

Office of Student Affairs



Monday, July 31, 2023

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MBTA Fall 2023 Semester Passes - Order Yours Today!

The HGSE Office of Student Affairs is pleased to share that we are able to offer MBTA Semester passes at a 25% reduced rate for all students. To receive this discount, students must purchase the pass for the entire four-month period (September 1st through December 31st), through the HGSE marketplace portal.

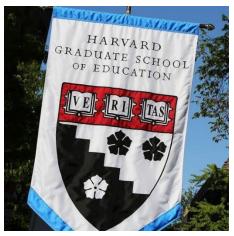
There are a number of different pass types available, so be sure to check which pass would best fit your needs. For pass descriptions, <u>please visit the MBTA website</u>.

As a reminder, all purchases are final sale and are non-refundable.

To place your order, click here.

The deadline for ordering is Thursday, August 10th at 11:59pm ET.

Students will be notified in late August when the passes are ready for pickup!



Complete Your Profile on The Hub by Friday, August 4

By <u>completing your profile</u>, particularly the "Personal," "My Identity," and "Career" sections, you will inform the types of programming, resources and events that may be most relevant to you and your classmates. Additionally, you can connect with other HGSE students from across HGSE based on similar interests and goals.

Complete your profile by Friday, August 4, to be entered to win one of TEN HGSE PRIZE PACKAGES.

THIS WEEK



STARTING THIS WEEK

Students, Faculty, and Staff Affinity Coffee Mixers

The Office of Student Affairs (OSA) and the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI) are hosting various coffee mixers during this year's welcome days.

This will be an opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to interact in a casual setting, build community, and join affinity groups. All mixers will take place in Gutman Library's Reading Area (1st floor).

Please RSVP here.

Black Students, Faculty, and Staff Mixer - Thursday, 8/3, 11am-12pm

Latinx Students, Faculty, and Staff Mixer - Friday, 8/4, 1pm-2pm

Asian, Pacific Islander, Desi American (APIDA) Students, Faculty, and Staff Mixer - Tuesday, 8/15, 1pm-2pm

LGBTQIA+ Students, Faculty, and Staff Mixer - Wednesday, 8/16, 1pm-2pm

Students, Faculty, and Staff with Disabilities Mixer - Thursday, 8/17, 1pm-2pm

FUTURE EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

RESPOND BY Sunday, August 13, 11:59PM EDT



Coffee with Peers

Interested in meeting other HGSE students outside of the classroom?

Coffee with Peers is an initiative run by the Office of Student Affairs to help HGSE students connect with their colleagues.

Students who sign up will be randomly paired with one or more HGSE students. Partnered students will then set a time to meet up virtually or in person. Students who meet in person are welcome to pickup coffee vouchers for the the Gutman Café (good for one free medium hot coffee or hot tea).

If you would like to participate, <u>please sign up here</u> by **Sunday, August 13th, 11:59PM ET.**

STARTING Monday, August 14th



Looking to Launch 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.

The first steps to starting a new organization, or reactivating a past one, is submitting a recognition request and completing the training.

The HGSE student organization recognition request form and online training are set to go live on Monday, August 14th!

The link will be shared in that Monday's edition of the HGSE Weekly newsletter.

If you'd like to learn more about student organizations, click here.



EdEthics Online Case Discussions

EdEthics helps educators and policy makers explore ethical dilemmas in schools through short, accessible normative case studies about everyday dilemmas in schools. Join us for an upcoming virtual case discussion over Zoom.

Email seobrien@gse.harvard.edu for the Zoom link and a copy of the case.

Thursday, August 17 OR Friday, August 18, 12:30PM - 1:30PM EDT



Lunch & Learns for International Students from China

Hosted by Visiting Assistant Professor, Xin Xiang, and the Office of Student Affairs

Gutman Conference Center

Please note: these events will be conducted primarily in Chinese

Visiting Assistant Professor, Xin Xiang, and the Office of Student Affairs will be hosting two Lunch & Learn events for international students from China. Originally from Guangzhou, China, Xin has spent over a decade living, learning, and teaching in the Harvard community, as a college student, doctoral student and then a postdoctoral fellow at HGSE. She is currently an Assistant Professor in comparative education at Beijing Normal University. The Lunch & Learns will offer students from China an opportunity to connect with peers with shared cultural backgrounds or experiences, as well as to hear Xin's reflections on navigating cultural and academic transitions to Harvard in changing social climates. We hope you will join us!

Please RSVP by Wednesday, August 9th if you plan to attend. There is limited space available for these events so please only register if you are sure that you will be able to attend. The programs of both Lunch & Learns are the same and students may only attend one session. Both lunches will be hosted primarily in Chinese.

If you require accommodations to attend this event, please reach out to Andrea Le (andrea le@gse.harvard.edu).

Wednesday, August 23, 3PM - 4PM EDT



Education Now: Building Diverse College Communities

In this special one hour edition of Education Now, HGSE faculty members Richard Weissbourd and Francesca Purcell will discuss the implications of the Supreme Court's ruling against the use of affirmative action in college admissions.

Register here.

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



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

Longfellow 319

Offering a brief overview of opportunities at HGSE and the wider Harvard Community for learning about and addressing climate change, this session will alert students to a range of discussion groups, courses, curriculum development possibilities, and internships at Harvard and Harvard-affiliated organizations. The session is convened by faculty member Tina Grotzer and is intended to orient students to the many existing, but distributed opportunities that otherwise may be missed. Following the presentation, students are invited to stay to ask questions and are encouraged to interact with other attendees to get to know each other as a community.

Monday, August 28 & Tuesday, August 29



Harvard Office for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging Events

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

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

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

<u>Click here</u> to learn more and register for both events. All Harvard community members are welcome!

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



Career Development Resources

Welcome to a new academic year! It's a perfect time to start taking inventory of our career services resources. We welcome you to visit <u>our Canvas page</u> with FIVE modules that you can use at your own pace, on your own schedule. These modules will take you from aligning your career aspirations with your course selections to confidently negotiating your ideal salary package.

We encourage you to start with the Career Decision Making for Success Module that provides you with the foundation for success by understanding your working identity and performing a gap analysis to build the skills and knowledge for your next career move.

Questions? Email us: cso@gse.harvard.edu.



Research Assistantship at the Project on Workforce, Harvard Kennedy School

The Project on Workforce at Harvard is a leading source for actionable research for the future of work. We produce and catalyze basic and applied research at the intersection of education and labor markets for leaders in business, education, and policy.

We are <u>currently recruiting Research Assistants</u> for the 2023-2024 academic year. Get updates to our research and future opportunities here and follow us on LinkedIn.



Mindfulness for Students at the Center for Wellness and Health Promotion

As we start the new semester here at <u>CWHP</u>, we are excited to offer a variety of mindfulness programs to support your wellbeing. Subscribe to the monthly newsletter <u>here</u> 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

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.