

— HGSE — Weekly

Office of
Student Affairs



Monday, September 25, 2023

The Inauguration of Claudine Gay

This Friday, September 29th, Claudine Gay will be formally [inaugurated](#) as Harvard University's 30th president. Members of the Harvard community are invited to mark the start of an exciting new chapter.

There are several events scheduled to take place throughout the day that we hope you will join. Panels taking place during the [Academic Symposium](#) will include participation from HGSE faculty members (in alphabetical order) Danielle Allen, Peter Blair, Nadine Gaab, Julie Reuben, and Laura Schifter. The livestream of the inauguration ceremony will include commentary from HGSE faculty member Julie Reuben.

For more information about the event, including a full listing of all panels and celebrations, view the [inauguration website](#).

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](#)

HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOMINATION DEADLINE: Friday, September 29



HARVARD GRADUATE
COUNCIL
Twelve Graduate Schools
One Harvard

Harvard Graduate Council

[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.

Each year, HGSE sends two student representatives (one doctoral student and one master's student) to serve as voting members on HGC. Representatives will be expected to attend biweekly HGC meetings as well as at least one [HGSE Student Council](#) meeting per month.

If you are interested in serving as an HGSE representative on HGC, please fill out this [nomination form](#) by **Friday, September 29th at 9:00AM**. HGC meetings are open to all students to attend. Please sign up for their [email list](#) to be kept informed of updates and meeting information.

MULTIPLE DATES through Friday, September 29



HGSE Academic Writing Webinars

This asynchronous course is designed for all levels and types of writers, and provides a thorough introduction to important topics including audience, different assignment types students encounter, citations, composing thesis statements, and more.

To see the scheduled webinars and sign up, [click here](#).

NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY: Wednesday, October 11



October is LGBTQ+ History Month

The Office of Student Affairs (OSA) would like to invite students, faculty, and staff to celebrate LGBTQ+ History Month on **Wednesday, October 11** – National Coming Out Day – from **4 to 6pm**. In the Gutman Reading Area (1st floor). Students, faculty, and staff interested in sharing their coming out story—all forms of expression (storytelling, song, dance, poetry reading, spoken word, etc.) are welcome! please email andres_galindo@gse.harvard.edu. This event is open to all.

[Please RSVP](#).

THIS WEEK

Monday, September 25, 2PM-3:30PM EDT



EdEthic Normative Case Discussion

Longfellow 228

EdEthics helps educators and policy makers explore ethical dilemmas in schools through short, accessible normative case studies. Join us for an upcoming case discussion on educators navigating environmental racism and anti-CRT laws.

Email Justin Hauver at jhauver@g.harvard.edu for a copy of the case.
Snacks provided!

Tuesday, September 26, 9AM EDT



Student Experience Team: Project Team Time

Want to work with HGSE campus stakeholders to enhance aspects of your EdM experience at HGSE? Interested in learning design and user experience testing? Join us on Tuesday, 9/26 at 9am in Gutman 303 to meet other students interested in joining SET project teams. (If you are interested but can't make it to this meeting, let us know! Project teams are welcome to identify times that work best for them to meet.)

Please fill out our [Project Team Time survey](#) to let us know whether you can make it on 9/26 and which project(s) you're interested in.

[Join our Slack space](#) to connect with us, connect with other students interested in joining project teams, and get reminders about upcoming events.

Questions? Feel free to email set@gse.harvard.edu or nicole_nash@gse.harvard.edu.

Wednesday, September 27, 6PM - 7PM EDT



What does it take to end legacy admissions?

**Sperry Room at Schwartz Hall,
45 Francis Ave, Harvard Divinity School**

"How Harvard Will End Legacy Admissions." is an illuminating panel discussion featuring panelists: Michael Kippins, Head Counsel for Lawyers for Civil Rights, Viet Nguyen, Executive Director of EdMobilizer, and James Murphy, Deputy Director of Higher Education Policy at Ed Reform Now, who will share their insights on leveraging student activism, legal challenges, and state policy to reform Harvard's admissions process.

[RSVP here.](#)

Wednesday, September 27 & Thursday, September 28



HGSE Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Events

September 27, 4:30PM - 5:30PM, Larsen G01

The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is partnering with Professors Daren Graves and Kim Truong to invite the HGSE community to join their Critical Race Theory class for a discussion with virtual guest Daniel Solorzano of UCLA.

[Professor Solorzano](#) "is the founder of critical race theory in higher education and introduced the concept of microaggressions into the field of higher education." Food will be provided, and there are 20 guest slots available. If you're interested, please complete this poll to register: bit.ly/HGSESolorzano.

Thursday, September 28th, 10AM-12PM, Longfellow 203

Please join HGSE's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in welcoming our new Chief Diversity Officer Jarrod Chin! As he settles in, he wants to hear from the HGSE community. Whether you have a question, concern, or just want to say hi - stop by.

Thursday, September 28, 6PM-7:30PM EDT



Unveiling Truth: The 48-Year Fight to Free Leonard Peltier

Askwith Hall

Please join the HGSE Student Law Society and NDN Collective for “Unveiling Truth: The 48-Year Fight to Free Leonard Peltier.”

If you’re interested in learning more about Indigenous sovereignty, criminal justice reform, national campaign strategies, and hearing directly from Indigenous activists and organizers, this panel discussion is for you!

Leonard Peltier (Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians) is the longest-serving Indigenous prisoner in United States history. Mr. Peltier’s unjust imprisonment has been recognized as the product of a flawed prosecution, trial, and conviction by national and international human rights organizations, leading voices on criminal justice issues, dignitaries from around the world, and many current and former members of Congress.

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

Friday, September 29, 4:30PM EDT



HGSE’s Student-Parents Organization

Join HGSE’s [Student-Parents Organization](#), a group is for anyone who is completing their studies while also raising children. All parents, expectant parents, and caregivers are welcome. This is a space to share resources, make connections, and learn from and support each other.

Family Movie Night: WALL-E

Friday, September 29th at 4:30 p.m.
Gutman Library Conference Center Rooms 2 & 3

[Please RSVP](#)

Open to all HGSE community members ☺

Friday, September 29, 4:30PM EDT



The HGSE Cross-Cultural Education Association (ACCE) Mid-Autumn Festival 2023

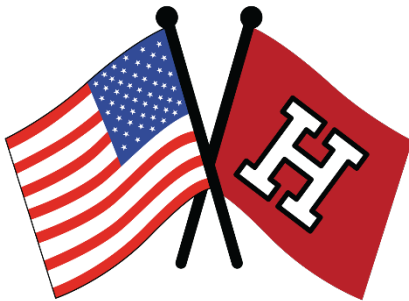
Gutman 302

The Mid-Autumn Festival, occurring on the 15th day of the eighth month of the Chinese lunisolar calendar, embodies the essence of family reunion with the moon at its brightest.

We warmly invite you to join The HGSE Cross-Cultural Education Association, an officially recognized student organization, in the celebrations as a cherished member of the HGSE family.

[Register here.](#)

Saturday, September 30, 11AM EDT



Harvard Veterans BBQ

The Harvard Veterans Alumni Organization (HVAO) is hosting its annual Veterans BBQ.

Attendance is limited to the first 50 members to secure their spot.

Be sure to [reserve your place](#) early!

For more information

email communications@harvardveterans.org.

Interested in being part of HVAO's Wreath Laying Ceremony working group? [Click here.](#)

FUTURE EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

DATES STARTING: Sunday, October 1



Touch Tour: Ancient Mesopotamia

Harvard Museum of the Ancient Near East, 6 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge

Available Sundays 1:00–2:00 pm during the following periods:

October 1–December 4, 2023

January 22–March 9, 2024

March 18–April 24, 2024

Also available by appointment: select Monday–Fridays from 2:00–3:00 or 3:00–4:00 pm

Available for blind and visually impaired visitors, this tour explores the [From Stone to Silicone](#) exhibition featuring ancient Mesopotamia. Touchable replicas are coupled with description to spark discussion about the sculpted art in the Assyrian palace of King Ashurnasirpal II.

Free. Registration required at least one week in advance. Service animals are welcome. To request a reservation, please complete [this form](#) or call 617-495-2916.

Monday, October 2, 12PM - 1PM EDT



Job Searching in the US: Helpful Tips for International Students

Gutman Conference Center, 1 & 2

[Please RSVP](#)

Interested in hearing how H-1B sponsorship happens from the inside? **Dan Beaudry**, former head of campus recruiting at Monster.com, shares job search strategies used by many international students to find U.S. employment. What you'll discover in this presentation may surprise you:

- Learn how to navigate H-1B sponsorship at companies that have a policy against sponsoring H-1B visas.
- Learn why 70 percent of open jobs are never advertised - and how to find them before anyone else.
- Learn why human resources is often an obstacle instead of a conduit to finding a U.S. job-and how to bypass it.
- Learn why submitting résumés online is not an effective use of your time-and how you can better invest that time.

Find more information about Dan, and [The International Student's Guide to Finding a Job in the United States](#) at www.powerties.net.

Monday, October 2, 12PM - 1PM EDT



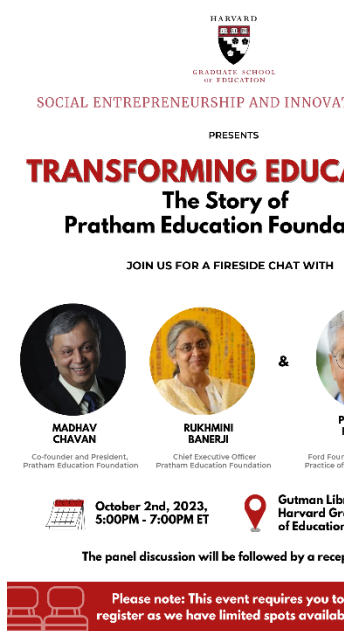
Gutman Library Book Talk - Introduction to Design Education

Gutman Conference Center, 3

Featuring instructional strategies and case studies from diverse design disciplines, including fashion design, architecture, and industrial design, from both the US and abroad, award-winning author, Steven Faerm, Ed.M.'15, contextualizes design pedagogy with student development—a critical component to fostering successful teaching, optimal learning, and student success in this ever-evolving industry.

To register, [click here](https://bit.ly/IntroDesignEd).

Monday, October 2, 5PM - 7PM EDT



Transforming Education: The Story of Pratham Education Foundation

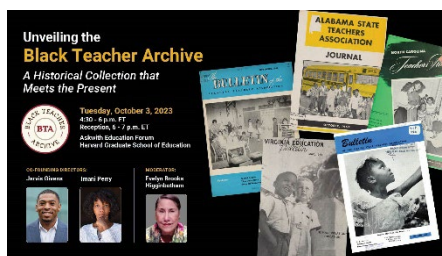
The HGSE Social Entrepreneurship and Innovations Club is proud to present their first event of the year!

This event will be a panel discussion led by Professor Fernando Reimers with Rukmini Banerji (CEO, Pratham) and Madhav Chavan (Co-Founder, Pratham) to discuss Pratham's institutional journey, and the lessons in the process about advancing educational opportunity through a civil society organization. Since Pratham was an important case study for all HGSE students during the Foundations Evidence course (Teach At The Right Level), students will be able to relate the concepts and work done by Pratham.

[Click here to sign up!](https://bit.ly/IntroDesignEd)

Contact student organization leaders manasi_mehan@gse.harvard.edu OR jobellegacuya@gse.harvard.edu with any questions.

Tuesday, October 3, 4:30PM - 6PM EDT



Askwith Education Forum: Unveiling the Black Teacher Archive: A Historical Collection that Meets the Present

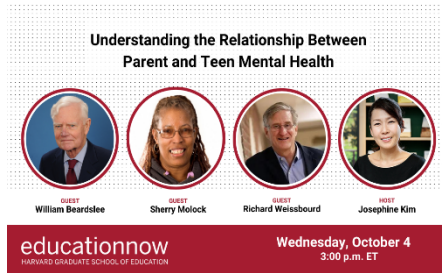
Askwith Hall

Join us for a special Askwith Education Forum marking the launch of the Black Teacher Archive — a groundbreaking new digital repository that centralizes the experiences of

Black educators during Jim Crow and creates new portals to understanding the history of African American education. Continue the conversation with attendees and speakers during a reception showcasing the Black Teacher Archive exhibit.

[RSVP here.](#)

Wednesday, October 4, 3PM - 3:30PM EDT



Education Now: Understanding the Relationship Between Parent and Teen Mental Health

New research is helping to shine a light on the influence of parental mental health on teens. We'll discuss strategies to better support the mental well-being of parents and caregivers, with a view to preventing anxiety and depression in adolescents.

[Register here.](#)

Wednesday, October 4 & Friday, October 6



Join UNICEF's Suman Sachdeva for two upcoming events!

Are you curious about UNICEF and what it might be like to work there? Curious about Foundational Learning in Sierra Leone or India? Meet with visiting fellow Suman Sachdeva at one of her upcoming events:

Working at UNICEF: A talk with Suman Sachdeva

Wednesday, October 4th, 4:30-5:30, Gutman 305
Co-sponsored with the Career Services Office, coffee provided,
[RSVP](#)

Student Networking Lunch

Friday, October 6th, 12-1pm, Longfellow 229
Lunch Provided
[RSVP](#)

For more information on Suman Sachdeva or the Chen Yidan Visiting Global Fellows program, please [visit our website](#).

Thursday, October 5, 5PM - 9PM EDT



2023 Annual Grad Fest

Smith Campus Center

Gather and connect with the Harvard Graduate Student Community at the 6th Annual Grad Fest!

All Harvard University graduate students, spouses/partners, and their families are invited.

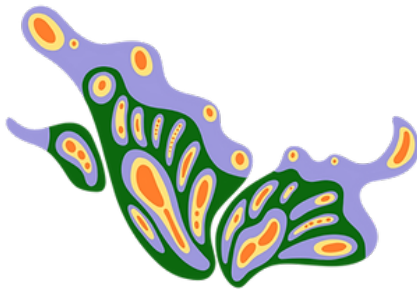
Family Activities take place from 5-6:30pm with 21+ activities beginning at 7pm.

Live music, featured performers, games, salsa dancing, family story hour and more.

Tickets are free to all students and their friends and families.

Visit <http://www.harvardgradcircle.com> to learn more.

Friday, October 6 & Saturday, October 7



2nd Annual Harvard Trans+ Community Celebration

Register here!

All events are free, open to the public, and accessible for mobility devices and sensory needs.

Join in on conversations around the stories of intersex leaders, trans+ people in sport, navigating gender-affirming healthcare, disability & transness, and much more. With 60+ events over two days, there really is something for everyone.

Friday, October 13, 12PM - 1:15PM EDT

**askwith
education
forum**

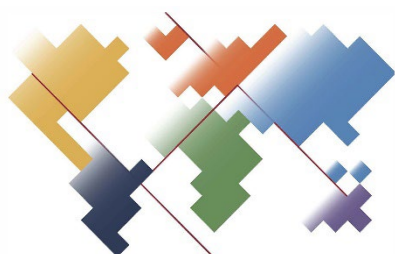
HARVARD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Askwith Education Forum: Supporting Teen Wellbeing in a Tech-Filled World: A Conversation with the U.S. Surgeon General

Join us as we launch HGSE's new Center for Digital Thriving by welcoming the U.S. Surgeon General, Dr. Vivek Murthy, to the Askwith Education Forum for a conversation that gets to the heart of how families and educators can help young people build and sustain their digital wellbeing.

RSVP here.

Friday, October 13, 4PM EDT



WORLDWIDE WEEK
HARVARD UNIVERSITY

9-13 October 2023
worldwide.harvard.edu

Future of Cities: Extreme Heat

Askwith Hall

Future of Cities: Extreme Heat will welcome a panel discussing concerns around environmental justice and public health as global average temperatures rise.

Cosponsored by the Office of the Vice Provost for International Affairs, the Office of the Vice Provost for Climate and Sustainability, and the Bloomberg Center for Cities at Harvard University, this discussion will convene experts in urban planning and design, building design and materials, environmental science, public health, and medicine to share their ideas on tangible next steps for lessening the impact of extreme heat.

Learn more about Worldwide Week at Harvard (October 9-13) [here](#).

Saturday, October 14, 10AM-3PM EDT



OSA Apple Picking Trip

Sign Up Required

Come celebrate fall in New England with an apple picking trip! We will be taking school buses to Honey Pot Hill Orchards in Stow, MA. Buses will pick up attendees at 10:00am in front of the Gutman Library. **Please arrive outside of Gutman by 9:45am.** Buses will depart Honey Pot Hill at 2:00pm to return to Gutman around 3:00pm. Families and children are welcome to join! Please sign up to reserve your spot(s) on the bus.

Please note: Space on the buses is limited. Spots on the bus will be reserved on a first-come first-served basis. Please only sign up for a spot if you are sure you can attend. If you sign up and can no longer attend, please cancel your reservation as soon as possible through the [sign up link](#) to make room for others.

If you require accessibility accommodations to attend this event, please reach out to Andrea Le (andrea_le@gse.harvard.edu) at least 48 hours in advance.

FALL SEMESTER DEADLINE: Wednesday, October 18



2023-2024 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.

Fall semester applications are now open for conferences that take place between 9/6/23 and 12/17/23.

The **fall semester deadline** to apply is **Wednesday, October 18th, 2023.**

[Learn more and apply here.](#)

Saturday, October 28, 4PM EDT



Fall Fest & Harvard vs Dartmouth

Harvard Athletics is inviting all Harvard graduate students as well as friends and families to come to our homecoming football game on October 28th when your Harvard Crimson take on their rivals from Dartmouth.

All members of the Harvard graduate school community are invited to take part in this special offer with tickets to the game discounted to only \$10.00.

Gates open at 1PM and guests can enjoy our **Fallfest activities such as food trucks, live music and more.** Be sure to stick around after the game as well as we shoot off fireworks to cap off the night!

Tickets can be found at gocrimson.com/grads and if there are any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to Chris Giuliano at cgiuliano@fas.harvard.edu. Go Crimson!

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



Val's Financial Wellness Tip of the Month

Understanding the strengths and weaknesses of your relationship with money is key to building a strong financial future.

Take [a free assessment](#) to learn more about you and your money.

Presented by the HGSE Financial Aid Office.



Interested in Writing? Presenting? Editing?

The **Science in the News** Blog is looking for writers, speakers, and graphic designers who want to write about, present, and share cool science for a general audience!

SITN accepts interested people of all experience levels and their blog gets around 8,000 readers a day, so this is a great way to get your voice out there.

Interested in Longform (~1,000 words long) Blog Writing? Complete [this form](#).

Presenters are wanted for the Seminar Series. [Applications are due](#) September 30th.

Fill out [this brief form](#) if you're interested in becoming an editor for the SITN blog.

Feel free to reach out to sitnbostonblog@gmail.com if you have any questions.

[Sign up](#) for the listserv to be in the know!



30% discount on all Harvard Education Press titles for HGSE students

HGSE students are ALWAYS eligible for a 30% discount on all titles published by Harvard Education Press!

Browse our website at <https://hep.gse.harvard.edu/>, and then [complete this form](#) to purchase at the discount!



**BLOOMBERG
CENTER FOR CITIES
HARVARD UNIVERSITY**

Student Opportunities at the Bloomberg Center for Cities

The Bloomberg Center for Cities is a university-wide center with many opportunities for students from all Harvard Schools who are interested in cities, including fellowships,

research opportunities, resources, and experiential learning opportunities.

[Subscribe](#) to their email list to receive the latest news, events, and opportunities.



The Appian Way - HGSE Student Magazine

Interested in launching The Appian Way for the 2023-24 academic year?

The Appian Way is an online platform and print magazine dedicated to highlighting the outstanding achievements and projects of HGSE students. It serves as a hub for sharing inspiring stories, innovative research, and impactful experiences.

[Click here](#) to see the 2023 edition.

To reactivate this student organization, [start the recognition process here](#).

Looking for guidance or more information? Contact the 2023 editor-in-chief, [Nancy Palencia Ramírez '23](#).



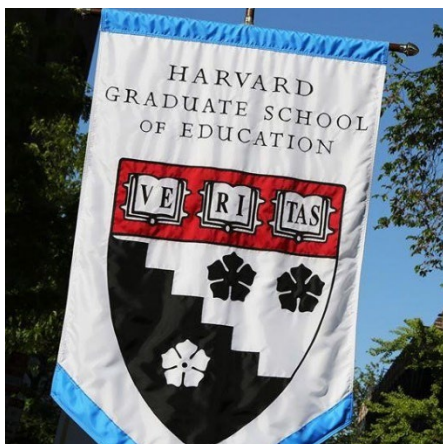
Virtual Group & Workshops

CAMHS Virtual Groups and Workshops

[Click here](#) to learn more about the Counseling and Mental Health Services (CAMHS) virtual offerings this semester.

Groups and workshops include:

- Asian Student Affinity Group
- Women's Queer Group
- Grieving & Coping Together
- Emerger - grupo terapéutico en español
- Overcoming Perfectionism through Self-Compassion
- Recovery Group for Harvard Students
- Mindfulness Self-Care for Students of Color
- Men's Queer Group
- Graduate Students Therapy Group



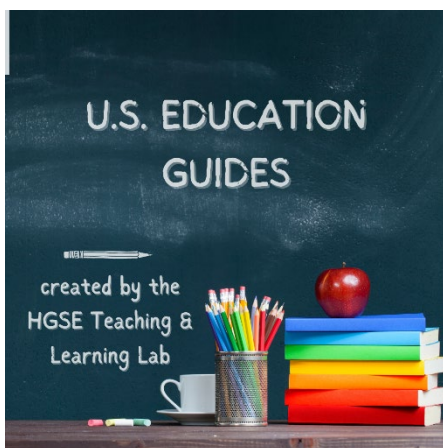
🎓 Join the Class Gift Campaign Volunteer Team! 📁

Want to make a positive difference for future HGSE students?

The HGSE Development Office invites you to become a vital member of our Class Gift volunteer team. We're on a mission to educate students about philanthropy and raise funds for financial aid through \$20.24 commemorative "class gift" donations.

Students who donate \$20.24 or more will receive a lapel pin and recognition in HGSE's commencement program book in May. As a volunteer, you'll help spread the word about the campaign, engage at study break events, and provide valuable ideas and feedback. It's a fun, flexible, and low-lift way to strengthen the HGSE community.

Interested or want to learn more? [Fill out this quick form](#). Questions? Email giving@gse.harvard.edu.



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!



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

Harvard Chaplains

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.
