If you ended up at Harvard, chances are your undergraduate experience consisted of cooking ramen in an electric kettle so you didn’t have to waste time going to the dining hall. In the worst case scenario, you got scurvy, gained enough weight to no longer be recognizable to your loved ones, and missed out on every major cultural moment from the series finale of *The Hills* to the untimely death of MJ. In the best case scenario, you read your textbooks on the treadmill and occasionally ventured to the Chipotle across the street from campus. Surely there must be a third way. Here’s a guide for how to survive, and even thrive in, the next half-decade or so of your Harvard life.

*The Extracurricular Guide to Grad School*

By Lusia Zaitseva • Photos by Lulu Liu

For more GSAS facts, see page 2.
Established in 1872, GSAS is the ONLY school at Harvard that grants the PhD.

GSAS offers the PhD and a select number of terminal master’s degrees in 55 programs, departments, and divisions.

16 of those PhD programs are INTERFACULTY, which is Harvard-speak for “jointly run by GSAS and another Harvard graduate school.”

Together with Harvard College, GSAS is part of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. HARVARD’S LARGEST DIVISION.

GSAS received nearly 13,000 APPLICATIONS last year. If you’re reading this, you’re talented, motivated, and intellectually curious—some of the qualities that make GSAS great.

At Harvard, GSAS has the largest population of INTERATIONAL STUDENTS, representing 85 countries. GSAS students also come from each of the 50 US states.

As a GSAS student, you will play a significant role in shaping Harvard’s unrivaled undergraduate educational experience. 1,400 of you will be teaching fellows each term, and more than 100 of you will be resident tutors in the Houses or proctors in the freshman dorms each year. YOU HELP KEEP HARVARD’S ENGINES RUNNING!

Did you know that GSAS alumni contributed $2 million to the annual fund last year?

These annual gifts have an immediate impact on all GSAS students, providing for fellowships and supporting student-life activities.

You are not only starting a graduate career, you are joining an extraordinary community of leaders and scholars.

The Graduate School Fund welcomes you.

“Absolutely everything I’ve done—my research, my training, my book—was made possible due to Harvard opening doors and providing me with connections. I want to provide today’s students with the same opportunities that were presented to me.” —Fiona Hill PhD ’98

Graduate School Fund

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GSAS Dean Xiao-Li Meng establishes Graduate School policy, guided by the Committee on Graduate Education and the Educational Policy Committee.

University Hall, 3 North; 617-496-1464

GSAS Administrative Dean Margot N. Gill implements Graduate School policy, supervising the day-to-day operation of the GSAS staff.

Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center 350; 617-495-1814

The GSAS Office of Student Affairs is responsible for the welfare of graduate students. It monitors their academic status, progress, and discipline.

Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center 350; 617-495-1814; studaff@fas.harvard.edu

Garth McCavana, Dean for Student Affairs

Patrick O’Brien, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs

Dudley House is a hub of social and intellectual activities designed by and for graduate students. It also houses the Dudley Café (the GSAS dining hall) and the Café Gato Rojo, a student-run coffee shop.

Jim and Doreen Hogle, House Masters

Susan Zawalich, House Administrator

www.dudley.harvard.edu; 617-495-2255

The GSAS Office of Student Services offers assistance with any personal or academic concern, from adjusting to graduate school to forming an effective relationship with an advisor to managing your time.

Dudley House B2; 617-495-5005; stuServ@fas.harvard.edu

Jackie Yun, Director of Student Services

Ashley Skipwith, Director of Residential Life

The GSAS Office of Fellowships provides a range of services to assist graduate students with fellowship funding and professional development, including individual counseling and group workshops.

Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center 350; 617-495-1814

Cynthia Verba, Director of Fellowships

The GSAS Office of Admissions and Financial Aid oversees admissions and aid for the 55 departments, programs, and divisions of GSAS. Financial aid officers help students plan their budgets and coordinate their aid during graduate school.

Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center 350; 617-495-5315

Russell Berg, Dean for Admissions and Financial Aid

The GSAS Office of Diversity and Minority Affairs helps guide, recruit and retention efforts for the Graduate School, working to enroll and support a student body that reflects the diversity of contemporary society.

Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center 350; 617-495-5315

Sheila Thomas, Assistant Dean for Diversity and Minority Affairs

Harvard Integrated Life Sciences is a federation of Harvard’s life sciences PhD programs, dedicated to creating points of connection and easy access across these programs.

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John McNally, Assistant Dean

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Getting in Touch

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Libraries, A–Z

Did you know that there are more than 70 libraries at Harvard, with combined holdings of more than 17 million items? As a GSAS student, you have direct access to all of these amazing resources. Whether you are searching for research materials or teaching aids, the Harvard Library has everything you’ll need, on any subject you can imagine. Here are five tips to get started:

1. Get to know your department’s Library Liaison. All FAS departments have one—a librarian who can help you identify resources in the libraries and devise research strategies for classes, term papers, theses, and dissertations.

2. Learn to use the two library websites: hcl.harvard.edu and lib.harvard.edu. You’ll find a wealth of information, including hours, locations, links to HOLLIS (the online catalog) and online databases (such as JSTOR and Web of Science), and applications for library services like Interlibrary Loan and requests from the Harvard Depository.

3. Apply for a study carrel. Make the library your research base.

4. Learn to use library research guides. Harvard librarians create a variety of research guides to assist you in your work, ranging from guides for first-time library users to subject guides and course-specific guides.

5. Save time, get savvy. Learn to use research tools like Citation Linker, the LibX toolbar, and citation management tools. Learn to use the free scanners and the free Scan and Deliver service.

шей to learn more, check out the Library Grad Guide guides.hcl.harvard.edu/gradguide or attend the workshop "Navigating the Harvard Libraries." (see page 8)

Harvard Art Museums


Stay connected during this exciting transition. Find out about our events, browse our collections, and explore stories in our magazine, Index, at harvardartmuseums.org.

Harvard Art Museums are located on Broadway at Prescott Street. Photo: Peter Vanderwarker
The Extracurricular Guide to Grad School

Caffeinate
Gato Rojo in the basement of Dudley House is a cozy and convenient source of $1 MEM teas and dependable coffee and pastries. If you can get past the Harvard gates (are they keeping someone out, or us in?), the crowded-for-a-reason Café Crema (27 Brattle Street) roasts a hardy cup of George Howell Coffee, and the $1.50 English muffin with butter and jam may be the single best deal in the Square. If you need to buckle down and get work done somewhere not everyone knows your name, 1369 (1369 Cambridge Street and 757 Massachusetts Avenue) is the quirky pride of the Cambridge community, and The Biscuit (406 Washington Street), where the roads leading to Harvard, Porter, Inman, and Union squares converge, offers all the 75-cent coffee refills your heart rate can handle. Closer to campus, the hip, European crowd is attracted to Café Pamplona (12 Bow Street) as much for its excellent cappuccinos as for its authentically slow service.

Eat
Let’s face it, by the second week of the semester you will stop going grocery shopping entirely and start eying the ramen aisle at CVS. Stay strong and visit one of the numerous terrific dining options in and around the Square instead! Even in the wee hours, you can honor your stomach and your Cambridge pride by heading for Pinocchio’s (74 Winthrop Street). Since mom wouldn’t want you eating pizza every day, be sure to make time for the healthful Veggie Planet (47 Palmer Street) (just kidding, you can get pizza there too). The self-conscious hipois of Clover (7 Holyoke Street) can get a bit tiresome, but the barbeque Sean and unexpectedly good egg-and-egg pita sandwiches are well worth tracking down an iPhone-toting employee willing to take your order. The breakfast egg sandwich, at just $3, also can’t be beat. With a cheap lunch menu and half-price dinner specials, Grendel’s Den (89 Winthrop Street) outpaces even Clover for the title of Harvard Square’s best gustatory value.

Drink
If you dress up beforehand, maybe the beautiful people at PARK (59 JFK Street) will assume you’re from the business school like everyone else. Forget how to tie a Windsor knot? Charlie’s Kitchen (10 Eliot Street) is home to an egalitarian mix of punk rockers and locals there for the cheap drinks and delightful lobster(ish) melts. Russell House Tavern (14 JFK Street) has a convivial basement, friendly bartenders, and probably the best beer menu and cocktails nearby. There’s a cozy cave and a breezy terrace down at Shays Wine Bar (58 JFK Street). Central Square’s Green Street (280 Green Street) is one of the best bars in Cambridge, and if you’re looking to diversify but the expert bartenders of Drink (348 Congress Street) in South Boston seem like an impossibly distant mirage in the desert of your graduate-school life, head to Brick & Mortar (567 Massachusetts Avenue), which is every bit as excellent. Be prepared for a wait, but the expertly crafted cocktails and small, rich dishes will soon make you forget your troubles.

Exercise
Okay, so far you’ve just been drinking and eating—time to make sure you can still pack a punch with the best of them! Technically the law school’s, Hemenway Gymnasium (1515 Mass. Avenue) is the best gym for graduate students of all disciplines, with a convenient, compact facility, ample cardio machines, and an entire basement of free weights, not to mention excellent group fitness classes. There’s a pool at FAS’s Malkin Athletic Center (39 Holyoke Street), and if distance running is your thing, the Charles Riverbank is a scenic, hallowed, Haruki Murakami—and Junot Díaz—approved loop. If you’re looking to live life a bit more on the (cliff) edge, join the ranks of the intrepid climbers at Brook-lyn Boulders in Somerville (12A Tyler Street). Whether you’re an expert climber or a complete
beginner who needs to learn the ropes (literally), you’ll find everything you need there, including parkour classes to help you get around campus in the fastest way possible. Those gates are clearly meant for climbing.

**Escape**
If the above hasn’t lured you out to Inman and Central, hopefully this will. Don’t miss Toscanini’s (899 Main Street) or Christina’s Ice Cream (1255 Cambridge Street): the fresh mint and kulfi flavors at both are creamy perfection. For your cultural kicks, the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum (280 Fenway) right by the Longwood Medical Area (get there for free on the M2 shuttle!) will have you feeling like you just flew to Europe for the afternoon. Lose yourself in their serene garden and follow it up with a slightly pricey but perfect afternoon snack in the cafe. Alternately, revert to childhood wonder and check out the taxidermy dodo birds and fossilized mollusks at our very own Harvard Museum of Natural History (26 Oxford Street). What better way to avoid writing that seminar paper or journal article than pondering the wonders of creation?

And you can’t go a year without sampling the neighborhood charm of Chinatown, the Italian North End, the trendy South End, and Irish South Boston.

**Brunch**
Arguably the most important part of the week, brunch deserves its own category. Plough and Stars (912 Massachusetts Avenue) does a nice, low-key Irish brunch, and just down the street at Café Luna (403 Massachusetts Avenue) you’ll find, in addition to an endless line of fellow hungry students, lobster eggs benedict that will leave you crying with joy and lemon ricotta pancakes so delicate and sweet that you’ll skip the syrup and take a moment of silence. Also fantastic is City Girl (204 Hampshire Street) over in Inman Square, though get there a bit before opening if you don’t want to get stuck gazing longingly at the happy people sitting at one of the 10 tables inside.

**Unwind**
By now you’re well fed and fit, with just a bit of a sugar high. Time to amass us some cultural capital. Head to the Somerville Theatre (55 Davis Square) or Kendall Square Cinema (1 Kendall Square) for a film, or catch art-house picks at the Brattle Theatre (40 Brattle Street) and Harvard Film Archive (24 Quincy Street, in the Carpenter Center). And now your favorite klezmercore/dweebstep/metalgaze outfit will be playing right on your doorstep, at Sinclair (52 Church Street)—or maybe a short T stop away, at the three-in-one venue The Middle East (472 Massachusetts Avenue). The folk tradition is alive and well at Club Passim (47 Palmer Street), and classical lovers can choose between our own Sanders Theatre (45 Quincy Street, in Memorial Hall) or downtown’s Symphony Hall (301 Massachusetts Avenue). At the opposite end of the musical spectrum, the third floor of the Hong Kong restaurant (1238 Massachusetts Avenue) is notorious for its scorpion-bowl-soaked weekend dance parties. Enjoy them while you can, because after you start teaching the risk of catching your students twerking becomes prohibitively high. Luckily, you can still enjoy the tastefully-appointed space in its incarnation as The Comedy Studio, a fantastic open-mic series hosted by a former GSAS student. To cultivate that enviable sense of inner calm, book an appointment for a massage, acupuncture, some reiki or shiatsu at the Harvard Wellness Center (located inside the Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center). At $55 for a massage it’s a great value and much less dubious than that hole-in-the-wall you saw on Canal Street on your last trip to New York.

**Shop**
Last but not least, avoid the moth-eaten sweater that is the academic’s scourge and stock up on some must-haves for the seasons ahead at vintage mecca Oona’s Experienced Clothing (1210 Massachusetts Avenue), Poor Little Rich Girl (121 Hampshire Street), or Second Time Around (8 Eliot Street). Newbury Street has several of the latter plus all the retail shopping your heart desires, and the Cambridgeside Galleria (100 Cambridgeside Place) will leave the suburbanite’s heart feeling like it never left home.

Lusia Zaitseva and Lulu Liu are both PhD students at GSAS.
Learn to Ice Climb

ADVICE ON HOW TO SUCCEED AT HARVARD
BY LUSIA ZAITSEVA

If there’s anything Kirstin Petersen, who’s wrapping up her PhD in computer science this fall, can tell you about surviving and making the most of your years at Harvard, it’s this: learn to ice climb. Sort of. What she means is, “pick one hobby and go with it.” It’s not enough to go to the gym for an hour, although physical activity is a must. The hobby, says Kirstin, should be something you actually care about. Join the choir at Dudley House, sign up for an acting class, or find an ultimate Frisbee team—Kirstin tried ice climbing, a far cry from her climate-controlled life in the lab. Escaping the tunnel vision of academia will benefit your project in the long run.

On that same note: make friends outside of Harvard, maybe on that Frisbee team. “It’s really important to get to know people outside the University, because they have a different perspective from you.” They’ll remind you why you’re in this to begin with, and also that it won’t last forever.

If you want to make the most of your time in the lab or the library, make good decisions about whom you work with, shares Kirstin. If you’ve made it to Harvard, chances are “there are a hundred topics that interest you.” When it comes to choosing an advisor to guide you down one of those paths, the best thing you can do is to pick someone whose working style matches your own. Once you’ve done that, Kirstin advises that you “lean on your advisor, but don’t expect them to help you with everything.” And nine out of ten geneticists agree, “you don’t get to pick your parents, but you do get to pick your advisor.” So choose wisely!

Some last words of wisdom: check Q-scores when deciding on which classes to take, and, perhaps most important, collaborate, “it’ll get you further than competition.” Oh, and, sign up for conferences: After all, wanderlust is why half of us got into this business to begin with, isn’t it?

WISE WORDS:
First, be confident that you do belong here. The impostor syndrome is surprisingly common, even among the elite group of students we bring into our programs, but our degree programs do a good job of evaluating applications, and you are here because you have earned it.
—James M. Hogle, Edward S. Harkness Professor of Biological Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology

The faster you realize that you were chosen to come to Harvard for a reason, the more you will relax and become better able to learn. It took me a whole semester to get over the “impostor syndrome.” I kept asking myself, “Why am I here? Why me? Do I have what it takes to cut it? What if I fooled them on paper?” I was so concerned about this that I didn’t sit back and just enjoy the ride. Remember, Harvard’s been in the business of picking the best and brightest for a long time and that they know what they are looking for.
—Dahianna Lopez, PhD candidate, health policy

Research is a bit like fishing. Focus on learning the process first, not on what you might catch. Big fish come with a lot of practice and a bit of luck.
—Xiao-Li Meng, PhD ’90, Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

More words of wisdom:
www.gsas.harvard.edu/advice

A Source of Support at GSAS

When you need assistance with any academic or personal problem, however big or small, I am available to talk. I serve in an advisory role, provide support, and connect students to additional resources. If you are hoping to get involved in student life here at GSAS, I will connect you with student organizations. I also serve as a point of contact for anyone with concerns or questions regarding sexual misconduct. I invite you to make an appointment to talk.

Contact Jackie Yun, Director of GSAS Student Services: jyun@fas.harvard.edu, 617-495-5005
Welcome to Dudley House, now entering its 23rd year as the graduate student center at GSAS. Dudley House offers dozens of intellectual, social, and professional events every year—planned by GSAS students for GSAS students. ◆ We invite you to get to know Dudley at these early-fall events, arranged by program area. Is there a specific area you’re interested in? Subscribe to Dudley’s program-specific email lists at www.dudley.harvard.edu. ◆ In each edition of the GSAS Bulletin, we’ll present a sampling of that month’s offerings. For a fuller list, visit www.gsas.harvard.edu/dudleythismonth.

Social Events
◆ Discover Dudley-Vision
Friday, August 29, 7:00 p.m.—Midnight, Dudley House. Dudley is back and more fabulous than ever. Starting at 7:00 p.m., tour what Dudley’s got in store for the 2014–2015 academic year, meet the Dudley staff, and partake of snacks, drinks, and schmoozing at the Open-House Party. You’ve heard of Television…now come and visit Dudley-Vision! Starting at 9:00 p.m., get groovy at the Dudley-Vision dance party. Meet hundreds of Harvard students in one fabulous night. Harvard GSAS ID is required for entry; state-issued ID required for alcohol. Snacks and non-alcoholic refreshments free. Alcoholic refreshments $2 (cash only). Be there and be fabulous.

◆ Get Your Grill On, 2014
The Official GSAS Cookout
Saturday, September 6, 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. (rain or shine), 36 Oxford Street (Harvard Museum of Natural History lawn). Another academic year is upon us, and while the sun is shining it’s time to fire up the grill! Bring your friends, family, and anyone else in need of a refreshing drink and a burger on a lazy summer afternoon. We’ll provide burgers, hot dogs, vegetarian fare, as well as ice cold beverages of all kinds. Proper ID required for alcohol.

Music
◆ Sing, Play, Keep the Beat
Dudley House is home to four active, high-caliber music ensembles, and we welcome your participation and attendance at our events!

◆ Dudley Chorus
The Dudley Chorus is Harvard’s graduate student choir. Informal auditions will take place on August 26 and 27 and September 6 and 7. E-mail Jamie Blasina at jblasina@fas.harvard.edu to audition. Rehearsals: Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Common Room, beginning September 9, 2014. Concert: Sunday, December 7. For more information, e-mail Jamie Blasina at jblasina@fas.harvard.edu or stop by the music booth at Dudley Fest on August 27.

◆ Dudley Orchestra
The Dudley Orchestra is a wonderful community of about 85 musicians. Auditions begin during orientation week. Join us! Rehearsals: Sundays, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Main Dining Room. Concert: Saturday, November 22. For more information and audition details, e-mail Christopher Fiesi at cfiesi@fas.harvard.edu.

◆ Dudley Jazz Band and Dudley Jazz Combo
The Dudley Jazz Band and the Dudley Jazz Combo perform a concert each term, the Dudley Jazz Orchestra also plays for the Swing Band. Those interested in auditioning should be prepared to play several jazz standards from the Real Book, do some sight reading, and improvise. Auditions: Wednesday, September 10, 6:00 p.m., Common Room. Rehearsals: Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Common Room, beginning September 17. Concert: Saturday, December 13. For more information, e-mail Tamar Sella at tamar.sella@gmail.com.

◆ Dudley World Music Ensemble
Rehearsals: Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Graduate Student Lounge, beginning Tuesday, September 2. For more information, e-mail Rajing Huang at stacy0834@gmail.com.

Outings
◆ See the Harbor Islands
Sunday, August 31, Meet at Dudley House at 9:00 a.m., Return Time Open. Boston is not just an urban landscape! Take the ferry from Boston Harbor for a refreshing escape to the ocean side. Explore the walking trails on Spectacle Island, visit historic Fort Warren on Georges Island, hop to other small islands and catch a breath of ocean air. Cost: $15 for the ferry with an additional $3 for transport between Georges Island and Spectacle (pay at the wharf), plus T fare.

◆ Take in a Whale Watch
Sunday, September 21, 2:00 p.m., Leave from Dudley House at 12:45 p.m. Thousands flock to Boston to view these majestic animals. See what the fuss is all about! Cost: $28, plus T fare. Tickets go on sale on August 27 and can be purchased at Dudley Fest or in the Dudley House office. Dudley members may bring a guest (please bring your Harvard ID). For more information, e-mail Edlyn Levine at edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu.

◆ Mike Hunt Mount Moosilauke
Friday through Sunday, September 26 to 28. Join our annual retreat to the White Mountains for fall foliage and scenic hiking trails that range from challenging to leisurely in beautiful New Hampshire. We will stay at the Moosilauke Ravine Lodge. Ticket cost and sale date to be announced! For more information, e-mail Edlyn Levine at edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu.
GSAS Welcomes
ORIENTATION, DUDLEYFEST, AND ID CARDS | AUGUST 27, 2014

Orientation
9:30 A.M. | SANDERS THEATRE

Welcoming Speeches
Margot Gill
ADMINISTRATIVE DEAN (MODERATOR)
Drew Gilpin Faust
PRESIDENT OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Michael Smith
DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
Xiao-Li Meng
DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL
James Hogle
MASTER OF DUDLEY HOUSE
Christopher Brown
DUDLEY FELLOW
Summer Shafer
PRESIDENT OF THE GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL
Garth McCavana
DEAN FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

10:30 A.M. | SANDERS THEATRE

Becoming a New Professional in Your Field
Professor Alison Johnson, History Department, Staff from Title IX Office, Staff from Office of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response

Lunch
11:30 A.M. | SCIENCE CENTER PLAZA

Join faculty, department administrators, and colleagues for lunch under the tent on the Science Center plaza. See your orientation folder for seating chart.

DudleyFest
12:30 P.M.–3:30 P.M. | DUDLEY HOUSE

Information fair including: offices serving GSAS students (athletics, careers, police, etc.), student organizations, Dudley House fellows and activities, free food and raffle drawings, distribution of stipend checks

ID Cards and Photos
All ID photos can be picked up in the Common Room, 2nd Floor, Dudley House
Note: to obtain a GSAS ID, all students will need a government-issued photo ID.

Distribution of Stipend Checks
Graduate Student Lounge, 2nd floor, Dudley House

Workshops
Navigating the Harvard Libraries
Fong Auditorium, Boylston Hall
1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m.

Thriving in Graduate School
Getting to Know Harvard, Cambridge, and Beyond
Offered by student leaders
Fong Auditorium, Boylston Hall
2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Social Hour
Dudley Courtyard
3:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sponsored by the Graduate School Alumni Association

Questions?
Stop by the Info Table at DudleyFest (at the foot of the Dudley House stairs)!
GSAS Welcomes

ORIENTATION AND DUDLEYFEST LOCATIONS | AUGUST 27, 2014

1 Orientation
   Sanders Theatre, Memorial Hall

2 Lunch
   Science Center Plaza

3 DudleyFest and ID cards
   (Information Fair, Stipend Checks)
   Dudley House

4 Workshops
   Boylston Hall, Fong Auditorium
GSAS Welcomes
REGISTRATION AND DUDLEYFEST ACTIVITIES

DUDLEYFEST TO-DO LIST AUGUST 27, 2014

- **PICK UP ID OR HAVE ID PHOTO TAKEN**
  Common Room, 2nd Floor, Dudley House

- **LEARN ABOUT AND JOIN STUDENT GROUPS**
  (Dudley House Courtyard)

- **GET FREE FOOD**
  (Dudley House Courtyard)

- **WIN FREE STUFF**
  Enter the Dudley House raffle! (Dudley House Lobby)

- **ATTEND WORKSHOPS OFFERED BY THE LIBRARIES AND STUDENT LEADERS**
  (Fong Auditorium, Boylston Hall)

- **GIs: BE SURE TO PICK UP YOUR STIPEND CHECK**
  (Graduate Student Lounge, 2nd floor, Dudley House)

Haven’t registered yet?
Computer terminals are available in the Dudley House Dining Room. Go to my.harvard.edu and click on "campus resources."

Study cards!
Study cards must be submitted in person at Dudley House between 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. on September 9.

E-mail trouble?
See Computer Services in the Dudley Dining Hall or visit the help desk in the basement of the Science Center.

IF YOUR REGISTRATION HAS BEEN BLOCKED YOU MAY NEED TO:

- **Visit Financial Aid** (Dudley House Graduate Student Lounge)
- **Visit the Admissions Office** (Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center 350)
- **Visit the International Office** (Dudley House Main Dining Room)
- **Visit Harvard University Health Services** (75 Mount Auburn Street)

The Bureau of Study Counsel

The Bureau of Study Counsel (BSC) supports Harvard students in their learning, growth, and development. The BSC offers resources to help you approach your intellectual work with strategy, skill, and spirit; make challenging choices; develop a sense of voice and authority in your scholarship, relationships, and leadership; work well and play well with others; discover what leaves you feeling enlivened and engaged; and make meaning of your work and your life. Visit bsc.harvard.edu to learn more or stop by the BSC at 5 Linden Street.

Upcoming Fall Classes
**Harvard Course in Reading and Study Strategies (3 sessions)**
- **September 15–19, 2014**
  Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
  (5 classes)
  Special session tailored to students for whom English is a non-native language
- **September 29–October 3, 2014**
  Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
  (10 classes)
- **September 29–October 10, 2014**
  Monday–Friday, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
  (10 classes)

The “Harvard Course in Reading and Study Strategies” helps students develop a repertoire of strategies for reading expository text and to develop a sense of judgment about how to use those strategies. Topics include:

- reading with your eyes and your mind
- reading with a question
- understanding the structure of text
- overviewing and subvocalizing
- summarizing
- anticipating and intuiting
- remembering what you read
- zooming out: navigating longer texts
- zooming in: close reading
- reading with authority

Beginning August 4, you can register in person at the BSC on 5 Linden Street. For instructions on how to register by mail, please contact Paulette Dusossoit at pdusossoit@bsc.harvard.edu.
Fellowships for the Early Years

EXPLORE THESE EARLY-STAGE FELLOWSHIPS TO BOLSTER YOUR CV

There are a number of post-baccalaureate fellowships specifically focused on students in the early stages of graduate study. Deadlines come soon for these fellowships—for complete details, visit the Graduate Guide to Grants, at www.gsas.harvard.edu/fellowships. You can make an appointment to receive advice on how to write a winning proposal by calling the GSAS Office of Fellowships and its director, Cynthia Verba, at 617-495-1814.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships
Application deadline is in early November.
Web: www.nsfgrfp.org

Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowships
Application deadline is early to mid-November.
Web: sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/FordFellowships/index.htm

US Department of Education Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS)
Application deadline is anticipated to be around December 1.
Web: www.nsfgrfp.org

The Fannie and John Hertz Foundation Graduate Fellowship Program
Application deadline is around October 30.
Web: www.hertzfoundation.org/dx/fellowships/fellowshipaward.aspx

The National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship Program (NDSEG)
Application deadline is anticipated to be in mid-December.
Web: ndseg.asee.org

American Association of University Women (AAUW) International Fellowships
Application deadline is anticipated to be around December 1.
Web: www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-fellowships

The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships For New Americans
Application deadline is around November 1.
Web: www.pdsoros.org/competition

The GSC—Representing Your Interests!

The Harvard Graduate Student Council (GSC) represents the graduate students of GSAS. We hold monthly meetings among elected departmental representatives and other student attendees in order to sustain an ongoing dialogue about the unique challenges graduate students face at Harvard. By coming together, the voice of graduate students grows louder.

We also award grants to students for travel and research, sponsor GSAS student organizations, and host events throughout the year on topics of concern to graduate students—from professional development to crisis management.

We highly encourage and look forward to your involvement, which begins on the departmental level!

Learn more: www.gsc.fas.harvard.edu

Early-Term Calendar

Friday, August 29
Discover Dudley
7:00 p.m.–midnight, Dudley House
Get to know your graduate student center at this always-popular opening-of-the-year party.

Tuesday, September 2
First day of classes (following a MONDAY schedule)

HILS Welcome Dinner
A gala dinner for new students in the Harvard Integrated Life Sciences program. 6:00 p.m., TMEC Atrium. Contact Matt Wallace (mwallace@fas.harvard.edu) for information.

Special Students and Visiting Fellows Reception
5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m., Faculty Club Reading Room

Wednesday, September 3
23rd Annual Minority Student Kickoff
Reception and Dinner
5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., Fire & Ice, 50 Church Street
RSVP to sparsons@fas.harvard.edu.

Thursday, September 4
Dessert Welcome Party in the Rez Halls
7:30 p.m., GSAS Residence Halls

Saturday, September 6
GSAS Cookout
1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m., University Museum Lawn, Oxford Street

Tuesday, September 9
Study Card Day
Final study cards for GSAS and special students for the fall term are due in Dudley House between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 30
Fall (or full-year) enrollment deadline for dependent health coverage, and enrollment deadline for dental insurance.

Monday, October 13
Columbus Day: a holiday

Monday, October 20
Last day to register for or add courses for the term.

Tuesday, October 28
Last day to drop a course. After this date a petition to withdraw must be submitted to the GSAS Student Affairs office.
The Career-Minded Grad Student

IT’S NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Graduate school is about developing your intellectual interests and finding the essential research questions you want to answer. But these years are also about planning your career—and the earlier you begin to trace connections between those two pursuits, the more productive your graduate experience will be.

That’s the advice of the GSAS counselors at the Office of Career Services, a Faculty of Arts and Sciences team that works to educate, connect, and advise students about career opportunities and professional development.

Intellectual and professional development are fundamentally intertwined. You can’t build a meaningful life as a scholar, thinker, or leader without knowing how to write a fellowship proposal, how to compose a CV, how to network, how to gain mentors, how to communicate, or how to prepare for an interview or job talk.

OCS is a portal to all of that. Its counselors work with students from all GSAS departments and offer services and resources tailored specifically to the needs of graduate students, whether your career plans lie within or outside of academia.

Visit ocs.fas.harvard.edu and click “Students” to find a host of GSAS resources.

✈ Subscribe to the GSAS Academic Career Listserv and/or the GSAS Nonacademic Listserv for relevant career events and announcements.

✈ And plan to attend these fall career events, which are perfect for students in the early stages of graduate study. Visit the website to register.

- Etiquette 101: Manners, Meals, and Mastering Conversation
  Thursday, September 5, 4:00 p.m.
  Lamont Library Forum Room

- Introduction to the I-Lab
  Thursday, September 12, 4:00 p.m.
  Science Center D

- Arts & Entrepreneurship: Careers in Innovation
  Wednesday, September 25, 4:00 p.m.
  OCS, 54 Dunster Street

- Big Data, Technology & Engineering Career Fair
  Friday, October 4, 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
  SOCH, 59 Shepard Street

Important web resources

✈ Read the latest news: www.gsas.harvard.edu/news

✈ Handy links: www.gsas.harvard.edu/quicklinks

✈ Follow HarvardGSAS on Twitter and Facebook.