

## College Week

March 3 – March 9

College Week is a weekly publication announcing events, up coming deadlines, wellness tips and much more. To add an event to future College Weeks please email [collegeweek@bennington.edu](mailto:collegeweek@bennington.edu) by Monday for publication on Wednesday.

## Announcements

The Emergency Blue Box phone located at the College's North gate entrance is currently out of order. The college is actively reviewing the repair options and we will report back when it is repaired and functional. In the meantime, please call 9-1-1 from any mobile phone for emergencies or call Campus Safety at 802.447.4250 from any mobile phone. The next closest Emergency Blue Box is located in the Dean Carriage parking lot.

Student Life is once again offering coffee and tea to students, faculty and staff! Please come by the Student Life Office in Barn North Mondays – Fridays 9 am – 5 pm and don't forget to bring your own mug! Please social distance and wipe down pots and the fridge when you are done. We are looking forward to seeing many of you!

Being a Body; 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; on [Zoom](#) (Passcode: E5ZkFe); with Kat Daley, LICSW. Brief, body centered, trauma informed practices that can be embedded into your school/work day to counter the impact of living and working in a mostly virtual world. Techniques and strategies practiced include ways to support digestion, reduce body/joint pain, improve focus, and invite energy to move for overall health and wellness.

[Mindfulness Wednesday](#); 9:00–9:30 a.m. on Wednesdays; on Zoom (ID:99079887458)

A group container and practice space for cultivating the ability to work with awareness, pay attention on purpose, generate stillness in a busy world/day/mind, find our breath, and just be together before the doing of the day begins. The event is facilitated by Kat Daley, Rage Hezekiah and Penny Owen.

[Stress Less Lunch and Learn](#) on Wednesday, March 3 from 11:30 am– 12:30 pm.

Virtual Event. Find out practical advice for reducing your stress level at the "Stress Less" Lunch and Learn program presented by edHEALTH.

#### Club Tabling

Pending the release of house quarantine this week, campus clubs will begin tabling as soon as Monday March 1st and extend through Friday March 5th on the Down Commons Patio. This is a great way to talk to club leaders first hand about their ongoing initiatives and club plans for Spring term! Stay tuned to the [OSE instagram account](#), the [community discord server](#) and the Student Events Calendar for a list of club tabling dates and times as they surface!

[COVID-19 Vaccine Information Open Hour with Drs. Tartaglia and Anselmo](#) on Wednesday, March 3 from 3:00 – 4:00 pm. Virtual Event. Do you have questions about the COVID-19 vaccines? Feel free to drop in to the weekly Zoom call for evidence-based answers from the medical experts.

[Survivors Support Group](#) on Wednesday, March 3 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Virtual Event. A support space for students who identify as survivors. Facilitated by Ali Tartaglia, Director of Student Health Promotion.

[Literature Discipline Community Conversation about Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Curriculum, Pedagogy, and Programming](#) on Wednesday, March 3 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Virtual Event. The Bennington College literature community is invited to a discussion on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Curriculum in the Literature Discipline.

[Weekly Trail Walk and Talk with Student Life: The Blue Trail \(Thursday March 4th. 2:00pm–3:30pm\)](#) Take an afternoon (socially distanced/masked) walk with Director for Student Engagement, Matt Scott and Assistant Director for Residential Life, Sam Clement as you get to know a few of our local hiking trail systems and catch up on campus engagement updates and opportunities. This week, we'll take a walk along the "Blue Trail" -- a walking/hiking extension entirely located on campus situated between the dense wood line just west of campus proper. All skill levels are welcomed, [please plan to wear appropriate attire \(jackets, boots\) should the weather be unfavorable/chilly. RSVP required!!](#) Please [email](#) to confirm your spot, we will cap this day hike at 10 participants for safety reasons!

[SEA Deadline #1 is Friday March 5!](#) The first deadline for the Student Endowment for the Arts Materials / Projects grant is in a single pdf by March 5, 2021 at 8pm. All applications must be sent to [sea@bennington.edu](mailto:sea@bennington.edu). [Grant guidelines](#) available.

[Budget and Events Committee DEADLINE is Friday March 5!](#) If you're a club leader (or simply an interested student with a big idea!) looking for funding in support of event and supply needs, the Budget & Events committee is here to support your initiatives with a simple proposal process that could reward your great idea with up to \$500.00 of funding. The First B&EC proposal submission deadline is Friday, March 5 and a direct link to that [Funding proposal form may be found here](#). Feel free to email the committee with any questions [budgetandevents@bennington.edu](mailto:budgetandevents@bennington.edu).

[Science Workshop—Spring 2021 Science Workshop | Of mustards, mountains, and](#)

[mycorrhizae](#) on Friday, March 5 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | For this week's Science Workshop, Bennington Alum Dr. Kristina Stinson '92 will be joining us from Sinson Lab at UMASS.

[We are Better Together Support Space](#) on Saturday, March 6 from 2:00 – 3:00 pm. Virtual Event. A space for students to connect with Kat Daley (MSW, Student Health Center) and Ali Tartaglia (Director for Student Health Promotions). Drop in and connect or stay the whole time!

[Music Mondays from the Carriage Barn | Spring 2021 Michael B. Silvers | Listening for Rain: Birds, Local Ecological Knowledge, and Mass Mediation in Brazilian Forró](#) on Monday, March 8 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Music Mondays presents a lecture by Michael B. Silvers, author of "Voices of Drought: The Politics of Music and Environment in Northeastern Brazil."

[Loretta J. Ross](#) on Tuesday, March 9 from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. Virtual Event. Academic, feminist author, and public intellectual Loretta J. Ross, visiting professor at Smith College will join the community in a discussion about white supremacy as a feature of race and gender politics in contemporary U.S. society and how to respond to this ideology.

Join the brand new [Spring Discord](#) for updates and information!

[Student Event Calendar](#). We had more than 30 (!) new additions to the Student Event Calendar last week including Budget and Events Committee Proposal Deadlines, SEA Deadlines, Dance Workshops, Trivia Nights and SUNFEST! Let's continue to make this platform more inclusive, diversified and representative of the work that gets done on campus. [Follow this link for the student event calendar submission form](#) and get your event/club meeting/one off listed today!

[Check out the Active Club List for Spring 2021](#). New listings and updates are added every week to our [campus club roster](#); find out more about campus clubs and how to reach them directly with this very helpful document!

[Take the Spring 2021 Student Interest Survey](#) Looking for ways to get connected on campus (in the community, through clubs and recreation) or just wondering what new initiatives clubs and orgs have up their sleeve for the term ahead? Fill out a [Student Interest Survey](#) and let the Office for Student Engagement send you a personalized list of opportunities and updates. Think of it like a magic 8 ball for co-curricular opportunities on campus!

The Meyer Recreation Barn is open 8:00 am – 8:00 pm daily. Please bring your ID card to sign in. Continue to adhere to Covid regulations by wearing a mask, social distancing and wiping down any gym equipment you use.

Knit Happens Knitters! There was a lot of yarn and knitting needles donated so we would love to see the creations you made over FWT. Please send photos to [Student Life](#) and we will print them out and hang them up outside of the Dining Hall. We won't use your name unless you would like it to be included.

If you were off campus last term did not get your Bennington College mug

please swing by Student Life to pick one up.

A Bennington College Alumni, John Getchell, is the new owner of the Blue Benn Diner. He is offering a delivery service to the college and you can view and place your order online at [bluebenn.com](http://bluebenn.com). They are open 6 am – 2:00 pm Tuesday through Sunday and their hours will expand in the spring.

From the Programming & Activity Council. SUNFEST 2021 is in the works and we would love to hear your thoughts. We hope that this year's event will feature live performances by many student bands/performers and adjacently in another space – performances from outside musicians on a large projected screen. We want to keep the spirit of Sunfest alive by having different activities that could take place alongside the music, maybe featuring campus clubs (Sunfest dodgeball?). What are your ideas for different activities during Sunfest? What would you like to see? Send your thoughts to [pac@bennington.edu](mailto:pac@bennington.edu) or dm us @pacbennington.

Student Event Calendar Tip of the Week: Submitting to the Wider Calendar + Postering Opportunities If you haven't submitted to the event calendar there are several very practical features you might not be familiar with yet. 1) Did you know you can choose to submit to the SEC alone, or also have that event pushed to the wider (external) community calendar in the same form? It's a very simple way to reach an audience that extends to alumni, community members and the general public. It also increases the likelihood of @atbennington and other campus social media platforms picking up the story! 2) Did you know the SEC submission form also links you directly to poster distribution when you want it? With one simple process you can have student life postering staff print and distribute your posters for you! It's really as simple as that. How do YOU use the student event calendar? We'd love to hear about it! Feel free to email [studentengagement@bennington.edu](mailto:studentengagement@bennington.edu) with your tips and tricks.

DREAM is Looking for Student Mentors! About DREAM: Founded at Dartmouth College in 1999, the DREAM Program builds communities of families and college students that empower youth from affordable housing neighborhoods to recognize their options, make informed decisions, and achieve their dreams. Bennington DREAM works with two communities with kids ranging from age 5 to 18. Mentors and mentees typically meet remotely on Wednesday or Friday afternoons to build community through shared activities, both in groups and one-on-one. Feel free to check out our website for more information: [www.dreamprogram.org](http://www.dreamprogram.org).

Do you love spending time with kids? Want to learn more about the Bennington area? Ready to become a part of a fun and rewarding community? THEN YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BECOMING A DREAM MENTOR! READY TO APPLY? [Fill out an application!](#) To learn more, feel free to email [dream@bennington.edu](mailto:dream@bennington.edu).

## Virtual Office Hours

All hours are EST.

### STUDENT LIFE OFFICE

Christine Winget: Acting Dean of Students, [email](#) for an appointment.

### OFFICE FOR STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Sarah Blizzard: Assistant Director of Residential Life, [email](#) for an appointment.

Sam Clement: Assistant Director of Residential Life, [email](#) for an appointment.

Matt Scott: Director of Student Engagement, [email](#) for an appointment.

#### FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE & INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

Kate Child: Assistant Dean for Academic Services

##### Weekly Open Hours in Zoom:

Mondays: 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Tuesdays: 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Wednesdays: 9:00 – 10:00 am

Rage Hezekiah: Assistant Director of Academic and International Student Services

Mondays: 3:00–4:00 pm [Zoom Open Hour](#)

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

Wednesdays: 3:00–4:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Thursdays: 9:00–10:00 am [Zoom open hour](#)

Fridays: 2:00– 3:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

#### ACADEMIC SERVICES

Katy Young Evans: Assistant Director of Academic Services

Mondays, Thursdays 4:00–5:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Tuesdays, Fridays 1:00–2:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Xiomara Giordano: Academic Services and Study Away Counselor.

Mondays, 4:00–5:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Tuesdays, 2:00–3:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Wednesdays, 12:00–1:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Thursdays, 2:00–3:00 pm [Zoom open hour](#)

Fridays, 9:00–10:00 am [Zoom open hour](#)

Noelle Everett Murphy: Assistant Dean for Academic Services

Mondays, 9:00–10:00 am – [Zoom open hour](#)

Tuesdays 9:00–10:00 am – [Zoom open hour](#)

Thursdays 4:00–5:00 pm – [Zoom open Hour](#)

Fridays 12:00–1:00 pm – [Zoom open hour](#)

#### DEAN'S OFFICE

Kelly Hayes: Office Coordinator for the Provost and Dean's office, [email](#) for an appointment.

Oceana Wilson, Acting Dean of the College, Dean of the Library. [Email](#) to schedule a Zoom meeting on Mondays–Fridays and in person on Wednesdays– Fridays.

#### PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Laura Walker: President, please contact [Shannon Howlett](#) to schedule an appointment.

Meredith McCoy: Associate Vice President for Institutional Initiatives and Title IX Coordinator, please [email](#) for an appointment.

This year's JEDI advisors: [Ara Aman '21](#) and [Rojay Bryan '22](#).

#### STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

Ali Tartaglia: Director of Student Health Promotion, [email](#) for an appointment.

## Career Development, FWT & Campus Jobs

Questions or concerns – email us at [fwt@bennington.edu](mailto:fwt@bennington.edu) or [schedule a virtual advising session](#).

Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) to keep up with upcoming due dates, events, and Field Work Term opportunities. Looking for career advancement resources and external funding opportunities? Visit our [Career Convos blog](#).

Virtual Drop-In Hours:

Tuesdays 11:30 am to 12:30 pm EST: Join [Zoom Meeting](#):

Wednesdays 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm EST: Join [Zoom Meeting](#):

Need Help During the Weekend?

Our Student Career Assistants are available for appointments on Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm and Sundays from 10 am to 1 pm. [Schedule an appointment](#) for help navigating Handshake and revising your application materials.

**\*\*New Podcast Episode\*\*** [Remote Work: One Size Fits All?](#)

Are you considering a remote internship this summer? During this episode, we explore different remote experiences among Bennington community members: the good, the bad, and everything in between. Tune in to learn how to thrive when working remotely and enhance distant learning. Our upcoming episode focuses on summer internships. Interested in sharing your experience? Reach out to [jocelyns@bennington.edu](mailto:jocelyns@bennington.edu) for more information.

Upcoming Virtual Career Fairs: Register Now

[Champlain College Spring 2021 Virtual Career Fair](#): March 3, 1–6 pm EST

[Spring Job & Internship Fair](#): Wednesday, March 17, 12–3 pm EST

Learn about employers who are \*actively hiring\* Vermont students and grads for paid internships and full-time jobs. Registration is free!

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.

Student Employment

As support to students, almost all campus jobs have been restructured as year-long positions, meaning work-eligible students are automatically re-hired to continue their fall campus job(s) in the spring. If you are a work-eligible student who didn't work in the fall, immediate openings are available for 7–8 hours/week in the role of [Dining Hall Food Service Worker](#). A limited number of openings are also available in specialized positions [found in Handshake](#). Contact [campusjobs@bennington.edu](mailto:campusjobs@bennington.edu) with questions.

## Student Health Promotion

SURVIVOR SUPPORT GROUP

with Ali Tartaglia

Wednesdays 7 – 8 pm EST

Zoom Meeting ID: 4424345023

(US) +1 929-205-6099

BETTER TOGETHER SUPPORT GROUP

with Ali Tartaglia and Kat Daly

Saturdays 2 – 3 pm EST

Zoom Meeting ID: 4424345023

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PLEASE EMAIL ALL COLLEGE WEEK SUBMISSIONS

TO [COLLEGEWEEK@BENNINGTON.EDU](mailto:COLLEGEWEEK@BENNINGTON.EDU) BY MONDAY AT NOON FOR INCLUSION IN THAT WEEK.

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