

First-Term Plan Reflection Essay Prep Panel

The First-Term Plan Reflection Essay is the first document of your Plan. It is a time to reflect upon what you have learned during your time at Bennington and to share your insights on how your interests have broadened or narrowed over the last months. It is also a time for you to begin to give voice to the questions, inquiries, topics, projects, and disciplines that you imagine may shape your studies over the coming years.

Third-term students will be on hand to share their experiences writing the First-Term Plan Reflection Essays last year. Now that these upper-class students have written their Plan Proposals and have had their first Plan meeting with their committees, they will be able to share tips and tricks they wish they'd known last year. Bring questions, concerns, and summaries of your first attempt at the essay (if you have one). Monday, November 11, at 1:00 pm in the UpCafé.

Crossett Library is pleased to announce Forest Purnell, Jamie Weaver, and Hilary Whitney: 2013 recipients of the Student Library Research Grant

- Forest will examine the Russian avant-garde movement and its artists when he travels to New York City. He will conduct research at the Eva Zeisel Estate, as well as the Museum of Modern Art, where Zeisel's 1948 exhibit was held. Forest states that his research "aims to integrate a discussion of avant-garde debates happening in the times and places Eva Zeisel lived and worked, putting her practice in context with the successes and failures of the prevailing ideas at different points in her life."
- Jaime's research will take place in the Biblioteca Nacional de Santiago Chile, over FWT 2014, where she will collect "official documents about artists who were incarcerated during the Pinochet regime." Her examination of "personal letters, documents and old newspaper articles from the 1970's....will support and deepen" a Spanish play that she is currently writing.
- Hilary travels to Washington, D.C. over FWT 2014, where she has accepted a position with Daniel Sarewitz, Director of the Consortium for Science, Policy, and Outcomes. Hilary will conduct "independent research on Obama's recent policy on brain science" and she will perform much of her work at the Library of Congress.

Study-Abroad and Grant Opportunities

- Applications for the **London School of Economics Summer Program Scholarship** are due on November 18 at 10:00 am. Students with Plans concentrating in the social sciences are encouraged to apply. Please be sure to check the website for updated application materials; see Noelle Everett Murphy with questions.
- The Dean's Office is accepting applications for the **Student Conference Grant**. Priority is given to students presenting at conferences; the fall deadline is November 15. Applications from students wishing to attend (but not present at) conferences will be considered in the spring.
- **Davis Projects for Peace applications** are due on January 13. Bennington's nominee will be awarded \$10,000 in support of a project to be completed this summer. Please see Noelle Everett Murphy before the end of the term for support in developing your project idea.

announcements

• **Letizia Modena | Calvino's Invisible Cities.** Modena's presentation emphasizes the least realistic, most abstract, and certainly most memorable urban designs of Italo Calvino's novel *Invisible Cities*. The novel emerged from Calvino's interest in urban planning, design theory, and public and academic debates on the future cities. Calvino responded to the urban crisis in the West by writing his own catalog of urban forms in *potentia*. Modena is Associate Professor of Italian at Vanderbilt University. Monday, November 11, at 7:00 pm in the CAPA Symposium.

• Calling all seniors: **full SCG Meeting this week.** Come with ideas for the Senior Class Gift Art Auction! Tuesday, November 12, at 12:30 pm in the Student Center.

• **Shyla Nelson: One Earth, One Voice.** Nelson, classical singer, public speaker, voice trainer, author, and environmental advocate, will speak about her *One Earth, One Voice* campaign. The campaign is intended to provide a new, collaborative model and catalyst to respond to the planetary crisis in humanity's relationship with the earth through community-based song. Its inaugural event was a 99-day journey circumnavigating the planet culminating with communities in 70 countries singing in synchrony. Tuesday, November 12, at 7:00 pm in the Student Center.

• **Visual Arts Lecture Series | Sarah Tanguy.** Tanguy is a curator for Art in Embassies, US Department of State and an independent curator and critic. Recent projects include *Mapping: Memory and Motion in Contemporary Art*; *Vanishing Boundaries*, a joint US/Lithuania photography exhibition; *Taken for Looks*, a food-inspired exhibition; *Breaking Bread*, a Cuba/Russia/US exhibition, and an ongoing series for the American Center for Physics. She has written for *The Washington Times*, *Sculpture*, *New Art Examiner*, and other publications. Tuesday, November 12, at 7:30 pm in Tishman.

• **All registration extension requests are due to the FWT office by midnight on Friday, November 15.** We will also notify regular FWT grant applicants of award status via email on Friday, November 15.

• **Field Work Term Housing Applications are out!** FWT housing will be at the Welling Townhouse, affording us 14 placements. A single is \$600 and a double is \$450. Applications can be found at the Office of Student Life and are due November 15 at 5:00 pm. Please contact Sage or Sam with any questions.

• Send your half-finished projects, academic, or social ideas for campus and beyond for the debut of the **Collaboration Newsletter**. Email Tess Morrison before November 15.

• **Amer Latif | As He Originated, So You Will Return: Islamic Perspectives On Live, Death, and Afterlife.** Latif will speak about the Islamic perspective as part of the Interfaith Community's speaker series. Refreshments and discussion to follow. All welcome! Saturday, November 16, at 1:00 pm in EAC 1.

Monday, November 11

All Day **Veteran's Day | Classes in Session**
 12:15 pm **Italian Table**, Dining Hall Purple Room
 1:00 pm First-Term Plan Reflection Essay Prep Panel, UpCafé
 6:00 pm **Swimming Club**, Bennington Rec Center
 7:00 pm Letizia Modena | Calvino's Invisible Cities, CAPA Symposium ☼
 7:00 pm Basketball, NBGS (meet at flagpole)
 7:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 7:00 pm Bennington WELLness Project, EAC Study Room 4
 7:00 pm Short Story Readers, Bookstore
 8:00 pm Latin@ Club, UpCafé

Tuesday, November 12

All Day **Plan Day | No Classes**
 12:30 pm SCG Meeting, Student Center
 1:00 pm Archery Club, Soccer Field
 7:00 pm Shyla Nelson: One Earth, One Voice, Student Center ☼
 7:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 7:00 pm Meditation in Motion (Yoga), Meyer Rec Barn
 7:30 pm Visual Arts Lecture Series | Sarah Tanguy, Tishman ☼
 8:00 pm French Club, Down Commons
 9:00 pm Bennington Sustainable Food Project, Down Commons

Wednesday, November 13

All Day **Registration Forms Due**
 12:15 pm **French Table**, Dining Hall Green Room
 1:00 pm Left at Bennington, Perkins Living Room
 7:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 7:00 pm Meditation in Motion (Yoga), Meyer Rec Barn

Thursday, November 14

12:00 pm **Chinese Table**, Dining Hall Yellow Room
 12:45 pm **Queer**, DownCafé
 5:00 pm **Spanish Table**, Dining Hall
 7:00 pm Basketball, NBGS (meet at flagpole)
 7:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 7:00 pm Karate, Meyer Rec Barn
 7:30 pm **Swimming Club**, Bennington Rec Center

**Bennington Athletic Department**

It may be getting colder, but you can still go rock climbing! The Edge is the Capital Region's state-of-the-art indoor climbing facility, home to over 12,000 square feet of textured climbing terrain, a massive free-standing boulder, with every bouldering section topping out, and a huge selection of top rope and lead routes for climbers of all ages and ability levels to enjoy. If you are interested please sign up in Student Life. There is no cost to sign up, though students will be responsible for payment upon arrival at the Edge. Cost is \$10 plus gear rentals. Saturday November 16; the van will leave at 10:30 am sharp from the flagpole, and return around 4:00 pm.

Sensei Martin Davis from Cambridge Valley Martial Arts will be offering a karate class in the Meyer Rec Barn on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm for the remainder of term. Cost is only \$3 for students and \$5 for faculty and staff. All skill levels are welcome!

☼denotes events open to the public

Student Organizations are noted in blue

Friday, November 15

12:00 pm **Japanese Table**, Dining Hall Yellow Room
 1:00 pm Science Workshop, Dickinson 225
 3:00 pm Party Pack Training, DownCafé
 4:00 pm DREAM, UpCafé
 7:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 7:00 pm Broadway @ Bennington, Dickinson 225
 7:15 pm Classic Film Series, Kinoteca
 7:30 pm Global Bennington Connect, EAC 1
 7:30 pm Bennington Environmental Action Group, EAC Lounge
 8:00 pm Martha Hill Dance Concert, Martha Hill Dance Studio

Saturday, November 16

10:00 am ZUMBA with Betsy Dunham, Meyer Rec Barn
 10:30 am Climbing Trip to The Edge, Meet at the Flagpole
 1:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 1:00 pm Amer Latif | As He Originated, So You Will Return, EAC 2
 2:00 pm Badminton Club, Greenwall Auditorium
 4:00 pm Chess Club, Student Center
 7:00 pm Animation Club, Dickinson 225
 7:00 pm Swing and Social Dance, VAPA E303
 8:00 pm Martha Hill Dance Concert, Martha Hill Dance Studio

Sunday, November 17

11:00 am Drama Collective, Dining Halls
 1:00 pm Climbing, Meyer Rec Barn
 1:00 pm Cycling Club, Flagpole
 3:00 pm Bennington Movement Collective, Greenwall Auditorium
 3:00 pm Bennington Free Press, UpCafé
 4:00 pm Ultimate Frisbee Open Practice, Soccer Field
 4:00 pm Archery Club, Soccer Field
 6:30 pm DREAM, Commons Lounge

Open Hours:**Dean's Office (Barn 123)**

Isabel Roche, dean of the College: Mon, noon-1:00 pm

Duncan Dobbelmann, associate dean of the College: Fri, noon-1:00 pm

Laurie Kobik, assistant dean for academic services: Mon & Wed, 12:30-1:30 pm

Academic Services (Barn 120)

Kate Child, assistant director for academic services: Tues & Thurs, 1:00-2:00 pm

Kendra Ericson, assistant director for academic services: Mon & Wed, 1:00-2:00 pm

Noelle Everett Murphy, assistant director for academic services: Mon-Wed, 12:30-2:00 pm

FWT and CDO Office (Barn 113)

Walk-ins welcome anytime Mon-Fri, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Holly McCormack, dean of Field Work Term: Thurs, 12:30-1:30 pm

Erica Walsh, director of FWT and Career Development: Tues and Thurs, 1:00-2:00 pm