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College Week

March 10 – March 16

College Week is a weekly publication announcing events, upcoming deadlines, wellness tips and much more. To add an event to future College Weeks please email collegeweek@bennington.edu by Monday for publication on Wednesday.

Announcements

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.

[Survivors Support Group](#) on Wednesdays 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.

[COVID-19 Vaccine Information Open Hour with Drs. Tartaglia and Anselmo](#) on Wednesday, March 10 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.

[Poetry at Bennington—Spring 2021 Poetry at Bennington: Sawako Nakayasu](#) on Wednesday, March 10 from 7:00– 8:30 pm. Poet Sawako Nakayasu reads from her recent poetry collection "Some Girls Walk into the Country They Are From" and "The Collected Poems of Chika Sagawa" (winner of the PEN Award for Poetry in Translation), followed a public Q&A.

[Elena Demyanenko: welter](#) on Wednesday, March 10 – Friday, March 12 from 8:00– 9:00 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Emerging from long-running experimentation with color, performance artist Elena Demyanenko presents *welter*, an assemblage of simultaneous solos performed by Chloë Engel '17, Leah Morrison, and Demyanenko herself. Submerged in a viscous dimension of saturated light designed by Joe Levasseur, the performers are inhabited and transformed by the composite of colors that surround them.

Thursday, March 11 [No classes](#)

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 2021 – Spring 2022 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 \$1,900/year. There will be roughly 25 hours of work expected in preterm training and orientation over the summer, and an average of 4 hours of work per week during the term. Applications are due in Handshake by Friday, March 26 by 5 pm. For more information consider attending an information session on Thursday, March 11 at 12:15 pm [at this Zoom link](#).

[Estate & Charitable Planning in a Challenging World](#) on Thursday, March 11 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm. Virtual Event. Join Laurey Goldberg, Senior Managing Director of Planned Giving, as Marty Finn, Founding Partner, Lavelle & Finn, LLP, provides planning strategies everyone needs regardless of wealth.

[Science Workshop—Spring 2021 Science Workshop | Fast but steady: invasive plant syndrome in Eastern forests](#) on Friday, March 12 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | For this week's Science Workshop, Bennington Alum Dr. Jason Fridley joins us from Fridley Lab at Syracuse University.

[Poetry at Bennington—Spring 2021 Say Translation Is Poetry: Craft Talk with Sawako Nakayasu](#) on Friday, March 12 from 2:00– 3:00 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Join artist Sawako Nakayasu as she reads from her book, "Say Translation Is Art," and explores examples of the expansive edges of translation in a variety of works.

Saturday, March 13 is Daylight Savings Time: spring ahead one hour.

[We are Better Together Support Space](#) on Saturdays 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!

[Weekly Trail Walk and Talk with the Equestrian Club: Walk to Rhythm Hollow](#)

Stables on Sunday March 14 at from 2:00 – 4:30 pm) This walk starts at the flagpole and continues to Park Street and [Rhythm Hollow Stables](#) where students can see and pet some of our horses and talk about taking lessons and/or joining the Equestrian Club. Please [email](#) to confirm your spot, we will cap this day hike at 10 participants for safety reasons!

On Sundays at 7pm, EST, the Chronically Ill and Disabled Student Union (CIDSU) Support Group meets and is facilitated by Ali Tartaglia. This group is open to all students who identify as chronically ill and/or disabled and will be a place to come talk, find support, and meet other students. Our Zoom information is the same as other groups facilitated by Ali Tartaglia (Meeting ID: 4424345023, Phone #: +19292056099).

Monday, March 15 [Plan drafts due to advisors](#)

[Music Mondays from the Carriage Barn | Spring 2021 Marc Ponthus | Music of Pierre Boulez](#) on Monday, March 15 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Music Mondays presents "Music of Pierre Boulez," a concert and Q&A with pianist Marc Ponthus.

Tuesday, March 16 [Last day to withdraw from first 7 week Spring 2021 courses](#)

Tuesday, March 16 [Classes end at 12:20pm](#)

[VALS—Spring 2021 Ramon Tejada](#) on Tuesday, March 16 from 7:00– 8:00 pm. Virtual Event. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC | Ramon Tejada, a (New Yorkino / American) designer (as Estudio Ramon) and educator based in Providence, RI, will speak at this week's Visual Arts Lecture Series.

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!

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](#). 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 or dm us @pacbennington.

Student Event Calendar Tip of the Week: Submitting to the Wider Calendar + Poster 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 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. 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.

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!

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

WHAT'S NEW?

- Faith McClellan office hours
- Summer FWT checkpoint (required)
- Research experiences for undergraduates
- New positions available for sophomores through seniors

Connect With Us

Questions or concerns – email us at 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](#):

Faith McClellan, Associate Dean of Career Development and FWT: Office Hours:
Thursdays 1 pm – 2 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.

Upcoming Virtual Career Fairs: Register Now

[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.

Summer FWT Checkpoint – March 19th

All students who have deferred their FWT to the summer: set up or refresh your Handshake profile following [these guidelines](#). (Your profile will be assessed as part of your FWT evaluation.) Additionally, by this point, students must take one demonstrated action in their search, such as an FWT advising meeting or applying to at least one opportunity. Reach out for assistance in planning.

Research Experiences for Undergraduates

REU's (Research Experiences for Undergraduates) meaningfully engage groups of undergraduate students in paid research positions in a wide range of disciplines, funded by the National Science Foundation. Check out our [Summer REU's Resource](#), and contact us for support or to learn more.

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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](#).

***Sophomores through seniors with relevant experience are also invited to apply to the role of [Institutional Research Assistant](#). A limited number of other specialized positions are also available and [found in Handshake](#). Contact 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

(US) +1 929-205-6099

(CIDSU) CHRONICALLY ILL and DISABLED STUDENT UNION SUPPORT GROUP

with Ali Tartaglia

Sundays 7-8 pm EST

Meeting ID: 4424345023, Phone #: +1 929 205 6099

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