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Welcome from the Dean of Yale College

We eagerly look forward to your arrival, and we hope to make your transition to Yale and New Haven as easy as possible. You likely are approaching your preparations with a mixture of enthusiasm and apprehension; it is an exciting time, but questions abound concerning what lies ahead. Let me assure you that you are not alone in asking questions, and you will not be alone in finding answers to them. You soon will discover that many people at Yale—upperclassmen, faculty, deans, and staff members—are ready to help you find your way.

The first few weeks of your time at Yale contain a series of meetings and events to introduce you to the academic, social, and cultural life at Yale. These meetings and events are listed and described in this booklet. We cannot possibly tell you everything there is to know about Yale during the opening days of the term, but we will give you the critical information you need to get started and introduce you to the kinds of resources available here. Because the events in the first ten days are mandatory, taking precedent over all other commitments, please plan your schedule accordingly.

I urge you to begin by reading the first section, “Toward Academic Success: A Guide to Advising at Yale.” It provides an outline of Yale’s freshman advising program, and it summarizes essential academic information to keep in mind during course selection period. The second section, “Schedule of Events,” lists the meetings and events that take place each day during Freshman Orientation. Please be aware that most orientation sessions are not repeated, so it is important to review this schedule carefully and note those meetings that apply to you. The last section, “Departmental Meetings and Placement Information,” lists in alphabetical order the departments and programs that require a placement test, preregistration, or consultation with a departmental representative. If you have any questions about these meetings, consult your freshman counselor or residential college dean when you arrive on campus.

I hope that you enjoy the rest of your summer, and I look forward to seeing you in New Haven.

Sincerely yours,

Jonathan Holloway
Dean of Yale College
Edmund S. Morgan Professor of History, African American Studies, and American Studies
First-Day Checklist

☐ Pick up your room key and identification card (ID). You must show a form of identification to receive them. Students living on the Old Campus may obtain their key and ID outside Dwight Hall until 5 P.M. From 5 P.M. Friday through 8 A.M. Monday, students housed on the Old Campus may obtain these items from the Law School security desk at 127 Wall Street. Call 5-5555 from a Blue Phone for a ride to and from the Law School. Students in Timothy Dwight and Silliman Colleges may obtain their key and ID in the courtyard until 5 P.M. After 5 P.M. they should contact their freshman counselor.

☐ Attend the mandatory freshman registration meeting at 8 P.M. in your college followed by your first freshman counselor meeting.

☐ Review the schedule of meetings and events. Listed in the back of this booklet are the departments that require a placement examination or preregistration.

Parking

Free parking is available from from 8 A.M. Friday, August 28, to 7 A.M. Monday, August 31, in Lots 16 and 22 and Pierson-Sage Garage. The entrance to all three is located on Whitney Avenue at Humphrey Street (GPS address: 230 Whitney Avenue).

A shuttle bus will make the round trip continuously from Lots 16 and 22 and Pierson-Sage Garage to Timothy Dwight and Silliman Colleges and to the Old Campus between 8 A.M and 6 P.M. on Friday, August 28. Free parking is also available on Friday, August 28, and Sunday, August 30, in Lots 16 and 22 and Pierson-Sage Garage, as well as Lot 78 on Ashmun Street.

Shuttle pickup locations are as follows: Pierson-Sage Garage and Lots 16 and 22: driveway between Lots 16 and 22; Timothy Dwight and Silliman Colleges, corner of Wall and College Streets; Old Campus, corner of Elm and College Streets. Guides and signs will be located at Phelps Gate and at the corner of Elm and College Streets.

Commercial parking lots and garages are also available on Grove Street (near Whitney Avenue), on York Street (near Crown Street), on Broadway (near the Yale Bookstore), and at the corner of College and Crown Streets.
Yale Old Campus Guide

1. Keys and ID Cards for Old Campus residences
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Toward Academic Success: A Guide to Advising at Yale
Freshman advising at Yale is designed to help students develop immediate and longer-range academic goals, to offer guidelines for achieving these goals, and to provide information about deadlines and requirements. Advisers are available through the residential colleges, academic departments, and various offices connected to the Yale College Dean’s Office. The descriptions below provide information about each of these resources.

Your Residential College Dean

Your primary academic adviser is your residential college dean, to whom you may always turn for academic and personal advice. The dean can answer questions about academic requirements and connect you to other advising resources on campus. Your residential college dean lives in your residential college and also has an office there. He or she supervises the advising networks in the college.

On the first evening of Freshman Orientation, your dean will welcome you at a meeting of all the freshmen in your residential college. At that meeting the dean will give you some recommendations about how best to take advantage of the opening days and Yale’s resources. If you have a question to which you cannot find an answer, or if you need advice you cannot find elsewhere, consult your dean.

Your Freshman Adviser

Your freshman adviser is a Yale faculty or staff member or administrator affiliated with your residential college who has volunteered to talk with you about your academic interests and aspirations. He or she can offer general guidance about constructing a sensible overall schedule for your first year, help you think through larger questions and plans, and direct you to relevant resources. The primary purposes of these conversations are to provide general advice about acclimating to Yale’s academic culture and to give you an opportunity to become acquainted with a member of the faculty or administration affiliated with your residential college. Specific questions about particular courses or requirements should be directed to the relevant academic department or your residential college dean.

Your Freshman Counselor

Your freshman counselor is a senior who lives near you and who can be a source of information and assistance throughout the year. Your counselor can offer suggestions about your curricular and extracurricular choices, answer questions, and give firsthand advice on how best to use the academic and other resources of your residential college and of Yale College.
You will meet your freshman adviser at the advising meeting in your residential college dining hall on Monday, August 31. Be aware that advisers typically serve two to four students from the same college, and this first meeting usually takes place in a small group. The principal purpose of this meeting is to discuss your academic interests and general questions and to arrange a follow-up meeting when you can talk one-on-one. As you plan your individual meeting, be sure you know your adviser’s name, how to contact him or her, and the location of the meeting. If you are not sure, ask your residential college dean. Bring your calendar so that you can schedule a second follow-up meeting.

You and your adviser should plan to meet one or two more times before course schedules are due. Meetings usually take place either in your adviser’s office or in your residential college, perhaps over a meal in the dining hall. You don’t need to come to these advising meetings with a settled plan; it is perfectly appropriate to be considering six to eight courses during course selection period (“shopping period”). Conversely, even if you have a clear idea about which courses you want to take, be receptive to the advice and suggestions your adviser offers. Be prepared, however, to discuss your aspirations for your Yale education and your freshman year.

If you have any difficulty finding answers to a particular question, your adviser or residential college dean can guide you to the right source of information. Please be aware that you may need to address specific questions about courses and requirements to faculty affiliated with the relevant academic department or to your residential college dean. Before the end of course selection period, be sure to schedule one more meeting with your adviser to discuss any last-minute changes to your course selection and to secure his or her signature endorsing your fall-term program of study.

Finally, keep in mind that advisers are also available to meet throughout the term about any matter you wish to discuss, and the amount of contact you have with your adviser depends largely upon your interest and initiative. Your adviser may also contact you to offer tips or additional advising meetings, and you are urged to respond appropriately. We particularly encourage you to arrange a meeting with your adviser around midterm to discuss how your courses are going, and again toward the end of the term as you begin to think about the spring term.
Each academic department has a director of undergraduate studies (DUS) who can discuss with you the department’s offerings, course prerequisites, and requirements for the major. Contact information for each DUS is printed by department in chapter III of Yale College Programs of Study (YCPS). Large departments may also have departmental representatives affiliated with the residential colleges; the names of these representatives are listed in the YCPS.

A particularly important opportunity to learn about Yale’s academic programs and departments is the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1, from 2 to 3:30 P.M. in William L. Harkness Hall and Linsly-Chittenden Hall. Directors of undergraduate studies and faculty members from most academic programs and departments will be at the fair to offer guidance about courses, placement, and prerequisites for majors. It is an outstanding opportunity to gather information and advice from a broad range of sources, and you are strongly urged to attend.

As you consider course selection, be sure to read the Academic Information section of the Class of 2019 Web site, yalecollege.yale.edu/new-students/welcome-yale. This section summarizes Yale’s academic requirements and resources and provides guidance for putting together a schedule that suits your interests and abilities. Keep in mind the following points in particular.

During your first year, you must enroll for one course credit in two of the three required skills categories: writing (WR), quantitative reasoning (QR), and foreign language (L1–L5). While you are required to enroll in only two of these categories, it is in your best interest to begin fulfilling all three skills requirements during the freshman year, if you are able to do so. A full explanation of the distributional requirements is printed in the YCPS. Your residential college dean can answer any questions you may have.

The Credit/D/Fail option was established to encourage experimentation and to promote diversity in students’ programs of study. Complete information about this option is found in the YCPS. Some of the pertinent restrictions are:

- Up to four of the thirty-six credits required for the bachelor’s degree may be earned under the Credit/D/Fail option. No course credit earned on a Credit/D/Fail basis fulfills any distributional requirement for the bachelor’s degree.
• No more than two credits per term may be taken Credit/D/Fail; at least two credits per term must be taken for letter grades.

• You cannot earn acceleration credit by taking a designated advanced course during freshman year if you enroll in the course under the Credit/D/Fail option.

A summary of pertinent deadlines is available in the YCPS under “Yale College Calendar with Pertinent Deadlines,” catalog.yale.edu/ycps/calendar, including deadlines for submitting your course schedule, dropping a course, or changing a course from Credit/D/Fail to a letter grade. These deadlines are strictly enforced.

If you are interested in a major in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM), or if you wish to pursue a premedical program, you will need advice specially tailored to those areas. Detailed information on placement in STEM courses may be found in the Class of 2019 Web site under “Preparing for Health Care Professions,” yalecollege.yale.edu/new-students/class-2019/academic-information/preparing-health-care-professions. This page also contains pertinent advice. Further information for STEM and premedical students is provided at departmental meetings during the opening days; see the listings in the “Departmental Meetings” section.

Note especially that members of the Health Professions Advisory Board will hold a meeting for students on Tuesday, September 1, from 1 to 2 p.m. in Davies Auditorium, Becton Center, 15 Prospect Street.

The idea of a “shopping period,” during which you may consider alternative courses, may be new to you, but it is a useful way to look at classes you are interested in without having to sign up for them immediately. Take advantage of this time to explore Yale’s rich curriculum. Freshman “shopping period” extends from the first day of classes (Wednesday, September 2) to the day you submit your course schedule (Wednesday, September 16). Please be aware that classes conducted during the first two weeks of the term are regular, full-fledged classes in which readings and homework are assigned, so you should be prepared to keep up with assignments and participate fully in each class that you visit. We encourage you, therefore, to limit the number of different courses you plan to visit and to settle on a course schedule as quickly as possible.
Summary  Freshman advising is a year-round activity, although we give special attention to it at the beginning of each term. If at any time you are confused and do not know where to go for help, consult your freshman counselor, freshman adviser, or residential college dean. He or she should be able to answer your questions or guide you to the appropriate resources.
Schedule of Events
Attendance is mandatory at shaded events.

Friday, August 28

MORNING

8–5  AIR FORCE ROTC OPEN HOUSE. 55 Whitney Avenue, Suite 450.

8.30–4.30  STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES. Students and their families may make payments and obtain information about monthly account statements, financial aid, loans, and other billing and payment matters. First floor, 246 Church Street.

9  FRESHMAN RESIDENCES OPEN. Freshmen are expected to move into their rooms between 9 A.M. and 7 P.M. Those who cannot arrive by 7 P.M. should contact the office of their residential college dean for further instructions. Freshmen are not permitted to move into their dormitory rooms before August 28. Incoming students arriving before this date are responsible for making their own lodging arrangements off campus, unless they have registered for a preorientation program. A listing of local hotels is posted at www.infonewhaven.com.

9–4  PICK UP PREPAID LINEN PACKAGES from designated trucks parked on High Street. Prepaid refrigerators will be delivered to your room. There will be refrigerators for rent on High Street. Delivery service is available for a fee of $10.

9–4.30  STUDENT TECHNOLOGY COLLABORATIVE will assist students with configuring personal computers for Yale and answer computer-related questions. First floor, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

9.30–12  RESOURCE OFFICE ON DISABILITIES REGISTRATION for students with disabilities. Meetings with the associate director by appointment. Call 203-432-8174. Room 222, 35 Broadway (enter through rear of building).

10.30  WALKING TOURS of the central Yale campus for students and their families. Tours leave from the Yale Visitor Center, 149 Elm Street.

10.30–2  INFORMATION FAIR. Clinicians and staff from Yale Health and representatives from the Chaplain’s Office, Yale Security, and Yale Transportation Options will meet informally with families. Voter registration available. Light refreshments. Sponsored by Yale Health Student Wellness. Dwight Hall area of the Old Campus.

11–12.30  RECEPTION AND TOURS AT YALE HEALTH CENTER for students and their families. Moreson H. Kaplan Conference Center, Yale Health Center, 55 Lock Street.
11–2  **PHOTO BOOTH.** Strike a pose with family, friends, and suitemates as you create new memories. The photo booth experience is free and first come, first served. Photos will be made available online. Use #Yale2019 to share your photos with the Yale community. High Street gate area of the Old Campus.

11–2  **EXPRESS LUNCH** on the Old Campus. Sandwiches, snacks, and beverages may be purchased for $10.

**AFTERNOON**

12  **NROTC MEET AND GREET AND PARENTS’ BRIEF** at 55 Whitney Avenue, Suite 430.

12.30–4.30  **IMMUNIZATION FORM DROP-OFF.** Students who have not submitted their immunization forms may drop them off at the Yale Health Center, 4th floor, 55 Lock Street.

1  **JUMUAH (FRIDAY PRAYERS)** with the Muslim Students Association, followed by lunch. Battell Chapel, Old Campus.

1–2.15  **YALE CENTER FOR ENGINEERING INNOVATION AND DESIGN.** Open house for all new students. Yale CEID, Becton Center, room 107, 15 Prospect Street.

1–4.30  **COMPUTING@YALE SESSIONS** on the hour, each session lasting 30 minutes. Meet with Yale student techs (sts), learn about IT resources, and receive a USB key courtesy of the Student Technology Collaborative. Room 102, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

1–4.30  **RESOURCE OFFICE ON DISABILITIES REGISTRATION** for students with disabilities. Meetings with the associate director by appointment. Call 203-432-8174. Room 222, 35 Broadway (enter through rear of building).

1.15–1.30  **ROTC OATH OF OFFICE** administered to midshipmen, Woolsey Hall, corner of College and Grove streets.

2  **WALKING TOURS** of the central Yale campus for students and their families. Tours leave from the Yale Visitor Center, 149 Elm Street.
Friday, August 28

2.30–3.45  PANEL DISCUSSION FOR FAMILIES WITH JONATHAN HOLLOWAY, DEAN OF YALE COLLEGE. Discussion of undergraduate education and the residential colleges. Room 114, Sheffield-Sterling-Strathcona Hall, 1 Prospect Street.

4–5.30  MASTERS’ OPEN HOUSES. Families are invited to an informal open house at the master’s house in the residential college of their student.

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5.45  SHABBAT SERVICES followed by dinner at 7 p.m. This meal is complimentary for freshmen and their families. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

6–7.30  DINNER ON YOUR OWN. The Elm City offers a diverse and creative menu of options to satisfy any appetite and budget. Malaysian to French, modern American to Italian, and sushi to Spanish, New Haven is the city with something for everyone. Check out dining specials for students at www.infonewhaven.com/content/student-dining-discounts.

6–7.30  DINNER FOR FIRST GENERATION STUDENTS AND FAMILIES. First-generation students, parents, and families are invited to a panel presentation, followed by dinner and conversation at the Afro-American Cultural Center, 211 Park Street. Hosted by the Associate Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Student Engagement, Burgwell Howard.

8–9  FRESHMAN REGISTRATION MEETINGS. All freshmen are required to meet with their residential college dean in their college’s dining hall.

8–9  SAFETY ORIENTATION for families. A discussion about personal safety at Yale, with an opportunity to meet members of the Yale University Police Department and the Department of University Security Programs. Specific information will be presented about the student’s role in personal safety at Yale and in New Haven and about University programs and services designed to enhance security. Davies Auditorium, Becton Center, 15 Prospect Street.

9–10  FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS. Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.


10–2  GLOBAL GROUNDS COFFEE HOUSE features free coffee and snacks. Dwight Hall, Old Campus.
Saturday, August 29

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8–10 BREAKFAST in Branford, Calhoun, Timothy Dwight, and Saybrook Colleges for freshmen.

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8.30–2 STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES. Students and their families may make payments and obtain information about monthly account statements, financial aid, loans, and other billing and payment matters. First floor, 246 Church Street.

9 and 10.30 FRESHMAN ASSEMBLY in Woolsey Hall, corner of College and Grove Streets. Addresses by Peter Salovey, President of Yale University, and Jonathan Holloway, Dean of Yale College. Students and their guests are assigned to one of two seatings, depending on residential college affiliation. Students from the following colleges are scheduled to attend the 9 A.M. assembly: Berkeley, Davenport, Timothy Dwight, Morse, Pierson, and Silliman. Students from the following colleges are scheduled to attend the 10.30 A.M. assembly: Branford, Calhoun, Jonathan Edwards, Saybrook, Ezra Stiles, and Trumbull. All freshmen are required to attend and be in their seats on the main floor of Woolsey by 8.45 A.M. for the 9 A.M. assembly and by 10.15 A.M. for the 10.30 A.M. assembly. Proper attire should be worn. Family members and guests of students are invited to attend and take seats in the rear section of Woolsey, the parquet terraces, and the first balcony. Doors to Woolsey will open at 8 A.M. for the 9 A.M. assembly and 10 A.M. for the 10.30 A.M. assembly. This event will also be streamed live on the Yale YouTube channel.

9–4 PICK UP PREPAID LINEN PACKAGES from designated trucks parked on High Street. Prepaid refrigerators will be delivered to your room. There will be refrigerators for rent on High Street. Delivery service is available for a fee of $10.

11.30–1 PRESIDENT’S RECEPTION for freshmen and their families on Cross Campus. President Salovey and Dean Holloway will greet guests. Refreshments will be served. In the event of rain, the reception will be held in the Schwarzman Center, 168 Grove Street, and the president and dean
will greet guests in the Presidents’ Room. Although all are welcome at 11.30 A.M., we suggest that students and families attending the 9 A.M. Freshman Assembly (Berkeley, Davenport, Timothy Dwight, Morse, Pierson, and Silliman Colleges) join the President’s Reception at 12.15 P.M., to avoid long lines.

AFTERNOON

12.30–2 PHOTO BOOTH. Strike a pose with family, friends, and suitemates as you create new memories. The photo booth experience is free and first come, first served. Photos will be made available online. Use #Yale2019 to share your photos with the Yale community. Cross Campus.

12.30–4 STUDENT TECHNOLOGY COLLABORATIVE will assist students with configuring personal computers for Yale and answer computer-related questions. First floor, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

1–2 TOUR OF STERLING AND BASS LIBRARIES FOR FAMILIES. An introduction to the libraries’ history, architecture, and collections. The tour will begin inside the main entrance to Sterling Memorial Library on Rose Walk, facing Cross Campus. Tours for freshmen will begin in mid-September. A schedule will be posted at web.library.yale.edu/people/personal-librarian/library-tours.

1–2.30 COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH for freshmen and their families in all of the residential colleges.

1–3 RESOURCE OFFICE ON DISABILITIES REGISTRATION for students with disabilities. Meetings with the associate director by appointment. Call 203-432-8174. Room 222, 35 Broadway (enter through rear of building).

1–4.30 COMPUTING@YALE SESSIONS on the hour, each session lasting 30 minutes. Meet with Yale student techs (STS), learn about IT resources, and receive a USB key courtesy of the Student Technology Collaborative. Room 102, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

1.30–2.45 WALKING TOURS of the central Yale campus for students and their families. Tours leave from the Yale Visitor Center, 149 Elm Street.
2 and 3.15 **FINANCIAL AID AND STUDENT EMPLOYMENT MEETING.** Representatives from Financial Aid and Student Employment will present information about financial aid and job opportunities for students. Students and families are encouraged to attend. Battell Chapel, corner of College and Elm Streets.

2–5 **SUGGESTED DEPARTURE TIME FOR PARENTS.** Subsequent orientation programs are designed for students.

2–5.30 **STUDENT SAFETY MEETING.** Required for all freshmen. Room 114, Sheffield-Sterling-Strathcona Hall, 1 Prospect Street.

2–3  Freshmen from Timothy Dwight, Jonathan Edwards, Morse, and Ezra Stiles Colleges

3.15–4.15  Freshmen from Davenport, Saybrook, Silliman, and Trumbull Colleges

4.30–5.30  Freshmen from Berkeley, Branford, Calhoun, and Pierson Colleges

**EVENING**

5.30–7 **PICNIC SUPPERS FOR FRESHMEN** in the residential colleges, with an introduction to each college, its resources, and its facilities.

7–10 **NAVIGATING YOUR FIRST DAYS FOLLOWED BY FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS.** Freshmen are required to attend a discussion with their residential college dean about balancing the opportunities and risks of college life. This meeting will be followed immediately by the freshman counselor meetings. Locations to be announced.

10–12 **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.** An up-to-date listing of events is available at [https://event.crowdcompass.com/ycfo2015](https://event.crowdcompass.com/ycfo2015). Download the Yale College Freshman Orientation mobile app at [https://events.crowdcompass.com/yaleevents](https://events.crowdcompass.com/yaleevents). Arts-related events are available at [artscalendar.yale.edu](http://artscalendar.yale.edu).

10–2 **GLOBAL GROUNDS COFFEE HOUSE.** Dwight Hall, Old Campus.

**Sunday, August 30**

**MORNING**

9–12 **CHINESE, JAPANESE, AND KOREAN** oral placement examinations. See [eall.yale.edu/academics/language-programs](http://eall.yale.edu/academics/language-programs) for locations and specific times. Students taking the Chinese, Japanese, or Korean examination must have completed the online component, at the same URL, before taking this examination.
Sunday, August 30

9.30–11.45 **HEBREW** placement examination. The Hebrew placement exam will be held from 9.30 to 11.45 A.M. at the Center for Language Study, 370 Temple Street.

10 **ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS** followed by a reception. St. Thomas More Chapel and Catholic Center, 268 Park Street.

10–12 **PORTUGUESE** placement examination. Room 202, William L. Harkness Hall, 100 Wall Street.

10.30 **UNIVERSITY CHURCH IN YALE, CHRISTIAN SERVICE.** Students of all denominations and traditions are welcome at this ecumenical service followed by lunch. Battell Chapel, corner of College and Elm Streets.

11–1.30 **BRUNCH** in Branford, Calhoun, Timothy Dwight, and Saybrook Colleges for all freshmen.

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**AFTERNOON**

12–3 **CULTURAL EXPLORATION.** Come learn about the cultural and student life resource centers of Yale University. Yale is home to four distinct cultural centers and three student resource centers dedicated to enriching the lives of the Yale student body and community. The centers are dedicated to exploring diverse aspects of society and provide student support in the following areas: the African diaspora and international inclusion, religious life, LGBTQ resources, Native and indigenous cultures and Latino life and culture, and Asian and Asian American culture. Each of the open houses will allow you the opportunity to meet and speak to center directors and peer liaisons while learning about the array of resources available at each center. The open houses will be informative, but fun. During the open house, you will experience drumming and cultural dancing and partake of unique and familiar food items.

12–1.30 Office of LGBTQ Resources, Office of International Students & Scholars, and the Chaplain’s Office. Dwight Hall Common Room, Old Campus

1.30–3 Afro-American Cultural Center, Asian American Cultural Center, La Casa Cultural Center, and the Native American Cultural Center. 295–301 Crown Street and 26 High Street
Sunday–Monday, August 30–31

3–8.45  **HEALTH AND SEXUALITY WORKSHOPS.** These peer-led sessions encourage students to make mindful choices in accordance with their own personal values, offering practical strategies for self-care, mutual respect, and clear communication. Required for all freshmen.

3–4  Freshmen in Berkeley, Branford, and Silliman Colleges
4.30–5.30  Freshmen in Davenport, Timothy Dwight, and Jonathan Edwards Colleges
6.15–7.15  Freshmen in Pierson, Ezra Stiles, and Trumbull Colleges
7.45–8.45  Freshmen in Calhoun, Morse, and Saybrook Colleges

**EVENING**

5–7  **DINNER** in Branford, Calhoun, Timothy Dwight, and Saybrook Colleges for all freshmen.

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5 & 10  **ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS** followed by a reception. St. Thomas More Chapel and Catholic Center, 268 Park Street.

9–10  **FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS.** Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.

10–12  **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.** An up-to-date listing of events is available at [https://event.crowdcompass.com/yco2015](https://event.crowdcompass.com/yco2015). Download the Yale College Freshman Orientation mobile app at [https://events.crowdcompass.com/yaleevents](https://events.crowdcompass.com/yaleevents). Arts-related events are available at [artscalendar.yale.edu](http://artscalendar.yale.edu).

**Monday, August 31**

**MORNING**

8–10  **BREAKFAST IN THE SCHWARZMAN CENTER** for freshmen. 168 Grove Street.

8.30–4.30  **MATHEMATICS.** Advisers from the department will be available to speak with students who have questions about their results from the online placement examination, which can be found at [math.yale.edu/undergrad/placement-exam](http://math.yale.edu/undergrad/placement-exam). All students planning to enroll in one of the introductory calculus courses (single- or multi-variable calculus) are required to take this examination, which will provide an automated placement into MATH 112, 115, or 120. Students who have questions about their results
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should come to this advising session. Room 432, Dunham Laboratory, 10 Hillhouse Avenue.

8.30–4.30 STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES. Students may make payments and obtain information about monthly account statements, financial aid, loans, and other billing and payment matters. First floor, 246 Church Street.

9–10.15 CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS. Orientation meeting for freshmen who plan to take chemistry or physics. Room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, 225 Prospect Street.

9–12 ENGLISH. Drop-in hours for consultation with departmental placement officers about placement in English courses. Additional placement consultation will be available during the Academic Fair. Room 101, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

9–7.30 ONLINE PREREGISTRATION for freshman seminars, econ 110, and introductory and intermediate courses in English, French, Italian, mathematics, and Spanish. Registration procedures and additional information can be found at yalecollege.yale.edu/new-students/class-2019/academic-information/special-programs-placement-and-preregistration.

10–12 ARABIC oral placement examination. The interview portion of the Arabic online placement exam will be held in HGS B64, 320 York Street.

10–4 AIR FORCE AND NAVY ROTC OPEN HOUSE. 55 Whitney Avenue, Suite 450.

10.30–12 CHEMISTRY. Placement examination for students who wish to change their placement, who plan to elect organic or physical chemistry, or who simply wish to confirm they have the background appropriate for the course of their choice. Students should bring a nonprogrammable, non-graphing calculator and several #2 pencils with them to the examination. Room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, 225 Prospect Street.


11–2.30 LUNCH IN THE SCHWARZMAN CENTER for freshmen. 168 Grove Street.

AFTERNOON

1–2 DIRECTED STUDIES meet-and-greet session hosted by the Directed Studies ambassadors, former students who are happy to speak about their experiences in DS. Director of undergraduate studies Kathryn Slanski
will also be there. Room 108, Whitney Humanities Center, 53 Wall Street.

1–2 **SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCE ADVISING MEETINGS.** Directors of undergraduate studies for the majors in biomedical engineering, computer science, chemical engineering, electrical engineering, environmental engineering, and mechanical engineering and materials science will be available to speak with any students who have questions. Consult seas.yale.edu/undergraduate-study/freshmanadvising for locations.

2–2.45 **MEETINGS WITH FRESHMAN ADVISERS** in the residential colleges. Freshmen are required to attend.

3–4.30 **MUSIC THEORY.** Placement examination for MUSI 205, 210, and 211. Room 119, William L. Harkness Hall, 100 Wall Street.

**EVENING**

5–7 **DINNER** in Branford, Calhoun, Timothy Dwight, and Saybrook Colleges.

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6.30–7.30 **YALE UNIVERSITY BANDS.** Introductory meeting and information session about audition sign-ups for the Yale Concert Band and Yale Precision Marching Band. Woolsey Hall, College and Grove Streets. (Auditions for the Yale Concert Band will be held Tuesday through Friday, September 1 through September 4, at 143 Elm Street, Room 104.) Information at bands.yalecollege.yale.edu.

8–10 **MEETINGS WITH RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE DEANS FOLLOWED BY FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS** in the residential colleges. Freshmen are required to attend.

10–11 **YALE CENTER FOR ENGINEERING INNOVATION AND DESIGN BIRTHDAY PARTY.** Yale CEID, Becton Center, room 107, 15 Prospect Street.

Tuesday, September 1

MORNING

7.30–10  BREAKFAST IN THE SCHWARZMAN CENTER for freshmen. 168 Grove Street.

9–10.30  CHEMISTRY makeup orientation and placement examination. Room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, 225 Prospect Street.

9–11   MUSIC THEORY. Makeup placement examination for MUSI 205, 210, and 211. Room 119, William L. Harkness Hall, 100 Wall Street.

9–12   AIR FORCE AND NAVY ROTC OPEN HOUSE. 55 Whitney Avenue, Suite 450.

10.30–1.30  ART. The director of undergraduate studies and members of the faculty will answer questions about course selection and other matters pertaining to the Art department. Students wishing to elect Art courses are advised to go to the first class meeting. Holcombe T. Green Hall, 1156 Chapel Street.

11–12  DIRECTED STUDIES. Introductory meeting for students admitted to the program, students on the wait list, and any students who did not apply to Directed Studies but are interested in the program. Faculty will be introduced and admitted students will receive their seminar schedules. Interested students may add their names to the wait list. The director of undergraduate studies, Kathryn Slanski, will be available for consultation. Auditorium, Whitney Humanities Center, 53 Wall Street. Light refreshments will be served in room 108 at 10.30 A.M.

11–12 SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCE DEAN’S WELCOME. An address for students interested in engineering and computer science will be given in SSS 114, 1 Prospect Street. The engineering and computer science departments will also participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

11.30–1  LUNCH in the residential colleges for all students (meal plan begins).

AFTERNOON

12–1  THEATER STUDIES RECEPTION. All students interested in Theater Studies are invited to attend an inaugural meeting and reception in the Theater Studies Ballroom, 220 York Street, room 101. Students will have an opportunity to meet Theater Studies faculty and students, receive information about course offerings, and hear about this year’s exciting production season as well as other upcoming Theater Studies events.
Refreshments will be served. The Theater Studies program will also participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

1–2 PREMEDICAL ADVISING PANEL. Discussion with members of the Health Professions Advisory Board for students considering careers in the health professions (including medicine, dentistry, and veterinary medicine). Davies Auditorium, Becton Center, 15 Prospect Street.

2–2.15 SPANISH information session at the Academic Fair for students planning to begin or continue study of Spanish. Room 102, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

2–3.30 ACADEMIC FAIR. Representatives from academic departments and programs in Yale College will hold information sessions, orientation meetings, and consultations with freshmen. A complete list of participating departments and meeting locations will be available at the main entrances of the buildings. William L. Harkness Hall, 100 Wall Street, and Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus. See map on page 34.

2–3.30 LATIN. Preregistration at the Academic Fair for LATN 110. Room 203, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, Old Campus.

4.30–5.15 KEYNOTE ADDRESS: “WRITING A LIFE” by Beverly Frances Gage, Professor of History. Woolsey Hall, corner of College and Grove Streets. All freshmen are required to attend and be in their seats on the main floor of Woolsey by 4.15 p.m. Proper attire should be worn.

EVENING

6–8 DINNER for the Class of 2019 in the residential colleges.

9–10 FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS. Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.

Wednesday, September 2

MORNING

8.20 CLASSES BEGIN.

AFTERNOON

4–5 YALE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA information session. Woolsey Hall, corner of College and Grove Streets.
**Wednesday–Friday, September 2–4**

**EVENING**

**5.30–6.30**  
**YALE GLEE CLUB.** Organizational meeting for Yale's principal undergraduate mixed chorus and oldest musical organization. Faculty Room, Connecticut Hall, Old Campus, second floor. Auditions will be held from Thursday, September 3, to Sunday, September 6. More information regarding auditions and audition sign up can be found at yalegleeclub.org. Call 203-432-4136 or e-mail sean.maher@yale.edu for information.

**9–10**  
**FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS.** Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.

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**Thursday, September 3**

**EVENING**

**6.45–8**  
**ASTRONOMY KICK-OFF MEETING AND MOVIE NIGHT.** Leitner Family Observatory and Planetarium, 335 Prospect Street, on the Yale Blue Shuttle line.

**9–10**  
**FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS.** Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.

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**Friday, September 4**

**AFTERNOON**

**1**  
**JUMUAH (FRIDAY PRAYERS) with the Muslim Students Association,** followed by lunch. Dwight Hall Chapel, Old Campus.

**EVENING**

**5.45**  
**SHABBAT SERVICES (REFORM, EGGALITARIAN, AND ORTHODOX)** followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

**8.30–10**  
**MOSAIC,** a community experience that celebrates some of the many identities and perspectives that are represented and valued on our campus, followed by required freshman counselor meetings. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.

**10–12**  
**SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.** An up-to-date listing of events is available at https://event.crowdcompass.com/ycfo2015. Download the Yale College Freshman Orientation mobile app at https://events.crowdcompass.com/yaleevents. Arts-related events are available at arts雅lecalendar.yale.edu.

**10–2**  
**GLOBAL GROUNDS COFFEE HOUSE.** Dwight Hall, Old Campus.
Saturday, September 5

MORNING

9.15  ORTHODOX SHABBAT SERVICES. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

9.30  EGALITARIAN SHABBAT SERVICES. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

10.30–4.30  UNDERSTANDING SEXUAL ASSAULT: THE MYTH OF MISCOMMUNICATION. Miscommunication does not cause sexual assault, but this myth persists—even rape can be erroneously excused as “just a misunderstanding.” This peer-led workshop explores our basic human competence at recognizing refusal or encouragement, looking closely at pressure tactics and their role in sexual assault. Students discuss ways to build a culture of respect and recognition, exploring diverse possibilities for romantic and sexual connections that are free of manipulation and pressure. This session is required for all freshmen.

10.30–12  Your freshman counselor will notify you of the time and location for your group.

1–2.30

3–4.30

AFTERNOON

12.30  SHABBAT LUNCH. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

EVENING

5.30  DINNER AND FACE PAINTING with your freshman counselors in your residential college dining hall.

7–9  YALE UP! Don your Yale gear, and come learn some of Yale’s oldest (and newest) traditions. There will be songs and prizes for all. Woolsey Hall, corner of Grove and Prospect Streets.

9–10  FRESHMAN COUNSELOR STUDY BREAK. Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the study break location.


10–2  GLOBAL GROUNDS COFFEE HOUSE. Dwight Hall, Old Campus.
Sunday, September 6

MORNING

9–12  **FITNESS CLASSES.** Meet with certified instructors from Payne Whitney Gymnasium and try a variety of fitness classes from Boot Camp, Cardio, and Pilates to Zumba. Payne Whitney Gymnasium, fifth floor, 70 Tower Parkway.

10  **ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS** followed by a reception. St. Thomas More Chapel and Catholic Center, 268 Park Street.

10.30  **UNIVERSITY CHURCH IN YALE, CHRISTIAN WORSHIP.** Battell Chapel, corner of Elm and College Streets.

AFTERNOON

12–3  **BAZAAR OF UNDERGRADUATE ORGANIZATIONS AND PAYNE WHITNEY GYMNASIUM OPEN HOUSE.** Representatives of undergraduate organizations will introduce freshmen to student-run activities. The Payne Whitney Gymnasium open house will provide information about intramural and club sports, physical education classes, tickets for varsity events, and Dawg Pound membership, and the Ace Israel Fitness Center will be open for personal workouts. Brochures for self-guided tours will be distributed. Payne Whitney Gymnasium, 70 Tower Parkway.

3–8.45  **UNDERSTANDING SEXUAL ASSAULT: THE MYTH OF MISCOMMUNICATION.** Miscommunication does not cause sexual assault, but this myth persists— even rape can be erroneously excused as “just a misunderstanding.” This peer-led workshop explores our basic human competence at recognizing refusal or encouragement, looking closely at pressure tactics and their role in sexual assault. Students discuss ways to build a culture of respect and recognition, exploring diverse possibilities for romantic and sexual connections that are free of manipulation and pressure. This session is required for all freshmen.

3–4.30  Your freshman counselor will notify you of the time and location for your group.

5–6.30

7.15–8.45

EVENING

5 & 10  **ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS** followed by a reception. St. Thomas More Chapel and Catholic Center, 268 Park Street.
9–10 **FRESHMAN COUNSELOR MEETINGS.** Freshmen are required to meet with their freshman counselor. You will be notified by your freshman counselor of the meeting location.

**Monday, September 7**

*Note: September 7 is Labor Day. Most University offices will be closed. Classes do not meet.*

**MORNING**

8.15 **38TH ANNUAL FAXON LAW NEW HAVEN ROAD RACE.** USA 20K national championship and 5K race. Over 7,000 racers will be on the starting line near the New Haven Green. Post-race party with live music on the New Haven Green, 9–11.30 a.m. For more information and an entry form, go to www.newhavenroadrace.org.

**EVENING**

10–12 **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES.** Go to artscalendar.yale.edu and https://events.crowdcompass.com/yaleevents and download The Yale College Freshman Orientation app at https://event.crowdcompass.com/yco2015 for a list of social activities on campus.

**Friday, September 11**

**AFTERNOON**

1 **JUMUAH (FRIDAY PRAYERS)** with the Muslim Students Association, followed by lunch. Dwight Hall Chapel, Old Campus.

5.45 **SHABBAT SERVICES** (Reform, Egalitarian, and Orthodox) followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

**EVENING**

7–8.30 **ART MUSEUM RECEPTION** at the Yale University Art Gallery, 1111 Chapel Street. Yale’s world-class art museum welcomes freshmen with student-guided tours and refreshments. Freshman counselors will lead freshmen from their respective colleges; participation is strongly recommended.


10–2 **GLOBAL GROUNDS COFFEE HOUSE.** Dwight Hall, Old Campus.
Saturday, September 12

MORNING

9.15  ORTHODOX SHABBAT SERVICES. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

9.30  EGALITARIAN SHABBAT SERVICES. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

10–2  FRESHMAN DAY OF SERVICE. Participate in community service projects alongside fellow Yalies at various New Haven nonprofits. Hosted by Dwight Hall, Old Campus. Breakfast and lunch provided with advance registration. Register at dwighthall.org or email isc@dwighthall.org for more info.

AFTERNOON

12.30  SHABBAT LUNCH. Slifka Center, 80 Wall Street.

3–5  DISCOVER NEW HAVEN: FRESHMAN CHALLENGE. By now you probably know where to check out a book on campus, but do you know where the best cookies are sold? Come learn what you really need to know for the next four years as you experience and explore New Haven. Using a smartphone app, search for clues around downtown that will help you learn all about the city. Teams will be arranged by residential college. Prizes will be awarded. Hosted by the Yale Office of New Haven and State Affairs. Free T-shirts for all participants who register. Smart phones are not required. Register at onhsa.yale.edu/register.

EVENING


10–2  GLOBAL GROUNDS COFFEE HOUSE. Dwight Hall, Old Campus.
Departmental Meetings and Placement Information
Listed below are departments and programs that require a placement test, pre-registration for a specific section of a large course, or consultation with a placement officer. Additional information can be found in Yale College Programs of Study and in the “Programs of Study” section of the Class of 2019 Web site. If you have specific questions, you may direct them to your residential college dean or freshman counselor during freshman orientation. In addition, directors of undergraduate studies, departmental advisers, and departmental representatives will be available at the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1, from 2 to 3:30 P.M.

African Languages Call 203-432-0110 for times and locations of placement examinations in African languages.

Art On Tuesday, September 1, from 10.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., in Holcombe T. Green Hall, 1156 Chapel Street, the director of undergraduate studies and members of the Art faculty will be present to speak to students about course selection and other matters pertaining to the Art department. Students wishing to elect Art courses are advised to go to the first class meeting. The Art department will also participate in the Academic Fair on the same date.

Astronomy On Thursday, September 3, from 6.45 to 8 p.m., the Astronomy department is hosting a kick-off meeting for undergraduates interested in astronomy and astrophysics. The program will include an update on the Astrophysics major, undergraduate summer research presentations, and a sci-fi movie. Leitner Family Observatory and Planetarium (335 Prospect Street, on the Yale Blue Shuttle line). Desserts and snacks will be served.

Biological Sciences and Biomedical Engineering Prospective majors in the biological sciences and other students who would like a thorough introduction to biology should take the introductory sequence BIOL 101–104, which provides a solid foundation in modern biological science. These courses are prerequisite to all majors in the biological sciences and to the major in Biomedical Engineering. Students with advanced preparation from high school may be eligible to place out of one or more of these modules only if they have received a score of 5 on the AP Biology exam (or its equivalent on other national standardized exams), and if they demonstrate adequate proficiency on the biological sciences placement examination. Information about the administration of this exam is posted at yalecollege.yale.edu/biology-1. All affiliated departments will participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.
On Monday, August 31, from 9 to 10.15 a.m. in room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, the director of undergraduate studies will be on hand to introduce the various lecture and lab courses and to describe the placement process. This meeting is open to all, but will be of particular interest to prospective science and engineering majors.

The placement of entering students in general chemistry is determined primarily on the basis of admissions and preregistration data. Initial placement information will be available in late August on the Chem Placement 2015 site at classesv2@yale.edu.

Entrance to more advanced courses is determined through the use of a departmental placement examination. All freshmen requesting to raise their placement level in general chemistry courses or wishing to enroll in organic or physical chemistry must take a departmental placement examination at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, August 31, in room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory. Students with unavoidable schedule conflicts may attend a makeup registration and examination at 9 a.m. in room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, on Tuesday, September 1. Ninety minutes should be set aside for the examination. Students should bring a nonprogrammable, nongraphing calculator and several #2 pencils with them to the examination. Revised placement information will be available through links on the Chem Placement 2015 site at classesv2@yale.edu late in the day on Tuesday, September 1, allowing students to check their placement prior to attending the first regularly scheduled class meeting.

Students who believe they have been incorrectly placed may consult a Chemistry placement adviser. Advisers will be present in room 1, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, from 1 to 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday, August 31 through September 4. The Chemistry department will also participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

Information about registration for laboratory sections is provided for each laboratory course in Online Course Information (OCI).

There are no placement examinations in Greek or Latin. Students seeking advice about the course appropriate for them should consult with the director of undergraduate studies, Professor Pauline LeVen (pauline.leven@yale.edu). Registration is required for LATN 110 and will be held during the Academic Fair in Linsly-Chittenden Hall on Tuesday, September 1, 2–3.30 p.m. Professors from the Classics department will be on hand at the Academic Fair to discuss the full range of Greek and Latin language and literature courses.
All freshmen interested in taking courses in Classical Civilization (including ancient Greek and Roman art and archaeology, ancient Greek, Roman, and comparative Mediterranean history, and Greek and Roman philosophy) are warmly invited to attend the Academic Fair, Tuesday, September 1, to discuss course selection with faculty members.

**Directed Studies**

On Monday, August 31, from 1 to 2 p.m., there will be an informal meet-and-greet session hosted by the Directed Studies Ambassadors, former students who are happy to speak about their experiences in DS. The director of undergraduate studies, Kathryn Slanski, will also be there.

On Tuesday, September 1, from 11 a.m. to noon, there will be a meeting for admitted students and Directed Studies faculty in the Whitney Humanities Center Auditorium. Seminar schedules will be distributed and the director of undergraduate studies will be available for consultation. Students on the wait list and students interested in the program and registering for the wait list should attend this meeting.

**East Asian Languages**

Students who have studied Chinese, Japanese, or Korean before and who wish to continue their studies at Yale are required to complete placement examinations to determine proper placement. The first part of this exam should be completed online between July 1 and August 15, through links available at eall.yale.edu/academics/language-programs. Fifteen-minute oral interviews will be conducted on campus on Sunday, August 30, from 9 a.m. to noon.

**Economics**

All incoming freshmen receive a customized recommendation in early August about the best starting point for the study of economics at Yale. This recommendation is based on AP scores for economics and calculus, as well as IB and GCE scores.

In general, students who receive a 5 on the Microeconomics or Macroeconomics AP exam and a 5 on the Calculus BC exam are allowed to place out of the corresponding introductory course and instead enroll in intermediate-level courses (ECON 121 or 125 for microeconomics, ECON 122 or 126 for macroeconomics). Freshmen who have the requisite economics AP score but not the AP calculus score may take calculus (e.g., MATH 115, 118, or 120) and then place out of the corresponding introductory economics class. Students may substitute a score of 7 on the International Baccalaureate higher-level economics examination or A on the GCE A-level economics examination for AP test scores in economics. In addition, a score of 7 on the International Baccalaureate higher-level...
mathematics examination or A on the GCE A-level mathematics examination may be substituted for the AP calculus score.

All other students must take the introductory courses. There is no placement examination.

ECON 108, 110, and 111 are limited-enrollment alternatives to ECON 115 and 116, and preregistration is required. View preregistration information at economics.yale.edu/undergraduate-program.

More details about the process are on the department of Economics Web site: economics.yale.edu/undergraduate/freshmen-placement.

The Economics department will participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

An address for students interested in engineering and computer science will be given in SSS 114, 1 Prospect Street, on Tuesday, September 1, from 11 a.m. to noon. The engineering and computer science departments will also participate in the Academic Fair on the same date.

All students who wish to enroll in an introductory English course must preregister on line on Monday, August 31, between 9 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Details about the preregistration process will be available at yalecollege.yale.edu/new-students/class-2019/academic-information/special-programs-placement-and-preregistration. Information about placement and courses available to freshmen can be found under English in the “Programs of Study” section of the Class of 2019 Web site.

A departmental representative will be present on Monday, August 31, between 9 a.m. and noon in room 101, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, to answer questions about selection of English courses. The English department will also participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

The French placement examination will be administered on line from July 1 through August 15. Information about the examination is posted on the French department Web site at french.yale.edu/academics/placement-and-registration. Please note that all students who have ever studied French before, whether formally or informally, and who wish to enroll in a French course, must take the placement examination. Students who demonstrate advanced proficiency through high scores on a standardized examination (e.g., AP or IB) are eligible to enroll directly in L5 French courses, but they should still take the placement examination to determine which L5 course they should take (FREN 150, 160, 170, or higher). Consult the departmental Web site for additional information.
The departmental Web site will also provide information on how to pre-
register for a section of FREN 110, 121, 130, or 140. Online preregistration
will take place on Monday, August 31, from 9 A.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Students who have not studied French before will automatically be
placed into FREN 110. Students who have questions about their place-
ment should speak with advisers from the French department during the
Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

**German**

Students who have previously studied German formally or informally are
required to take the German placement exam. This exam will help deter-
mine which German class best fits each student’s background. Placement
can be adjusted at the beginning of the semester if the student or the
instructor feels that it is inopportune. The German placement examina-
tion will be administered on line from July 1 through August 15. Students
will find the link to the German placement exam on the departmental
Web site, german.yale.edu, under News, or at german.yale.edu/academics/
undergraduate-program/language-program/placement-test. Once the place-
ment test has been completed, students may preregister for German
courses. Information about the preregistration process is listed on the
departmental Web site. Students who have demonstrated advanced pro-
ficiency by a score of 5 on the AP German exam are eligible to enroll
directly in L5 German courses. Students who are beginners with no
prior knowledge of German do not need to take the placement exam
but may preregister for any German L1 class. The German department
will also participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1. See
german.yale.edu for updates and more information.

**Italian**

The Italian placement examination will be administered on line from
July 1 through August 15. Information about the examination is posted on
the Italian department Web site at http://italian.yale.edu/undergraduate/
placement-testing.

Please note that all students who have ever studied Italian before,
whether formally or informally, and who wish to enroll in an Italian
course must take the placement examination. In addition, you will be
required to take an oral test. You will be contacted directly by the lan-
guage program director to set up a time to meet.

Students who demonstrate advanced proficiency through high scores on
a standardized examination (e.g., AP or IB) are eligible to enroll directly
in L5 Italian courses, but they should still take the placement examina-
tion to determine which L5 course they should take (ITAL 150, 160, 170,
The departmental Web site will also provide information on how to preregister for a section of ITAL 110, 120, 130, 140, or 150. Online preregistration will take place on Monday, August 31, from 9 A.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Students who have not studied Italian before will be placed automatically into ITAL 110. Students who have questions about their placement should speak with advisers from the Italian department during the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

**Mathematics**

All students planning to enroll in one of the introductory calculus courses (MATH 112, 115, or 120) are required to take an online placement examination, which can be found at math.yale.edu/undergrad/placement-exam. After completing the examination, students will immediately receive an automated placement into MATH 112, 115, or 120. Students who have questions about their results should come to the Math Placement Advising Session on Monday, August 31, from 8.30 A.M. to 4.30 P.M. in room 432, Dunham Laboratory, 10 Hillhouse Avenue. Online preregistration for sections of MATH 112, 115, or 120 will take place on Monday, August 31, from 9 A.M. to 7:30 P.M. The Mathematics department will participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

**Music**

Students seeking admission to MUSI 205, 210, or 211 must take a placement examination on Monday, August 31, at 3 P.M. A makeup examination will be administered on Tuesday, September 1, at 9 A.M. Both examinations will be held in room 119, William L. Harkness Hall, 100 Wall Street. The Music department will participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

Students interested in taking individual vocal or instrumental instruction, either for credit in MUSI 360 or for a fee, must sign up online for an audition at music.yale.edu/study/music-lessons. Information on auditions is available on the same site. Please note that no auditions are held in January.

Some music courses are open by audition only. Students who wish to enroll in music performance courses should sign up for auditions at the department of Music, 469 College Street. For more information on auditions, see yale.edu/oci for each of the courses listed below:

MUSI 220 and 221, The Performance of Chamber Music  
MUSI 222, The Performance of Vocal Music  
MUSI 223, The Performance of Early Music  
MUSI 224 and 229, The Performance of Musical Theater I and II
The Arabic placement exam will be available on line from July 1 to August 15. The interview portion of the Arabic placement exam will be held from 10 A.M. to noon on Monday, August 31, in HGS B64, 320 York Street. The Hebrew placement exam will be held from 9.30 to 11.45 A.M. on Sunday, August 30, at the Center for Language Study, Room 420, 370 Temple Street.

Entering freshmen who have some knowledge of Persian or Turkish should contact Farkhondeh Shayesteh at farkhondeh.shayesteh@yale.edu (Persian) or Etem Erol at etem.erol@yale.edu (Turkish) to arrange to take a placement examination.

Students with questions may go to the NELC office in room 314, Hall of Graduate Studies, or call 203-432-2944 for assistance.

On Monday, August 31, from 9 to 10.15 A.M. in room 110, Sterling Chemistry Laboratory, the director of undergraduate studies will be on hand to introduce the various lecture and lab courses in physics and to describe the placement process. This meeting is open to all, but will be of particular interest to prospective science and engineering majors.

The Physics department will also participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

No preregistration is required for Portuguese courses, although students with any previous knowledge of Portuguese should take the Portuguese placement test, available on Sunday, August 30, from 10 A.M. to noon, before enrolling in a course. Please check the Spanish and Portuguese department Web site, span-port.yale.edu, for information about the placement test. An information session will be held at the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1, for students who intend to begin or continue their study of Portuguese.

Students who have previously studied Russian formally or informally are required to take the Russian placement exam. This exam will help determine which Russian course best fits each student’s background. The Russian placement exam will be administered on line from July 1 through August 15. Students will find the link to the Russian online placement exam on the Slavic department Web site, slavic.yale.edu. Contact the language coordinator, Irina Dolgova, for information about placement and preregistration. She may be reached via e-mail at irina.dolgova@yale.edu or by telephone at 203-432-1307. Entering freshmen who have some knowledge of Czech or Polish should contact Krystyna Illakowicz at krystyna.illakowicz@yale.edu (Polish) or Karen
Southeast Asian Languages

Vietnamese and Indonesian placement examinations will take place by appointment in room 311, Luce Hall, during the week of August 31. For Vietnamese, call 203-432-5097 or e-mail quang.van@yale.edu; for Indonesian, call 203-436-4192 or e-mail indriyo.sukmono@yale.edu. For additional information, e-mail seas@yale.edu after August 1. Southeast Asia Studies will participate in the Academic Fair on Tuesday, September 1.

Spanish

The Spanish placement examination will be administered online from July 1 through August 15. Information about the examination is posted on the Spanish and Portuguese department website at span-port.yale.edu.

Please note that all students, including native speakers, who have ever studied Spanish, whether formally or informally, and who wish to enroll in a Spanish course, must take the placement examination. Students who demonstrate advanced proficiency through high scores on a standardized examination (e.g., AP or IB) may be eligible to enroll directly in L5 Spanish courses. Consult the departmental Web site for additional information.

The departmental Web site will also provide information on how to preregister for a section of a Spanish language course in levels L1 to L4 (SPAN 110, 120, 130, or 140). Online preregistration will take place on Monday, August 31, from 9 A.M. to 7:30 P.M.

A brief information session will be held on Tuesday, September 1, from 2 to 2:15 P.M. in room 102, Linsly-Chittenden Hall, for students who intend to begin or continue their study of Spanish.
Academic Fair
Tuesday, September 1
2–3:30 p.m.

Location of William L. Harkness Hall (WLH) and Linsley-Chittenden Hall (LC)