location or online at thecoop.com.

HARVARD STUDENT AGENCIES
Harvard Student Agencies (HSA) offers many useful services to students: HSA Cleaners at 69 Mount Auburn Street provides laundry and dry cleaning services; HSA Dorm Essentials at 69 Mount Auburn Street offers linens, drink delivery, and rental of furniture, TVs, microfridges, and fans; and the Harvard Shop at 65 Mount Auburn Street sells affordable Harvard merchandise and apparel. hsa.net | theharvardshop.com.
INFORMATION CENTER
Located at the back 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 in greater Cambridge. During business hours, the staff is available for queries on all things Harvard! Additionally, you can find University publications and event listings in the center, as well as information on guided tours of the campus. harvard.edu/visitors.

LIBRARY ORIENTATION AND TOURS
Harvard Library welcomes the Class of 2021! We have many beautiful libraries for you to explore. Group and individual orientations are available. Widener, Houghton and Cabot all conduct regular tours during the academic year. We also provide a large array of workshops, exhibitions and special events. Please browse our calendar at library.harvard.edu/library-calendar and join us soon! library.harvard.edu.

MUSEUMS
Admission is free for students with a valid Harvard ID!

Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology
peabody.harvard.edu
11 Divinity Avenue
Open seven days a week, 9 am – 5 pm

Museum of Comparative Zoology
mcz.harvard.edu
26 Oxford Street
Open seven days a week, 9 am – 5 pm

Harvard Semitic Museum
semiticmuseum.fas.harvard.edu
6 Divinity Avenue
Monday through Friday and Sunday, 11 am – 4 pm
Closed Saturdays

Harvard 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

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 successfully complete a swimming test. To take the test, simply bring your Harvard ID and report to the lifeguards at Blodgett or Malkin Pool during regular operating hours. For details about the swim test requirements and pool operating hours, visit gocrimson.com and click on Recreation and Aquatics, or call 617.495.0597.
Musical Ensembles

THE HARVARD CHORUSES

Andrew Clark, Director of Choral Activities and Conductor of Harvard Glee Club, Radcliffe Choral Society, and Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum

OPEN REHEARSALS: 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.

Harvard Glee Club, Radcliffe Choral Society, and Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum will rehearse in Sanders Theatre:
Wednesday, August 30  4:15 pm – 5:45 pm

Harvard Radcliffe Chorus will rehearse in Lowell Lecture Hall:
Wednesday, September 6  7 pm – 9:30 pm

AUDITIONS: Held in the basement of Memorial Hall. No audition piece required. For more information, email harvardchoruses@gmail.com or visit harvardchoruses.fas.harvard.edu/auditions.

Monday, August 28  5 pm – 8 pm
Tuesday, August 29  5 pm – 8 pm
Wednesday, August 30  5 pm – 8 pm
Thursday, August 31  5 pm – 8 pm
Friday, September 1  5 pm – 8 pm

Harvard Glee Club (TTBB Chorus)
The Harvard Glee Club is one of America’s oldest collegiate men’s choruses. The ensemble of 50 men strives to further the tradition of men’s choral music, foster lifelong brotherhood, and engage the community through the love and performance of music. harvardgleeclub.org

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Monday, 4:15 pm – 6:30 pm and Wednesday, 4:15 pm – 6:30 pm.

Radcliffe Choral Society (SSAA Chorus)
The Radcliffe Choral Society is a treble choral ensemble at Harvard University. 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. radcliffechoralsociety.com

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Monday 7 pm – 9:30 pm and Wednesday 4:15 pm – 6:30 pm.

Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum (SATB Chorus)
Harvard’s celebrated mixed-voice chorus, Collegium performs music from the fifteenth century to the present. Collegium works to sustain and advance choral art through adventurous collaborations, community engagement, and dynamic performance, from masterworks by Bach, Brahms, and Mozart to new compositions. hrcm.org

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Tuesday 4:15 pm – 6:30 pm and Wednesday 4:15 pm – 6:30 pm.
Harvard-Radcliffe Chorus (SATB Chorus)
Edward Jones, Conductor
The Harvard-Radcliffe Chorus is made up of 100 students, faculty, staff, and community members with a wide range of musical experience. The ensemble presents two major choral-orchestral performances per year with repertoire spanning from the baroque to present day music. hrc.harvardchoruses.fas.harvard.edu

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

Skills for Singing Class
Elizabeth Eschen, Director
New to singing? Looking to improve your skills or prepare for auditions? Skills for Singing is a co-curricular course providing training in fundamental musical skills. Students discover what makes their voice unique and start celebrating their personal artistry through song. ofa.fas.harvard.edu/skills-singing-course

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Tuesday 7 pm – 9 pm in Holden Chapel (starts September 19).

THE HARVARD UNIVERSITY CHOIR
Edward 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. 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 27 and September 3. uchoir.harvard.edu

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

OPEN REHEARSAL: Thursday, August 31, 5 pm – 6 pm, in the Choir Room of the Memorial Church.

TEA TIME: To learn more about UChoir, join us for tea time on Thursday, August 31, 4 pm – 5 pm in the Buttrick Room of the Memorial Church.

AUDITIONS: Held at the following times in the Choir Room of the Memorial Church:
- Tuesday, August 29 2 pm – 4 pm
- Wednesday, August 30 2 pm – 4 pm
- Thursday, August 31 2 pm – 4 pm
- Saturday, September 2 10 am – 12:30 pm

THE KUUMBA SINGERS
Sheldon Reid ’96, Director
As Harvard College’s oldest Black undergraduate organization, Kuumba is a non-audition choir, artistic space, and community dedicated to celebrating Black creativity and spirituality in all of its forms. All are welcome and no auditions are required!

FIRST MEETING: Tuesday, September 5 at 7 pm in the SOCH Penthouse. For more information, email president@kuumbasingers.org or visit kuumbasingers.org.
THE HARVARD BANDS
Mark Olson, Director of Bands and Harvard Wind Ensemble

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 wind repertoire. The ensemble performs six concerts each year, with an annual performance in New York City. Internationally known musicians perform with and compose for the ensemble. harvardwe.fas.harvard.edu

Jazz Ensemble
Yosvany Terry, Director of Jazz Ensembles

Jazz at Harvard comprises both big bands and several combos. The jazz ensembles perform several concerts on and off campus. A highlight each year is the residency of Jazz Masters in collaboration with the Office of the Arts. harvardjazz.fas.harvard.edu

AUDITIONS: Sign up for a 10-minute audition either online (harvardband.org), or by phone (617.496.BAND). Walk-ins welcome!

Saturday, September 2 12 pm – 6 pm (HUB & WE)
Sunday, September 3 12 pm – 5 pm (HUB & WE)
Saturday, September 9 12 pm – 5 pm (All Bands)
Sunday, September 10 12 pm – 5 pm (All Bands)
Sunday, September 10 5 pm – 6 pm (Jazz Rhythm Section only)

THE BACH SOCIETY ORCHESTRA
The Bach Society Orchestra is Harvard’s oldest student-led chamber orchestra. We perform works from across the classical canon, not just Bach! Any classical musicians are welcome to audition, whether winds or strings. BachSoc is also Harvard’s only free-ticket orchestra. bachsoc.org

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Sundays 1:15 pm – 3:45 pm; Wednesdays 7 pm – 9:30 pm.

AUDITIONS: Schedule your audition in the “Auditions” section of bachsoc.org. Auditions consist of 5-7 minutes of solo repertoire. No scales or sight-reading required.

Thursday, August 31 4 pm – 8 pm
Friday, September 1 4 pm – 9 pm
Saturday, September 2 10:30 am – 3:30 pm
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 early music. No prior experience is necessary, and you may borrow a baroque instrument for the year! harvardbaroque.org

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Mondays 4 pm – 6:30 pm in Memorial Church.

AUDITIONS: Date and location will be listed at harvardbaroque.org.

THE HARVARD POPS ORCHESTRA
Allen Feinstein ’86, Music Director
We are a full symphonic orchestra performing repertoire ranging from film music and pop songs to classical works. Our concerts also involve student conducting, compositions and arrangements, films, and original comedy scripts. harvardpops.com

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Tuesday from 4 pm – 6:30pm in Lowell Lecture Hall.

AUDITIONS: Held in the basement of Lowell Lecture Hall (sign up at harvardpops.com/auditions):
- Tuesday, August 29: 7 pm – 9 pm
- Wednesday, August 30: 7 pm – 9 pm
- Saturday, September 2: 10 am – 3 pm
- Sunday, September 3: 12 pm – 5 pm

THE HARVARD-RADCLIFFE ORCHESTRA
Federico Cortese, Music Director
The Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra (HRO), America’s oldest symphony orchestra, enters its 210th season. 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, just completed its summer 2017 tour to Argentina. harvardradcliffeorchestra.org

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

AUDITIONS: We have openings in all sections; please prepare two pieces of contrasting styles of your choice; no scales or sight-reading. Auditions are held in Paine Hall. Sign up for auditions online on the website.
- Sunday, August 27: 2 pm – 8 pm
- Monday, August 28: 10 am – 8 pm
- Tuesday, August 29: 10 am – 6 pm

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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.
Special Thanks

The Freshman Dean’s Office and the Committee on Opening Days – co-chaired by Katie Steele (Freshman Dean’s Office) and Glenn Brody Magid (Advising Programs Office) – would like to thank all the faculty, staff, students, and alumni who made this year’s Opening Days possible. We would also like to thank the many colleagues in offices across Harvard whose ideas and energy, and whose dedication to undergraduates, make Opening Days such a wonderful experience for entering students:

- Admissions and Financial Aid
- Advising Programs Office
- Athletics
- Bureau of Study Counsel
- Counseling and Mental Health Services
- Dining Services
- Harvard Alumni Association
- Office of Career Services
- Office of Student Life
- Office of Undergraduate Education
- Writing Center
- Yard Operations

Finally, special thanks to the Proctors and Peer Advising Fellows, and to the members of the Crimson Key Society, whose tireless and cheerful efforts to welcome our newest students do so much to make them feel at home.
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Opening days checklist

Required

- Attend Welcome to the Community on Tuesday, 8/22
- Attend meetings with your entryway on Tuesday, 8/22, Wednesday, 8/23, and Thursday, 8/24
- Learn about the curriculum at Explorations in the Liberal Arts on Wednesday, 8/23
- Join your Academic Adviser for lunch on Wednesday, 8/23
- Learn about sexual assault prevention at Speak About It! on Wednesday, 8/23
- Learn about Harvard’s Honor Code on Thursday, 8/24
- Meet with your PAF for a small group advising session on Sunday, 8/27
- Participate in Conversations with Faculty on the Liberal Arts on Monday, 8/28
- Participate in Community Conversations on Tuesday, 8/29
- Hear from President Drew Gilpin Faust and the Deans at Freshman Convocation and be in the photo of the Class of 2021 on Tuesday, 8/29
- Complete Online Check-in by Tuesday, 8/29 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, 9/1

Recommended

- Check online (placement-info.fas.harvard.edu) for placement exam times and locations, and complete any necessary exams
- Discover the excitement of academic life and consider concentrations at Pathways events on Thursday, 8/24
- Check out Happy,Healthy,Harvard. on Thursday, 8/24
- Attend the How to Harvard series for essential advice and practical tips on Thursday, 8/24; Friday, 8/25; and Monday, 8/28
- Apply for a Freshman Seminar by 8 am Friday, 8/25
- Have fun at the Intramural Field and Spirit Day on Saturday, 8/26
- Watch your talented classmates at the Annual FAP Pageant on Saturday, 8/26
- Relax at the outdoor screening of Legally Blonde on Saturday, 8/26
- Dance the night away at the First Chance Dance on Saturday, 8/26
- Experience Love Story on Sunday, 8/27
- Visit the Academic Fair on Monday, 8/28
- Attend the faculty lecture given by Sarah Lewis on Tuesday, 8/29
- Introduce yourself to President Faust and Harvard alumni at the Convocation Reception on Tuesday, 8/29
- Enjoy the Talent Show on Tuesday, 8/29
- Attend the Activities Fair at Radcliffe Quad and the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH) on Friday, 9/1
- Check out the schedule of student organization meetings and Late Night @ Harvard event listings
- Participate in the Class of 2021 Day of Service on Saturday, 9/2
- Get involved with public service at the PBHA Open House on Sunday, 9/3