

College Week

March 9 – March 15

If you're staying on campus for Long Weekend, tell us where you want to go on day trips to via [this form](#)!

Announcements

Bennington College Guest COVID Vaccination Protocol

To enter into a building on campus, visitors need to be vaccinated and are asked to fill out the [visitor form](#) -- ideally at least 24 hours before they arrive on campus. Visitors who have not completed this form will be asked to show their vaccination card before entering any campus buildings.

FLoW Study Break

Come by the **Commons First Floor Lounge on Tuesday, March 8 between 4pm and 5pm** for a chance to hang out with the FLoW interns (and grab a snack). The interns will be there to chat with you about all of FLoW's cool initiatives.

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 2022 – Spring 2023 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 a stipend of \$950 for each academic term. 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 3rd. For more information, please join us for an informational session Thursday, March 17 from 12:30 to 1:15 pm on [Zoom](#) or email Barbara Alfano (balfano@bennington.edu).

PAC Hiring

Do you want to build community? Shape the campus culture? Support your fellow students by Rockin' their socks off?! Then the Programming & Activities Counsel (PAC) may be for you! PAC is seeking, Positive, Energetic, Responsible students to help us with your programming this year. Help with programming like Roller-Rama, Sunfest, Comedy Nights, and more! All PAC student members will receive a small stipend for their service.

Come shape our community!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeJgEECQG1WORINEqHCW6-yslPQdnbXWcRAOdJSZM5vJPc7HQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Student Center Facilitator Hiring

Do you want to build community? Help students? Cause some trouble? We're looking for Students who are full of energy, positive vibes, and interested in helping us facilitate the Student Center! As a Team we'll give out pool cues, Xbox/playstation Controllers, and help manage the snack station that is going into the student center. Additionally, Facilitators will help with some Student Engagement programming and planning throughout the semester.

We're getting new equipment, and we want to keep it in good shape, so that our students can enjoy it for years to come. Help us take back the Student Center for the Students! Hours of employment will be between 5 pm and midnight throughout the week. You'll work with a team of students to make sure all shifts are covered, and will help students with all the game tables, sound equipment, snack bar equipment, & video game equipment. You don't need to know how everything works, but you need to be willing to learn how to make it work.

Let's take back the Student Center!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfj0ZuXEuDfNxEQa6JxaQYd0YvHnDBOlh5fh9EhYl1XjCljcw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Sunday, March 13 is Daylight Savings Time. If you still have an analog clock you will need to Spring ahead one hour.

Events

ANTI-WAR ACTION AT BENNINGTON COLLEGE

Thursday the 10th of March, at 5pm at Commons Lawn



CALL TO ACTION

Where: We meet on the Commons Lawn.

Action: We will gather together to lay down on the lawn in silence for a few minutes. Our bodies on the ground will be filmed and distributed on social media.

What to bring: Wear clothing that you are comfortable to lay on the ground. Personal objects if you want to have them with you.

OUR AIM

"In Solidarity with Ukraine and all victims of war, human bodies laying in stillness on the grass is an image of death, a reminder of the victims that war brings. These are people's lives, these are cultural ties, this is the future of each of us. While the protest movement in Russia is suppressed, art becomes one of the forms of rapid response to the situation."



Thursday
March 24, 2022
7:00 PM
VAPA Kinoteca

Co-sponsored by:

The Office of DEI
The Office of the Provost
CAPA
The Office of Student Life

CULTURAL STUDIES AND
LANGUAGES PRESENTS:

MARIO BELLATIN

Salón de Belleza en
Cine Vivo (Beauty
Salon in Live Cinema)

Born in Mexico, Mario Bellatin studied theology and film. He has over 60 books published that have been translated into 22 languages.

Winner of the José Donoso Ibero-American Literature Prize, the Premio Xavier Villaurrutia, the Premio Nacional de Literatura Mazatlán, the Barbara Gittings Literature Award, the Antonin Artaud Award, and this year, the José María Arguedas Prize.

**AN ENGLISH TRANSLATION
WILL BE AVAILABLE VIA
QR CODE AT THE EVENT**

More information at:
bennington.edu/events

Northshire Bookstore and Southern Vermont Arts Center present Megan Mayhew Bergman, author of *How Strange a Season*, with Bill McKibben and Robin MacArthur, March 30, 6 pm at SVAC

Southern Vermont Arts Center and Northshire Bookstore will host author and climate activist Bill McKibben and Megan Mayhew Bergman for an evening of conversation, readings and live music, as Megan celebrates the launch of her new book, *How Strange a Season*. Vermont author and musician Robin MacArthur will share the stage and provide music.

Former Bennington College professor, Megan Mayhew Bergman is the author of *Almost Famous Women* and *Birds of a Lesser Paradise*. Her short fiction has appeared in two volumes of *The Best American Short Stories* and on NPR's "Selected Shorts." She has written columns on climate change and the natural world for *The Guardian* and *The Paris Review*. Her work has been featured in *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *Tin House*, *Ploughshares*, *Oxford American*, *Orion*, and elsewhere. She teaches literature and environmental writing at Middlebury College, where she also serves as director of the Bread Loaf Environmental Writers' Conference. She lives on a small farm in Vermont.

Northshire Bookstore will be on hand selling copies of Megan's, Bill's, and Robin's books!

Tickets \$5, may be converted to a coupon toward the cost of a book.

Register at www.svac.org.

[gamin, Korean Music and Beyond](#)

Wednesday, March 9 at 8:00pm

in the Deane Carriage Barn, and streaming on [Twitch](#)

Korean born, New York based multi instrumentalist, Master musician gamin, one of the most well-known performers of gugak, or traditional Korean music, will perform Korean classical music as well as contemporary music at Bennington College. gamin, with traditional Korean wind instruments, was the featured artist at the 2018 Silkroad concert, performing on stage with its founder, renowned cellist Yo-Yo Ma.

Tennis Balls for Stress Relief! Channel your favorite tennis star. Thursday, March 10 12:00 – 5:00 pm on the Commons Lawn. Come out and hit tennis balls as far as you can and for as long as you'd like. Feel the endorphins do their job relieving your stress.

From me to you: communicating stress in avian systems

Friday, March 11 1–2pm <https://tinyurl.com/Bennington-Sci-Workshop>

Stephen Ferguson, PhD will be our Science Workshop speaker this week. Dr Ferguson will be remote, but we will still be meeting as a group in Dickinson 232.

Stressors come in many forms: temperature, lack of food, access to water, competition and more. Vertebrate responses to stress are nearly as varied, encompassing both physiological and behavioral coping mechanisms. But what are the social effects of those changes? Could they even induce stress responses in others, without exposing them to the original source of stress? Using a combination of field and lab experiments involving Florida scrub-jays, tree swallows, and zebra finches we have explored both direct and indirect consequences of these physiological and behavioral modifications in the individual, in mates, and in their offspring.

Considering Alternative Routes to Cooperation: The Role of Development and Individual Variation

Friday, April 1 1–2pm <https://tinyurl.com/Bennington-Sci-Workshop>

Jessica A. Cusick, PhD will be joining us remotely this week from Utah Valley University for Science Workshop. Bennington students can meet in Dickinson 232 to Zoom in as a large group, and enjoy some refreshments.

Cooperation is a complex behavior in which individuals act in ways that increase the fitness of others while enduring a cost to themselves. The evolution of cooperation is considered a paradox in the field of biology because a behavior that harms the actor for the benefit of another individual is not easily explained by the theory of natural selection. Ultimate explanations for cooperative behavior are increasingly well understood, however investigations into the proximate mechanisms influencing the occurrence of cooperation, including the importance of individual variation, is still needed. In this talk, Dr Cusick will be discussing how maternal effects (e.g., maternal stress and microbiome manipulations) can have lasting effects on an individual's physiology and behavior and whether individual differences in physiology and behavior can explain variation in cooperation.

Virtual Office Hours

All hours are EST.

STUDENT LIFE OFFICE

Dr. Li-Chen Chin: Dean of Student Life, open office hour: Thursdays 12:30–2pm, [email](#) for an appointment.

Cathy Anthofer-Fialon: Campus Safety Director
My temporary office is located in Barn 113 (Student Life Office). I am in Office "F".

If my door is open, please feel free to step in to chat. If you want to arrange a time to meet, please email me at cathyanthoferfialon@bennington.edu.

HOUSING & RESIDENCE LIFE

Christine Congelosi-Lulla: Interim Assistant Director of Housing Operations, [email](#) for an appointment.

OFFICE OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Drew Hutchinson: Assistant Director of Student Engagement, Clubs & Orgs., [email](#) for an appointment.

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE & INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

Kate Child: Associate Dean for Academic Services

On Campus: Monday & Thursday

Wednesdays: 12:00 – 1:00 pm [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Fridays: 1:00 – 2:00 pm [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Rage Hezekiah: Associate Director of Academic and International Student Services

M: 2:00–3:00pm EST – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

T: 9:00am–10:00am EST – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

W: 10:30–11:30am EST – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Th: 1:00pm – 2:00pm EST – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

F: 9:00am – 10:00am EST – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

ISS Intern Open Hours

Kunlek:

TBD

Iva:

TBD

Desire:

TBD

Malvika:

TBD

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Katy Young Evans: Director of Academic Services

Mondays, Fridays 10:00–11:00 am [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Tuesdays 1:00–2:00 pm [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Thursday 4:00–5:00 pm [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Noelle Everett Murphy: Associate Dean of the College

Mondays, 9:00–10:00 am – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Fridays 12:00–1:00 pm – [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Jennifer Burg: Assistant Director of Academic Services and Student Grants
Counselor

[Monday through Friday from 10:30am – 11:30am](#)

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

Dr. Maurice Hall, Provost: Contact [Kelly Hayes](#) to schedule an appointment.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Laura Walker: President

Please contact [Shannon Howlett](#) to schedule a private appointment.

We welcome invitations for President Walker to join events being hosted by students. We'd love to hear from you! If you have an event you'd like for President Walker to attend, please contact [Shannon Howlett](#) to coordinate.

Alfredo Medina, Jr., Ph.D.,: Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and College Diversity Officer, open office hours on Tuesdays 2:00 – 3:00 pm in Barn 101. Walk-ins are welcome or to schedule an appointment please [email](#).

Xiomara Giordano: Associate Director of the Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion.

Fridays, 9:00–10:00 am [Zoom Open Hour](#) or to schedule an appointment please [email](#).

STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

Ali Tartaglia: Director of Student Health Promotion, [email](#) for an appointment or call or text, 24/7, 802-440-4444.

Kat Daley, LICSW: Interim Director of Psychological Services, email psychservices@bennington.edu to receive a link to schedule a triage appointment if you want to get connected with counseling services or to reserve a drop in session for more immediate support available everyday between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m.

Career Development and Field Work Term

Summer 2022 FWT

Register your experience in Handshake now. SEE [here](#). Still Searching? Schedule an FWT meeting with one of our counselors to begin the process of applying to FWT positions. Summer positions often have early applications – do not wait!

- Mar 18 – Summer FWT 2022 Resumes must be uploaded to Handshake. This is part of your required FWT assessment. (Students without uploaded resumes will be scheduled an FWT advising appointment.)
- April 29 – Last day to Register your Summer FWT.
- May 20 – Last day to Add/Change your FWT. Registration closes on May 20.
- We will no longer permit FWT registration after the Add/Change deadline (May 20.) Students with extenuating circumstances will be asked to submit a Late Registration Request form, subject to review and approval by the FWT office. Late registrations will be approved on case by case basis, and if declined – students may opt to register for the next term as a “previously completed” experience.
- If you were advised by Financial Aid this fall that you are eligible for need-based grant of \$500 upon registering an unpaid internship, these funds will be disbursed beginning April 1. To receive your check before your FWT begins, you must [register your FWT experience in Handshake](#) by the registration deadline. Checks are disbursed after your registration is approved by both the FWT office and your employer.

This Spring, [the Career Launch program](#) will help 25 students enhance their professional communication and networking skills. By the end of the program, you will know how to expand your professional network, land informational interviews, and turn these conversations into job opportunities and referrals. To reserve your spot, please complete this [interest form](#). The application deadline has been extended to March 11!

Summer 2022 FWT Opportunities

Thinking about the summer already? Here are some summer FWT positions to get you going. More positions will be posted in the upcoming weeks. Keep checking Handshake for updates!

- [Virtual Creative Assistant – Remote](#)

AXS Lab | New York, NY

- [Independent Living Specialist – On-site](#)

Summit Camp and Travel | Honesdale, PA

- [Assistant to Playwright – Remote](#)

Catherine Filloux | New York, NY

- [Music Therapy Intern – On-site or Remote](#)

Nordoff–Robbins Center for Music Therapy at NYU | NYC

- [Bookshop Intern – On-site](#)

Grolier Poetry Book Shop | New York, NY

Lucille Lortel Theatre Foundation Fellowship: Application opens next week!

The Handshake application for the Summer 2022 Lucille Lortel Theatre Foundation Fellowship will go live March 14, 2022. Through this Fellowship, students are placed in internship positions with select off–Broadway theatres and drama organizations. This opportunity is available to 8–12 rising sophomores through seniors and open to all disciplines. Click [here](#) for more information.

Student Employment

***IMPORTANT POLICY: Any students who are not in compliance with the College's mandatory weekly testing will become ineligible to continue their on-campus work. You and your employer will receive an email from Ali Tartaglia if you fall into that category.

CAMPUS JOBS ADVISING APPOINTMENTS: Campus Jobs is now offering daily advising time slots for students, Monday through Friday, from 3 pm to 4:30 pm. All appointments are scheduled through Handshake.

If you have any questions about student employment or need assistance securing a campus job, please [contact us](#). For questions about your work award status, please contact financial aid or review your aid award on [My Financial Aid](#).

Ways to Connect With Us

[Email](#) or call us at (802) 440-4321

Our socials: [Instagram](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Career Convos podcast](#) | [YouTube Channel](#)
[Schedule a Career Counseling appointment](#)

Drop-In Hours:

Tuesdays 11:00 am to 2:00 pm EST

Wednesdays 11:00 am to 2:00 pm EST

Fridays 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm EST

Housing Matters

Welcome to Housing Matters. Here we will post reminders, events and information. Please reach out to [Housing](#) at any time with any questions. Our offices are located in the UpCaf.

Please note that the following information is not meant to cause stress. It is to help with your planning purposes.

- Applications for Returning House Chairs will be available soon.
- Application and Info Sessions to become a House Chair will be available soon.
- We are working out details for the Housing Lottery which is happening in April. Housing Lottery is where you select the House and person you want to live with for the Fall term. More details to follow.

- If you currently live in a Dingle you will want to start thinking about who you would like as a roommate for the Fall term. First, second and third years should be planning on having a roommate in the Fall.
- Free Piles in houses will not be allowed.
- Over Long Weekend we are planning a Spring Cleaning event to help students prep their rooms for the end of term.
- At the end of the Spring term there is a quick turn around of campus housing to get ready for MFA students to come to campus. Everyone must be off campus by Sunday, May 29. Please plan accordingly. More details to follow.
- Summer housing will be in Paran Creek and there will be a strict application process.

Student Health Promotion

**BENNINGTON COLLEGE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER
GROUP SCHEDULE SPRING 2022**

**BALANCING AND PROCESSING DIFFICULT EMOTIONS, STRESS, AND TRAUMA
TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M. ON ZOOM WITH LISA CARTON [HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/8023795456](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8023795456)**

LEARN AND CHOOSE FROM A SPECTRUM OF TECHNIQUES FOR TRANSFORMING PAINFUL EXPERIENCES INTO A VIBRANT AND JOYFUL LIFE. TOGETHER WE WILL LEARN AND PRACTICE SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE (AND VERY POWERFUL!) WAYS TO WORK WITH EVERYTHING ARISING NOW. THINK OF EACH OF US AS ENERGETIC "STORE-HOUSES", AND LET'S "REGENERATE" OUR ENERGY AND PUT IT RIGHT INTO CREATING OUR HEART'S DESIRES!

THIS ONGOING GROUP WILL OFFER A VARIETY OF EASTERN AND WESTERN STRATEGIES INCLUDING COMPONENTS OF EMDR, QIGONG, ENERGY MEDICINE YOGA, EFT, AND CREATIVE VISUALIZATION. NO EXPERIENCE IN ANY IS REQUIRED, AND IF YOU'RE CURIOUS THIS IS THE PERFECT SPACE TO START.

**MINDFULNESS MEDITATION
WEDNESDAYS AT 9:00 ON JOIN ZOOM MEETING
ID: 99079887458
PASSWORD: 340246**

START YOUR DAY AND GROUND YOUR WEEK WITH A MINDFULNESS BASED MEDITATION PRACTICE. DROP IN OR REGULAR PARTICIPATION WELCOME.

**SEXUAL TRAUMA SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP
TUESDAYS, 7PM
HEALTH CENTER WAITING ROOM, WITH ALI TARTAGLIA**

DBT, ETC.: SKILLS FOR COPING, CONNECTING, AND CREATING THE LIFE YOU WANT TO LIVE

SATURDAYS AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER WITH KAT DALEY
BROKEN UP INTO SKILL BASED DISCUSSION SESSIONS APPLIED TO OUR WEEK TO WEEK EXPERIENCES WITH PRACTICAL TOOLS TO TAKE WITH YOU AND PRACTICE IN BETWEEN. FOCUSES ON MINDFULNESS, INTERPERSONAL/RELATIONSHIPS, TOLERATING DISTRESS, AND EMOTIONAL REGULATION.

**SUBSTANCE USE AFFECTS US ALL!
SUNDAYS AT 2:00 P.M. ON ZOOM WITH LISA CARTON [HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/8023795456](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8023795456)**
WHETHER YOU IDENTIFY AS BEING IN RECOVERY, ARE EXPLORING USE OPTIONS INCLUDING ABSTINENCE, OR ARE STRUGGLING WITH A FRIEND/PARTNER/FAMILY MEMBER/ROOMMATE WHO'S HAVING ISSUES WITH ADDICTION/SUBSTANCE USE, THIS IS A GREAT PLACE TO POP INTO AND LISTEN AND SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES AS WELL AS LEARN HELPFUL RESOURCES.

**LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY BUILDING
WEDNESDAYS, 7:00PM ON ZOOM WITH LISA CARTON [HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/8023795456](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8023795456)**
EVERYONE KNOWS BENNINGTON IS SOOO QUEER... HERE'S A SPACE TO CHAT ABOUT ALL OF YOUR EXPERIENCES OF IT. SUPPORTIVE TIME TO EXPLORE ANY AND ALL SEXUALITY AND GENDER ISSUES, AS WELL AS LOOK AT POSSIBILITIES FOR CAMPUS LIFE THAT YOU'D LIKE TO SEE.

**SUPPORT GROUP FOR CHRONICALLY ILL AND DISABLED STUDENTS
SUNDAY, 7:00PM
LIBRARY, 3RD FLOOR WITH ALI TARTAGLIA**

**FOOD AND BODY IMAGE
SUNDAY, 1PM [HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/8023795456](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8023795456)**
PLEASE JOIN US TO EXPLORE OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH FOOD AND OUR BODIES AND HOPEFULLY HAVE SOME FUN DOING IT. CO-LED BY LISA CARTON AND PENNY OWEN

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TO COLLEGEWEEK@BENNINGTON.EDU BY MONDAY AT NOON
FOR INCLUSION IN THAT WEEK.**