

College Week December 9 - December 15

Congratulations to all the December Graduates and to all students learning remotely or on campus. You made it through a challenging term. To all the students departing campus, have a restful winter break and a great FWT - we hope to see you in the spring.

End of Term Checklist

If you are not staying for Winter Break/FWT, we are providing you with the following checklist to ensure you have a smooth departure from campus.

Remember: you need to vacate your College residence by 4:00 pm on Saturday,

December 12. If you need to stay past this deadline, please contact Student Life.

College staff will conduct walk-throughs in all houses and vacated rooms.

- Make sure all the original college furniture is in your room and returned to its original condition (<u>assembled</u>). This includes a bookshelf, dresser, desk, wardrobe, bed frame, mattress, and mirror.
- Sweep and clean your room. Your housekeeper will thank you for it.
- Put all of your garbage in plastic bags and dispose of it in the trash bins
 outside of your house. Leaving trash in your room will result in individual
 room charges. Additionally, leaving trash in and around your house
 (including the exterior) will result in house charges to be split between all
 residents.
- Defrost your fridge at least 24 hours before you store it or leave. An
 improperly defrosted fridge can leak and cause water damage. How to
 defrost your fridge: dispose of any perishable food items remaining in
 your fridge, unplug your fridge, prop the door open and lay a towel inside
 the bottom to soak up excess moisture, and leave your fridge to defrost
 overnight
- Remove all personal items from common areas including bathrooms, kitchens (<u>especially the fridge</u>), common rooms, hallways, and public closets/phone booths. Please note that free piles are prohibited. Any items left in a common area will be discarded and the house will be charged for the removal of trash.
- Leave the window shades up to prevent condensation and moisture build-up on the windows. Moisture build-up creates mold. Replace the window screens if you have removed them.
- Set the knob on your radiator to 3. Keeping all radiators at 3 will allow enough heat into the room to prevent frozen pipes.

- Close and lock all windows and doors upon leaving. Locking entrances
 to your room will ensure that others do not enter your room, cause
 damages, or remove furniture.
- Store your bicycle. Contact Campus Safety to properly store your bicycle
 in Welling Basement to keep it safe over the winter. Any bicycles left on
 campus over the winter will be donated.
- Store your vehicle. If you are returning in the Spring, you may store your vehicle on campus by completing a Long-Term Vehicle Parking Permit available through Campus Safety (due Friday, December 11).
- Make sure you haven't left anything that you will need over the winter behind. Check the drawers/cabinets in your room, check the boxes you are storing, and check your friends' rooms. You will not be given access to any spaces on campus to retrieve personal items.
- Take a video or photos of your room before you leave.
- Change your forwarding address with the campus Post Office.
- Wait in the Commons if you can't leave by the deadline. Students who
 are unable to depart campus by 4:00 pm on Saturday, December 14 may
 avoid disciplinary action by waiting in the Commons with their belongings.

Announcements

Little Extras Pantry: Group Sponsors | Departments, clubs, houses, and other organizations are encouraged to sign up to sponsor the FLoW Little Extras Pantry for a month. Sponsorship could include fundraising, collecting donations, shopping, and/or stocking the pantry in the Barn. The Little Extras Panty was launched in Spring 2019 and has been stocked through donations and the community's generosity. This summer, FLoW received two anonymous and significant cash donations that kept the pantry stocked over the summer and through the fall, as well as through support from two successful GoFundMe campaigns led by a staff member and campus committee. However, these funds are limited, and the Little Extras Pantry needs community support—especially during this global pandemic, the pantry cannot rely solely on a donation box and a weekly shopping trip. Going forward, we hope to share the responsibility of raising money and gathering donations among the community. Please emailflow@bennington.edu if your group would be interested in signing up to sponsor the Little Extras Pantry for a month this winter or spring!

Users who need official documentation of COVID test results can download a copy of the official lab report in the details of their test results within the CoVerified app.

When you depart Campus please go to your CoVerified app, click on the check mark in the bottom middle icons, click the three dots in the upper right hand corner and click Go Remote.

Mindfulness Wednesdays from 9:00 – 9:30 am. A Virtual Event. Kat Daley, Penny Owen, and Rage Hezekiah are hosting Mindful Wednesdays every week via Zoom. This space is intended to support our community in their efforts to find breath, practice resilience and enjoy a few moments of quiet to start the day.

The Wellness Committee is pleased to invite the entire campus community to the "It's the End of the Term as We Know It" fun walk or run a 5k (3.1 miles) "virtually" beginning December 3 through December 9, in celebration of the end of term. We

encourage everyone to participate! If you plan to run or walk, please <u>register</u> by December 2. <u>Read more</u> about this 5k. As in last term, we have set up a <u>GoFundMe</u> for donations for the Little Extras Pantry. We're happy to accept donations even if you don't intend to participate in the event (but really, sign up and participate—December is a beautiful month for a run!).

<u>Literature Evenings—Fall 2020Student Readings</u> on Wednesday, December 9 from 7:00– 8:00 pm, Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | This week's Literature Evening presents Student Readings!

<u>Directing II Night of Scenes on Youtube</u> from Wednesday, December 9 – Tuesday, December 29 from 7:00–11:59 pm, Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Ten short scenes from the Directing Class featuring two dozen performers. Presented as a youtube playlist.

<u>Animation Showing</u> on Wednesday, December 9 from 9:00– 10:00 pm, Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Showing of work produced in Fall 2020 by students in animation classes.

BIPOC Community Space on Thursday, December 10, at 1:00 PM ET, <u>Join via Zoom</u> | Meeting ID: 919 3973 9768 | Passcode: 051552.

Last day of classes—all classes meet on Friday, December 11, 8:00 am – 11:59 pm, Bennington Campus.

Last day to add or change a FWT position on Friday, December 11, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Bennington Campus.

First, Second and Third Street student houses close at 4:00pm on Saturday, December 12, Bennington Campus.

Bennington's partnership with the Middlebury Language Schools has made it possible for three Bennington students to receive significant scholarships in support of their enrollment in the Summer 2021 Middlebury Language School to study Abenaki, Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, or Spanish. This intensive program significantly enhances language fluency and carries with it the potential to earn up to 12 transfer credits. Applications for Nomination are due December 10, 2020 at 9:00 am. Students interested in applying should plan to participate in an informational session on Thursday, December 3 at noon. Please complete this form to registerand receive a zoom link.

If you haven't checked out the <u>Bennington Beacon</u> yet here is your chance. It has great articles covering everything from Admissions' anti-racism initiative to what your classmates are creating and are passionate about and of course Dodgeball.

Make sure to check for our new Student Health Promotion <u>newsletter</u>! Also, remember that we deliver safer sex supplies right to your mailbox!

Remember...if you are looking for someone to speak to about health related topics such as sleep, sex, alcohol and drugs, nutrition, or stress management you can reach out to <u>Ali Tartaglia</u>. And check out our new addition of our <u>biweekly newsletter!</u>

Bennington Magazine. The next issue of Bennington Magazine is out and it's exclusively online. In this issue, I had the chance to expand on the challenges and

opportunities I envision for the College in the months ahead. There's also a round-up of the standout accomplishments of our faculty, staff, and alumni community. This online-only format is a new approach for Bennington; it will continue to develop as we refine what works for readers.

November Newletters: Every month, Communications sends newsletters out to <u>alumni</u> and <u>family and friends</u> of the College. Enjoy this month's stories and encourage interested community members to <u>sign up</u> for the family and friends newsletter.



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
Mondays 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Zoom open hour
Tuesdays 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Zoom open hour
Wednesdays 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Zoom open hour
Thursdays 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Zoom open hour
Fridays 9:00 am - 10:00 am Zoom open hour

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, Tuesdays 9:00-10:00 am - <u>Zoom open hours</u> Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 pm - <u>Zoom open hours</u> Thursdays & Fridays 12:00-1:00 pm <u>Zoom open hour</u>

DEAN'S OFFICE

Kelly Hayes: Office Coordinator for the Provost and Dean's office, <u>email</u> for an appointment.

Laurie Kobik: Dean of Studies, email Kelly Hayes for an appointment.

Oceana Wilson, Acting Dean of the College, Dean of the Library. <u>Email</u> to schedule a Zoom meeting on Mondays-Fridays and in person on Wednesdays- Fridays.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Laura Walker: President, please contact <u>Shannon Howlett</u> to schedule an appointment.

Meredith McCoy: Associate Vice President for Institutional Initiatives and Title IX Coordinator, please <a href="mailto:emailt

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

Connect With Us Email us at fwt@bennington.edu Follow us on Tumblr, Instagram, and Facebook Schedule an appointment

During FWT, please do not hesitate to contact our office with any questions or concerns, or <u>schedule an FWT Advising session on Handshake</u>. We are available for virtual advising 8:30 am-4:00 pm every day, and we are eager to support you with any questions that may arise. FWT is also a great time to be thinking broadly about your life and career goals, and we are here to support you with career exploration advising sessions.

Virtual Drop-In Hours (only until December 11th): Tuesdays 11:30 pm to 12:30 pm EST: <u>Join Zoom Meeting</u> Wednesdays 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm EST: <u>Join Zoom Meeting</u>

From 12/14 - 2/13: Wednesdays 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm EST: Join Zoom Meeting:

**A quick end of term parting video message from us to you: Be Safe Take Care

Completing a Winter 2021 FWT?

Share your Field Work Term experience with the Bennington community! We want to see what you're up to – whether that is a remote internship, a fellowship, or anything in between. Send us your pictures at jocelyns@bennington.edu or tag @benningtoncareeroffice to be featured on our_Instagram.

Winter Field Work Term Registration

You can still register a winter FWT experience up until Friday, December 11. If your plans are finalized, please <u>register here</u>. <u>Preview the registration questions</u> and gather your information ahead to expedite the registration process. You may also schedule a <u>Handshake Navigation appointment</u> and an SCA will walk you through registration. FAQ's and more information can be found on our <u>website</u>.

If you're still finalizing your plans, the most important thing is to be in touch with us. If you need support—see above ways to connect with us. Review <u>flexible new options</u> in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. If you do not register a Field Work option by the end of term, we will assume that you will complete an FWT this summer.

Field Work Term Plans Changed?

The recent surge in COVID-19 cases has impacted the world of work. As always, your health and safety is the top priority. If your Field Work Term position is cancelled, or you need to withdraw from a position for safety reasons or personal circumstances, you may—as always—do so without penalty. Just be in touch with us (see contact info above) and we'll work with you to discuss an alternate plan that meets your needs.

*** LOOK HERE - <u>60+ Remote listings for Winter FWT 2021</u> with 0 or few applicants***

Online Professional Training for Field Work Term: Overview and Examples

This is a great opportunity for skill building and to enhance the courses you are taking, while being able to complete this remotely in the safety of your room.

**FREE Until December 31

Free access to <u>GoinGlobal</u>. GoinGlobal features worldwide job and internship resources, including location-specific career guides, key corporate profiles, a proprietary H1B visa search engine and 16 million-plus job and internship postings.

Student Employment

Since the College has shifted to virtual instruction, all campus job supervisors have been encouraged to find computer-based work for their student employees to complete either on-campus or at home for the remainder of term. (A small number of supervisors may still be able to offer distanced on-site work, if compliant with <u>stricter VT state guidelines</u>.) Please consult with your supervisor about these changes. If your supervisor does not have computer work or state-compliant in-person work available and you are concerned about losing work hours, please contact <u>campusjobs@bennington.edu</u>.

Student Health Promotion

BENNINGTON COLLEGE STUDENT GROUPS FALL 2020

FLOWING WITH YOUR POWER: SUPPORT AND EMPOWERMENT GROUP FOR FLOW STUDENTS

WITH KAT DALEY AND JOCELYN SALCEDO MONDAYS 12:00-1:00 EST HTTPS://BENNINGTON DOXY ME/KAT

MINDFULNESS WEDNESDAYS

START YOUR DAY WELL WITH KAT DALEY, RAGE HEZEKIAH, AND PENNY OWEN OPEN TO STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FACULTY 9:00-9:30AM EST ON WEDNESDAYS ZOOM: ID: 99079887458, PASSWORD: 340246

SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP

WITH ALI TARTAGLIA WEDNESDAYS 7PM TO 8PM EST ZOOM MEETING ID: 4424345023 (US) +1 929-205-6099

SUPPORT GROUP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS STUDYING ON CAMPUS AND REMOTELY

WITH RAGE HEZEKIAH AND HEIDIE VAZQUEZ-GARCIA FRIDAYS 3:00 - 4:00 PM EST ZOOM MEETING ID: 941 9234 3786, PASSCODE: 424564

BETTER TOGETHER SUPPORT GROUP

WITH ALI TARTAGLIA AND KAT DALEY SATURDAYS AT 2PM-3PM EST ZOOM MEETINGID: 4424345023 (US) +1 929-205-6099

ALL ZOOM MEETINGS AT HTTPS://BENNINGTON.ZOOM.US ENTER ZOOM ID AND PASSCODE IF REQ

OFFICE OF STUDENT HEALTH PROMOTION



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Bennington's Community Email

Our mailing address is:

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