

# — HGSE — Weekly

Office of  
Student Affairs



**Tuesday, October 10, 2023**

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## HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

**National Coming Out Day is this Wednesday!**



### Gutman Conference Center E4

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**.

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](mailto:andres_galindo@gse.harvard.edu).

This event is open to all.

[Please RSVP](#).



HARVARD GRADUATE  
COUNCIL  
Twelve Graduate Schools  
One Harvard

### Harvard Graduate Council Election Results

[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. Each year, HGSE sends two student representatives (one doctoral student and one master's student) to serve as voting members on HGC.

We are pleased to announce that **Derrick Holifield** from the EdLD program and **Marc Claude** from the EPA EdM program have been elected as HGSE's representatives for the 2023-2024 academic year.

### New Zoom Link for Work Accountability Groups



The HGSE Work Accountability Groups (WAGs) have a new Zoom link, as of September 28.

Please delete any old links you have saved and use this link instead:

<https://harvard.zoom.us/j/94812687620?pwd=bEIRODJCR2RhaWpUQjiSbWNMdnhEUT09>.

Meeting ID: 948 1268 7620

Passcode: 678631

More information about Work Accountability Groups can be found on the [Office of Student Affairs website](#).

## THIS WEEK

Month of October



# HERE to CHANGE LIVES

## Teaching & Teacher Leadership Social Media Filming

TTL students will be filming around HGSE for our recruitment campaign. They might ask if you're interested in answering a question on camera. It's totally up to you!



**Tuesday, October 10, 12PM EDT**

**Register For Free**



### About Our Presenter Niro Feliciano, LCSW

Niro Feliciano, LCSW is a psychotherapist, best-selling author, national media commentator and contentment coach. She holds a master's degree from Columbia University, is a columnist for Psychology Today, and frequent guest on TODAY. She is the author of "This Book Won't Make You Happy - 8 Keys to Finding True Contentment" and the podcast host of "All Things Life." For more, visit [nirofeliciano.com](http://nirofeliciano.com)

## Connected and Content: Mental Health Strategies for the Whole Family

Celebrate World Mental Health Day with Care and Niro Feliciano, LCSW, psychotherapist, best-selling author, national media commentator and contentment coach. In our fast-paced world, individuals and families are under more strain than ever, and focusing on our holistic well-being has never been more important.

**Register for free to attend.** From practical ways to manage stress and anxiety to tips on supporting the mental health of every member of your family, you'll walk away with tools you can put into practice right away.

Can't attend this **virtual event** live? Sign up anyway to receive the recording.

**Tuesday, October 10, 3:30PM - 4:30PM EDT**



## SET Workshop 1: Focus Groups as a Tool for Empathizing

Interested in honing your skills around how to better understand the perspectives, needs, and motivations of your learners?

Join the Student Experience (SET) Team as we practice using focus groups as a tool for empathizing with learners

[RSVP here.](#)

**Tuesday, October 10, 4:30PM EDT**

## World Mental Health Day Film Screening and Panel

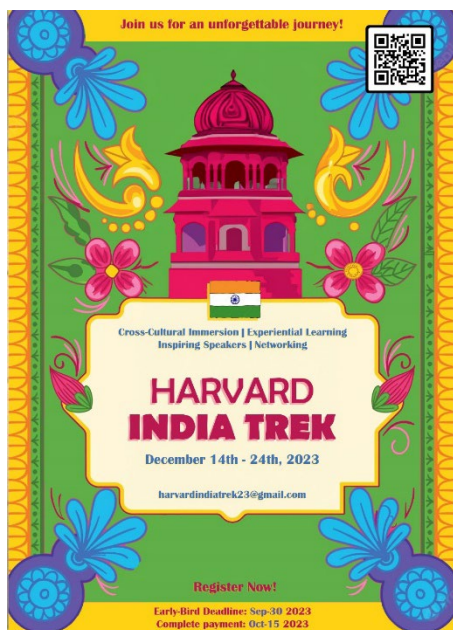
### Sanders Theater

Immerse yourself in 'The Listener,' a compelling film that addresses the pressing issues of brokenness and loneliness, introduced by the director himself, Steve Buscemi.

Afterward, don't miss our insightful panel discussion moderated by Dr. Barbara Van Dahlen, the CEO of WeBe Life foundation, with Dr. Vikram Patel, Chair of the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School and Steve Buscemi.

[Please click here to reserve your tickets.](#)

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tuesday, October 10**



## Student-Organized Trek to India

Harvard India Trek is an immersive experience for all graduate students across Harvard, offering a deep dive into the rich tapestry of Indian culture, cuisine, and heritage. The Harvard India Trek will also provide a unique opportunity to connect with influential government representatives, visionary industrialists, and inspiring personalities who have dedicated their passion and efforts to shaping the future of India.

[Register here.](#)

For more information, contact Sanjana De at [sanjanade@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:sanjanade@gse.harvard.edu).

*Harvard India Trek is a student-run trek that is not affiliated with any of Harvard's schools. HGSE and Harvard are not responsible for any representations made in this announcement or any accompanying material.*

**Thursday, October 12, 11:30M - 1:30PM EDT**



## The OSA Presents: Color for Joy

**When:** Thursday, October 12 @ 11:30-1:30 - Drop in any time!

**Where:** Longfellow 228

Join your GSE peers and the Office of Student Affairs for our first monthly anti-stress gathering of the 2023-2024 school year. Infuse your regular routine with new friends, 72 colors, creative choices, and screen-free action.

Coloring supplies and light snacks provided. Feel free to bring your lunch.

**Friday, October 13, 4PM-6PM EDT**



## HGSE Writer's Room Spooky Soirée

### Larsen 106

Student organization, HGSE Writer's Room, is pleased to announce their first event!

Celebrate Friday the 13th with the Writer's Room. They will have food, cider, candy, and fun activities. They also want to hear your ideas around what you want to do for the upcoming year. Feel free to bring your lunch.

**Friday, October 13, 6PM EDT**



## HGSE Hangouts at the Queen's Head Pub

**45 Quincy Street, Cambridge** – located in the same building as Sanders Theater - below the entrance to Annenberg Hall (the first-year dining hall)

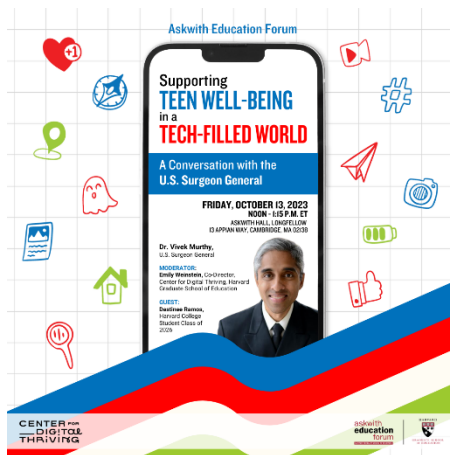
Join your fellow HGSE students at the Queen's Head Pub every Friday throughout the fall semester to connect over food and drinks. Food will be served on a first come, first served basis. Beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. The event begins at 6:00PM and you can stay as long as you like! Karaoke begins at 9:00PM.

*There will be no HGSE Hangout on October 27th, November 17th, or November 24th*

If you require accessibility accommodations, please contact Andrea Le at [andrea\\_le@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:andrea_le@gse.harvard.edu) at least 48 hours in advance.

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





## 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**



## 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, 4PM-6PM EDT (In Mandarin)**

## HGSE Improv Game On - In Mandarin



HGSE Improv (an officially recognized student organization) invites you to 2 hours of game play. We will play improv games, and experience everything from fun and laughter to teamwork, trust building and self reflection. It is NOT about performing or acting - no scripts, no theater experience required, no directors.

Seats limited. To sign up, contact Lillian Zhang ([liningzhang@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:liningzhang@gse.harvard.edu)).

An English language session will be held on Friday, October 20th.

**Sunday, October 15**

## Symposium on Gifted Education



### Gutman Conference Center

Do you know why gifted education is an equity issue?

Do you have a learner who is sensitive to noise, smells, tags on clothes or just plain sensitive?

Please come to hear why Gifted Education may not be what you think it is. Discover how to identify and meet the needs of Gifted and Twice Exceptional (2E) Learners and how addressing the needs of gifted learners decreases the equity gap.

- Breakfast, lunch, snacks with coffee, tea and reception with hors d'oeuvres.
- If you're a teacher, you can earn 10 PDPs!
- There will be a kids program as well (Ages 5-12)
- Special guest keynote speaker, Massachusetts Commissioner of Education, Jeff Riley, HGSE Alum
- Notable Speaker and HGSE Academic Dean, Prof. Martin West
- MAGE is sponsoring a reduced rate for Harvard Students \$25 from \$135 (IDs checked at door)
- For more information go to [www.massgifted.org/conference](http://www.massgifted.org/conference)



For questions, please email: [HAEdBoston@gmail.com](mailto:HAEdBoston@gmail.com)

*Presented by Harvard Alumni for Education (HAEd)  
and the Massachusetts Association for Gifted  
Education (MAGE).*

**Sunday, October 15, 12PM-4PM EDT**

### Ultimate Frisbee Tournament 2023



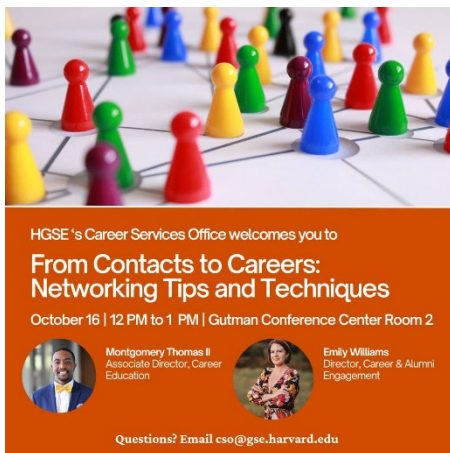
Join Grad Intramurals for an awesome day of Ultimate Frisbee!

It's a hat tournament with randomized teams to make new friends. Whether you're a pro or just starting, it's a day to play, make pals, and have a blast.

[Click here](#) to sign up.

## FUTURE EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

**Monday, October 16, 12PM-1PM EDT**



### From Contacts to Careers: Networking Tips and Techniques

#### GCC 2

Join Montgomery Thomas II, Associate Director, Career Education, and Emily Williams, Director, Career and Alumni Engagement, from HGSE's Career Services Office for a workshop on networking and informational interviews.

Please note, lunch will not be served at this event but you are encouraged to bring food if you wish.

[Register on the Hub.](#)

Questions? Contact the CSO team at  
[cso@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:cso@gse.harvard.edu).

**Tuesday, October 17, 4PM-6PM EDT**



## HGSE Canadian Student Association Kickoff Event

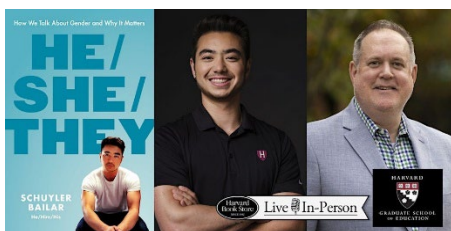
The HGSE Canadian Student Association kickoff event promises an exciting introduction to Canadian culture through trivia, games, and cross-cultural exchanges.

Attendees will gain a deep appreciation of Canada's culture while engaging in fun activities that promote cross-cultural learning.

[RSVP Here!](#)



**Tuesday, October 17, 6PM EDT**



## He/She/They: How We Talk About Gender and Why It Matters

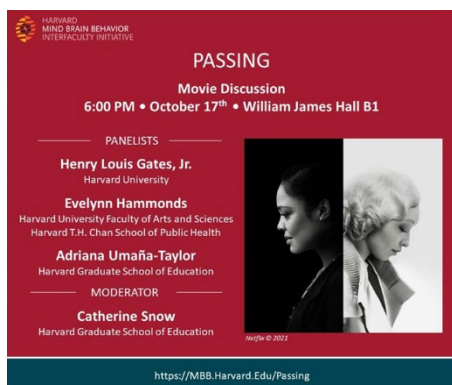
**Brattle Theatre**

Harvard Book Store, the Harvard Graduate School of Education, Mass General Brigham, and Fenway Health welcome Schuyler Bailar—educator, author, and first transgender athlete to compete on an NCAA Division 1 men's team—for a discussion of his latest book *He/She/They: How We Talk About Gender and Why It Matters*.

He will be joined in conversation by award-winning scholar, Harvard University professor, and activist Timothy Patrick McCarthy.

[Tickets includes admission](#) for one and one hardcover copy of *He/She/They* pre-signed by the author.

**Tuesday, October 17, 6PM EDT**



## Panel Discussion of Passing

The Mind Brain Behavior Interfaculty Initiative Invites You to Join for A Panel Discussion of *Passing* (2021), Rebecca Hall's largely faithful retelling of Nella Larsen's 1929 novel,

Our expert panel will explore many questions and issues raised by the film including the phenomenon of 'passing' in African-American life in the U.S., how it is represented in this and other literary works, and what it says about race relations and the status of race in the society. Participation from the audience is welcomed.

For more information, [click here](https://MBB.Harvard.Edu/Passing).

**Wednesday, October 18, 3PM EDT**

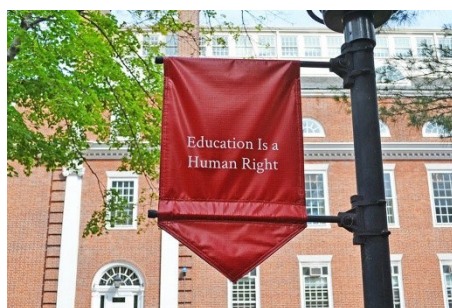


## Education Now: Planning for College After Affirmative Action

Our panel will discuss how seniors and other aspiring college students, including those in underserved communities, can best prepare for college and present themselves in the application process — and we'll also offer guidance for the counselors, educators, and parents who support them.

[Register here.](#)

**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.](#)

**Thursday, October 19, 12PM-1PM EDT**



### HGSE Book Discussion: The Open System

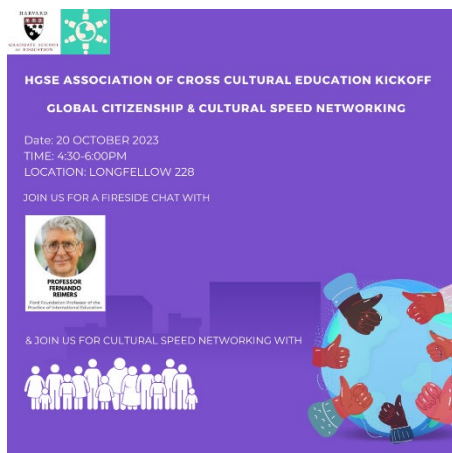
**Gutman Library, Room 305**

Register: <https://bit.ly/theopensystem23>

Join **Landon Mascareñaz, Ed.L.D. '15** and **Doannie Tran, Ed.L.D. '15** for a conversation about their book *The Open System: Redesigning Education and Reigniting Democracy*, published by Harvard Education Press.

Please note, lunch will not be served at this event, but you are welcome to bring food if you wish. Questions? Contact the HGSE Alumni Engagement Team at [alumserv@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:alumserv@gse.harvard.edu)

**Friday, October 20, 4:30PM-6PM EDT**



### HGSE Cross-Cultural Education Association (ACCE) Kickoff Event on Global Citizenship

Student organization ACCE strives to foster an environment where students can collaboratively delve into, discuss, and realize diverse cultures, education systems, and groundbreaking educational concepts. Our ultimate goal is to nurture a global community that actively advocates for substantive change in the world of education.

We are delighted to have Professor Fernando Reimers to enlighten us on global citizenship in education. This will be followed by a cultural speed networking session and a showcase of diverse cuisines.

[Register 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](https://gocrimson.com/grads) and if there are any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to Chris Giuliano at [cgiuliano@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:cgiuliano@fas.harvard.edu). Go Crimson!

**Monday, October 30, 12PM-1PM EDT**



## Gutman Library Hybrid Book Talk - Everyone Wins!

### GCC3 and on Zoom

Engaging families in education benefits everyone. Student achievement goes up, families get stronger, and teachers and administrators can do their job more effectively. In this highly readable roundup of the latest research, a Harvard-based team makes a compelling case for investing in evidence-based family-engagement practices-and suggests powerful ways to put those practices into action at your school or district.

In-person registration: [bit.ly/EveryoneWinsBT](https://bit.ly/EveryoneWinsBT)  
Zoom registration: [bit.ly/Virtual-EveryoneWins](https://bit.ly/Virtual-EveryoneWins)

**Monday, November 6, 6PM EST**





## Mississippi Delta Celebration

**Milstein East A, Wasserstein (WCC 2036), Harvard Law School**

Please join the [Mississippi Delta Project](#) for our annual Delta Celebration.

The Celebration is an opportunity to meet and reconnect with Harvard community members, the Delta Directions Consortium, MDP student leaders, and guests who share a commitment to the Delta region and supporting rural communities.

**Thursday, November 9, 12PM-2PM EST**



**Alumni in Residence: Kate Milani McGrath, Ed.M. '22**

Register: <https://bit.ly/katemilaniAIR>

Meet with **Kate Milani McGrath, Ed.M. '22**, Director of Research Advisory Services @ EAB to discuss your career aspirations and ask burning questions. Students must register for a 20-minute timeslot in advance using [this form](#).

Please contact HGSE Alumni Engagement at [alumserv@gse.harvard.edu](mailto:alumserv@gse.harvard.edu) with any questions.

## ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



# ALUMNI

## Alumni Engagement Tip

Did you know? Students can utilize the [Harvard Alumni Association](#) (HAA) directory to find and connect with alumni university-wide.

Access the directory using your Harvard Key. The directory may be especially helpful for students who have unique career interests that may benefit from perspectives of alumni affiliated with other Harvard schools.





### 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.



### 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!



## 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.