

experiences and tips for success at Yale. Light supper included. To pre-register, please email elisabeth.kennedy@yale.edu. IC, 421 Temple Street.



Wednesday, September 10, 2pm to 4pm
APPLY FOR A U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN)

Representatives from the local SSN office will be at Yale to take your application. You must wait at least two weeks after arrival in the U.S. before applying.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Wednesday, September 10, 6pm to 8pm

TEACHING AND LEARNING AT YALE: A WORKSHOP FOR INTERNATIONAL FACULTY AND TEACHING FELLOWS

The session will include a panel of experienced teachers, tips on running sections/seminars and giving lectures, and a guide to other teaching resources. All current and future Yale faculty and teaching fellows are encouraged to attend. Light supper included. Please contact william.rando@yale.edu to pre-register or if you have any questions.

Sponsored by the Graduate Teaching Center and OISS.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Saturday, September 13, 8am to 8pm

OISS BUS TRIP: "THE BIG E", SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Join the fun at *The Big E*, a New England fall tradition and the largest country fair in the Northeast, www.thebige.com/fair/index.html. Email abigail.borchert@yale.edu for more information about the trip. Fee includes transportation and admission. You will be responsible for any other expenses that day. Depart from IC, 421 Temple Street. Cost per person \$35 (cash only) — pre-registration at OISS required.

Sunday, September 14, 11:30am to 2:30pm

TEMPLE STREET BLOCK PARTY

This fun festival brings the community together to share food, music, and fun activities for all ages. It will feature face-painting, meetings with local safety officials, NH Parks & Recreation climbing wall, cool summer treats, free BBQ and more!
Sponsored by the Office of New Haven & State Affairs, Graduate Student Housing, Grad. Student Life @ McDougal Center, OISS.
IC, 421 Temple Street and 425 Temple parking lot.



Tuesday, September 16, 6pm
RAMADAN BANQUET

Yale's annual festive formal dinner for the Muslim community. Open to anyone in the Yale community. Watch for details about ticket sales.

Commons Dining Hall (Woolsey, corner of College & Grove).



Thursday, September 18, 5pm to 7pm
LGBTQ WELCOME RECEPTION

For lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and queer faculty, staff, undergraduate and

graduate students. Come enjoy a warm welcome with good company and refreshments. Sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center, the Lesbian & Gay Studies Department, the Office of Diversity & OISS.
IC, 421 Temple Street. Bring ID with proof of age, 21 and over for alcoholic beverages.

Friday, September 19, 4pm to 6pm
ANNUAL RECEPTION FOR YALE'S INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

Everyone is invited to come celebrate the start of the academic year with food, drink, and live music. Learn about the MacMillan Center. Don't miss this great event!
Hosted by the MacMillan Center and OISS.
Henry Luce Hall, 34 Hillhouse Avenue.



Wednesday, September 24, 5pm to 7pm
TIPS FOR WRITING EXCELLENCE

Join Elena Kallestinova, Graduate School writing consultant, who will give helpful tips to graduate and professional students planning, researching, citing and writing excellent papers. Light supper will be served.

To pre-register, please email elisabeth.kennedy@yale.edu.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Thursday, September 25, 5:30pm to 8pm
ART MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE GALA

The Yale Art Gallery and Yale Center for British Art will host a gala open house reception for G&P students. Tour the galleries, learn about programs, exhibits, teaching resources, and more.

YAG, 1111 Chapel Street and YCBA, 1080 Chapel Street. Bring ID with proof of age, 21 and over for alcoholic beverages.



Thursday, September 25, 7pm to 9pm
IC CAFÉ: WELCOME SOCIAL & WINE TASTING

The International Center Café (IC Café) is an evening social program featuring themed events throughout the academic year. Open to the Yale community. Please join us as we kick off the year with a wine-tasting social as a special welcome night for new G&P students, postdocs, visiting scholars and their spouses, partners and families (children too!). Live music and tasty nibbles included.
IC, 421 Temple Street. Bring ID with proof of age, 21 and over for alcoholic beverages.



Saturday, October 18, 8am to 8pm
OISS BUS TRIP: BOSTON, MA

Spend the day exploring Boston—walk the Freedom Trail, have some chowder (pronounced chow-dah), walk around Boston Commons, and perhaps visit Harvard and MIT. Email abigail.borchert@yale.edu for more information. Fee covers transportation cost only. You will be responsible for any other expenses. Get your tickets early as this trip sells out quickly!

Depart from IC, 421 Temple Street. Cost per person \$35 (cash only) — pre-registration at OISS required.

ORIENTATION 2008

Last Updated 8.5.2008
Check for updates at: www.yale.edu/icenter/events

For International Graduate & Professional Students

Sponsored by Yale University's Office of International Students & Scholars (OISS), unless otherwise indicated.

Make OISS, housed at the International Center (IC) at 421 Temple Street, one of your first stops at Yale! Please note, U.S. immigration regulations require that you check in with the OISS when you arrive on campus. Be sure to bring along your passport, I-94 card, and immigration documents when you come for the first time. If your spouse and/or children have traveled with you to New Haven, please bring their documents as well.

We invite you to participate in the orientation activities listed below, organized to complement the programs of your school or department. Please email oiss@yale.edu should you have any questions.

The OISS staff looks forward to welcoming you in person.



Friday, August 8, time to be announced
2008 SUMMER OLYMPICS OPENING CEREMONY BROADCAST

Citius, Altius, Fortius. The world comes together in Beijing for the

Games of the XXIX Olympiad. Join us for a broadcast of the opening ceremony. Contact abigail.borchert@yale.edu for more information.
IC, 421 Temple Street



Saturday, August 16, 10am to 12 midnight
OISS BUS TRIP: PROVIDENCE, RI

Spend the day exploring Providence before enjoying the outdoor experience, *WaterFire*. Go to www.waterfire.org for more information. Fee covers transportation only. You will be responsible for any other expenses that day. Space is limited!
Depart from International Center (IC), 421 Temple Street. \$35 per person (cash only) —pre-registration at OISS required.



Tuesday, August 19, 6pm
PIZZA DINNER @ PEPE'S
Have you tried Frank Pepe's famous pizza yet? Popular with both locals and

out-of-towners, this is a must-try classic New Haven pizza joint. Join Orientation Assistant, Christina, and other G&P students on this fun evening out in New Haven's Little Italy. Contact christina.fleming@yale.edu for more information or visit Pepe's website at www.pepespizzeria.com. Meet @ IC and walk to Pepe's on Wooster St. Bring \$ for food & drinks. Approx \$15 to \$20 per person.



Friday, August 22, 5pm to 6pm
ICE CREAM SOCIAL

New To Yale? Interested in meeting other newly arrived graduate students and postdocs? Take an hour off from your hectic schedule to indulge in some good company and cool treats.
Sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
McDougal Center, 320 York Street, HGS Courtyard.



Sunday, August 24, 10:30am
G&P WORSHIP SERVICE & WELCOME PICNIC

Graduate & Professional students and their families are invited to attend the University Worship service, which is multi-denominational Christian, and is led by a member of the Chaplain's Office. A special welcome picnic lunch will follow the service.
Sponsored by Yale Chaplain's Office.
Battell Chapel, corner of College and Elm Streets.



Sunday, August 24, 11am
MOVIES AND MIMOSAS

Meet other graduate and professional students to watch "Back to the Future: Part 2" 86 Temple Street. Admission \$5 and Mimosas \$2 (orange juice and champagne).



Sunday, August 24, 11am to 7pm
SHOPPING TRIP: Hamden & IKEA

Are you in need of sheets, towels, household and kitchen items, clothes, or groceries? Buses will be doing a circular route from campus locations throughout the day. OISS Orientation Assistant, Christine Fleming, will be offering guided service between 11am to 1pm. Email christine.fleming@yale.edu for details.

Sponsored by the Graduate Housing Office.
Bus stops will include Graduate Dormitories (Medical School, HGS, HHH) and Graduate Apartments (Prospect St).



Monday, August 25, 4:30pm to 6pm
STAYING SAFE AT YALE

Come to this information session on how to stay safe at Yale and in New Haven with Susan Burhans, the University's security education coordinator. Then break into small groups for a question & answer discussion over free pizza with returning Yale G&P students.
Co-sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
McDougal Center, 320 York Street, 119 HGS.



Tuesday, August 26, 2pm to 4pm
G&P STUDENT INFORMATION FAIR

All new students are invited to come and learn about Yale and New Haven community resources. Lots of free giveaways from the exhibitors.
Sponsored by Yale Office of the Vice-President for Finance & Administration, Yale Office of New Haven and State Affairs, and Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
McDougal Center, 320 York Street, HGS Courtyard. Free, but please show ID for admission.



Tuesday, August 26, 4pm to 4:30pm
**TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS:
BANKING IN THE U.S.**

This session will cover the basics of U.S. banking — including choosing your bank and account types, banking fees and service charges, check writing, budgeting, and more — followed by a Q&A period. Light refreshments served.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Tuesday, August 26, 4:45pm to 5:30pm
**TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS:
NEGOTIATING TRANSPORTATION
OPTIONS**

Join Holly Parker, Yale's Director of Sustainable Transportation for a special overview of all transportation options in New Haven, including CT Transit, Metro-North, taxis, the Yale shuttle system and more. Light refreshments served.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Wednesday, August 27, 5:15pm to 6:15pm
**TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS: CELL
PHONES**

Attend this informative session, including a Q&A period about how to get a U.S. cell phone, and the different types of plans (contract, pay-as-you-go, etc.)
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Wednesday, August 27, time to be announced
SALSA CLASS
Put on your dancing shoes and learn the moves to some of the hottest Latin grooves. All experience levels welcome to join this salsa dance class held in a local studio. Contact christina.fleming@yale.edu for more information.
Meet at the IC.



Thursday, August 28, 3pm to 5pm
**G&P SPOUSE & PARTNER CAREER
DAY**

Information on the application process, interviews with Yale staffing representatives. Call 432-9494 or email careerday@yale.edu to schedule a guaranteed interview appointment. It is recommended that applicants fill out the *STARS* resume profile prior to the event: www.yale.edu/jobs.
Sponsored by Yale Human Resources.
155 Whitney Avenue, 120.

Thursday, August 28, 5pm to 6pm
OISS ORIENTATION SESSION

All new international students and scholars, who have not attended OISS orientation at their school, must attend this meeting. You will learn important tips for maintaining proper immigration status, and begin to understand exactly what makes the OISS your *home away from home*.

IC SOCIAL HOUR to follow from 6pm to 7pm. Shuttle buses to *Theatre in the Park* will be available from 6pm onwards.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Thursday, August 28, 8pm
**THEATRE IN THE PARK: The
Matchmaker**

The Elm Shakespeare Company offers performances by donation (\$5 suggested) at one of New Haven's best-kept secrets—beautiful Edgerton Park. Free snacks and drinks provided. Bring something to sit on and a jacket (as it can cool down quickly in the evening). Look for the blue & white balloons. For more information about the performance, go to www.elmshakespeare.org.
Co-sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
Free shuttle buses to Edgerton Park leave the IC and HGS, 320 York Street at 6pm, every 20 mins.



Friday, August 29, 4pm to 5pm
TROLLEY TOUR OF NEW HAVEN

Meet at OISS at 4pm and take a ride around town on the free New Haven trolley. You'll be introduced to the highlights of your new city by the OISS Orientation Assistants and finish at HGS for the Ice Cream Social.
Depart from IC, 421 Temple Street.



Friday, August 29, 5pm to 6pm
ICE CREAM SOCIAL

New To Yale? Interested in meeting other newly arrived folks? Take an hour off from your hectic schedule to indulge in some good company and cool treats.
Co-sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
McDougal Center, 320 York Street, HGS Courtyard.



Saturday, August 30, 11am to 7pm
SHOPPING TRIP: Hamden & IKEA

Are you in need of sheets, towels, household and kitchen items, clothes, or groceries? Buses will be doing a circular route from campus locations throughout the day. OISS Orientation Assistant, Meng Ji, will be offering guided service between 11am to 1pm. Email meng.ji@yale.edu for details.
Sponsored by the Graduate Housing Office.
Bus stops will include Graduate Dormitories (Medical School, HGS, HHH) and Graduate Apartments (Prospect St).



Sunday, August 31, 10am to 4pm
SLEEPING GIANT HIKE & PICNIC

Hike to "the castle" at the top of "the Giant", a not-to-be-missed Yale experience. Picnic at the summit.
Contact christina.fleming@yale.edu for more information.
Meet at IC, 421 Temple Street. Bring picnic lunch and \$ for transportation by CT public bus. Be sure to wear appropriate footwear and bring bottled water.



Sunday, August 31, 11am to 7pm
**SHOPPING TRIP: North Haven/
Target Plaza**

Are you in need of sheets, towels, household and kitchen items, or clothes? Buses will be doing a circular route from campus locations throughout the day. OISS Orientation Assistant, Donna Yoo, will be offering guided service between 11am to 1pm. Email donna.yoo@yale.edu for details.
Sponsored by the Graduate Housing Office.
Bus stops will include Graduate Dormitories (Medical School, HGS, HHH) and Graduate Apartments (Prospect St).



Monday, September 1, 6pm to 9pm
HELLO YALE SOCIAL NIGHT

Here's an opportunity to meet all the people you have been chatting with in the *Hello Yale!* Facebook group over pizza & games. All are welcome to join this evening of classic U.S. games — *Pictionary*, *Scattergories*, *Jenga*, *Life*, etc.— and a fun quiz about Yale.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Tuesday, September 2, time to be announced.

**G&P WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE
WORKSHOP & SOCIAL**

Get tips on staying safe at Yale and make some fun connections with other women. Contact christina.fleming@yale.edu for more information.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Wednesday, September 3—DAY 1
**ORIENTATION FOR SPOUSES &
PARTNERS OF STUDENTS AND
SCHOLARS**

Are you in New Haven with your husband, wife or partner who is studying or working all day at Yale? Are you wondering what you'll do with your time? Come to part or all of this three-day program and meet other spouses and partners. Program details and registration form will be available online in August at: www.yale.edu/icenter/events. Contact warrena.wilkinson@yale.edu to register, or if you have questions.

Co-sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
Initial meeting at IC, 421 Temple Street, 10:30am.



Wednesday, September 3, 3pm to 5pm
**G&P SPOUSE & PARTNER CAREER
DAY**

Please refer to the details from the Thursday August 28 session.
Sponsored by Yale Human Resources.
155 Whitney Avenue, Room 120.



Thursday, September 4—DAY 2
**ORIENTATION FOR SPOUSES &
PARTNERS OF STUDENTS AND
SCHOLARS**

Please refer to registration information above.
Details to be announced.



Thursday, September 4, 2pm to 4pm
**APPLY FOR A U.S. SOCIAL
SECURITY NUMBER (SSN)**

Representatives from the local Social Security office will be at Yale to take your application. You must wait at least two weeks after arrival in the U.S. before applying.
IC, 421 Temple Street.



Friday, September 5—DAY 3
**ORIENTATION FOR SPOUSES &
PARTNERS OF STUDENTS AND
SCHOLARS**

Please refer to registration information above.
Details to be announced.



Friday, September 5, 5pm to 7pm
**FIRST FRIDAY AT FIVE (F3) HAPPY
HOUR**

New To Yale? Interested in meeting other newly arrived and returning G&P students and

postdocs? Take an hour off from your hectic schedule to indulge in some good company and good food.

Sponsored by Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center.
HGS Courtyard, 320 York Street. Bring ID with proof of age, 21 and over only.



Friday, September 5, after sundown.
IFTAR HOSPITALITY DINNER

Curious about a faith practiced by more than one billion people worldwide? Join others in the Yale community, members of the Muslim Students Association and the University Chaplain's office to break the daily Ramadan fast with Iftar, the traditional evening holiday feast. All are welcome to come participate in this festive occasion by enjoying a delicious dinner (Halal of course!). E-mail oiss@yale.edu for more information.

Co-sponsored by the Chaplain's Office, Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center and OISS.
Sliifka Center for Jewish Life, 80 Wall Street.



Saturday, September 6, 1pm to 4pm
**CITYSCAPE 2008: TOUR NEW
HAVEN**

Join this free in-depth tour of the city and its neighborhoods. Learn the best places to jog, hike, bike, explore, enjoy and relax across New Haven—your new hometown. Freebies for all! Advance online sign-up at: www.yale.edu/cityscape
Sponsored by Yale's Office of New Haven and State Affairs.
Yale Law School Auditorium, 127 Wall Street.



Saturday, September 6, 9pm to 12am
**GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL TENT
PARTY**

This party is for new and returning G&P students at Yale and their spouses and partners. It is a huge social event with DJ, dancing, drinks, snacks, and great company! \$5 tickets (sold at the door) includes: 2 beer/wine drink tickets; unlimited soft drinks and light refreshments included; cash bar available.
Sponsored by the Grad Student Life @ The McDougal Center and HGS Dormitory Social Fund.
HGS Courtyard, 320 York Street. Bring \$ and ID with proof of age, 21 and over only.



Saturday, September 6, 11:30pm to 2am
**AFTER-PARTY @ GRYPHON'S
PUB/GPSCY**

Continue the Party at Gryphon's Pub @ GPSCY (Graduate & Professional Social Club at Yale), following the Tent Party. Get in free with your Tent Party wristband! www.gryphonspub.com
Gryphon's Pub/GPSCY, 302 York Street. No cover, but bring \$ for drinks and photo ID with proof of age, 21 and over only.



Monday, September 8, 5pm to 7pm
**YALE SURVIVOR: WINNING
STRATEGIES**

One challenging week of classes is over. Did you find your experience in the Yale classroom to be different from your home country? What about life outside the classroom? Come and meet returning students who have overcome the many challenges and will share their