

# College Week

September 28 – October 4

Please do make a point to read College Week as it is one of the ways in which we communicate to you important timelines, events, and upcoming beginning-of-term or end-of-term reminders. [College Week](#) submissions are due Mondays at noon for Wednesday's editions.

## Announcements

COVID bivalent boosters and flu shots are now available for students at the Student Health Center! They will be administered on Tuesdays between 10am to 11:30am, and 12:30pm to 4pm. No appointment necessary.

## Vermont Voters

[Prop 5](#) has passed the House and the Senate, and goes to the voters this November. Prop 5 puts reproductive liberties into the Vermont State Constitution. Don't forget to register to vote! All on-campus students qualify as a Vermont resident and can register in Vermont.

## Events

We are gearing up for Year 2 of the Bennington [Window Dressers Community Build](#) and we hope Bennington College students will join in again! Last year a group of students spent a Saturday assembling window inserts. The Community Build will run from Thursday, Oct 13 through Wednesday, October 19. This year we will hold the build at Abacus Automation on Shields Drive. As a "seasoned" group, we are hoping to build 250 inserts this year (we completed almost 200 last year). Please let me know if you plan to take part this year. Any student leads are encouraged to take part in the supervisor training on Thursday, October 13 from 3–5pm. The shifts are 8:30 –12:30 and 1:00 –5:00 for the Friday – Wednesday builds

plus two evening shifts on Monday and Tuesday evening. We always have two supervisors on for each shift. We will again have food and desserts available. If you are interested in participating please reach out to [CCL](#).

#### [Literature Evenings—Fall 2022](#)

[Book Launch for We the Dead: Preserving Data at the End of the World by Brian Michael Murphy](#) on Wednesday, September 28, at 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM, in Deane Carriage Barn.

Dean of the College Brian Michael Murphy will read from his new book "We the Dead: Preserving Data at the End of the World," which narrates how Americans became so obsessed with preserving data, from time capsules launched into outer space to data centers in bombproof bunkers. Reception to follow.

[Democracy in America: Racism and the American Democracy](#) on Thursday, September 29, at 7:00PM – 8:30 PM, in CAPA Symposium. [Open to Public](#)

This series invites guest speakers from the private and public sectors to address a range of important topics in the current national dialogue.

Facilitated by CAPA director Susan Sgorbati and Vermont State Senator Brian Campion.

[Fall Weekend](#) from September 30 to October 2, at 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Fall Weekend is a time for parents, families, and loved ones to gather with their students.

#### Science Workshop

**An evolutionary perspective on avian population losses. What can we learn about how to change the trajectory?** on Friday, September 30, from 1:00 pm to 2:00pm, in Dickinson 232.

Eliot Miller, PhD, A Collections Development Manager at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology will be joining us for Science Workshop this week.

[Purple Carrot Farm Volunteer Work Party](#) on Saturday, October 1st, at 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Purple Carrot Farm.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Volunteer opportunity at the Purple Carrot Farm! All are welcome, no experience required. Come meet new people and play in the dirt!

[Sanctuaries of Attention](#) on Saturday, October 1st, at 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM, at CAPA Faculty Lounge. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | A day-long workshop dedicated to the collective practice and reclamation of attention, responding to the predation of the “Attention Economy,” a trillion-dollar industry that seeks to monetize our every waking moment and frack human eyeballs for commercial gain.

[Virtual Fall Open House](#), on Saturday, October 1st, at 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Virtual Event. Info session, student-led virtual tour, and a presentation from current staff designed for HS students interested in Bennington College.

[Hold the Plastic, Please! A Web Briefing For Restaurant Owners Who Want To Reduce Single-Use Plastic](#) on Monday, October 3rd, at 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM, Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Please join us to learn more about how your restaurant, cafe, or bar can reduce the volume of polluting, expensive single-use plastics you use in your daily operations.

[Cultural Studies and Language Series—Fall 2022](#)

[Gender and Pop Culture in Chinese-speaking Asia](#) on Monday, October 3rd, Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Marc L. Moskowitz is a Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of South Carolina. His work focuses on the intersection between gender and popular culture in Chinese-speaking Asia.

[Classes end at 2:00pm \(Note: VALS lecture series will meet at 7:00pm\)](#) on Tuesday, October 4th, at 2:00 PM – 10:00 PM, on Bennington Campus.

[Opening Reception for "Allana Clarke: A Particular Fantasy"](#) on Tuesday, October 4th, at 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Please join us in celebrating artist Allana Clarke on the occasion of her Usdan Gallery solo exhibition, featuring performance videos and a large-scale floor sculpture made from hair-bonding glue, one of the artist's signature materials.

Bennington College Community Shuttle  
[Weekly Schedule](#)

SUNDAY: 12pm to 4pm

MONDAY: No Shuttle

TUESDAY: 11 am to 6pm

WEDS: 12pm to 4pm & Medical Shuttle, 9am to 3pm

THURSDAY: 4pm to 10pm

FRIDAY: 8am to 12pm & 3:30pm to 10pm

SATURDAY: 9am to 12pm, 12pm to 6pm, 7pm to 9pm

(Note: additional hours will be added as more drivers are hired)

## Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

### **Crisis Support:**

If you need immediate mental health assistance and it is after hours, please contact Bennington College's on call therapist at (802)447-4250 or the local community crisis service (UCS) at (802)442-5491.

If you are off campus and this is an emergency, call 911 or go to your nearest emergency room.

### **Additional resources:**

-National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (800)273-8255

-The Trevor Project's 24-hour LGBTQ hotline is (866)488-7386 for phone support if you are 24 years old and under. Check their website or chat and text options.

-The Trans Lifeline suicide hotline is (877)565-8860.

-Additional online therapy and free text/chat counseling and coaching: [www.timelycare.com/bennington.com](http://www.timelycare.com/bennington.com)

## Health and Wellness Workshops and

## Group Spaces– Fall 2022

**MINDFULNESS MEDITATION** – Group practice for staff, students, and faculty  
Wednesdays, 9:00–9:30 AM; Virtual: ZOOM Meeting ID: 99079887458, PW:  
340246

**SEXUAL TRAUMA SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP** – with Ali Tartaglia  
Tuesdays, 7:00 PM; Barn North Waiting Area

**KORU MEDITATION** – with Li-Chen Chin for staff, students, and faculty  
Two – 4 class series; pre-registration suggested, email  
lichenchin@bennington.edu. In person: Thursday, October 6, 13, 20 &  
27, 12:30 – 2:00 PM; Location TBA Virtual: Tuesdays, November 1, 8, 15,  
& 22; 4:00 – 5:30 PM. <https://bennington.zoom.us/j/9963171446>

**FOOD AND BODY IMAGE** – with Lisa Carton and Penny Owen  
Mondays, 4:00 PM; Virtual: [HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/8023795456](https://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/8023795456)

**DBT SKILLS SERIES** – with Kat Daley  
Sundays, September 25 (Mindfulness), October 2 (Emotional Regulation), 9  
(Distress Tolerance), 16 (Interpersonal Effectiveness), 2:00 – 3:00 PM – drop  
in or commit to the whole series; Student Health Center Waiting Room

**I ♥ YOU (I THINK...) – A GROUP FOR FORMING & SUSTAINING  
RELATIONSHIPS THAT FEEL GOOD** – with Samia Abbass. On Wednesdays,  
Sep 28 – Nov 2 (6 meetings), 7:00 – 8:00 PM; Location TBD (In person). This  
group will be closed after a pre-registration period. (There might be a  
second session if there's enough interest). Email  
Samiaabbass@bennington.edu with any questions or to sign up!

**ALL RECOVERY MEETING** – with Ralph Bennett from Turning  
Point, Tuesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. starting 9/27; Commons, room 201

## Virtual Office Hours

All hours are EST.

### STUDENT LIFE OFFICE: Barn North

**Dr. Li-Chen Chin: Dean of Student Life**, open office hour: Wednesdays 4 – 5 pm,  
or [email](#) for an appointment.

**Cathy Anthofer–Fialon: Campus Safety Director**

If my door is open, please feel free to step in to chat. If you want to arrange a time to meet, please [email](#).

**HOUSING & RESIDENCE LIFE**

**Donnie Redd: Director of Residence Life and Community Standards,** [email](#) for an appointment.

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

**Bailey Fox '21: Interim Assistant Director for Residential Education,** [email](#) for an appointment.

**OFFICE OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT**

**Jack de Loos '22: Student Engagement Fellow,** [email](#) for an appointment.

**FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE & INTERNATIONAL SERVICES****Kate Child: Associate Dean for Academic Services**

On Campus: Monday & Tuesday

Open Hours: Tuesdays 10:30 – 11:30 Barn 113 and Thursdays 3 – 4 pm [Zoom](#)

ISS Intern Open Hours: TBD

**ACADEMIC SERVICES**

**Katy Young Evans: Director of Academic Services.** Open hours are:

Mondays & Fridays 10:00–11:00 am Barn 120 or [Zoom Open Hour](#)

Tuesdays 2:00–3:00 pm Barn 120 or [Zoom Open Hour](#)

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

**Noelle Everett Murphy: Associate Dean of the College:** [email](#) for an appointment.

**Jennifer Burg: Assistant Director of Academic Services and Student Grants Counselor.** [Virtual Open Hours are Monday through Friday from 12:30pm – 1:30pm](#) or email [jenniferburg@bennington.edu](mailto:jenniferburg@bennington.edu) for an appointment.

**Stephanie Meyer: Assistant Director of Academic Services and Study Away Counselor**

Monday – Friday, 10:00am – 11:00am

Or [email](#) for an appointment.

## **OFFICE OF THE PROVOST**

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

## **Financial Aid Office**

Office Hours on campus:

Tuesday – 9:30am –12pm

Thursday – 1pm–4pm

For Virtual appointment please contact [Finaid@bennington.edu](mailto:Finaid@bennington.edu)

## **Amy Starr: Assistant Director of Financial Aid**

Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am – 4pm

Tuesday & Thursday – Remote 8:30am – 4pm

## **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.

**Dr. Alfredo Medina: Vice President for 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: Assistant Dean and Director of Wellness**, [email](#) for an appointment or call or text, 24/7, 802-440-4444.

**Kat Daley, LICSW: Director of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)**, email [CAPS@bennington.edu](mailto:CAPS@bennington.edu) to receive a link to reserve a drop in session or just walk in to the Student Health Center for more immediate support available every weekday between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m.

# **Career Development and Field Work Term**

[Career Development staff](#) are ready to help you with every stage of your career exploration journey; from your first Field Work experience, to your campus job, to your senior career search. We hope you reach out early and often.

#### Ways to Connect With Us

Have a quick question? Come chat with us during our drop-in hours on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:00–3:00 pm.

Email or call us at (802) 440-4321

Our socials: [Instagram](#) | [Facebook](#)

#### Workshops

The following workshops will take place in Commons 318 from 5:00–5:45 pm:

- September 27: [FWT/Fellowship Prep | Resume, Cover Letter and Budget Work Session](#)
- September 28: [FWT/Fellowship Prep | Resume, Cover Letter and Budget Work Session](#)

Click the links above to secure your spot!

#### 2023 Field Work Term – New Policies & Reminders

- Retroactive registrations not permitted in 2023.
- Students may only use an approved campus job one time as their FWT.
- Professional Training (pto) is no longer an option for FWT.
- Students may complete a winter, summer, or academic year FWT.

#### 2023 FWT Registration

Once students secure a Field Work Term position, all students are required to register their FWT in Handshake by the deadlines below. Retroactive registrations will not be permitted.

[Make an appointment with Sarah Krinsky](#), our FWT advisor, to start planning your winter FWT.

#### Key Dates for Academic and Winter FWT

- November 4: FWT 2023 winter registration due on Handshake
- December 12: Last day to add or change a FWT position



## Handshake Highlights

Have you begun your Field Work Term search yet? It's never too early! Get started with some of these paid positions for winter. Browse a growing number of internships posted specifically for Field Work Term under job type "[Co-Op](#)". More will be added in the upcoming weeks so keep checking in!

- [Population Health Data Mining Fellow, SVMC](#) – Food Insecurity & Population Health Fellowship (Winter 2023 FWT)
- [Population Health Community Action Fellow, SVMC](#) – Food Insecurity & Population Health Fellowship (Winter 2023 FWT)
- [Henry Luce Foundation Fellowship](#) (Winter or Summer 2023 FWT)
- [Iftekhar Entrepreneurial Fellowship](#) (Winter 2023 FWT)
- [Newman and Cox Public Action Student Fellowship](#) (Winter or Summer 2023 FWT)
- [Endeavor Foundation Environmental Action Fellowship](#) (Winter 2023 FWT)
- [Lucille Lortel Theatre Foundation Fellowship](#) (Winter 2023 FWT)

On Handshake you can find professional experiences outside of Field Work Term, such as [remote internships](#) and over 8,000 full-time [employment opportunities](#) for graduating seniors! For materials to help you draft your strongest application materials, check out our [career resource library](#).

## Field Work Term Fellowships

Fellowship applications are live on Handshake! In addition to substantial funding, fellowships offer mentorship and the opportunity to be part of a cohort of students working in specific focus areas such as Population Health, Public Action, Environmental Justice, Entrepreneurship and Drama. Check out the [Field Work Term Fellowships](#) page for details on 2022–2023 Fellowships. Applications for all Field Work Term Fellowships are due October 10 at 5:00 pm via Handshake.

## Student Employment

All currently-available campus jobs for Fall 2022–Spring 2023 are posted in [Handshake](#). As previously announced, most jobs will continue to offer 7–8 hours/week so that students can meet their full allotment through a single job. Jobs offering fewer hours are clearly noted. Students who wish to pursue a second job may do so, but must remember that no student is allowed to surpass 20 hours of work per week on their campus job(s).

\*Due to employment laws, the College is not able to offer employment to remote students.\*

Detailed hiring instructions and policies can be found on the College's [Student Employment](#) page. If you have any questions about student employment, or if you are a work-eligible student and 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](#).

Please feel free to [schedule an appointment](#) with us, or come to Barn 112 during our drop-in hours on Wednesdays, 10:00 am–12:00 noon and 2:00–4:00 pm.

### Using your Fall/Spring campus job as an FWT?

- Need to confirm with your supervisor? Last day to add/change an Academic Year Registration is October 15.
- It is ok to register your campus job now as a back-up plan while you search for a winter or summer fwt. If you secure a winter or summer position – you may reach out to us to change your registration.

### HOW TO REGISTER MY FWT

Register your FWT by selecting this link: [Request An Experience](#) on Handshake.

### IMPORTANT NOTES ON CAMPUS-JOBS AS FWT

- You may only use a campus job as a FWT once. (no repeats)
- Campus jobs are registered as "Academic Year" positions – September – May.
- Your campus job must connect with your current professional goals or academic plan
- Your campus job supervisor must agree to be your FWT supervisor.

## 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.

**TAPA will be opening soon!** Days and Hours TBD.

## **REMINDERS**

- If you have not picked up your room key yet please do so at the Campus Safety booth.
- Free Piles in houses will not be allowed. There are blue bins available in the Student Center. Please feel free to bring your free pile items to the Student Center and drop them in the blue wheelie bins.