

— HGSE — Weekly

Office of
Student Affairs



Monday, August 21, 2023

Transitions in the Office of Student Affairs

KellyAnn Robinson, Senior Associate Director of Student Support in the Office of Student Affairs, informed us on August 3rd that she will be leaving her position effective August 23.

We are deeply grateful to KellyAnn for her strong advocacy on behalf of students and the innovations she has brought to student support at HGSE, including the I Notice, I Care form and the introduction of academic coaching. Our community has benefited tremendously from her efforts over the last four years. KellyAnn will remain connected to GSE as she teaches her course in Fall 2, Supporting Neurodiversity in Adult Learners.

For the time being, any questions related to accommodations, academic coaching, and student support services should be directed to hgsesupport@gse.harvard.edu. We will share more information about updates to the role as they are available.

OSA has Moved!

You may have noticed that the Office of Student Affairs is no longer on the first floor of Gutman Library. We are excited to share that OSA is now located on the second floor of Gutman Library. We hope that you will stop by to see the new space and connect with staff in the office to learn more about how to make the most of your experience at HGSE.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- [Academic Coaching](#)
- [Accessibility and Accommodations](#)
- [Connecting with OSA Virtually](#)
- [Quick Links](#)
- [Yoga and Mindfulness](#)
- [Work Accountability Groups](#)
- [I Notice/I Care Form](#)
- [Food Insecurity Resources / Clothes & Furniture Resources](#)



Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

The Office of Student Affairs (OSA) would like to invite students, faculty, and staff to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month on **Friday, September 22, 4 to 6 p.m.** in the Reading Area.

Students, faculty, and staff interested in sharing (songs, dance, poetry reading, spoken word, etc.) please email andres_galindo@gse.harvard.edu.

This event is open to all. [Please RSVP.](#)



Call for Alumni of Color Conference (AOC C) Chairs

The mission of the [AOC C](#) is to inspire and impact the improvement of the education sector by annually convening alumni, students, practitioners, artists, and scholars from HGSE and across the nation to share best practices and cutting-edge research on strengthening practices and competencies of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion that pertains to people of color in educational spaces.

Interested in leading this year's conference?
[Apply for a chair position.](#) Email [Alex Andres Galindo](mailto:Alex.Andres.Galindo).
Application deadline: Sunday, September 3rd.

THIS WEEK

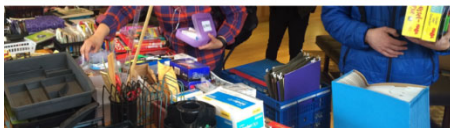
Wednesday, August 23 & Thursday, August 24, 11:30AM - 1:30PM EDT

Don't trash it or
buy it new... Freecycle it!

Come Freecycle with us!

Gutman Commons Café

ORIENTATION FREECYCLE



This popular recurring HGSE reuse event, the Freecycle, is like a yard sale where everything is free. The Freecycle promotes reuse by giving you a chance to:

1. Donate items you no longer need and pass them along to someone who has a use for them, and/or
2. Pick up something new-to-you that you could use.

Favorite Freecycle items include books, office supplies, school supplies, toys, and kitchen essentials.

Drop off your donations now through Tuesday, August 22 in the collection bin in the Gutman 1st floor lobby, or directly at the Freecycle. *Leftover items will be donated to the Harvard Recycling and Surplus Center in Allston, which you can shop (for free!) every Monday and Thursday from 10am – 1pm.*

Wednesday, August 23, 3PM - 4PM EDT

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Building Diverse College Communities



Wednesday, August 23
3:00 PM EST

Education Now: Building Diverse College Communities

In this special one hour edition of Education Now, specialists in college access and higher education will discuss the implications of the Supreme Court's ruling against the use of affirmative action in college admissions.

[Register here.](#)

FUTURE EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Monday, August 28th through Friday, September 1st



HGSE Advising and Registration Week

We are looking forward to seeing you during our Advising and Registration week! Please visit the [Registrar's Office website](#) for more information about the events and agenda we have prepared for you.

Please note that it is expected that students will attend their program-specific sessions on Monday, August 28.

Monday, August 28, 10AM - 12PM EDT



Families Brunch - Sponsored by GSAS

Where: Student Center at Harvard Griffin GSAS, [Lehman Hall](#).

Who: Folks in the Harvard community.

What: Harvard community students with spouses, partners, and children are invited to a brunch that includes a resource fair for students and partners, crafts and music for children, and a chance to connect with fellow student-parents and student families.

Event details and RSVP link [here](#).

Questions? Reach out to the Student Center Squad: stucenter@fas.harvard.edu

Monday, August 28, 12:30PM - 1PM EDT



Opportunities to learn about climate change at HGSE and across the University

STUDENT INFO SESSION WITH FACULTY MEMBERS TINA GROTZER & LAURA SCHIFTER

Come to learn about climate change-related:

- ✓ Courses
- ✓ Discussion groups
- ✓ Curriculum development possibilities
- ✓ Internships at Harvard and affiliated organizations

Connect with the *climate-curious and -committed community!*

Monday, August 28
12:30 - 1:00 pm
Longfellow 319



Opportunities and Courses Offerings Focused on Learning About and Addressing Climate Change at HGSE and Harvard

Longfellow 319

This session offers a brief overview of opportunities at HGSE and the wider Harvard Community for learning about and addressing climate change.

Convened by faculty members [Tina Grotzer](#) and [Laura Schifter](#), this session will orient students to the many existing opportunities that otherwise may be missed!

Following the presentation, students are invited to stay to ask questions and are encouraged to interact with other attendees to get to know each other as a community.

Monday, August 28 & Tuesday, August 29



Harvard Office for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging Events

Every year Harvard welcomes new members to the University community. The Office for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging is hosting the following events in August:

Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Connections (*virtual*) - Monday, August 28th

OEDIB Welcome Block Party (*in-person*) - Tuesday, August 29th

[Click here](#) to learn more and register for both events. All Harvard community members are welcome!

Wednesday, August 30, 2:30PM - 4PM EDT

HGSE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS & RESOURCES FAIR



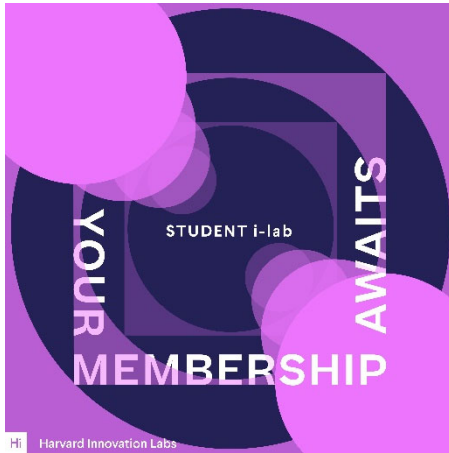
Student Organizations and Resources Fair

Learn about ways to get more involved during your time at HGSE and get introduced to a number of resources available to you!

Student organizations from HGSE will be represented, as well as a number of helpful resources and groups from across HGSE and Harvard University.

If you require accessibility accommodations to attend this event, please reach out to [Crystal Quintanilla](#) at least 48 hours in advance.

JOIN BY Thursday, August 31



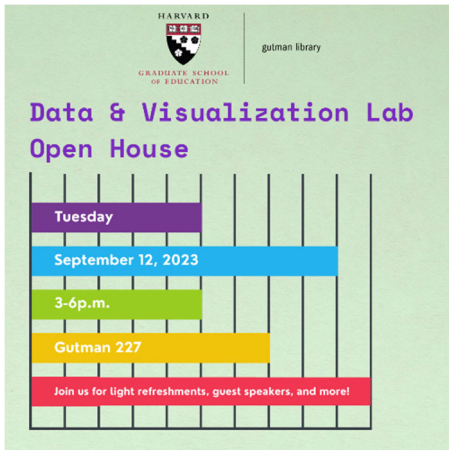
Calling All Student Innovators:

Fall student i-lab membership is now open!

Members get access to a range of resources, including one-on-one expert advising, interactive workshops, networking events, funding, and co-working space.

[Join by Thursday, August 31st.](#)

Tuesday, September 12, 3PM - 6PM EDT



Data & Visualization Lab Open House

Gutman 227

Come learn all about Gutman Library's new Data & Visualization Lab! We will have light refreshments, guest speakers, and more.

The Data Lab is a welcoming and non-judgmental space located within HGSE. We provide personalized support to all HGSE students with quality one on one consultation to ensure students enhance their understanding of data, visualization, and data analysis.

During the academic year we offer workshops and lectures exhibiting the importance of data in the education sphere. Explore the variety of services available in the HGSE Data Lab to help prepare students for both academic and career success in the 21st century.

For more information, please contact [Lindsay Whitacre.](#)

Tuesday, September 12, 5PM - 6:30PM EDT

askwith education forum

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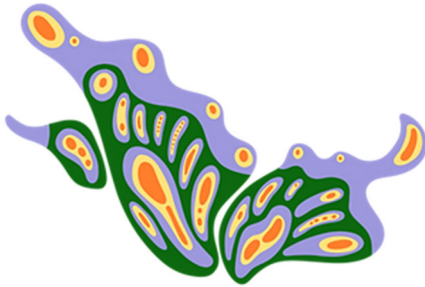
Askwith Education Forum: College Admissions and Generational Privilege

Askwith Hall

Are private colleges amplifying the persistence of privilege across generations — and what changes in admissions policies might achieve greater socioeconomic representation on campus and across society?

[Register here.](#)

Friday, October 6 & Saturday, October 7



Harvard Trans+ Community Celebration

[Register here!](#)

Mission: To foster spaces that welcome all Trans+ folks and encourage allyship in the classroom, in sports, and in society.

Vision: A Harvard that has Trans+-specific resources, events, student-run organizations, and a Trans+ community not only surviving but thriving in all aspects of their lives and across our diverse community.

For more information, please visit transharvard.com.

MULTIPLE DATES STARTING Saturday, October 7, 1PM - 3PM EDT

CRIMSONEMS

BECOME CPR/AED CERTIFIED

Classes held at
Smith Center

High quality CPR can double—or even triple—a victim's chance of surviving an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest.

CPR Class Program through CrimsonEMS

CrimsonEMS is the student-led Emergency Medical Services (EMS) line of Harvard University Health Services, and it is offering a CPR class (emergency lifesaving procedure) to students throughout the fall semester.

To register, [visit their website.](#)

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



Looking to Launch a Student Organization at HGSE?

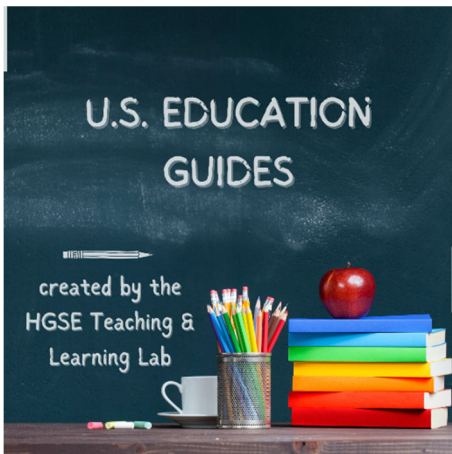
The HGSE [Student Organization Recognition Request Form](#) and Online Training are now live!

To launch a new student organization or reactivate a previous one, you'll need to:

- submit a [Recognition Request](#)
- and complete the Online Training (~1 hour).

A student organization is defined as a group of HGSE students who unite to promote or celebrate a common interest. The content of any student organized event should address an academic, cultural, or social need at HGSE.

If you'd like to learn more about student organizations, [click here](#).



U.S. Education Guides

HGSE students bring a vast array of backgrounds and experiences to the classroom and community. In recognition that many of our students may be new to the education sector and/or the U.S. context, the Teaching and Learning Lab (TLL) has created a series of [resource guides](#), which provide background information on the U.S. education system. They include:

- Guide to the Organization and Structure of U.S. Education (Pre-K – 12)
- Guide to U.S. K-12 Policy & Administration
- Guide to U.S. Higher Education

Please feel free to reach out to [Silvana Rueda](#) at the TLL if you have any questions. Happy referencing!



Harvard University Peer Coaching Initiative

Q: Why practice listening?

A: To be productive, collaborative and also personable, we need to connect with others AND with ourselves.

Participants in the Harvard University Peer Coaching Initiative (HUPCI) report that it helps them relate better to their classmates, colleagues, and collaborators.... and to themselves!

Learn more and register at www.convu.com/hupci.



Mindfulness for Students at the Center for Wellness and Health Promotion

As we start the new semester here at [CWHP](#), we are excited to offer a variety of mindfulness programs to support your wellbeing. Subscribe to the monthly newsletter [here](#) for more information on wellness offerings, classes, and workshops!

WAGs

Join Student Support Services Academic Coaches in our weekly **WORKING ACCOUNTABILITY GROUPS!**

More information and Zoom links on the Hub.

Work Accountability Groups

Student Support Services hosts weekly Work Accountability Groups (WAGs) on Zoom. These accountability groups will hold space for students to gather and work in a supportive environment. Each WAG is 2 hours long and they are hosted multiple times throughout the week. WAGs will start up in the fall semester, so stay tuned for the official schedule. For more information and to join, and please [visit here](#).

RELIGIOUS RESOURCES



Harvard Chaplains

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The Harvard Chaplains, a professional community of more than thirty chaplains, represent many of the world's religious, spiritual, and ethical traditions, and share a

collective commitment to serving the spiritual needs of the students, faculty, and staff of Harvard University. Learn more on the [Chaplains website](#).



Prayer Space on the HGSE Campus

Longfellow 214 is a dedicated prayer space here on the HGSE campus. Recognizing that not all buildings are open during the weekends, Gutman 440 has been reserved as prayer space on Saturday and Sundays, during regular Library hours.



The Memorial Church of Harvard University

The Memorial Church of Harvard University, part of a [vibrant interfaith network of Harvard](#), is an interdenominational Protestant church in the midst of Harvard Yard that serves as a place of spiritual refuge to the entire community. “MemChurch” stands opposite Widener Library as a visible reminder of the historical and spiritual heritage that has sustained Harvard for nearly four centuries. In addition to our [regularly scheduled services](#), we also offer a variety of [programming](#) for students, adults, and children.



Harvard Hillel

[Harvard Hillel](#) is a Jewish home on campus that seeks to:

- Welcome students to experience the variety of Jewish identity, tradition, practice, values, culture, and community.
- Inspire and enable Jewish connection, celebration, and action.
- Prepare students to join, create, shape, and lead Jewish communities; strengthen the Jewish people, and live proud Jewish lives.
- Share Jewish sources, traditions, ideas, and innovations, and their relevance in our world.
- Forge connection and engagement with the State of Israel.
- Foster friendship in a nurturing and refreshing sanctuary amid the stresses of student life.
- Engage the unique opportunities of Harvard and make Jewish thought and culture integral in the life of the University.



Please Note: In addition to student events and resources, the HGSE Weekly Newsletter is the official communication channel for important information regarding Commencement.

