**College Week**

**Career Development, Field Work Term & Student Employment**

**Campus Jobs**
Remote campus jobs are open for applications in Handshake [here](#). As announced last week, students who wish to continue the job they currently hold on a remote basis need to submit a quick re-application (only a resume is required) to help ensure an equitable process. Additional new remote-work jobs have been added and more will continue to be added this week. The top priority of our office is to support students through this transition to remote student employment. Please contact campusjobs@bennington.edu with any questions or concerns you have.

**Staffing Update**
We are delighted to welcome Fozia Murphy to the role of Temporary Student Employment Specialist. Fozia is taking over for Ray Stevens in coordinating all aspects of student employment and supporting students in securing campus work. Fozia can be reached at campusjobs@bennington.edu.

**Ways to Meet With Us Remotely**
During this extraordinary time, we want to assure you that we are still here to support your FWT planning, job/internship searching, and career exploration as the College transitions to remote learning. All of our appointment types and times are still available, and all will now be conducted remotely via phone or video call. When booking your appointment in Handshake, just choose Phone Call, Google Hangout or Video Call in the Appointment Medium drop down menu. Be sure to include your contact information for the chosen appointment.

**Flexible Options For Students Deferring Their Field Work to the Summer**
Students who deferred their Field Work Term to this summer have been offered a range of flexible FWT options. These include: traditional on-site internships, remote internships, online professional trainings, proposing an anticipated 2020-2021 campus job for FWT, or proposing to delay completion of your FWT. Students may propose an anticipated 2020-2021 campus job for FWT, or proposing to delay completion of your FWT. Please email fozia@bennington.edu with any questions or concerns you have. Please email fozia@bennington.edu with any questions or concerns you have.

**Senior Career Advising**
We are still here to help with your post-graduation plans. Our Career Counselor Steven Young is available for advising on career goals, networking, interview preparation, resume and cover letter revision, digital profile creation, and more. Be on the lookout for an email from Steven with more in-depth Senior Career Advising information. You don’t have to figure it all out on your own! Please continue to utilize our office and resources. Make an appointment on Handshake.

**Research Experiences for Undergraduates**
Through Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU’s), students participate in research in a wide range of disciplines funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF). Check out our Summer REU’s Resource on Handshake for details, and find programs through the REU Common Application website or (for a wider range of sites) the NSF website. Talk to your faculty advisor and/or book an appointment with the FWT Office for support in finding and applying to REU’s. *Update: NSF is deferring to awardees on decisions regarding the safety and security of their constituents. Students who have secured a summer REU should contact their REU program directly in regards to supplemental arrangements given the unfolding COVID-19 health crisis.*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Zoom Mindfulness Group:** Join Rage on Monday mornings and start your week by getting centered. We’ll begin with a brief meditation and then open up the group for sharing. Coming back to the breath can help us find ground during this uncertain time. Let’s all breathe together!

**Mondays 10:10-10:30am**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 404513652, Password: o217me

**Open Hours for International Students with Kate:**

**Monday’s 5 pm - 6 pm EST**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 242378179
Password: r706r

**Wednesday’s 9 am - 10 am EST**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 439514580
Password: dS5zmk

**Thursday’s 12:30 - 1:30 pm EST**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 578419470
Password: 72x1xv

**International Student Peer Support Group:** Whether you are on campus, with a friend or relative in the US, at home, or in a third country we know that you are experiencing a wide range of challenges and emotions. The IS Peer Support Group proved to be a good place for students to come together in the Fall and the start of the Spring term. Let’s keep this going in the virtual realm. Join Rage and Lesley Brodie from Psychological Services for two weekly:

**Tuesday’s 3 pm - 4 pm EST**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 272947194
Password: jxhp5

**Friday’s 12:30 - 1:30 pm EST**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 243129542
Password: ppz4lx

**FLoW Collective:** Please join Kelsey (FLoW Intern) and me for a virtual FLoW Collective meeting Thursday at 6 pm EST in Zoom. These are trying times. We have been displaced. We are working with what we have and none of us have signed up for this. Let’s do what we do best: come together, bear witness for each other, laugh, and celebrate the silver lining - if/where we can find it. BYOS bring your own snacks

**Thursday’s 6 - 7 pm EST**
Join Zoom Meeting
ID: 221091678
Password: brq4al

**Call for First-Year Forum Co-leaders Applications!** Are you a 5th or 6th term student who would be a great academic mentor to incoming students? Please consider applying to be a First-Year Forum Co-leader for the Fall 2020 - Spring 2021 academic year. Applications are available in Handshake. FYF student co-leaders work collaboratively with a faculty member to lead inclusive, engaging, and supportive weekly group advising meetings and to develop and lead FYF workshops. Student co-leaders also model what it is to be successful in one’s academic work and share their wealth of experience and practical knowledge of how to navigate the College. To excel in this role, FYF co-leaders must be academically strong, making good progress in their Plan and advanced work, and have strong social skills and an interest in strengthening their leadership and teaching skills. Co-leaders will be paid at the College student worker rate of $10.96 per hour. There will be roughly 25 hours of work expected in preterm training and orientation, and an average of 4 hours of work per week during the term. **Applications are due in Handshake by April 8, 2020 by 5 pm.**
**CALANDER OF EVENTS**

**MONDAY, MARCH 30**
- 10:00 am  Zoom Mindfulness Group, see Announcements for meeting details.
- 3:00 pm  Virtual tabling with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31**
- 9:00 am  International Student’s Open Hours with Kate, see Announcements for meeting details.
- 11:30 am  Virtual tabling with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1**
- 6:00 pm  Flow Collective meeting via Zoom, see Announcements for meeting details.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2**
- 12:30 pm  Transition Back to Bennington with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3**
- 12:30 pm  International Student’s Open Hours with Kate, see Announcements for meeting details.
- 2:00 pm  Cyber Sober Pizza with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.
- 3:00 pm  Grief and Loss Support Group with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.
- 4:00 pm  International Peer Support Group, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4**
- 1:00 pm  Cyber Sober Pizza with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.
- 2:00 pm  Wellbeing Group with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.
- 3:00 pm  Recovery Group with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.
- 4:00 pm  Grief and Loss Support Group with Ali, see Virtual Support Groups for meeting details.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 5**
- 11:30 am  Zoom Mindfulness Group, see Announcements for meeting details.

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**IT @ Bennington Help Desk**

The IT@Bennington Help Desk will resume full hours of operation:
Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

There are now three ways to connect with the IT@Bennington Help Desk:
- Email, helpdesk@bennington.edu
- Phone, 802-440-4476
- Virtual Help Desk in Zoom, bit.ly/bennvirtualhelpdesk

We strongly encourage all students to connect to the Virtual Help Desk as soon as possible to ensure they have Zoom properly configured for their classes next week. We have also added a section to the COVID-19 Technology Planning document on ways to optimize your home network and your Zoom installation to help maximize your experience in live, remote classes.

**REMOTE CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Email to set up Google Hangout or phone call.**

**PRESIDENT’S OFFICE (BARN 125)**
- ISABEL ROCHE, Interim President of the College: contact: Shannon Howlett: shannon-howlett@bennington.edu.
- DELIA SAENZ, VP for Institutional Inclusion, Equity and Leadership: deliasaenz@bennington.edu.
- CHARLENE HOLMES, Associate Director, Office of Inclusion & Diversity: charleneholmes@bennington.edu.

**DEAN’S OFFICE (BARN 123)**
- JOHN BULLOCK, Acting Provost: contact Meredith Meurs: mmeurs@bennington.edu.
- LAURIE KOBIK, Dean of Studies: contact Kelly Hayes: kellyh@bennington.edu.
- OCEANA WILSON, Acting Dean of the College & Dean of the Library: owilson@bennington.edu.

**ALUMNI RELATIONS OFFICE**
- By appointment: alumlinrelations@bennington.edu.

**ACADEMIC SERVICES (BARN 120)**
- NOELLE EVERETT MURPHY, Assistant Dean for Academic Services: nmurphy@bennington.edu.
- KATY EVANS, Academic Services & Accommodations Counselor, katyevans@bennington.edu.

**STUDENT HEALTH CENTER**
- ALI TARTAGLIA, Director of Student Health Promotion: alisontartaglia@bennington.edu.

**BENNINGTON COLLEGE STUDENT HEALTH PROMOTION VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUPS**
- **VIRTUAL TABLING WITH ALI**: stop by and ask a question or just say “Hi”, Wednesdays from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.
- **SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP WITH ALI**: Thursdays at 7:00 pm.
- **TRANSITIONS BACK TO BENNINGTON WITH ALI**: for students who have been away from Bennington for a term or more, Fridays at 12:30 pm.
- **CYBER SOBER PIZZA WITH ALI**: Saturdays at 1:00 pm.
- **WELLBEING GROUP WITH ALI**: Support group for students with chronic health conditions, Saturdays at 2:00 pm.
- **RECOVERY GROUP WITH ALI**: Saturdays at 3:00 pm.
- **GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT GROUP WITH ALI**: Saturdays 4:00 pm.

Join Zoom Meeting: [https://zoom.us/j/4424345023](https://zoom.us/j/4424345023)
Meeting ID: 442 434 5023

**FNT & CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE (BARN 112)**
- FAITH MCCLELLAN, Director of Field Work Term and Career Development: contact Brenda Mercure: brendamercure@bennington.edu.
- FWT Planning, Senior Career Advising, Campus Employment Assistance: campusjobs@bennington.edu.

**STUDENT LIFE OFFICE (BARN NORTH)**
- NATALIE BASIL, Dean of Students: Contact Christine Congelosi-Lulla: cccongelosi-lulla@bennington.edu.
- CHRISTINE WINGET, Associate Dean of Student Life: email: christinewinget@bennington.edu.

**FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE & INTERNATIONAL SERVICES (BARN NORTH)**
- KATE CHILD, Assistant Dean for Academic Services: kchild@bennington.edu.
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**OFFICE FOR STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (UPCAF)**
- MATT SCOTT, Director for Student Engagement: mscott@bennington.edu.
- SAM CLEMENT, Assistant Director of Residential Life: sclement@bennington.edu.
- SARAH BLIZZARD, Assistant Director of Residential Life: sarahblizzard@bennington.edu.

Looking for more information on the events listed here? Try the online event calendar at [www.bennington.edu](http://www.bennington.edu)

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Financial aid will be releasing financial aid awards for the 2020-21 academic year after April 15. Be sure to check your Required Documents page on My Financial Aid to be sure everything has been submitted. Be sure to check the other pages on My Financial Aid for updated information about contacting your financial aid counselor and the latest update on room and board credits for the spring semester.

We encourage first year students to join the [Bennington College Class of 2023 Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/bcclassof2023) where Kate, Rage, and the FYF co-leaders are building and maintaining community now that we have moved to remote instruction and advising.
(M)othertongues Call for Submissions

We are living in a multicultural, multilingual era, creating new spaces for hybridity that unsettle cultural binaries of the past. We believe it is important to complicate the dichotomous idea of here and there-ness that has dominated historical narratives. We aim to create a publication that looks to address themes such as migration, diaspora, in-betweenness, identity, cultural diversity, and language.

Calls for Submission:

The (m)othertongues magazine is currently seeking student submission of prose, poetry, visual or performance art, video, or any other artistic vessel of choice to express the themes stated. If you would like to share your work regarding multiculturalism, multilingualism, or diaspora, please email submissions, along with a brief artistic statement and bio (no more than four sentences - affiliated school, area of study, experience(s), your work) to m.othertongues@bennington.edu by Monday, April 13, 2020.

The (m)othertongues magazine is supported by the Melon Foundation, in collaboration with the Consortium on Forced Migration Displacement and Education, which encompasses the colleges of Bennington, Sarah Lawrence, Bard, and Vassar.

• Visual Art: We are seeking visual art in any and all forms — including, but not limited to: painting, sculpture, printmaking, photography, drawing, comics, installation, video, and film. We will review up to five images, and up to three videos or films, totaling no more than one hour.
• Prose: Please submit no more than seven pages of fiction, critical work, personal essay or an excerpt from a larger piece of work.
• Poetry: We are seeking poetry in all structures and languages, one person can submit up to three poems. There is no official page limit but if you wanted something to ground you, ten pages of poetry would work!
• Performing Arts: We are looking for audio or video submissions of music, dance or drama which are no more than fifteen minutes, and scripts which are between twenty to thirty pages.

Student Health Promotion

Please follow our social media!

• Like us on Facebook: Bennington Student Health Promotion
• Follow us on Instagram: benningtonstudenthealthpromo
• Follow us on Twitter: @btonhealthpromo

And contact Ali via email alisontartaglia@bennington.edu for assistance and support on health related topics such as sleep, stress management, concerns related to alcohol, tobacco and drugs, advocacy for sexual misconduct issues and information and assistance with healthy relationships.

Census Update

One of our concerns with the focus appropriately being on COVID-19 is that we run the risk of not counting all of our college students as residents here in Vermont and thereby losing a significant amount of federal funding for the next 10 years.

Please complete the 2020 Census using your Vermont address. You should not be counted at the alternative address because of the pandemic. This link: https://my2020census.gov/ takes you right to the landing page to complete the 2020 Census. On the form there is one statement at the end: To help us be sure you are not counted twice. Is there another location you could have been included on another form? Answer YES. You will not have to say the other location. It is a yes or no answer. It is alright if you were included on another form. The Census staff will determine the correct location by law.

Virtual Student Engagement

International Museums:
National Gallery of Art (Washington, D.C.)
The Metropolitan Museum of Art (New York, N.Y.)
National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art (Gwacheon-si, South Korea)
Van Gogh Museum (Amsterdam, Netherlands)
The National Museum of Anthropology (Mexico City, Mexico)
The British Museum (London, England)
The Louvre (Paris, France)

Zoos around the country:
San Diego Zoo
Monterey Bay Aquarium
National Zoo
Atlanta Zoo (Panda Cam)
Georgia Aquarium

Things to do with Friends:
Watch Netflix Party! This platform allows you and your friends to watch Netflix shows and movies at the same time, while interacting through a chat platform!
Create a collaborative playlist! This is a great way for you and your friends to listen to music together and share your new favorites.
Learn a new language together! Rosetta Stone is giving students FREE access to all their services for 3 months.
You can video chat with friends via Zoom.

Things to do for fun:
Learn something new Coursera or The Great Courses Plus
Write a letter to a resident in a local assisted living facility or nursing home.
Listen to TED Talks