



Monday, September 15, 2025

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FEATURED ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOTING WILL CLOSE Thursday, September 18, 9AM EDT



HARVARD GRADUATE COUNCIL
Twelve Graduate Schools
One Harvard

Calling all current master's students: Please cast your vote for EdM HGC Representatives

The Harvard Graduate Council (HGC), is a student government representing all twelve of Harvard University's graduate and professional schools. HGC is responsible for advocating on behalf of graduate students before the school's central administrators, including the President of Harvard University and the Provost's Office. This year, HGSE will send up to four student representatives to serve as voting members on HGC. **Master's students, please cast your vote now.**

APPLY BY Friday, October 10, 5PM EDT



AOCC 2026 Student Co-Chair Application

For over two decades, HGSE students have designed and facilitated a space that aims to inspire and transform education through the Alumni of Color Conference (AOCC). The Office of Student Affairs along with the AOCC Faculty Advisor are seeking applications for the 2026 Student Co-Chair position. [Apply here.](#)

Questions? Email [Taylor Goyette-Frechette](#).

THIS WEEK

Monday, September 15 through Sunday, September 21 (Virtual & In-Person)



Harvard Climate Action Week 2025

Click [here](#) to learn about the third annual Harvard Climate Action Week, culminating in the Salata Institute's Harvard Climate Symposium: Pathways for Progress on Energy and Climate (September 19-21). The week includes events organized by schools and centers across the University. Leaders from government, business, the non-profit sector, and academia will explore actions to enhance resilience to a changing climate and advance efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Tuesday, September 16, 5:30PM EDT (In Person)



Student Grant Info Session - Explore South Asia

Applications for the Mittal Institute winter student grants are now open! If you're a current undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral student at Harvard interested in a South Asian research project, internship, or language study program, join at this info session to learn more.

RSVP to attend the information session.

Applications are due by October 17, 2025.

Visit the [website](#) for more information.

Wednesday, September 17, 5PM-6:30PM EDT (In Person)



Thinking in an AI-Augmented World | Askwith Education Forum

Askwith Hall

As the landscape of cognition and intelligence rapidly coevolves, questions arise about its impact on both human and artificial thought. HGSE professor Howard Gardner and award-winning international law scholar Anthea Roberts explore the limits and potential of AI - and what it means for the future of critical thinking.

[Register here.](#)

Email askwith@gse.harvard.edu with your questions.

Thursday, September 18, 4PM-5PM EDT (In-Person)



HGSE Hangout: Entrepreneurship Spotlight

Gutman Library Gallery Area (First Floor of the Gutman Library)

Join us at the next HGSE Hangout focused on entrepreneurship! The program will begin at 4:10 with an overview of campus resources like HIVE, iLabs, and summer fellowships, followed by brief introductions from HGSE faculty involved in entrepreneurial initiatives. Stick around for mingling with faculty, staff, and fellow students interested in innovation and startups.

GAMEPLAY SLATED TO BEGIN the week of Sunday, September 21**Harvard Graduate Intramurals Fall Leagues**

Harvard Graduate Intramurals is excited to announce the start of the 2025-26 programming with the return of their signature weekly leagues. Information and signups for our fall **soccer**, **volleyball**, and **basketball** leagues are available now, with gameplay slated to begin on 9/21.

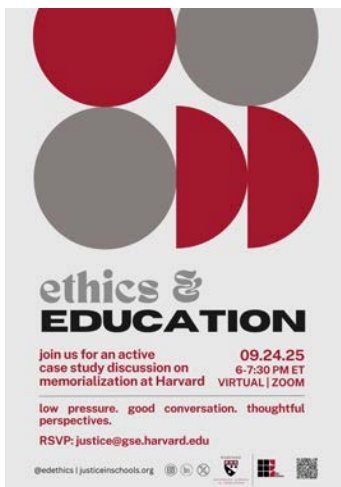
If you would like to stay up to date with Grad IMs, **please submit your info** to the current year's list to be notified of all future Grad IM programming opportunities.

Grad IMs will be announcing one day events shortly after league gameplay begins, so stay tuned!
Please email gradims@fas.harvard.edu with any questions.

FUTURE EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES**Monday, September 22, 12PM-1PM EDT (In Person)****CAREER READINESS SERIES: What is Your Brand?****Larsen 214**

Building your brand to describe yourself is an ongoing process. Learn how to harness the power of LinkedIn and other media to promote your personal and professional identity to your network and potential employers.

Register to attend.

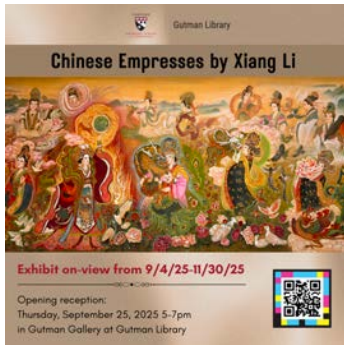
Wednesday, September 24, 6PM-7:30PM EDT (Virtual)**EdEthics Virtual Case Discussion: Memorialization on Campus**

EdEthics helps educators, students, and policy makers explore ethical dilemmas in K-12 schools and higher education through short, accessible normative case studies. Join us to discuss "Visual Veritas," a case that explores dilemmas related to portraits and statues on Harvard's campus that portray prominent individuals with complicated and sometimes harmful legacies. This case was written in collaboration with the Harvard & the Legacy of Slavery initiative.

Email justice@gse.harvard.edu for the case study and the Zoom link.

Questions? **Email Sara O'Brien.**

Thursday, September 25, 5PM-7PM EDT (In Person)



Chinese Empresses by Xiang Li - Opening Reception

Gutman Gallery (first floor of Gutman Library)

Experience the breathtaking work of internationally acclaimed artist Xiang Li, in a captivating exhibition celebrating historical empresses of China in intricately hand-painted on silk using traditional Chinese watercolor techniques. Meet the artist and her daughter, Fei Wu, in person and enjoy a relaxed and engaging conversation. Ask questions, connect, and discover the stories behind the art. Light refreshments will be provided. [Register here.](#)

Thursday, September 25, 5PM-9PM EDT (In Person)



ArtsThursdays at the Harvard Museums of Science & Culture

Harvard Museum of Natural History, 26 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Join in for a free night at two of the Harvard Museums of Science & Culture. Come with a date, come with friends, or make new friends while strolling through the galleries. All ages are welcome.

[RSVP here!](#) If you have any questions, please contact hmscprograms@hmsc.harvard.edu.

Saturday, September 27, 11AM-3PM EDT (In Person)



Back to School BBQ

Join Harvard Veterans Alumni Organization for a BBQ, Yard Games, and the Annual Award Presentation.

[Register here.](#)

For more information email vicepres@harvardveterans.org.

Saturday, September 27, 1PM-4PM EDT (In Person)



¡Celebremos Puerto Rico!

Harvard Museum of Natural History, 26 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Celebrate Puerto Rico's rich culture and natural wonders at the Harvard Museums of Science & Culture! Join in for a fun-filled day with hands-on art making and storytelling led by Puerto Rican artist and director Pedro Adorno Irizarry and his celebrated arts collective, Agua, Sol y Sereno—known for their vibrant masks, street theater, and community-inspired performances. Learn about coquí frogs, colorful birds, and glowing bioluminescent bays. Try out cool augmented reality tools to explore ancient Taíno artifacts, and enjoy tasty Puerto Rican food (available for purchase). Bring the whole

family—there's something for everyone to enjoy!

Advance registration recommended. Free admission.

Monday, September 29, 12PM-1PM EDT (Hybrid)



Gutman Library Book Talk - Data Wise, Third Edition: Educators Collaborating So Each Learner Thrives

Gutman Conference Center E4 and on Zoom

In this third edition of Data Wise, Kathryn Parker Boudett, Ph.D.'98, M.P.P. '92 and Candice Bocala, Ed.D.'14 update the research-based eight-step collaborative inquiry process and demonstrate how it can be used to build more equitable schools.

For more information and to register [click here](#).

Bring your lunch. Coffee and dessert will be provided!

Wednesday, October 1, 3PM-4:15PM EDT

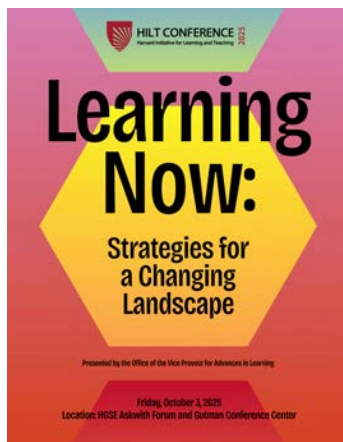


GEAR:UP Research Seminar with Christina Brown

Join Global Education and Research: Unleashing Potential (GEAR:UP) at the [Center for International Development](#) for a presentation by Christina Brown, Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago and Principal Investigator on the Targeted Instruction in Pakistan (TIP) project. Christina will discuss the latest findings from TIP, a remedial education program that leverages ed-tech tools to help students in Pakistan reach grade-level proficiency.

Register [here](#). For more information email [Bharti Sharma](#).

Friday, October 3, 9AM-2:30PM EDT



Learning Now: Strategies for a Changing Landscape - 2025 HILT Conference

As higher education continues to respond to rapid shifts in technology, student expectations, and financial constraints, how can we (re)design learning experiences that are both impactful and practical to implement across various contexts?

The [2025 Harvard Initiative for Teaching and Learning \(HILT\) Annual Conference](#) builds on previous years' themes that explored open inquiry, generative AI, and student collaboration.

Register by [October 2nd](#).

FALL DEADLINE: Friday, October 10, 11:59PM EDT



HGSE Student Conference Fund now open for Fall 2025 applications

The Student Conference Fund contributes to HGSE students' academic and professional development through financial support to present at or attend academic conferences. The fund can be used to reimburse students' conference registration, commercial travel, and/or commercial accommodations expenses. For more information and to apply, visit [the Student Conference Fund webpage](#). The fall application deadline is Friday, October 10 at 11:59 PM.

Saturday, November 1, 3PM EDT (In Person)



Fall Fest 2025: Educator's Appreciation Day & the Food Truck Festival

Harvard Football invites you to Harvard Stadium when the Crimson take on Dartmouth in an Ivy League showdown. Show your support as Harvard Football recognizes all teachers, school workers, faculty and staff in appreciation of your efforts in our community at our Fall Fest game.

Don't miss out on the [Food Truck Festival](#), one of the biggest community events of the season with live-music, giveaways, and more.

[Tickets to the game are discounted](#) to only \$15 (plus applicable fees)!

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



Chinese Rock Music Band Recruiting

HGSE Chinese Rock Music Club, a student organization at HGSE, is forming student rock bands to bring Chinese rock to life on campus. Experienced musicians are welcome —guitarists, bassists, drummers, and keyboardists —who love Chinese rock, indie rock, and classic rock. Email [Anruo Wang](#), Ed.M. Candidate, with your interest.



HGSE Pickleball Club

Join one of HGSE's newest student orgs: HGSE Pickleball Club! We will have pickleball time every 1-2 weeks and some socials as well! We welcome players of all levels: whether you are a beginner or a pro. Join [the groupme](#) and come to our HGSE Pickleball Kickoff Event next week!

For more information contact [Uzma Issa](#), Ed.M Candidate.



Introducing Wellthy's Backup Care for HGSE Students

Life throws curveballs, and when it does, Wellthy is here to help. As a HGSE student, you can access emergency backup care services for your children when your regular care is unavailable.

For those times when school is closed, your babysitter is sick, or your

usual care plans are disrupted, Wellthy offers vetted in-center, community-based, and in-home childcare solutions. Because life happens, and now, you have help!

For more information about this benefit, [view the OSA website](#).



High Holidays with Harvard Hillel

Join Harvard Hillel for a joyous, meaningful, and memorable High Holiday season!

For service times, please [visit their website](#). Current Harvard students are admitted to all services free of charge.



Looking to Launch a Student Organization at HGSE?

The HGSE Student Organization Recognition Request Form is now live!

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.

To launch a new student organization or reactivate a previous one, you'll need to submit a [Recognition Request Form](#) and complete the online trainings.

If you have any questions, email [Crystal Quintanilla](#).



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!



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



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.



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.



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.



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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