

# — HGSE — Weekly

Office of  
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Monday, February 6, 2023

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## THIS WEEK

LAST DAY TO DONATE: Monday, February 6

**VALENTINE'S DAY TOILETRIES DRIVE**

Share the love this Valentine's!  
Donate your unwanted new or gently used toiletries, cosmetics, hygiene items and tote bags.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9 – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6  
GUTMAN 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR LOBBY &  
OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Donations will be given to the Cambridge Family Shelter of the YWCA for their Valentine's Day celebration.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY Sustainability

HARVARD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION green team

### Valentine's Day Toiletries Drive

#### Gutman Lobby, Outside of the OSA

It's time for Harvard Recycling's annual Valentine's Day Cosmetics, Hygiene, and Totes Drive! Gather up your unneeded soap, shampoo, conditioner, menstrual care items, reusable tote bags and more for this annual drive that benefits the Cambridge Family Shelter of the YWCA.

Drop off options this year:

- Gutman Lobby by 5pm on Monday, February 6.
- 28 Travis St: Place donations in the labeled, covered bins outside both entrances to the Harvard Recycling and Surplus center by 5pm on Monday, February 6.
- Mail new items to 28 Travis St: Order cosmetics, toiletries, or other products to be shipped directly to 28 Travis St (Addressed to "Harvard Toiletries Drive", c/o Kieran Clyne, 28 Travis St., Allston MA 02134).

Wednesday, February 8, 3PM EST

## Education Now | Supporting Mental Health in Rural and Indigenous Communities

### Supporting Mental Health in Rural and Indigenous Communities

educationnow  
UPHOLDING EDUCATION. REVOLUTIONIZING SCHOOLS. OF COURSE.

Wednesday, February 8, 2023  
3 PM EST

Young people face unique mental health risks and barriers to care in rural and Indigenous communities. Join us for insights from some of those helping children and adolescents in remote and isolated parts of the country.

[Click here to register](#) and for more information.

Wednesday, February 8, 3PM-4PM EST

Distinguished Speaker Series



### SAVE THE WORLD! WITH FORTNITE CREATIVE

February 8, 3-4pm ET via Zoom

We've seen how games can transform classrooms and communities, but can they help humanity survive and thrive? This presentation will discuss Epic Games' creation of United Nations Sustainable Development Goals lesson plans that can be used with Fortnite Creative to educate a new generation on the importance of sustainability across many aspects of life.



**Steven Isaacs**  
Education Program Manager  
Epic Games



**Benjamin Kelly**  
Educator  
Anglophone East School District  
New Brunswick, Canada

**TO REGISTER:**  
[bit.ly/NLL\\_Epic](https://bit.ly/NLL_Epic)

The Next Level Lab, based at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, brings together expertise in cognitive science, neuroscience, the learning sciences and innovative learning design and technology to address emerging and urgent issues in K-12 and workforce development.

## Save the World! With Fortnite Creative

We've seen how games can transform classrooms and communities, but can they help humanity survive and thrive?

In this presentation as part of the **Next Level Lab Distinguished Speaker Series**, Steven Isaacs and Benjamin Kelly will discuss Epic Games' creation of United Nations Sustainable Development Goals lesson plans that can be used with Fortnite Creative to educate a new generation on the importance of sustainability across many aspects of life.

[Register here](#) for the link.

Wednesday, February 8, 6PM-7:15PM EST



## Education: A Weapon to Change the World

### Larsen Hall 203

*'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world' - Nelson Mandela*

Join Chen Yidan Visiting Global Fellow, Alexander McLean, founder and CEO of Justice Defenders, who will reflect on the transformative power of education, especially in prisons. Around Africa, Justice Defenders equips the defenseless to become defenders of the defenseless through providing legal education, training and practice. In a spirit of radical integration prisoners and prison officers are learn law side by side. Working hand in hand and guided by values of humility, bravery and solidarity, these unlikely allies enable tens of thousands of otherwise unrepresented defendants to tell their side of the story in courts each year. They challenge unjust laws and create pathways from death row to legal employment.

[RSVP here.](#)

**Wednesday, February 8, 7:30PM-8:30PM EST**



## HGSE Footloose Dance Workshops

Student organization, HGSE Footloose, is back for Spring Term and they're excited to announce their next set of workshops!

- **Feb 8th** - HGSE's Yu Wen Wong will teach Swing Dance
- **Feb 15th** - Arts & Learning Faculty Co-Chair Aysha Upchurch hosting a Hip Hop Workshop at 6:30PM (save the date!)

[Join the WhatsApp group](#) for more info!

For accessibility accommodations please contact [Crystal Quintanilla](#) at least 48 hours in advance.

**Wednesday, February 8 & Wednesday, February 15, 7PM EST**



## HUECU Winter Financial Literacy Series

The HMS Financial Aid Office is partnering with HGSE and the Harvard University Employees Credit Union (HUECU) to provide you with two financial literacy presentations focusing on student loan repayment, debt repayment, and credit scores.

[Zoom link](#)

### February 8th at 7PM

#### CREDIT REPORTS, SCORES, AND CARDS

A higher credit score can save you money and open more financial doors. We will discuss how your credit score is calculated, what's on your credit report, and how to choose a credit card.

*Attendees will receive access to free credit counseling.*

### February 15th at 7PM

#### STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT AND REFINANCING

Get tips to strategize repaying your federal and private student loans, while still managing other financial goals. Learn if refinancing or Public Service Loan Forgiveness makes sense for you.

Presented by: Migdalia Gomez the AVP of Community Engagement and Dominique Verdieu is a Community Engagement Specialist

[Additional Financial Wellness Resources](#)

**Thursday, February 9, 12:30PM-1:30PM EST**

Digital Citizenship and the Rights of Youth in the Metaverse and Beyond

**LEAH PLUNKETT**  
ASST. DEAN FOR LEARNING EXPERIENCE & TECHNOLOGY  
HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

**JABARI EVANS**  
ASST. PROFESSOR OF RACE AND MEDIA  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

**JENN LOUIE**  
MRPL 2023  
HARVARD DIVINITY SCHOOL

**THURSDAY**  
FEB 9, 2023

5TH FLOOR, LEWIS HALL, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

Exploring Inherited laws, policies, and product designs that impact the moral futures, digital rights, and freedom for future generations, both online and IRL.

## Student Salon Series on Moral Futurism: Digital Citizenship and the Rights of Youth in the Metaverse and Beyond

### Berkman Klein Center

This session will aim to explore the gaps and issues in today's laws, policies, and product designs that impact the digital rights and freedoms of children and young adults online and IRL, guided by experts in the field.

[Click here](#) to RSVP.

For more details about the event, [click here](#).

**Thursday, February 9, 6PM EST**

## HGSE Black Student Union Spring Semester Meeting



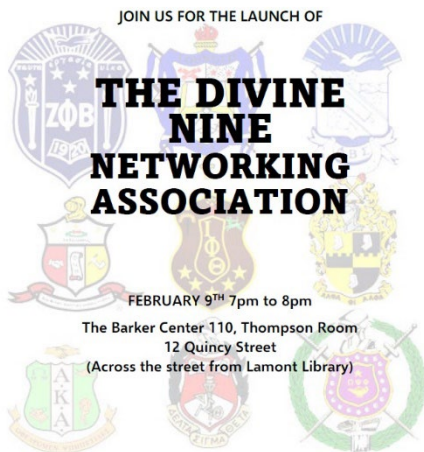
Gutman 302

Join HGSE's [Black Student Union](#) (BSU) at our weekly community meeting to discuss organizational leadership opportunities and plans for Spring semester programming.

If you are unable to join in person, but want to stay up to date, be sure to [join our WhatsApp community](#). Questions? Email Jared Bellot ([jaredbellot@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:jaredbellot@gse.harvard.edu)).

Thursday, February 9, 7PM-8PM EST

## First Meeting of the Divine Nine Networking Association!



Join us for first meeting of the Divine Nine Networking Association. We will be celebrating Black History Month, and engaging in networking activities, fellowship and fun.

The meeting will be held in the **Thompson Room at the Barker Center at 12 Quincy Street** (across from Lamont Library).

For more information, contact [Larry Meadows](#).

Thursday, February 9 & Tuesday, February 14, 12PM-1:30PM EST

Justice *in*  
Schools



## EdEthics Case Discussions

Help the EdEthics initiative test out new case studies about ethical dilemmas in education!

Join us for upcoming 90-minute discussions: one over Zoom on 2/9 from 6-7:30pm and one on campus 2/14 from 12-1:30pm (with pizza lunch!).

RSVP to [seobrien@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:seobrien@gse.harvard.edu)

Friday, February 10, 1:30PM-2:45PM EST (Virtual)



## Power in Pages: The International Student Experience

[Register here.](#)

The Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and the Office of Student Affairs are excited to be hosting Power in Pages: The International Student Experience.

Dr. Ravichandran Ammigan, the Associate Provost for International Programs and Assistant Professor of Education at the University of Delaware, will speak on best practices for international student support in higher education, in conjunction with a couple of HGSE international students who will talk about their experiences thus far in the U.S. and at HGSE.

This event is open to the HGSE community.

## RAISING AWARENESS OF WORLD EVENTS



### Earthquake Impacting Turkey and Syria

The Office of Student Affairs shares its deepest sympathies and condolences to those affected by the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria. We encourage you to reach out if there is anything that you need. [Staff in the Office of Student Affairs](#) are available to listen and to speak about the supports available.

## HGSE COMMONS CAFE



### Hope you've all defrosted after the arctic blast!

We are happy to offer an additional hot breakfast cereal. Cambridge Porridge is an old favorite that will be making a long-awaited return. Comprised of rolled oats, quinoa, wheat berries, cinnamon and a splash of apple cider, this hearty cereal may just win you over. Also, we will be introducing muesli with bananas and chia seeds. These will be located in the grab and go case.

#### The specials of the week follow:

Deli – classic cold-cut Italian sub

Wing/Tender – teriyaki wings

Grill – onion ring cheeseburger w/ chipotle mayo

Salmon (the grab and go) – sesame seed crusted

**Cooking classes** are in the works and will commence in the near future! I'll have more information on these classes in next week's newsletter.

If you have any questions about the weekly café specials or have any other inquiries, please do not hesitate to ask me when you visit the Commons Café.

*Chef Matt*

To see this week's menu, [click here](#).

## FUTURE EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

**Saturday, February 11 - Sunday, February 12**



### 20th Annual India Conference at Harvard

The conference organizers aim to gather leading policymakers, business leaders, cultural icons, and academic experts to help you - future entrepreneurs, investors, politicians, social activists, artists, and leaders of note - build an informed opinion on what the next 25 years hold in store for the Indian Republic.

This year's theme? Vision 2047: India at 100 years of Independence.

Tickets are [on sale now!](#)

**Monday, February 13, 12PM-1:30PM EST**



## Crimson Connect: HGSE Alumni Student Networking

### Virtual via Zoom

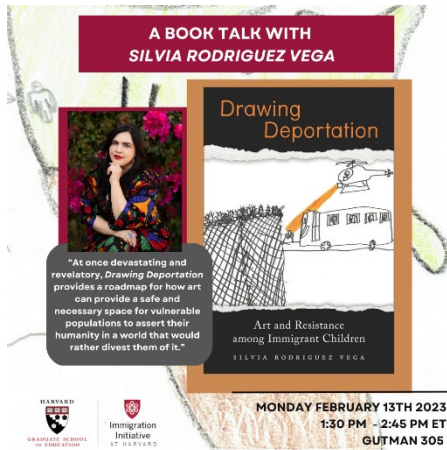
[Click here to register](#)

Join us for a virtual event that will allow you to connect with HGSE alums and fellow students. Crimson Connect is designed to give students the opportunity to practice their professional networking skills and meet with alumni to hear about career paths and life after HGSE. Alumni from a variety of HGSE programs, graduation years, and geographies around the globe will attend.

This virtual event will be held via Zoom meeting and attendees will be rotated in and out of breakout rooms.

We look forward to “seeing” you there!

**Monday, February 13, 1:30PM-2:45PM EST**



## A Book Talk with Silvia Rodriguez Vega - Drawing Deportation

### Gutman 305

HGSE and The Immigration Initiative at Harvard invite you to a book talk with *Drawing Deportation: Art and Resistance among Immigrant Children* author Silvia Rodriguez Vega.

For more information, contact [Nancy A. Palencia Ramirez](#).

**FIRST SESSION: Monday, February 13, 2:45PM-4:15PM EST**



### Journal Article Publication Workshops- 3-part workshop- Come to one or all 3!

Presented by Zheng Yang, Ed.D, these non-credit workshops are designed to address real-life challenges of publishing journal articles.

The three workshops will use case methods, Daniel Kahneman's intuitive judgment theory, and Dr. Yan's recent book, *Publishing Journal Articles*, to address how to plan, write, and publish journal articles.

Each of these three lessons will consist of two parts:

- case analysis, discussing cases documented in the literature and learning basic concepts behind the cases, and
- publication clinic, diagnosing challenging cases that students bring with them and brainstorming research-based thoughtful problem-solving strategies.

Workshop Dates:

- 2/13/2023 - [RSVP here](#)
- 2/27/2023 - [RSVP here](#)
- 3/06/2023 - [RSVP here](#)

**Tuesday, February 14, 11AM-2PM EST**



### Spread the Love!

#### Gutman Conference Center 5

Take a break from studying and join Student Support Services on this day of love! Make a valentine for yourself, friends, or loved ones, and enjoy some Valentine's Day treats.

**Tuesday, February 14-Thursday, February 16**



## Harvard's Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging (EDIB) Forum

Harvard's [EDIB Forum](#) will convene the University community to collectively engage in the work of creating a campus environment where everyone can thrive.


### RECKONING & TRANSFORMATION

This year's theme, **Reckoning & Transformation**, will highlight how we can better understand and honestly address Harvard's history.

In networking and panel discussions, **share your ideas** about transforming our community in ways that value all people and support healing and accountability.


[Register now.](#)

Thursday, February 16, 12PM-1PM EST



**Harvard Radcliffe Institute**  
**Student-Only Lunch**

2.16.23  
12-1PM



FEATURING  
**Jennifer Finney Boylan**

Jennifer Finney Boylan is the author of 18 books, including *She's Not There* (Crown, 2013), the first bestselling work by a transgender American. A novelist, essayist, and memoirist, her work often focuses on the lives of trans men and women; she is also a nationally known advocate for human rights. Join us for lunch and candid conversation with Boylan as she grapples with these questions: How do we create art? How do we become ourselves? How do revision and reinvention serve—not only as necessary aspects of the creative process—but also as a model for the way we live our lives?

The discussion is capped at 25 participants and lunch will be served. We encourage you to come with specific questions in mind! Register by 11:00 PM on Monday, 2/13/23, via the link below.

## Harvard Radcliffe Institute Student-Only Lunch with Jennifer Finney Boylan

Coolidge Room 105, Knafel Center, Harvard Radcliffe Institute

Jennifer Finney Boylan is a novelist, essayist, and memoirist, her work often focuses on the lives of trans men and women; she is also a nationally known advocate for human rights.

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[Sign up here.](#)

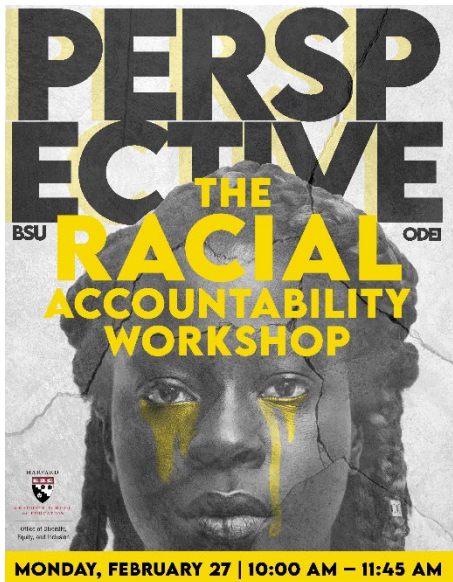
MULTIPLE DATES THIS SPRING



### Upcoming Alumni in Residence Sessions

- February 23rd, 9:30-11:30am ET, Zoom: **W J “Bill” O’Reilly, Ed.M. ’95**, Education and Media Entrepreneur - [REGISTER](#)
- March 8th, 12-2pm ET, Longfellow 228: **Ryan McCormick, Ed.M. ’98**, Special Agent in Charge at Department of Homeland Security - [REGISTER](#)
- March 30th, 6-8pm ET, Zoom: **Kelsey Bakken, Ed.M. ’20**, Senior Policy Advisor at Advance Illinois - [REGISTER](#)
- April 21st, 12-2pm ET, Zoom: **Cori Splain, Ed.M. ’22**, Director for Strategic Initiatives & Chief of Staff, UW – Madison – [REGISTER](#)

Monday, February 27, 10AM-11:45M EST

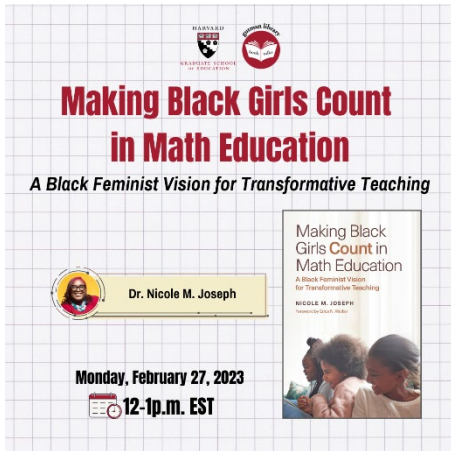


### PERSPECTIVE: Racial Accountability Workshop

In collaboration with the Black Student Union, the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion presents PERSPECTIVE: The Racial Accountability Workshop, where students will discuss common campus issues around race and race relations and how to resolve them with facilitation best practices.

[Register Here](#)

Monday, February 27, 12PM-1PM EST (Virtual)



## Gutman Library Virtual Book Talk - Making Black Girls Count in Math Education: A Black Feminist Vision for Transformative Teaching

Register here: [bit.ly/MakingBlackGirlsCount](https://bit.ly/MakingBlackGirlsCount)  
 Making Black Girls Count in Math Education explores the experiences of Black girls and women in mathematics from preschool to graduate school, deftly probing race and gender inequity in STEM fields. Learn more about this book [here](#).

Please contact [myanne.krivoshey@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:myanne.krivoshey@gse.harvard.edu) if you have questions/requests regarding accessibility.

*All of Gutman Library virtual events are open to the public and are live-captioned.*

**Tuesday, February 28, 6PM EST**

## HGSE Black History Month Celebration

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Calling all performers! The Office of Student Affairs invites you to celebrate Black History Month. Students interested in performing (songs, dance, poetry reading, spoken word, etc.) please email [andres.galindo@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:andres.galindo@gse.harvard.edu).

There will be food, music, and plenty of black joy to go around!



**Friday, March 3, 12PM-1PM EST**



## Gutman Library Book Talk - Making Americans: Stories of Historic Struggles, New Ideas, and Inspiration in Immigrant Education

Join us for our first in-person book talk in nearly three years as we welcome back Jessica Lander, Ed.M.'15, to discuss her new book!

*Making Americans* takes the reader on a powerful and urgent journey—told through captivating stories of the past, the present, and the personal—to understand what it takes for immigrant students to become Americans.

This in person event is open to the public! Please contact [myanne.krivoshey@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:myanne.krivoshey@gse.harvard.edu) if you have questions/requests regarding accessibility.

**Friday, March 3 & Saturday, March 4**



## Register for the 2023 Alumni of Color Conference (AOCC)!

Friday & Saturday, March 3rd & 4<sup>th</sup>

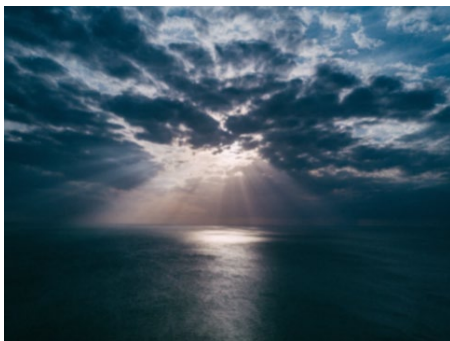
[Register here](#)

This year's theme ***A Journey Towards Healing: Authenticity & Activism In Education*** is putting an emphasis on celebrating people of color in all their essence. Remaining authentic is activism. The constant messaging of how to “be” often stands in direct opposition to who we are, and thus being our authentic selves, is a form of activism and central to our collective healing. It is important to name what we are striving for and resisting against. What we invite into this space is something beyond the classroom. This is the education as activism we hope to embody at AOCC this year. Educating others and ourselves only pushes us further. *So come be with us - You are welcome as you are - This is a season of healing.*

More information can be found on the [AOCC website](#).

Questions? Email [hgse.aocc@gmail.com](mailto:hgse.aocc@gmail.com).

**INICIA: Wednesday, March 8**



## Emerger – Grupo terapéutico en español

**Emerger** es un grupo terapéutico que se ofrece a estudiantes con la intención de promover un espacio confidencial donde discutir los desafíos de la vida en otro país.

Para más información contactar a Daniel Moreno, LMHC al correo [dmoreno@huhs.harvard.edu](mailto:dmoreno@huhs.harvard.edu) para agendar una consulta inicial y determinar si es elegible.

**DEADLINE: Friday, March 10**

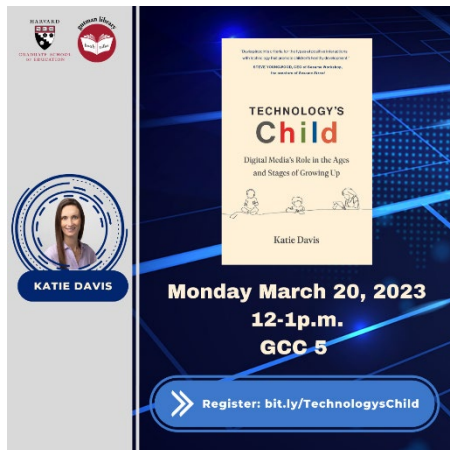


## 2022-2023 HGSE Student Conference Fund Application

HGSE is committed to supporting the academic and professional development of students both within and outside of the classroom. The Student Conference Fund seeks to help defray the cost of travel and registration fees for students who are presenting or attending conferences. Students who are presenting are eligible for up to \$750 in funding; students who are attending are eligible for up to \$500 in funding. All conferences must align with the mission of HGSE.

Deadline to Apply: Friday, March 10, 2023, End of Day  
[Apply here.](#)

**Monday, March 20, 12PM-1PM EST**



## Gutman Library Book Talk - Technology's Child: Digital Media's Role in the Ages and Stages of Growing Up

### Gutman Conference Center 5

What happens to the little ones, the tweens, and the teenagers, when technology becomes a critical part of their lives?

This book, for the first time, identifies the qualitative distinctions between different ages and stages of this engagement, and offers invaluable guidance for parents and teachers navigating the digital landscape, and for technology designers charting the way.

Contact [myanne.krivoshey@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:myanne.krivoshey@gse.harvard.edu) if you have questions/requests regarding accessibility.

Please note that all Gutman Library virtual events are open to the public!

Learn about future events [here](#).

## ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



### Visit the Job Board on the HGSE Hub

Spring semester has officially started! For students looking to get a headstart on making connections with recruiters and employers, we invite you to visit the [Job Board](#) on the HGSE Community Hub. Search through job postings for various position types across different industries!



### Val's Financial Wellness Tip of the Month

As with any endeavor, setting goals for your financial future is a crucial step toward a successful outcome. You likely have both short-term and long-term financial goals. Do you want to get out of debt? Pay off a credit card? Save up for a major purchase? Open a savings account? Plan for retirement?

Try to identify all of your financial goals, and use [this guide](#) as step one in formulating a plan of action.

*Presented by the HGSE Financial Aid Office.*

# 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. For more information and to join, and please [visit here](#).



### 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!



### **Interested in creating or reactivating a student organization at HGSE?**

A student organization is defined as a group of HGSE students who unite to promote or celebrate a common interest. Each organization leaves its special mark on the cultural, social, and intellectual life of HGSE. The content of any student organized event should address an academic, cultural, or social need.

To learn more about the benefits of official recognition, to submit your request, and to access the student organization training [click here](#).

**The deadline for student organization registration is February 28th.**



### **Access Recording Form**

Have you encountered an issue with accessibility during your time at HGSE? Please let us know by filling out the [Access Recording Form](#).

## **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](#).



### 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.



### 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.



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



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