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INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Greetings to the Members of the Class of 2018:

Welcome! We believe your time at Harvard should be intellectually, socially, and personally transformative and we hope the start of your experience will be marked by a sense of belonging and inspiration. This orientation period, known as “Opening Days,” is intended to prepare you for life as a Harvard student.

Through Opening Days, you should:

- Get to know your academic, residential, and peer advisers;
- Understand the purpose of a liberal arts education;
- Develop a list of academic areas to explore;
- Understand what is expected of you as a member of the community;
- Gain familiarity with the opportunities for learning outside the classroom, including extracurriculars;
- Start to feel at home personally and socially;
- Reflect on the opportunities and obligations that come with living in a diverse community;
- Consider how to make good choices about your health, safety, and well-being.
- Learn your way around campus; and,
- Discover an appreciation for the values, traditions, and history of Harvard.

We urge you to read this entire booklet and to carry it with you during this orientation period. **We call your particular attention to the events listed in the Calendar of Opening Days that are marked by a “required” icon. These events are REQUIRED of all of you.** The events marked with an “academic” icon are related to academic planning. The social events, indicated by a separate icon, are brought to you by student organizations and various College offices, and are intended to be purely fun and help you to meet more people.

The Calendar is also available online on the FDO website (www.fdo.fas.harvard.edu).

In the past, some members of the entering Class 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 – indicated on your Study Card – to be made wisely and to set you up for an exciting term. There are all sorts of people eager to help you. Please don’t hold back. And remember that the students who report the greatest satisfaction with their undergraduate experience talk about the balance of their commitments and a feeling of being “connected.” These take time to develop. Be patient, and have fun with the exploration that commences with Opening Days.

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

We look forward to getting to know you!

Sincerely,



Tom Dingman
Dean of Freshmen

IMPORTANT NOTES

Registration and Course Enrollment

Registration at Harvard does not mean signing up for courses. Rather, it refers you “signing in” with the College online, making sure that all of your personal information and data are accurate in your records. You may register at any time beginning on **Monday, August 17**. You will receive an email from the Registrar’s Office with a link to online registration at my.harvard.edu. Your registration must be submitted no later than **11:59 pm on Tuesday, September 1**.

During registration, you will be asked to verify and update your directory and personal information. You will be asked to read the Harvard College Honor Code and sign your name to indicate your awareness of the code and your adherence to it. You will also be asked 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 registration 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 registration is complete, you will need to enroll in courses via an online Study Card. Your online Study Card lists the courses you will be taking during a given semester. You will create and submit your Study Card through my.harvard.edu. In order to gain permission to enroll in courses, you must first have a discussion about your interests and placement recommendations with your freshman adviser. Your adviser 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 Wednesday, September 9.**

Accessible Education Office (AEO)

The Accessible Education Office (AEO) serves as the central 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 AEO, it is important to contact them as soon as possible. The AEO is a confidential office, and you are encouraged to be in contact with the office with any questions regarding accessible transportation, housing, adaptive 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 any questions about accessibility, please contact the Accessible Education Office (617) 496-8707 or email at aeo@fas.harvard.edu.

For further information about the AEO, please visit their website at www.aeo.fas.harvard.edu.

Placement Tests

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 are administered over the summer (you were automatically

registered for them); the on-campus placement exams are administered during Opening Days. You are required to take the online Writing Test and the online Mathematics placement exam, and invited to take any other placement exam.

Your exam results do not become a formal part of your transcript. Your results will be analyzed by the appropriate academic departments, which will then make recommendations about which courses you are prepared to take.

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

Freshman Advising

The name and contact information for your academic adviser can be found in the advising 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 (these advisers are known as “non-res advisers” since they do not live in your residence as Proctors do).

You will have your first opportunity to meet with your freshman academic adviser for lunch on **Thursday, August 27**. Your academic adviser will be in contact with you to arrange this meeting.

On **Thursday, August 27, at 8:00 pm** all freshmen will meet with their Proctors and 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. Immediately following the meeting with your Proctor, you will meet with your PAF to learn some critical logistical information about academic life at Harvard.

After your initial group 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 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 taking place during Opening Days.

Through the Gates

Through the Gates is a yearlong excursions-based program managed and operated by the FDO. It is designed to enhance the first-year experience by enabling students to pass “Through the Gates” of Harvard Yard and become more familiar with greater Boston and Cambridge, while also fostering interaction among students, faculty, peers, and the wider community. As in the past, this year’s program will begin with several recreational excursions, **starting in early September, and continuing throughout the fall.**

Students will meet their trip leader, typically a Harvard faculty or staff member, at a pre-arranged locale, and proceed to a number of places in and around the city. Many of these trips have a small fee associated with them for admission, transportation, or meals, though financial aid is available to those who are eligible.

To access the latest listings and information for Through the Gates, please visit the FDO website for the Class of 2019: www.fdo.fas.harvard.edu. Sign-ups will take place online via the FDO website and through additional email communications sent out to the class.

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 two workshops. These workshops are designed to give you a chance to talk with your peers and upperclass students about two important issues: 1) sex and gender-based violence, and 2) 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 that the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (OSAPR) and the Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Services (AODS) provide, and will meet student leaders from both groups. These workshops are mandatory. Your Proctor will tell you the date, times, and locations for the workshops for your entryway. All workshops will run between **Saturday, August 29 and Wednesday, September 2**.

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.

Note that international freshmen who did not participate in FIP are expected to attend the Orientation for International Students on **Wednesday, August 26** in the Straus Common Room.

Advanced Standing

If you completed a series of college-level examinations in high school (e.g. AP tests, IB exams, A-levels), you may be eligible for Advanced Standing. Students interested in Advanced Standing will need to submit their credentials through official channels (AP and IB scores can be submitted directly to us by contacting the College Board and the IB offices, respectively; please contact the Office of Undergraduate Education about the process for submitting credentials for any other international exams, including A-levels.) Activating Advanced Standing at Harvard can allow you to graduate in as few as three years, or to complete a Master's degree in certain fields during your fourth year at the College.

The decision to pursue Advanced Standing should be undertaken carefully and only after consultation with advisers. Although many students will be eligible for Advanced Standing, ultimately very few will decide to take this route since most students find

that it is not possible, or not desirable, to limit the number of courses they will take for the undergraduate degree and still meet the requirements of the degree. For those students who are interested in possibly pursuing Advanced Standing, it will be important to begin the conversation in the freshman year since graduating in this way will require careful planning for meeting course requirements.

If you are eligible for Advanced Standing, your status should be indicated in the “Placement and Test Scores” section of my.harvard.edu. You may also consult the information on Advanced Standing located on the Office of Undergraduate Education website to learn about eligibility.

For the determination of Advanced Standing eligibility, the College also recognizes qualifying scores on a small number of Harvard Placement tests offered during Opening Days. See the Advanced Standing information at oue.fas.harvard.edu. Click on “Students/Advanced Standing.” When you sign up for one of these exams, please specify that you want it to count toward Advanced Standing. Also, please be aware that the score one needs to satisfy the Harvard language requirement may not be sufficient to grant credit towards Advanced Standing eligibility.

For questions about Advanced Standing, contact Noel Bisson, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education, or Anne Marie Sousa, Director of Academic Projects, at oue@fas.harvard.edu.

DAILY LISTINGS

Key to Icons:



Required



Social



Required



Academic



Family



Recommended



Repeat

Tuesday, August 25



ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS

All freshmen must visit my.harvard.edu to register by **11:59 pm on Tuesday, September 2.**



EXPOS 10 NOTIFICATION

We will email students on move-in day, August 25, with their Expos 10 recommendations. The recommendation will also be available in students' my.harvard portal. (It's our current understanding that this information also becomes visible on August 25.)



7 am–
6 pm

MOVE IN! Rooms are ready for occupancy at 7 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 (5–7:15 pm).

7:30 am–
5 pm

MAIL AND PACKAGE PICK-UP

You may pick up your boxes and packages from the Science Center. A photo ID will be required to claim packages. **Room 102, Science Center**

- 9 am–4:30 pm **MEDICAL RECORDS ASSISTANCE** 
The Medical Records department at Harvard University Health Services will be open to accept medical forms (including immunization records) and assist families of entering students. **HUHS 4th Floor, 75 Mt. Auburn St., Smith Campus Center**
- 9 am–5 pm **COMPUTING INFORMATION BOOTH**
Stop by the booth in the Science Center Atrium to get answers and advice related to computing and technology. **Science Center Atrium.**
- 12–1 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 outside Annenberg Dining Hall. This hour long tour repeats again at **1 pm** and **2 pm**.
- 4:15–5:15 pm **AFTERNOON FITNESS FUN RUN**
De-stress on Move-in Day through community running, which gets your endorphins going and provides the chance to meet more people! Pace and route TBD. We'll probably divide into smaller pace and distance groups if enough people show up who already know their way around. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. **Meet at the John Harvard statue.**
- 5–7 pm **DINNER**
Get together with your roommates or member of your entryway for your first meal at Harvard! Hours for all meals offered in Annenberg Dining Hall can be found in this booklet under "Resources and Information." Family members are welcome to eat dinner at Annenberg for a fee of \$__.

WELCOME TO THE COMMUNITY

Join your entryway and the rest of your Yard for an official welcome and address from your Resident Dean. Your freshman entryway, your dorm, and the entire Class of 2019 will become important communities for you. Living and working together over the next year will give you the chance to learn and grow in ways that might not be possible otherwise. We believe that all our communities are made stronger because of 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, and officers from Harvard University Police Department, all of whom are deeply committed to helping to keep you and our community healthy and safe.

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

MEET YOUR ENTRYWAY!

This is your first chance to meet all 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.**



FRESHMAN SEMINAR APPLICATIONS DUE by 12 pm. Apply online at www.freshmanseminars.college.harvard.edu.

8-8:45 am **SHOCKWAVE® TOTAL BODY CIRCUIT TRAINING**
Cross training at its best! This circuit challenge combines HIGH-INTENSITY, short-burst cardio using the WaterRowers™ with dynamic, functional strength exercises. Sculpt and transform your body while your teammates cheer you on. Minimal time, max effort, & EXTREME results. It doesn't get better than this! **Limited to first 60 participants.** **Malkin Athletic Center.**

8-8:45 am **CLASS OF 2019 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 about a 4.7-mile loop. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. **Meet at the John Harvard statue.**



9 am-4:30 pm **MEDICAL RECORDS ASSISTANCE**
The Medical Records department at Harvard University Health Services will be open to accept medical forms (including immunization records) and to assist first-year students. **HUHS 4th Floor, 75 Mt. Auburn St., Smith Campus Center.**



9:30-10:15 am & 10:30-11:15 am **THE HONOR CODE AT HARVARD COLLEGE**
The Class of 2019 has the opportunity to make history at Harvard as we institute a new Honor Code. What is the Honor Code? What will the Code mean to you? How will it affect what you do at Harvard? What does it mean to do your academic work with integrity? Learn this and more in a presentation led by student members of the Honor Council and faculty about what it will mean to be Harvard's first class to matriculate under the Honor Code. 9:30 am at Crimson and Elm Yards and 10:30 am at Ivy and Oak Yards. **Memorial Church.**



11 am-12 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 upperclassmen houses and social spaces to University Health Services and local eateries, students will get the inside scoop! Come learn all of the Harvard lingo. **Meet at the Crimson Key Society Information Tent in Harvard Yard. This hour long tour repeats again at 12 pm.**

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 will be provided. **Straus Common Room.**

11 am– 1:30 pm & 4–5 pm	EXPOS 10 ADVISING BEGINS All students recommended for Expos 10 must meet with an Expos faculty member to discuss course placement. Sign up for advising sessions at the Harvard College Writing Program Office, 1 Bow Street .
1:15– 2:45 pm	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 small-group conversation with faculty on the meaning of a Harvard liberal arts education. The conversation will be based on readings you received earlier in the summer. Confirm Location with your Proctor.
3–5 pm	CREATING COMMUNITY Meet with your entryway and your Proctor to talk about the principles you value in your community. The College’s expectations of all students will also be shared and discussed. Confirm the meeting location with your Proctor.
5:15 pm	HARVARD ON THE MOVE” RUN Join “Harvard on the Move” (HOTM) to run with other members of the Harvard community! Routes, distances, and paces vary. Meet on the front steps of the Malkin Athletic Center (“the MAC”).
7 & 9 pm	SPEAK ABOUT IT! <i>Speak About It!</i> is a performance about sex, consent, boundaries, and healthy relationships. This entertaining, educational, and empowering show uses true stories to illustrate what healthy and consensual sex can and should look like, and how to spark dialogue about it. You’ll be introduced to the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response and will learn about other helpful campus resources such as the College’s Title IX Coordinator. 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 27

ON CAMPUS LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAMS

For students who are interested in studying a language for which an online placement exam was not offered, please visit [placement-info.fas.harvard.edu](#) for information about when an on campus exam will be administered. Students are also encouraged to be in touch directly with the language department to learn more information about taking placement exams or enrolling in a language course.

8– 8:55 am	INDOOR CYCLING Dynamic cardio training set to motivating music. Experience a variety of drills, intervals and team challenges. Climb, sprint and let the energy inspire you. Participants are encouraged to work at their own level. A water bottle is required. Stiff-soled shoes (like cross-trainers or court shoes) are recommended. Limited to first 24 participants. Malkin Athletic Center.
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8– 8:55 am	ZUMBA® Zumba combines high energy and motivating music with unique moves and combinations that allow participants to dance away their worries. This class utilizes interval training to maximize caloric output, fat burning and total body toning. Ditch the workout, join the party! Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center.
8–9 am	MORNING FITNESS FUN RUN Pace and route TBD. We'll probably divide into smaller pace and distance groups. Sponsored by Harvard College Marathon Challenge. Weather permitting. Meet at the John Harvard statue in Harvard Yard.
9 am– 4:30 pm	MEDICAL RECORDS ASSISTANCE The Medical Records department at Harvard University Health Services will be open to accept medical forms (including immunization records) and assist first-year students. HUHS 4th Floor, 75 Mt. Auburn St., Smith Campus Center
 9:30 am– 12 pm	EXPOS 10 ADVISING CONTINUES 1 Bow Street.
 10–11 am	CRIMSON KEY HISTORICAL TOUR See page 7 for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Tent.
 11 am– 12 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.
 12:15– 2:15 pm	LUNCHEON MEETING WITH 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 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 28 from 11:00 am–4:00 pm for individual advising meetings, though if you need to you may be able to arrangement an alternative time with your adviser. Annenberg Dining Hall.
 2:30– 5 pm	EXPOS 10 ADVISING CONTINUES 1 Bow Street.
2:30– 3:45 pm & 4:15–5:30 pm	LIBERAL EDUCATION: A USER'S GUIDE How will your Harvard education change you? Four Harvard professors—Jay Harris (Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations), Daniel Lieberman (Human and Evolutionary Biology), Robin Kelsey (History of Art and Architecture) and _____—will share their intellectual interests and talk about what liberal education is; how to get the most out of the curriculum; and how college can affect the way you think, who you are, and what you do with the rest of your life. 2:30–3:45 pm, Crimson & Elm Yards, Sanders Theatre; 4:15–5:30 pm, Ivy & Oak Yards Sanders Theatre.



11 am–
12:30 pm

ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE ADVISING FAIR

Come learn more about our concentrations and introductory courses. Enjoy Ben and Jerry's ice cream and meet the Directors and Assistant Directors of Undergraduate Studies for Applied Math, Biomedical Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Engineering Sciences, Environmental Science and Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering. There will be students, faculty, and projects from many of our courses including Applied Math 21, Applied Math 50, Applied Physics 50, Computer Science 50, Engineering Sciences 6, Engineering Sciences 50, Engineering Sciences 51, Engineering Sciences 52, Engineering Sciences 53, and Science of the Physical Universe 27. **Lobby of Maxwell Dworkin.**



11:15 am–
12:15 pm

PREPARING FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL

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

11 am–
4 pm

INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS

One-on-one meetings with advisers to discuss your placement test results, your goals for the year, and your fall term course choices. **By appointment.**



12–
2 pm

FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS

For students interested in participating in the Freshman Talent Show on Tuesday evening, prepare a 5-7 minute performance highlighting your skills (all talents accepted). Piano will be available. Visit www.freshmanweek.com to sign up for an audition slot. Email freshmantalent19@gmail.com if you have any questions. **Holden Chapel.**



1-5 pm

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 study list, how to study smart (and find assistance when you need it), and how to transition to college-level writing and math/science.



1–
1:50 pm

CHOOSING YOUR COURSES: FROM EXPLORING TO ENROLLING

As you consider your many options, come learn how to use Harvard's on-line tools to explore course offerings, to learn more about the courses you're considering, and to enroll in classes. Peer Advising Fellows and staff of the Advising Programs Office will explain and demonstrate resources for exploring and selecting courses, including the online course search, Q Guide course evaluations, Study Card, and sectioning tools. Don't miss this VERY helpful session! **Science Center B.**

2–
2:50 pm

STRATEGIES FOR SMART STUDYING

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

3– 3:50 pm	MAKING THE TRANSITION TO COLLEGE WRITING You know that all freshmen will take Expos this year, but you may not know how to section for your Expos course, how to decide whether to start with Expos 10 or Expos 20, or how to approach the writing assignments you'll get in Expos and your other courses. Come hear advice from Writing Program faculty and Writing Center tutors about writing at Harvard – in Expos and beyond. Science Center Hall B.										
4– 4:50 pm	APPROACHES TO PROBLEM SETS What is a problem set? Can you collaborate 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.										
5:30– 7:45 pm	HARVARD HILLEL Join the Hillel community for an hors d'oeuvres reception, services and our annual Shabbat Under the Stars. Come to one, two or all three parts of the evening! <table> <tr> <td>5:30 pm</td><td>Community Sunset Reception, Courtyard</td></tr> <tr> <td>6:30 pm</td><td>Shabbat services</td></tr> <tr> <td>6:30 pm</td><td>Conservative Services, Smith Hall</td></tr> <tr> <td>7 pm</td><td>Orthodox Service, Beren Hall</td></tr> <tr> <td>7:45 pm</td><td>Shabbat (Jewish Sabbath) Dinner Under the Stars, Hillel Courtyard. Rain location: Hillel Dining Hall</td></tr> </table>	5:30 pm	Community Sunset Reception, Courtyard	6:30 pm	Shabbat services	6:30 pm	Conservative Services, Smith Hall	7 pm	Orthodox Service, Beren Hall	7:45 pm	Shabbat (Jewish Sabbath) Dinner Under the Stars, Hillel Courtyard. Rain location: Hillel Dining Hall
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9 pm–
12 am

SOCIAL AT THE SOCH

Come to the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH) and participate in any of the following activities! You may choose to ride the Shuttle to the Quad. The Shuttle will be departing from the Boylston Gate, on Massachusetts Avenue, approximately every 20 minutes.

9 pm	Glow-In-the-Dark Fun: Throw some Frisbees around and decorate the Quad with glow-in-the-dark chalk. Quad Lawn .
9 pm	Nachos: Make this yummy snack with friends! Sponsored by the Crimson Key Society and the SOCH. SOCH Performance Hall, 2nd floor .
9 pm	TV Night: Watch your favorite television shows, like Modern Family and Game of Thrones. Sponsored by the Crimson Key Society and the SOCH. SOCH Living Room, 1st floor .
9 pm	Salsa Dancing Workshop: Learn how to salsa with the Ballroom Dance Team and Crimson Key Society! SOCH Event Hall, 1st floor .
10 pm	Hip Hop Dance Workshop: Practice your hip-hop moves with Harvard's Expressions Dance Company and Crimson Key Society! SOCH Event Hall, 1st floor .
10 pm	Cupcake Decorating: Sponsored by the Crimson Key Society and the SOCH. SOCH Performance Hall, 2nd floor .
10 pm	Cabot Cafe Hangout: Sip on delicious drinks while playing board games at the Cabot Cafe. Cabot House Dining Hall .
10 pm	Dorm Room Crafting: Make frames and cork board shapes for displaying pictures in your new dorm room. While supplies last. SOCH Community Hall, 1st floor .
10 pm	Movie Night: Watch the aca-awesome film <i>Pitch Perfect</i> ! SOCH Living Room, 1st floor .

Saturday, August 29

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



10 am–
7 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–
11:55 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](#).




12- 1 pm	CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDINGS TOUR See page 11 for details. <i>Meet at the Crimson Key Society Information Tent in Harvard Yard.</i>	
1-2 pm	CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR See page 8 for details. <i>Meet at the Crimson Key Society Information Tent in Harvard Yard.</i>	
2-4 pm	FIFTH 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 fifth year, Field and Spirit Day is a chance to get to know people both in your dorm and entryway, learn more about the Intramural Program, and compete for the spirit award. To capture the latter, wear your dorm t-shirt and be loud (face paint, dorm-wide cheers, and other forms of spirit encouraged!). Rain date is September 5, same location and time. <i>Tercentenary Theatre.</i>	
7 & 9 pm	FRESHMAN ARTS PROGRAM (FAP) PAGEANT Showcasing the completely original artistic creations of the FAP Class of 2019. Tickets (free, but limited) are available on a first come, first served basis at the door. Space will be limited, so arrive early! <i>Farkas Hall, 10-12 Holyoke Street.</i>	
8-9:30 pm	CINEMA 1636 OUTDOOR SCREENING OF LEGALLY BLONDE Join us on Widener Steps as we kick off Cinema 1636, our monthly film screening featuring your favorite classics and the most anticipated new releases! Come watch a hilarious Harvard favorite, <i>Legally Blonde</i> , on a GIANT outdoor screen and enjoy some free cotton candy. Hosted by the College Events Board (CEB) and the Office of Student Life. <i>Widener Steps, Tercentenary Theatre. Rain Location: Science Center B.</i>	
10 pm-1 am	FIRST CHANCE DANCE Come have fun, make memories, and get down with the entire class of 2019 for the first time! You won't want to miss it. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. <i>Northwest Labs.</i>	

Sunday, August 30

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

These informal events offer you a chance to connect with some of the religious and spiritual communities and groups at Harvard. A full list of all the religious communities and chaplaincies can be found in the "Resources and Information" section at the back of this book. Many of the groups will also be at the Student Activities Fair on Friday, September 4.

10 am	HARVARD ON THE MOVE" RUN Join "Harvard on the Move" (HOTM) to run with other members of the Harvard community! Routes, distances, and paces vary. <i>Meet on the front steps of the Malkin Athletic Center ("the MAC").</i>
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- 10 am–12 pm **UNITED METHODIST CHAPLAINCY AT HARVARD**
Interested in a diverse welcoming community committed to social justice, service, and progressive faith exploration? Join us for WORSHIP (10am) , followed by BRUNCH, and SERVICE – partnering with Black & Pink (www.blackandpink.org) to prepare birthday cards for persons in prison who identify as LGBTQ. We look forward to meeting you! [Harvard-Epworth United Methodist Church, 1555 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge. \[www.he-umc.org\]\(http://www.he-umc.org\).](#)
-  10 am–12 pm **FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**
For students interested in participating in the Freshman Talent Show on Tuesday evening, prepare a 5-7 minute performance highlighting your skills (all talents accepted). Piano will be available. Visit www.freshmanweek.com to sign up for an audition slot. Email freshmantalent19@gmail.com if you have any questions. [Holden Chapel](#).
- 11 am–12:30 pm **HUMANIST CHAPLAINCY**
Visit Harvard’s Humanist Hub: the first campus center building community for atheist/agnostic students! Steps from Harvard Yard, this beautiful space features great weekly social gatherings, service, retreats, famous speakers (Joss Whedon, Seth MacFarlane, Piper Kerman, etc.), humanist chaplains Greg Epstein and Vanessa Zoltan, secular meditation, & more! humanisthub.org. [30 John F. Kennedy Street, 4th Floor](#).
- 11 am–2 pm **THE MEMORIAL CHURCH**
Sunday service 11 am–12:30 pm. At 12:30 pm, join us for fun, fellowship, and Chick-fil-A! Come to learn more about the Memorial Church, an interdenominational Protestant church in the center of Harvard Yard. Hope to see you there! All are welcome. [The Porch of the Memorial Church \(Tercentenary Theater\)](#).
-  11 am–9 pm **EXTENDED ORIENTATION**
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-  12-1 pm **CRIMSON KEY HISTORICAL TOUR**
See page 7 for details. Meet at the Crimson Key Society [Information Tent in Harvard Yard](#).
- 12-1 pm **SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHAPLAINCY**
Share a homemade lunch of curry and rice (Japanese-style) with us! Meet upperclassmen and alums who will answer your questions about spiritual life at Harvard and introduce you to Asian Baptist Student Koinonia, one of the Christian fellowships on campus. Afterwards, for those who are interested, we will attend Sunday worship together at Antioch Baptist Church, just a 5 minute car ride from Harvard. [Boylston 105](#).
- 12:30–2 pm **HARVARD KOREAN MISSION**
Welcome new Freshman and introduce them to the Harvard Korean Mission Chaplain and other church senior members. Refreshments will be served including Korean barbeque food. [Harvard Chaplain’s conference room, Lower Level, Memorial Church](#).

- 12:30–2 pm **THE EPISCOPAL CHAPLAINCY AT HARVARD**
Come meet the Chaplain and student leaders over a light lunch at the home of the Episcopal Chaplaincy, just two doors down from Christ Church Cambridge, the historic Episcopal Church on Harvard Square, where we worship during the academic year. New students and their families should also feel free to attend the 10:15 am service of Holy Eucharist at Christ Church earlier that morning. **Two Garden Street, Cambridge, MA.**
- 1–2 pm **HARVARD ISLAMIC SOCIETY**
Hello First Years! HIS is excited to welcome you to the family. Join HIS for a paid ice cream social and meet your peers, the chaplain and other members of the community. We will be purchasing frozen yogurt from Berryline Frozen Yogurt Shop and will head over to **Quincy Courtyard** afterwards. If you have any questions contact us at **harvardislamicsociety@gmail.com**.
- 1–2 pm **REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP**
Want to learn what it means to be a Christian at Harvard? Want to get involved in a supportive community that seeks to love Harvard? Come meet some other Christians in the Class of 2019, and learn about our student group, Harvard Undergraduate Fellowship! **Sever 101.**
- 1–3 pm **PICNIC & PETTING ZOO** 😊
Enjoy the sun and the green MAC Quad with your new friends, classmates, and the Crimson Key Society! Come celebrate the last days of summer by trying out some food trucks, playing badminton and other games, and cuddling up with some adorable baby animals. Additional snacks will be provided. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. **Weather permitting. MAC Quad.**
- 2–3 pm **CRIMSON KEY PRACTICAL TOUR** ⏰
See page 8 for details. **Meet at the Crimson Key Society Information Tent in Harvard Yard.**
- 3–4 pm **CRIMSON KEY ACADEMIC BUILDING TOUR** ⏰
See page 11 for details. **Meet at the Crimson Key Society Information Tent in Harvard Yard.**
- 8 & 10 pm **LOVE STORY**
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 Society's own live and witty commentary. This traditional Opening Days event reminds us all not to take Harvard too seriously. Don't miss out on this Freshman Week tradition! \$5 tickets can be purchased at the door, the Crimson Key tent in the Yard, or dinner in Annenberg the evening before. Proceeds benefit Crimson Key Society.
Science Center Hall B

Monday, August 31

ACCEPT/DECLINE DEADLINE FOR FRESHMAN SEMINARS BY 9 AM

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS

May be submitted from **9:30 am–4 pm** at the Expository Writing Program office, **1 Bow Street.**

8-
8:55 am **MINDFUL VINYASA YOGA I**
A power-based form of yoga which links a series of postures together to improve flexibility, strength and balance. Emphasizing the mind-body connection, we will move on the breath and build awareness of the internal experience and mental state to create a mindful movement practice. A yoga mat is recommended, and please dress in layers. **Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center.**



9-
9:35 am **MAKING SENSE OF YOUR MATH PLACEMENT SCORE**
First-year students who are planning to enroll in a math course this fall and wonder how to get math placement advice should attend this very short session. We will help you make sense of your Math placement score with regards to choosing courses. You will get lots of information about the advising resources that are available to you and you will meet many of the course heads of the freshman-level courses.
Science Center Hall B.



9:45-
11 am **SHOULD I TAKE MATH 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 55, OR AM 21?**
Open discussion for students who are unsure about which mathematics course numbered 18 or greater to take. A short description of the various courses will be presented at the outset, and then all questions from the audience about these math courses (and other mathematics courses) will be answered.
Science Center Hall B.

10 am-
2 pm **INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS**
One-on-one meetings with advisers to discuss your placement test results, your goals for the year, and your fall term course choices. **By appointment.**

11-
11:55 am **CARDIO KICKBOX**
A total body cardiovascular workout, choreographed to incorporate basic punches, kicks, jumping jacks and many other boxing combinations. These classes are packed with energy and provide stress relief! **Limited to first 39 participants. Malkin Athletic Center.**



11 am-
12 pm **ANN RADCLIFFE TRUST LECTURE**
Placeholder Text. Diana Eck, Professor of Comparative Religion and Indian Studies, Frederic Wertham Professor of Law and Psychiatry in Society, and House Master of Lowell House, will give this prestigious annual lecture. Professor Eck studies the “challenges of religious pluralism in a multi-religious society” and founded the Pluralism Project at Harvard in 1991. Come meet and learn from Professor Eck, one of Harvard’s distinguished scholars and a renowned expert on religion in America! **Location?**

11 am-
3 pm **IMMUNIZATION CLINICS**
If you have not been able to receive your immunizations before arriving on campus, stop by HUHS to receive required immunizations. Fees associated range from \$50 to \$149 depending on the immunization. **HUHS Monks Library, 2nd Floor, 75 Mt. Auburn Street. Smith Campus Center.**

12-
2:30 pm **FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS**
For students interested in participating in the Freshman Talent Show on Tuesday evening, prepare a 5-7 minute performance highlighting your skills (all talents accepted). Piano will be available. Visit www.freshmanweek.com to sign up for an audition slot. Email freshmantalent19@gmail.com if you have any questions. **Holden Chapel.**



1-3 pm **ACADEMIC FAIRS**
Explore the many academic opportunities that Harvard offers. Representatives of the 49 concentrations as well as foreign language programs will be on hand to answer your questions and offer guidance on appropriate course selection in Arts and Humanities, foreign languages, Engineering, Sciences and Math, and Social Sciences. To prepare for the fairs, be sure to read about the various concentrations in the printed and online versions of the 49 Book (concentrations.fas.harvard.edu)! **Science Center Atrium and Plaza Tent.**



ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Classics, East Asian Studies, English, Folklore and Mythology, Germanic Languages and Literatures, History and Literature, History of Art and Architecture, Linguistics, Literature, Music, Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Philosophy, Religion (Comparative Study of), Romance Languages and Literature, Slavic Languages and Literature, South Asian Studies, Special Concentrations, Theater/Dance/Media, Visual and Environmental Studies, and Women/Gender/Sexuality (Studies of). **Science Center Plaza Tent (in case of rain, Barker Center).**

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

African, Celtic, Classical, East Asian, English, Germanic, Near Eastern, Romance, Slavic, and South Asian Languages as well as 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 (in case of rain, Barker Center).**

SOCIAL SCIENCES

African and African American Studies, Anthropology, East Asian Studies, Economics, Government, History, History and Science, Social Studies, and Sociology. **Science Center Plaza Tent (in case of rain, CGIS South).**

MATH, ENGINEERING, AND THE 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.**

2-5 pm	<p>LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE: LAMONT & BEYOND Food, fun, prizes, and tours! Come to Lamont Library, the 24-hour undergraduate hub, and learn about the many resources and services available to you in the Harvard Library. Lamont Library, Harvard Yard.</p>
3-5 pm	<p>GET CONNECTED! OPEN HOUSES FOR COLLEGE RESOURCES AND SERVICES Harvard College has incredible resources and services to support you during your college years. Our goal is to get you connected with the people and programs that will be interesting and helpful to you. At the Open Houses listed below, you can learn important information about academic help and counseling services, study abroad, career services, fitness and wellness. Collect a Harvard Passport at the first Open House you visit and get it stamped at every location. Students who visit every Open House will be entered into a drawing for great prizes.</p> <p>OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES Come visit and discover how the Office of Career Services can help you learn about internships, research, and international opportunities, and premedical advising. Meet our great team of advisers. Learn about our fabulous fall programs and pick up a timeline for freshmen. In addition, talk with advisers from the Student Employment Office (SEO) to learn about working during the semester on campus. Refreshments served. 54 Dunster Street.</p> <p>OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION Harvard considers the experience of studying and living in a foreign culture to be a vital part of a transformative Harvard undergraduate education.</p> <p>It is never too early to make a plan for your term abroad! Come see us in the fall of your freshman year, so you don't miss out on the amazing locations where you can study! The Office of International Education (OIE) is the hub for study abroad on campus, and OIE staff and peer advisers will speak with you about the variety of options. Visit the OIE to explore term-time and summer programs around the world. Learn about funding study abroad in the summer, and how financial aid covers term-time study abroad. Be proactive, and plan your study abroad experience today! 77 Dunster Street, First Floor.</p> <p>CENTER FOR WELLNESS Stop by the Center for Wellness and receive a complimentary chair massage! The Center for Wellness offers individual massage and acupuncture appointments and works with your wellness proctor to organize yoga classes, special brain breaks and other health promotion and stress relieving activities throughout the year. Smith Center, First Floor.</p> <p>BUREAU OF STUDY COUNSEL (BSC) The BSC is a resource center for your academic and personal development at Harvard. Come to the BSC to meet our academic counselors and learn about the Harvard Course in Reading and Study Strategies, workshops and discussion groups (for example on perfectionism, procrastination, speaking up in class, time management, or learning styles/skills), academic peer tutoring, and the Cranium Corner library of handouts on college study skills. Light refreshments will be served. 5 Linden Street.</p>

MALKIN ATHLETIC CENTER

Come check out all that Harvard Recreation has to offer. Get the scoop on club sports, intramurals, special programs, group exercise, aquatics, fitness and more! Sign up for a free fitness assessment and equipment orientation and learn how you can be VE-RI-FIT! [39 Holyoke Street](#).

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

Men's Heavyweight: Science Center A

Men's Lightweight: Science Center D

Women's (combined): Science Center B

4-5 pm **WOMEN'S RUGBY INTEREST MEETING** Meeting for freshmen women interested in trying out for the Women's Rugby varsity team. Meeting to be held in:

5 pm **GETTING INVOLVED OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM: COMPING, OVER-SCHEDULING AND OTHER QUESTIONS ANSWERED**

Interested in getting involved at Harvard but not sure how best to explore your interests or budget your time beyond academics? Staff in the Office of Student Life along with student leaders are here to answer your questions and provide resources for involvement on campus. Whether you want to join a student organization, or plan events, or attend them, this session is a great introduction to balancing academics and involvement, exploring your interests, and approaching the Student Activities Fair. This interactive presentation will consist of an introduction by OSL staff, a student-led discussion, and a few student performances to give you a taste of all the opportunities that await you at Harvard College.
[Lowell Lecture Hall](#).

7-10 pm **EXTENDED ORIENTATION**
Your Proctor will tell you the time, date, and location for your Extended Orientation workshops. You must resolve any conflicts so that you can attend the workshops with your entryway.



10 pm-1 am **SQUARE DANCE**
Join the Class of 2019 for a night of traditional American square dancing featuring live music. No experience necessary! [Harvard Yard](#) (Rain location: [Leverett Dining Hall](#)).



Tuesday, September 1

EXPOS TERM CHANGE REQUESTS

May be submitted from 11:30 am-2:30 pm at the [Expository Writing Program office, 1 Bow Street](#). **This is the final day to submit a term change request.**



9:30–
11 am

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

What are the important aspects of your identity? What experiences, beliefs, values, and questions are you bringing with you to college? What is likely to be new for you as you become part of one of the most diverse groups of students in Harvard's history? How might your peers answer these same questions? How might their perspectives eventually impact yours? Join your entryway for a facilitated conversation about experiencing and recognizing our differences and what it means to belong to a community as diverse as ours. Be sure to bring your copy of Sonia Sotomayor's *My Beloved World* as the text will be used during discussion. **Confirm the location with your Proctor.**

11:15–
11:45
am

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 in front of the John Harvard Statue.**

12–
2 pm

GET INVOLVED!

OPEN HOUSES FOR STUDENT LIFE

Student life at Harvard is full of opportunities to explore your identity, try something new, grow as an individual and consider how to make the world a better place. At the Open Houses listed below, you can gather valuable information about the arts, BGLTQ student life, public service, women and gender, intercultural and race relations and student activities. Collect your Harvard Passport at the first Open House you visit and get it stamped at every location. Students who visit every Open House will be entered into a drawing for great prizes. Learn your way around the Yard and Harvard Square while you visit any or all of the Open Houses!

HARVARD COLLEGE WOMEN'S CENTER

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

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

Canaday Hall Basement, "B" Entry.

HARVARD COLLEGE OFFICE OF BISEXUAL, GAY, LESBIAN, TRANSGENDER, QUEER, AND QUESTIONING (BGLTQ) STUDENT LIFE

Welcome to the Office of BGLTQ Student Life! We invite you to be in community with us at our first event of the academic year. Our office provides support, resources, and leadership development for bisexual, gay, lesbian, transgender, queer, and questioning students. Through collaboration with students and student organizations, the office creates opportunities for fellowship, thoughtful dialogue, and the pursuit of knowledge. We seek to foster a safer, more diverse and inclusive campus by educating and engaging the Harvard community about the multiplicity of sexual, romantic, and gender identities. Allies are highly encouraged to stop by, to participate in events, and to become vital parts of the office. All are welcome. **Boylston Hall, Ground Floor (G03).**

THE HARVARD FOUNDATION FOR INTERCULTURAL AND RACE RELATIONS

In 1981, the President and Deans of Harvard University established the Harvard Foundation, an intercultural, interethnic, and interreligious agency. Its purpose is to work with undergraduate students of all backgrounds to improve intercultural understanding on campus through scholarly programs and cultural celebrations, and to recognize the contributions of both national and international figures whose works and deeds have served to improve the quality of our collective life. The Harvard Foundation works with over 90 cultural and ethnic student groups on campus to support their mission in improving race relations. Student organizations receive grant money to fund their activities as part of the Foundation. All first year students are welcome to visit our office. **Basement of Thayer Hall, Room 2.**

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE

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

OFFICE OF THE ARTS

Nearly 3,000 students use the Office for the Arts at Harvard (OFA) as a central resource to realize their artistic ambitions. Whatever your arts journey, the OFA should be your first stop. Meet our staff, enjoy free T-shirts and refreshments, and learn about the OFA's many sources of support such as project grants, fellowships, and subsidies for music lessons. Explore opportunities with the many OFA affiliated music ensembles, including the Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra, Holden Choirs, Kuumba Singers, Pops Orchestra, Baroque Chamber Music Ensemble, and several others. Dive into the theater scene working with our production staff in campus theater venues and in the houses. Learn about our flagship guest artist program, Learning From Performers, which brings some of the world's most inventive and distinguished professionals to campus to engage with students. All of this, plus our state-of-the-art Ceramics Studio and Program, the OFA Dance Program at the Harvard Dance Center, the OFA Jazz Program and ARTS FIRST, our annual spring festival showcasing the visual and performing arts. The OFA Open House is your chance to learn more about the arts at Harvard! **74 Mt. Auburn Street.**

PUBLIC SERVICE OPEN HOUSE

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



FRESHMAN CONVOCATION & CLASS PHOTO

2:30 pm CONVOCATION PROCESSION

Join your entryway, your Proctor, and Harvard alumni for a procession into Tercentenary Theatre. Meet outside your entryway promptly at 2:30 pm. Dressy attire is suggested. This is a great time for taking photos!

3 pm CONVOCATION

University President Drew Gilpin Faust, Edgerley Family Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences Michael D. Smith, Danoff Dean of Harvard College Rakesh Khurana, _____ '16, Alumni Association President Paul Choi, Reverend _____, and Dean of Freshmen Thomas A. Dingman welcome the Class of 2019 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.**

4 pm PHOTO OF THE CLASS OF 2019

Join your classmates for a photo on the steps of Widener Library.

In the event of rain, an email will be sent to the class outlining the rain plan.

CONVOCATION RECEPTION & DINNER

University President Drew Gilpin Faust and Danoff Dean of Harvard College Rakesh Khurana invite all first-year students to a reception to celebrate the Class of 2019 and the start of the 2015-2016 academic year. Light refreshments will be served.

[The Old Yard.](#)

	Dinner	Reception
Crimson	4:30-5 pm	5-6:30 pm
Elm	4:45-5:15 pm	5-6:30 pm
Ivy	5-5:30 pm	6-7 pm
Oak	5:15-5:30 pm	6:30-7:30 pm

In the event of inclement weather, the reception will be held in the ____.



8 pm FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW

Come support your classmates as they reveal their hidden talents, and see some of the fascinating people that make up the Class of 2019! Tickets (free, but limited) will be available at the door. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. [Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall](#)



Wednesday, September 2

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



4-5:30 pm I'M FIRST: WELCOME SOCIAL FOR FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS

Come celebrate the beginning of your undergraduate journey with Harvard's First Generation – 'first gen' – college student community. After opening remarks from faculty, upperclassmen will be available to discuss how to navigate the academic and social life at Harvard. Join us for great food and conversations as we welcome you into your new community. **Location?**



7-10 pm EXTENDED ORIENTATION

Your Proctor will tell you the time, date, and location for your Extended Orientation workshops. You must resolve any conflicts so that you can attend the workshops with your entryway.



7 pm WOMEN'S SOCCER VS BOSTON COLLEGE

[New Turf Field.](#)

8:45-10:45pm THE FRESHMAN GREEN FAIR

Join the Resource Efficiency Program (REP) to see how students eat, live, and breathe green at Harvard. Sip refreshing smoothies as you chat with representatives from environmental clubs, concentrations, and groups on campus. Each booth will have a different flavor. Most importantly, all fair attendees will receive a FREE Green '19 travel mug to use at brain break and cafes for the rest of the year! [Annenberg Dining Hall.](#)

Thursday, September 3

9-11 am COURSE SELECTION WEEK STUDY BREAK

Course Selection Week got you confused, excited, and/or hungry? Come talk shopping and classes with all 190 Peer Advising Fellows over bowls of ice cream! [Annenberg Dining Hall.](#)



- 4-5 pm **BGLTQ+ IN THE YARD**
Curious about what it's like to be a BGLTQ-identified student at Harvard? Interested in engaging with and helping strengthen our BGLTQ community? Come hear first-person narratives from current students, touching upon being 'out' on campus, navigating family relationships, using identity labels, being a 'good' ally, seeking help when you need it, and more. Each narrative will be followed by open-ended Q&A. Students of all identities are welcome, especially those hoping to be supportive of their BGLTQ friends.
- 5-10 pm **CORITA KENT AND THE LANGUAGE OF POP**
The Harvard Art Museums' special exhibition *Corita Kent and the Language of Pop* examines the work of Corita Kent, a nun, art educator, and pop artist in the 1960s. The exhibition considers Kent's work alongside that of her better-known contemporaries such as Andy Warhol, Ed Ruscha, and Roy Lichtenstein. To celebrate the opening, curator Susan Dackerman, History of Art and Architecture Professor Jennifer Roberts, and graduate students Eva Payne and Taylor Walsh will participate in a panel discussion at 6pm to explore the exhibition's main themes, with a reception to follow. Sponsored by: The Harvard Art Museums. [32 Quincy Street](#).

Friday, September 4

- 9 am-4:15 pm **PHYSICAL EXAM FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**
A physical examination conducted by the Harvard University Health Services 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 University Health Services in the Smith Campus Center (formerly Holyoke Center) for their physical exams according to the following schedule. Please use the entrance closest to the Arcade to enter the Health Service. Traditionally, the wait time is shorter earlier in the day. If you have a class conflict during your scheduled time, please come during an alternate period that does not cause you to miss class. Athletes must arrive by 4:15 pm in order to be seen. All times are noted for Men and Women unless specified by M or W. Walk-on crew physicals: anytime between 9 am-2 pm.

9 am	Fencing, Golf, and Track & Field
9:30 am	Sailing and Tennis
10 am	Squash
10:30 am	W Rugby and M Volleyball
11 am	Swimming and Nordic & Alpine Skiing
11:30 am	Basketball
12 pm	Hockey
12:30 pm	Wrestling
1 pm	Baseball, Softball, and W Water Polo
1:30 pm	Lacrosse and Crew- recruited

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

4-7 pm **STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIR & 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 & pre-professional, college life, creative & performing arts, cultural & racial initiatives, gender & sexuality, government & politics, health & wellness, hobbies/special interests, media & publications, peer counseling/peer education, public service, religious & spiritual, and women's initiatives.

Taste of Boston dinner is served on the Quad from 5-7 pm. Please note that Annenberg Dining Hall will be closed. This year we will be introducing Guidebook, a mobile application to help you navigate the fair. More information regarding the application and how to navigate it will be provided soon.

Fair location: Radcliffe Quadrangle and the Student Organization Center at Hilles (SOCH).

Fair Rain date: Monday, September 7, 2-4 pm.



7 pm **WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL HARVARD INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT**
[Malkin Athletic Center](#).

10 pm – 2 am **RUSH HOUR**
In its seventh year, join the Asian American Brotherhood (AAB), Black Men's Forum (BMF), Black Students Association (BSA), and the Chinese Students Association (CSA) for Rush Hour, a collaborative dance party for all new and returning students. Sponsored by: Asian American Brotherhood, Black Men's Forum, Black Students Association, Chinese Students Association [Northwest Labs](#), [52 Oxford Street](#).

Saturday, September 5

10 am–
5pm

CLASS OF 2019 DAY OF SERVICE

Don't miss the first-ever Freshman Day of Service and the opportunity to demonstrate that the Class of 2019 cares about the public good! The day will begin with an orientation with Dean Khurana at 10 am at which you will be welcomed to Cambridge and Boston by community leaders. You will then participate in public service projects with community organizations in the greater Boston area that will allow you to learn about and contribute to the community in which Harvard is embedded. Service projects will not require any prior knowledge or skill and will include landscaping, light construction, shelving canned food, sorting school supplies for children, etc. Lunch will be provided for your service team, and you will be back on campus by 5 pm. [Science Center Plaza Tent](#).

You must register on the PBH website: publicservice.fas.harvard.edu/freshman-day-service.

The Class of 2019 Day of Service is open to all freshmen! 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 & Engaged Scholarship with the public service offices/organizations on campus.

Location: [Science Center Plaza Tent](#).

8 pm

A CAPPELLA JAM

Do Whop what?! Experience the a cappella stylings at Harvard at this annual jam! Tickets (free but limited) available at the Crimson Key tent in the Yard. Hosted by the Crimson Key Society. www.freshmanweek.com
[Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall](#).



8–10 pm

DANCE JAM

Interested in dance here at Harvard? Dance Jam presents the premier dance groups on campus. Spanning different styles and methods, this performance will give you just a glimpse of what is offered through these troupes. Don't miss out on this chance to see what opportunities await you! Sponsored by: CityStep. [Lowell Lecture Hall](#)

8–10 pm

LATINX BIENVENIDA

Join the Latinx community as we welcome back old friends and meet new ones at our kick-off event of the year, the Latinx Bienvenida. Come out and enjoy great food, great music, and even better company. Sponsored by: Harvard-Radcliffe Raza, Fuerza Latina, Latinas Unidas, Cuban American Undergraduate Student Association (CAUSA), Dominican Student Association (DSA), Colombian Student Association (COLSA). [Ticknor Lounge, Boylston Hall](#)

11:59 pm

EXPOS 10 & 20 SECTION NOTIFICATION

Expos 10 & 20 sectioning closes at 11:59 pm.

Sunday, September 6

12 pm

MEN'S SOCCER VS SMU

[Ohiri Field](#).

Monday, September 7

LABOR DAY All University Offices are closed.

EXPOS 10 & 20 SECTION NOTIFICATION. Students enrolling in Expos 10 & 20 during the fall term will be notified of their section assignment by email this evening.

1 pm **WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY VS BRYANT**

Jordan Field.

5- **CAMP HARVARD**

8 pm Complete with dinner, 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 at the College. Don't miss the dunk tank – your opportunity to take aim at some of Harvard's famous leaders. Hosted by the College Events Board (CEB) and the Office of Student Life. Tercentenary Theatre. Rain Date is Friday, 9/11 from 5-8 pm.



Tuesday, September 8

9:30 am- **EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS**

4 pm May be submitted at 1 Bow Street.

Wednesday, September 9

STUDY CARDS MUST BE FILED BY ALL FRESHMEN BY 5 PM.

Be sure to obtain all required signatures, including that of your adviser, before filing your card. Faculty Room, University Hall.

9:30 am- **EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS**

4 pm May be submitted at 1 Bow Street.



Thursday, September 10

9:30 am- **EXPOS SECTION CHANGE REQUESTS**

4 pm May be submitted at 1 Bow Street. This is the final day to submit a change request.

Friday, September 11

8-10-pm **HARVARD UNDERGROUND**

If you're looking for hard beats, dope moves, fierce rhymes, and sweet tunes, you'll find them at Harvard Underground. Come check out Harvard's hip-hop scene with The Harvard Undergraduate Drummers (THUD), the Breakers, Passus, the Rap Collective, and KeyChange. Lowell Lecture Hall.



8 pm- **GAMEATHON**

1 am The largest gaming event of the year! Complete with at least six Super Smash Bros. stations and over twenty-five board games along with titles such as League of Legends and Settlers of Catan, free pizza, and raffles to win high-end PC gaming gear, you won't want to miss this massive, five-hour-long frenzy. Sponsored by: Science Fiction Association, Harvard Computer Society, Chinese Students Association, Association for the Promotion of Interplanetary Expansion, eSports Association SOCH Event Hall.





8-11 pm

GLOBAL HEALTH CLUBS COLLABORATIVE SOCIAL

Join Harvard's global health-related organizations for our first-ever casual night of board games and snacks. Socialize with our club members if you'd like to learn more about the global health sphere on campus or simply to meet friendly upperclassmen! Sponsored by: Developers for Development, Engineers Without Borders, Harvard Forum for International Development, Harvard Undergraduate Global Health Forum, Partners in Health Engage, Refresh Bolivia, Students Against Malaria **SOCH Community Hall**.



8-11 pm

SOUTH ASIAN MOVIE AND GAME NIGHT

Come join Harvard Dharma, SAA, HCSB, PSA, and HUII for an evening of Bollywood movies, music, and games. There will be samosas! Sponsored by: Dharma, South Asian Association, Harvard College Students for Bangladesh, Pakistan Student Association, Harvard-US India Initiative **SOCH Performance Hall**.



9-11 pm

GET MEDIEVAL

Get medieval with three of Harvard's student publications! Join Sententiae: The Harvard Undergraduate Journal of Medieval Studies, Tempus: The Harvard College History Review, and Simplicissimus: The Harvard College Journal of Germanic Studies for a screening of Monty Python and the Holy Grail and see how you can pursue an interest in history here at Harvard! Sponsored by: Sententiae, Simplicissimus, The Harvard Tempus **SOCH Living Room**.

Saturday, September 12



10 pm-
2 am

HOTSPOT

Hotspot, the first LGBTQ dance party of the year, is a great opportunity to meet and party with other LGBTQ and allied students in a welcoming, safe, and fun environment. We will have snacks, non-alcoholic drinks, safer sex supplies, great music, better people, and lots of excitement! Sponsored by: Queer Students and Allies, Queer Asian/Pacific Islander Association, GirlsSpot, Office of BGLTQ Student Life. **SOCH Penthouse**.

RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

Annenberg Dining Hall Hours

Annenberg is the freshman-only dining hall. It will open for **dinner on Tuesday, Aug. 25 at 5pm**. Standard meal hours are:

Hot Breakfast (Mon–Sat):	7:30–10 am
Continental Breakfast (Mon–Sat):	10–11 am
Continental Breakfast (Sunday):	7:30–10 am
Brunch (Sunday):	11:15 am–2 pm
Lunch (Mon–Sat):	11:30 am–2:15 pm
Dinner:	4:30–7:15 pm

Library Orientation and Tours

Students are welcome in all of the libraries. Group and individual orientations are available on request. Go to hcl.harvard.edu/libraries for more information about the libraries. Widener and Houghton Libraries conduct regular tours during the academic year. Details are at hcl.harvard.edu/info/tours. Special tours to welcome first year students to Lamont Library, the 24-hour undergraduate hub, will be offered during the Freshman Open House from **2–5 pm on Monday, August 31**.

hcl.harvard.edu/libraries/lamont.

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 comfortably transition to life at Harvard. 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 our organization 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 25 through Tuesday, September 1**. For more information, check out

www.freshmanweek.com. “Like” our Crimson Key Facebook page for Freshman Week, called “Freshman Week 2015,” to receive live updates of Crimson Key sponsored events!

University Guided Tours

The Crimson Key Society provides guided tours of the University grounds without charge for you and visitors to Harvard. See “Daily Listings” for scheduled tours.

Information Center

www.harvard.edu/visitors

Located on the first floor of the Smith Campus Center, the Harvard Information Center welcomes visitors and community members to Harvard. The center’s staff answers general questions and provides maps/pamphlets on activities at Harvard and greater Cambridge. During business hours, the staff are available for queries on all things Harvard! A light-up locator map is available for use outside the center when it is closed.

Additionally, you can find university publications and event listings in the Center, as well as information on guided tours of the campus.

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

Museums

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

The Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology

www.peabody.harvard.edu

26 Oxford Street

Open seven days a week, 9 am–5 pm

Museum of Comparative Zoology

www.mcz.harvard.edu

485 Broadway Street

Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am–5 pm

The Semitic Museum

semiticmuseum.fas.harvard.edu

6 Divinity Avenue

Monday through Friday, 10 am–4 pm

Sunday, 1 pm–4 pm

Closed on holidays, and on the Sundays before Monday holidays.

The Harvard University Museum of Natural History

hmnh.harvard.edu

Public entrances are located at 26 Oxford Street and at 11 Divinity Avenue. All of the HMNH exhibits, including the Glass Flowers Gallery, are open daily from 9 am–5 pm.

The Harvard Art Museums

(Fogg, Busch-Reisinger, Arthur M. Sackler)

www.harvardartmuseums.org

32 Quincy Street

Daily, 10 am–5 pm. Closed major holidays.

The Harvard COOP

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

Swim Test

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

Harvard Chaplains

Harvard Chaplains is the umbrella organization of over 35 chaplains representing 25 of the world's traditions, united in their commitment to serving Harvard's diverse student communities. More information about the Chaplains can be found on the Harvard Chaplains' website (www.chaplains.harvard.edu) or by using the links/e-mail addresses below.

Baha'i Association

eleanor@sapiro-mitten.com

Baptist (American)

www.oldcambridgebaptist.org

Baptist (Southern)

www.hcs.harvard.edu/~absk

Buddhist Chaplaincy

www.CharlesRiverZen.org

Cru

www.christianimpact.org

Catholic Student Center

www.harvardcatholic.org

Chabad House (Jewish)

www.chabadharvard.org

Christian Science Organization at Harvard

margit84@verizon.net

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

barbara_morgan@byu.edu

Episcopal Chaplaincy (Anglican)

www.harvardepiscopalians.org

Foursquare

www.hearlistenobey.com

Harvard Hillel (Jewish)

www.hillel.harvard.edu

Harvard Hindu Fellowship (Vedanta Society)

www.vivekananda.org

Harvard Korean Mission Church

rkahng@post.harvard.edu

Humanist Chaplaincy (Humanist/Agnostic/Atheist)

www.harvardhumanist.org

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

www.hcs.harvard.edu/~hrcf

Islamic Society (Muslim)

www.hcs.harvard.edu/his/

Lutheran Campus Ministry

www.unilu.org

Mennonite Chaplaincy

www.congregationofboston.ma.us.mennonite.net

Orthodox Christian Fellowship

www.hcs.harvard.edu/~ocf

Presbyterian Church in America (Reformed University Fellowship)

www.harvard.ruf.org

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

resident@fmcquaker.org

Seventh-day Adventist Chaplaincy

clergio@gmail.com

Sikh Community

singh@fas.harvard.edu

Swedenborgian Chaplaincy

www.swedenborgchapel.com/Chapel/index.html

The Memorial Church

(Protestant Non-denominational University Church)

www.memorialchurch.harvard.edu

United Methodist Chaplaincy

he-umc.org/wordpress/home2/

Zoroastrian Association

www.zagba.org

MUSICAL ENSEMBLES

The Holden Choirs

Andrew Clark, Director of Choral Activities

holdenchoruses.fas.harvard.edu

Harvard Glee Club (TTBB Choir)

The nation's oldest collegiate chorus and the Tenor and Bass ensemble of the Holden Choruses showcasing music written in the male chorus tradition. The Glee Club performs throughout the year, collaborating with arts groups on campus and at other universities, and across the world through national and international tours, including a 2016 tour to the American Southwest and 2017 tour to East Asia. Features its own student-conducted a cappella group, Glee Club Lite. Through excellence in performance, student-management, education, community, tradition, and philanthropy the Glee Club offers a unique musical experience for all members. www.harvardgleeclub.org

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

Radcliffe Choral Society (SSAA Choir)

Founded in 1899, RCS is Harvard's oldest women's organization and one of the country's premier women's choruses. The Radcliffe Choral Society is dedicated to the celebration and performance of women's choral music. The Choral Society sings a wide repertoire including Medieval chant, Renaissance polyphony, Romantic masterworks, international folk songs, and contemporary women's choral music. RCS tours annually in the U.S. and abroad and, this year, will be the first American collegiate choir to tour Indonesia. RCS features its own student-led a cappella group, the 'Cliffe Notes. www.radcliffechoralsociety.org

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

Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum (SATB Choir)

Harvard's nationally acclaimed mixed choir, the Collegium has appeared at multiple national choral conventions and in high-profile events around the world, including a recent tour to Brazil. The ensemble performs a dynamic and innovative repertoire from masterworks by Bach and Mozart to new compositions by renowned composers and works by HRCM members. This season includes Handel's *Messiah* with the Handel and Haydn Society professional period orchestra and a residency with GRAMMY-award winning conductor Craig Hella Johnson. HRCM features its own student-led, co-ed a cappella group, Collegium Underground. www.hrcm.net

REGULAR REHEARSAL: Tuesday 4:15–6:30 pm & Wednesday 4:15–6:30 pm

Harvard-Radcliffe Chorus

Founded in 1979, HRC is made up of 120 undergraduates, graduate students, faculty, staff, and community members. The ensemble presents two major choral-orchestral performances per year exploring a wide range of repertoire spanning the baroque, classical, romantic, 20th century, and present day music. Members represent a variety of music backgrounds and experience levels and the ensemble offers a fall semester “Skills for Singing” course for those new to music hoping to learn. www.hcs.harvard.edu/hrc

REGULAR REHEARSAL:

Wednesday 7-9:30 pm in Lowell Lecture Hall

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

Wednesday	Sept. 2	4:15-6:30 pm
Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum (Lowell Lecture Hall)		
Wednesday	Sept. 2	6-9 pm
Radcliffe Choral Society (Paine Hall)		
Wednesday	Sept. 2	6-9 pm
Harvard Glee Club (Holden Chapel)		
Wednesday	Sept. 23	6-9 pm
Harvard Radcliffe Chorus (Lowell Lecture Hall)		

AUDITIONS: Held in the basement of Memorial Hall. No audition piece required; first come, first served. For more information, call (617) 495-0692 or (617) 495-0583 or visit our website holdenchoruses.fas.harvard.edu/prospective-singers.

[NB: we will be auditioning freshmen, as well as returning students and graduate students on these dates in order to complete the process by study-card day, as these ensembles are offered for credit.]

Monday	Aug. 31	7-10 pm
Tuesday	Sept. 1	7-10 pm
Wednesday	Sept. 2	7-10 pm
Thursday	Sept. 3	7-10 pm
Friday	Sept. 4	7-10 pm

The Harvard University Choir (UChoir)

Edward E. Jones,
Gund University Organist and Choirmaster, Director

For over 180 years, the Harvard University Choir has provided a unique opportunity for student singers to perform diverse choral literature at the highest level, both in concert and during the services of the Memorial Church. Its program of daily and weekly choral services, tours, commissions, and recordings make it one of the premier college chapel ensembles in the United States. Recent seasons have included Bach's *Mass in B minor*, Britten's *St. Nicolas*, Gluck's *Orfeo ed Euridice* and Fauré's *Requiem*. Choristers receive a quarterly 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 29 and September 6. Email the Choir Secretaries (uchoir@gmail.com) for an updated schedule or with any questions about the audition process.

www.uchoir.harvard.edu

TEA TIME: To learn more about UChoir, join us for Tea Time on Thursday, September 10 from 4-5 pm in the Buttrick Room of The Memorial Church.

OPEN REHEARSAL: Thursday September 10 from 5-6:30 pm in the Choir Room of The Memorial Church.

COMPLINE: To hear UChoir, come to the beautiful candlelit service of Compline on Thursday, September 3, at 10 pm in Appleton Chapel, The Memorial Church.

AUDITIONS: Held in the choir room of The Memorial Church, across from Canaday F-entry.

Wednesday	Sept. 2	2-4 pm
Thursday	Sept. 3	2-4 pm
Monday	Sept. 7	2-4 pm
Tuesday	Sept. 8	2-4 pm
Sunday	Sept. 13	2-5 pm

Kuumba Singers

Sheldon K.X. Reid '96, Director

The oldest existing Black organization at Harvard College, the Kuumba Singers is a 100-member choir dedicated to the expression of Black creativity and spirituality through song, dance, spoken word, and other forms of creative expression. Founded in 1970 as a source of unity and strength for Black students, Kuumba (a Swahili word for creativity) continues to provide a community of support for students throughout Boston and Cambridge. All are welcome to join, and no auditions are required. For more information, visit our website. Our introductory meeting will take place at 7 pm on Tuesday September 8 in the SOCH Penthouse.

www.kuumbasingers.org.

Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra

Federico Cortese, Music Director

The Harvard-Radcliffe Orchestra (HRO), America's oldest symphony orchestra, enters its 208th season under the musical direction of Maestro Federico Cortese. HRO's repertoire ranges from classical masterpieces to emerging contemporary works. The 80-person orchestra rehearses every Monday and Thursday evening and performs four major concerts in Sanders Theater each year. The Orchestra has toured extensively since 1967 and, most recently, Asia in 2015, the Middle East in 2013 and Cuba in 2011. Auditions are held at the beginning of the fall term. Contact President Aaron Roper '16 (aaronroper@college.harvard.edu) for more information. www.hcs.harvard.edu/hro

AUDITIONS: We have openings in all sections; please prepare a 5-minute solo of your choice; no scales or sight-reading. Auditions are held in Paine Hall. Sign up for auditions at our website.

Monday	Aug. 31	10 am-8 pm
Tuesday	Sept. 1	10 am-8 pm
Wednesday	Sept. 1	9 am-1 pm

The Harvard Bands

Mark Olson, Director of Bands and Harvard Wind Ensemble
Yosvany Terry, Director of Jazz Ensembles and Senior Lecturer in Music

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. www.harvardband.org

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

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

Harvard University Band/Harvard Wind Ensemble/ Harvard Jazz Bands

AUDITIONS: Sign up for a 10-min audition on our website (www.harvardband.org), or call (617) 496-BAND to set up a time that works for you. Walk-ins welcome! Auditions are held in the **Band Room at 74 Mt. Auburn Street**, on the corner of Holyoke and Mt. Auburn Streets.

OPEN REHEARSAL: Thursday, September 3 from 7-9 pm in Sanders Theatre

Sunday	Aug. 30	12-6 pm
Monday	Aug. 31	10 am-2 pm
Saturday	Sept. 5	12-6 pm
Sunday	Sept. 6	12-5 pm
Sunday	Sept. 13	3-5 pm*

***NOTE:** If you are auditioning for the Jazz Band Rhythm section, please audition between 3-5 pm on Sunday September 13. If you cannot make this time, contact Interim Director Mark Olson at meolson@fas.harvard.edu.

The Harvard Baroque Chamber Orchestra

Phoebe Carrai, Conductor
Sarah Darling '02, Assistant Conductor

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

AUDITIONS: Auditions will be held at The Memorial Church.

Sunday	Sept. 6	TBA
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The Harvard Pops Orchestra

Allen Feinstein '86, Conductorr

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

AUDITIONS: Auditions will be held in the basement of Lowell Lecture Hall.

Sunday	Aug. 30	TBA
Monday	Aug. 31	TBA
Saturday	Sept. 5	TBA
Sunday	Sept. 6	TBA

The Bach Society Orchestra

Sasha Scolnik-Brower '17, Conductor

The Bach Society Orchestra is Harvard's oldest and premier chamber orchestra. Popularly known as BachSoc, the orchestra is staffed, managed, and conducted entirely by students, and is the oldest student-run orchestra on campus. BachSoc is committed to the highest standards of music making and sports a long line of distinguished alumni musicians and conductors, including John C. Adams '69, Alan T. Gilbert '89, and Yo-Yo Ma '76. Known for its varied programming and extremely close-knit community, the orchestra is an integral part of the Harvard musical scene. Music Director Sasha Scolnik-Brower will lead the Bach Society Orchestra in its 61th season. For information about our season's repertoire, audition requirements, and more, please visit our website. Sign-ups for auditions will be available at the Student Activities Fair and through our website. www.bachsoc.org

AUDITIONS: Auditions will be held in the Music Building, Room G20.

Sunday	Sept. 3	4-9 pm
Friday	Sept. 4	4-9 pm
Saturday	Sept. 5	9 am-12 pm

The Mozart Society Orchestra

Sam Wu '17, Conductor

The Mozart Society Orchestra (MSO), founded in 1984, is Harvard's premier student-led orchestra. The ensemble enjoys both the intimacy of chamber gems and the power of symphonic masterpieces. In addition to musical excellence, showcased in two concerts a year, as well as an undergraduate concerto competition, MSO boasts one of the most collegial atmospheres among Harvard's musical groups. MSO highlights how artistic collaborations shape communities for the better; this fall's program ranges from a Haydn concerto to Tan Dun's Academy Award-winning score for *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*. For more information, please visit our website. www.hcs.harvard.edu/mso

AUDITIONS: Auditions will be held in the Music Building, Room G20.

Sunday	Sept. 6	10 am-4 pm
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Undergraduates are eligible to receive Harvard College credit in the following performance courses:

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

These courses may be taken repeatedly, but to receive credit the courses must be taken in the Fall and Spring semesters consecutively. A maximum of four semesters (two years) may be counted as credit towards the degree.

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Anne Marie Sousa	Bennett Capozzi '17
Oona Ceder	Laura Hess
Tom Dingman	Katie Steele (co-chair)
Brandon Edwards	Gregg Tucci
Shana Kornachuck	Amy Vest
Brooks Lambert-Sluder	Jasmine Waddell
Val Lazzari	Sheila Reindl

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Chad Benoit '16 (Freshman Programming Intern)

