

Don't forget to get your COVID test! Testing is open in the Commons Atrium, 8am-3pm Monday-Thursday.

Announcements

Bennington College Parking

As a reminder, parking on first, second, and third street is prohibited as these streets are fire lanes. These areas must remain open for emergency vehicles like fire trucks, fuel deliveries, trash service and snow plowing. Any unregistered cars parked on these streets will be towed at the owner's expense. Registered vehicles will be towed to the Ohio lot and the tow charge will be placed on the student's account.

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 <u>visitor form</u> — 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.

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 programing 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-ysIPQdnbXWcRAOdJSZM5vJPc7HQ/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!

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Events

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT FAIR!!!

Come on down to the Student Engagement Fair on Thursday March 3rd, in the Student Center from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm! Come talk to our Student Clubs and Organization, see how you can get involved! for questions please email Drew Hutchinson in the Office of Student Engagement!

Speaker: Diana Kamin, PhD

Title: Algorithmic Aesthetics and the Origins of Stock Photography

Date: 3/2/22 Time: 6:30pm

URL: Zoom link: https://tinyurl.com/mpfxtm3r

More Info:This talk explores the origins of the commoditized stock photograph in the United States through the example of stock photography pioneer H. Armstrong Roberts. In the stock photography industry that Roberts helped to develop in the 1920s, logics of scale, narrative compression, and the pressures of storage and retrieval produced a particular aesthetic and systems of classification that continue to define the economy of image exchange today, with implications from meme culture to surveillance and facial recognition. Roberts's stock photographs serve as early examples of an algorithmically-determined aesthetic, where the algorithm that produces the image is not implemented by computer but, instead, via a set of codified business and photographic practices and an understanding of the photographic image as content available for distribution.

Megan Culhane Galbraith MFA '15 and Genevieve Plunkett '11

Wednesday, Mar 2 2022, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM, CAPA Symposium This event will be live-streamed via Zoom.



STUDENT LIFE OFFICE

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

HOUSING & RESIDENCE LIFE

Christine Congelosi-Lulla Interim Assistant Director of Residential Life, <u>email</u> 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 <u>Shannon Howlett</u> 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 <u>Zoom Open Hour</u> or to schedule an appointment please <u>email.</u>

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.

Student Life Updates

New Hires

• Bailey Fox '21 (she/her), Student Life Coordinator

Bailey was a House Chair in Kilpatrick and took on the role of Student Life Coordinator this February. She provides administrative support to the Dean of Student Life in the management of the Student Life units, and serves as the first point of contact for the Office of Student Life for all inquiries, program initiatives, and operations.

 Christine Congelosi-Lulla (she/her), Interim Assistant Director for Housing Operations

Christine manages the day to day operations of the houses and Paran Creek Apartments, including generating housing assignments, coordinating early arrival, late departure, and Winter Break/Field Work Term/Summer Break housing, collaborating with Buildings and Grounds, Campus Safety, and Information Technology, addressing facilities concerns, and resolving student issues.

• Jayme David Lobo (he/him), Assistant Director for Residential Life

David will start on February 22 and he is responsible for supervision of the House Chairs, including the recruitment and selection, training and development, and appreciation and recognition processes. This position will also support the administrative functions aligned with Housing Operations.

• Ethan Therrien (he/him), Therapist

Ethan was contracted last semester part time, and now works as a full-time therapist. He most recently has experience in providing crisis work/support in the local community and has a long history of providing behavioral and emotional support in residential and treatment settings. He is our first male identifying full-time therapist in over 6 years.

• Samia Abbass (she/they), Therapist

Samia is the second new full-time therapist and will start providing student support on March 14. Samia is a self-identified person of color and represents her clinical work as community centered and based on liberation, and brings experience and commitment to restorative justice practices. She will be spending some of her time focused on outreach and programming support for the health and wellness of all intersecting identities on campus.

• Diane Perry (she/her), Health Center Administrative Assistant

Diane will be greeting you as you come into the Health Center. Today is her first day. Once she is trained and onboarded, she will become another important resource for students navigating insurance questions/issues and a general access point for support from Health and Psych Services.

Psy Services On-call Improvements:

Psy Services are working to launch a totally independent on-call phone number that gives students direct access to immediate mental health support. We will share this number with you once there are final technical improvements that will

prevent a call from going to voicemail or being missed because of service issues. For now, you can continue to call Campus Safety and the dispatcher will do a warm transfer. In other words, when students reach out for the on-call therapist, they will not have to hang up in the effort to get connected, but will be transferred directly to the therapist on call.

Accessing Psy Services:

Please continue to refer students who are interested/in need of therapeutic support to psychservices@bennington.edu for triage and referral and/or to timelycare.com/bennington. There are drop in spaces available every weekday from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Triage appointments, drop-in hours, crisis support, timely care services, and group spaces all remain totally free of charge and available to all students; ongoing individual therapy continues to work with individual insurance with the option of submitting the waiver form to reduce costs as needed.

Future of Mental Health and Wellbeing at Bennington:

We continue to work with Dr. Michael Cohen's research team. We just received preliminary recommendations of a new model for services and approach to integrating and improving overall health and wellness on campus that will likely officially begin in Fall 2022. If you are interested in participating in a student advisory board on this topic, keep a look out or connect with Dr. Ali Tartaglia as we want/need student partnership at every stage of the creation of this new approach.

Career Development and Field Work Term

Ways to Connect With Us

Email or call us at (802) 440-4321

Our socials: <u>Instagram</u> | <u>Facebook</u> | <u>Career Convos podcast</u> | <u>YouTube Channel</u>

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

FWT & Career Development Office – Open Door (Rescheduled)

Join us at Barn 112 on Friday, March 4th to meet the FWt team and ask any questions or share your FWT experiences from winter term. The office will have candy and treats available for all.

Career Launch Program

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 is March 7!

Don't Forget to Submit Your FWT Materials!

Winter FWT ended February 12. If you haven't already, submit your employer evaluation, timesheets, reflective project, and all other materials ASAP to avoid a negative impact on your overall assessment.

Send us a Review of your Winter FWT Site - Optional

We invite you to complete an optional <u>Site Review</u> to provide feedback on your 2022 Field Work Term site(s). Site reviews allow the Field Work Term Office to remove sites from inclusion in future FWTs if they are not a good fit, and to actively cultivate internships from sites that are particularly strong.

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!

• <u>Development Intern - Remote</u>

Nobis Project | Savannah, GA

• Independent Living Specialist - On-site

Summit Camp and Travel | Honesdale, PA

• <u>Digital Content and Marketing Intern - Remote</u>

Handel Group | New York, NY

• Music Therapy Intern - On-site or Remote

Nordoff-Robbins Center for Music Therapy at NYU | NYC

• Education and Writing Intern - Remote

Uptown Stories | New York, NY

Calling All June Graduates: 2022 Mollie Beattie Internship (June - August)

The Mollie Beattie Internship with the Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC) is a paid summer opportunity (up to \$5,020) for recent graduates who intend to pursue a career in environmental science or natural resources policy or law. The intern will help coordinate initiatives related to water quality, land use planning, sustainable community development, and forest and wildlife conservation. You can view the full description here. Application deadline: March 2!

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.

SPRING LISTINGS UPDATE: Fall listings have all been converted for the spring. Student workers carry over to the Spring term, and do not need to reapply. If you do not have a current campus job, please check Handshake for open listings.

Housing Matters

Welcome to Housing Matters. We hope you are settling into your Spring term. 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.

• If you have not picked up your room key please email housing and we will coordinate a pick up location.

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/I/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 ONJOIN 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 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 ADDITION/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 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

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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PLEASE EMAIL ALL COLLEGE WEEK SUBMISSIONS
TO COLLEGEWEEK@BENNINGTON.EDU BY MONDAY AT NOON
FOR INCLUSION IN THAT WEEK.