2014 GSAS Welcome Events Calendar

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

RESIDENCE HALLS OPEN FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR

Reception for GSAS Incoming International Students
5:00-6:30 p.m. — Dudley House Common Room

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

Trip to Haymarket
Visit outdoor fresh produce market in Boston’s historic North End neighborhood.
Costs: Transportation and purchases. Bring shopping bags.
**Resident Advisor (RA) leaders:** Ania Puszynska-617-493-4985 and Melinda Malley-617-493-4927
10:00 a.m. — Perkins parking lot

Dim Sum Brunch in Chinatown
Cost: $15-25, cash only (includes transportation)
**Resident Advisor (RA) leaders:** Qihan Liu-617-493-4119, and Tuo Liu-617-493-7860
10:45 a.m. — Perkins parking lot

Calorie Crawl
Come and tour ice cream shops in Harvard Square! Bring $5-10.00 to purchase ice cream.
**Resident Advisor (RA) leaders:** Elaine Chung-617-493-7097, Veerasak (Jeep) Srisuknimit-617-493-4211, and Melinda Malley-617-493-4927
8:00 p.m. — Perkins parking lot

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Trip to Shaw’s Supermarket
Visit a local grocery store.
Cost: Purchases and optional transportation taxi service (~$7.50 one way), subway (T- $2.65 one way), or bus ($2.10 one way).
**Resident Advisor (RA) leaders:** Amin Ghadimi-617-493-7109, and Elaine Chung-617-493-7097
3:30 p.m. — Perkins parking lot

"Getting Started"
Event for first-year residents in which Resident Advisors (RAs) present fun and important information about interacting and living in communal spaces in the United States.
**Resident Advisor (RA) leaders:** Tim Beaumont-617-493-4177 and Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907
7:30 p.m. — Richards Hall Basement Lounge

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### MONDAY, AUGUST 25

**Boston Downtown Walk**
Walk through the heart of Boston: Charles Street, Beacon Hill, Boston Common, Public Garden, and Quincy Market.
Cost: T-fare ($5.30 round trip), snacks, and drinks during the walk.
**RA leaders:** Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907, Veerasak (Jeep) Srisuknimit-617-493-4211, Kanishka Elupula-617-493-4095
2:00 p.m. — Perkins parking lot

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

**Harvard Historic Tour**
Tour Harvard Yard and beyond visiting historic sites from Dudley House to Widener Library.
Cost: Free!
**RA leaders:** Tuo Liu-617-493-7860, Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907, and Somayeh Chitchian-617-493-4955
10:00 a.m. — Perkins parking lot

**Target Shopping Trip**
Cost: Bus fare ($2.10 one way), purchases, option for taxi return (~$11.00).
**RA leaders:** Amin Ghadimi-617-493-7109, Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907, Kanishka Elupula-617-493-4095
2:30 p.m. — Conant Hall entrance

**Resident Hall Facilities Tour**
Information session: about where to exercise, access to the Internet and printers, watch television, gather mail, study, do laundry, and other useful information for residents.
**RA leaders:** Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907, Tuo Liu- 617-493-7860, and Melinda Malley-617-493-4927
7:00 p.m. — Perkins parking lot

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

**GSAS INCOMING STUDENT ORIENTATION**
- **Welcome Speeches,** 9:30-11:30 a.m. — Memorial Hall, Sanders Theatre
- **Lunch with Departments,** 11:30-12:30 p.m. — Tent, Science Center Plaza
- **Dudley Fest,** 12:30-3:30 p.m. — Dudley House & Dudley House Courtyard
- **Social Gathering,** 3:30-5:00 p.m. — Dudley House & Dudley House Courtyard

* See GSAS Bulletin for more details

**Tour of Bookstores and Coffee Shops**
Learn where to read, relax, sip coffee, and gather with friends.
Cost: Purchases
**RA leaders:** Somayeh Chitchian-617-493-4955, Marika Aleksieieva-617-495-5020, and Danny Orbach-617-493-4154
5:00 p.m. — Richards Hall entrance

**Small Talk**
Is English not your first language? Come meet new friends and improve your informal chatting skills.
Sponsored by GSAS Office of Residential Life.
**RA leaders:** Amy Tsang-617-493-4105, Kanishka Elupula-617-493-4095, Danny Orbach-617-493-4154, and Tuo Liu- 617-493-7860
8:00 – 9:00 pm — Richards Hall Basement Lounge

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

Harvard Square Pub Tour
Must be 21 years old or older. Bring a U.S. Driver’s License or Passport.
Cost: Beverages purchases.
RA leaders: Tim Beaumont-617-493-4177, Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907, Amy Tsang-614-493-4105,
Marika Aleksieieva-617-493-5020, and Kanishka Elupula-617-493-4095
9:30 p.m.— Perkins parking lot

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

DISCOVER DUDLEY-VISION
Dudley House’s famous open house party! Tour the house, meet House staff, enjoy snacks, drinks, and
mingling with Dudley community members. Free hors d’oeuvres and refreshments. Alcoholic beverages
are $2.00 (cash only). This year’s theme: Television. Students are welcome to dress up!
7:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.— Dudley House

Wellness Tour
Visit fitness centers (Hemenway, MAC, QRAC) and outdoor sports and recreation spots where to keep
happy and healthy at Harvard.
RA leaders: Tim Beaumont-617-493-4177 and Amin Ghadimi-617-493-7109
10:00 a.m.— Perkins parking lot

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

Fun Run
Jog with a group along the Charles River!
RA leaders: Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907 and Melinda Malley-617-493-4927
10:00 a.m.— Perkins parking lot

Trip to Harvard Museums
Visit Harvard’s Natural History and Peabody Museum near the resident halls. Bring Harvard ID.
RA leaders: Amin Ghadimi-617-493-7109 and Danny Orbach-617-493-4154
1:00 p.m.— Perkins parking lot

Italian Dinner in the North End
Visit one of Boston’s Oldest neighborhoods and enjoy amazing cuisine.
Cost: $20-$30.00 (including transportation)
Interested: Email Ania by Wednesday, August 27th
RA leaders: Anna Puszynska- apuszyns@fas.harvard.edu, 614-493-4985, Melinda Malley-617-493-4927,
Veerasak (Jeep) Srisuknimit- 617-493-4211, and Hayley Fenn-617-493-4907
6:00 p.m.— Perkins parking lot
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 31**

**Harbor Islands**
Take the ferry from Boston Harbor and explore walking trails and the beach on Spectacle Island, the historic Fort Warren on Georges Island, and soak up the ocean air. Cost: $15.00 for ferry + $3.00 (boat between Spectacle and Georges Island—pay at the wharf), plus T-fare ($5.30 round trip).
9:00 a.m.—Dudley House front steps

**Welcome Back Cookout - Graduate Dormitory Council (GDC)**
6:00 p.m.—Richards Lawn (Rain location: Richards Basement Lounge)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

**ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS**

**An Introduction to Dining at Dudley Café**
RAs will give a tour of Dudley Café and answer questions. Participants are encouraged to stay for a meal after the tour.

**LUNCH**
RA leaders: Iosif Zhakevich-617-493-4887, Tuo Liu-617-493-7860, and Veerasak (Jeep) Srisuknimit-617-493-4211
11:30 a.m.—Dudley House front steps

**DINNER**
5:30 p.m.—Dudley House front steps

**MANDATORY FLOOR MEETINGS**
Please check notices on your floor regarding time and place

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

**Brownie & Cookie Bake**
Come make and eat goodies!
Cost: Free!
RA leaders: Melinda Malley-617-493-4927, Amy Tsang-614-493-4105, Somayeh Chitchian-617-493-4955
8:00 p.m.—Conant Hall, 1st floor kitchen
## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

**Welcome Party for all Residents**
Meet members of GSAS Offices of Residential Life and Student Services and enjoy delicious desserts! Sponsored by GSAS Offices of Residential Life and Student Services.
7:30 p.m. (desserts until 8:30 p.m.) — Richards Hall Basement Lounge

**Fall Sports Pub**
Come learn about athletics options through Dudley House and sign up for fall intramural teams. Food and drink will be provided.
8-9:30 p.m. — Dudley House Game Room

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**GSAS COOK OUT**
Bring your friends and family to enjoy freshly grilled food, cold drinks, and the company of your fellow students. Burgers, hot dogs, and vegetarian options will be served.
*Proper ID required for alcohol. Open to Dudley House members and their guests.*
1:00-4:00 p.m. (rain or shine) — 36 Oxford Street (Harvard Museum of Natural History lawn)

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

**Boston Red Sox vs. Baltimore Orioles**
Watch a baseball game in historic Fenway Park. Tickets are on sale August 27th at DudleyFest and starting the 28th in Dudley House Office (3rd floor). *Dudley House members only.*
Information: Edlyn - edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu
7:10 Game starts — Fenway Park, Boston

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**STUDY CARD DAY**
Turn in Study Cards to Registrar’s Table.
9:00-5:00 p.m. — Dudley House Common Room (2nd floor)

**Literary Wine and Cheese Party**
Meet the Dudley House Literary Fellows and learn about the great programs and events they will be holding in the 14-15 academic year. *See page 9 for more details.*
Sponsored by: Dudley House Literary Fellows
7:00 p.m. — Dudley House Fireside Room
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

**Dudley House Jazz Orchestra Auditions**  
*See page 10 for more details*  
6:00 p.m. — Dudley House Main Dining Room

**Environmental Initiatives Meeting**  
Come meet students interested in environmental issues and discuss potential projects.  
**RA leader:** Melinda Malley-617-493-4927  
6:00-7:30 p.m. — Perkins 2nd floor Lounge

**RAD Women’s Self Defense— Introduction Class**  
6:00-8:00 p.m. — Dudley House Common Room

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

View one of the most enthralling and influential sci-fi movies ever made. Evolution. Artificial vs. human intelligence. Music, mystery, and cinematography you will long remember. Everyone welcome!  
6:30 p.m. — Dudley House Common Room

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

**Dudley House Jazz Orchestra First Rehearsal**  
Rehearsals every Wednesday evening when classes are in session. *See page 10 for more details*  
**Time and room location in Dudley House to be determined.**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

**Trip to “Top of the Hub”**  
Come to the top of the Prudential Center, one of Boston’s tallest buildings. Gaze at the 360° view and enjoy a dessert or cocktail.  
Cost: T-fare and food/drink expenses.  
**Interested:** Email Hayley by Wednesday, September 17th  
**RA leaders:** Hayley Fenn-hayleyalexandrafenn@fas.harvard.edu, 617-493-4907, Josif Zhakevich-617-493-4887, and Amy Tsang-617-493-4105  
2:00 p.m. — Perkins parking lot
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<td><strong>Apple Picking</strong></td>
<td>Try a New England tradition of picking your own apples and pumpkins and wind your way through the hedge maze at Honey Pot Hill Orchards in Stow, MA. Cost and departure time to be determined. Information: Edlyn- <a href="mailto:edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu">edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu</a> Dudley Outings mailing list: Dudley.harvard.edu/ outings.</td>
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<td><strong>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26—SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28</strong></td>
<td><strong>Moosilauke</strong></td>
<td>Join the annual retreat to the White Mountains for fall foliage, hiking Franconia Ridge Loop and Mt. Moosilauke, and enjoying the Moosilauke Ravine Lodge. Cost and departure time to be determined. Information: Edlyn- <a href="mailto:edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu">edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu</a> Dudley Outings mailing list: Dudley.harvard.edu/ outings.</td>
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<td><strong>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21</strong></td>
<td><strong>Whale Watch</strong></td>
<td>Come and witness amazing animals off Boston Harbor. Cost: $28.00 + T-fare ($5.30 round trip). Tickets on sale at DudleyFest August 27th and in Dudley House Office, 3rd floor starting August 28th. Dudley members may bring a guest. Dudley members bring Harvard ID. Information: Edlyn- <a href="mailto:edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu">edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu</a> 12:45 p.m.— Dudley House front steps</td>
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

RAD Women’s Self Defense— Full Class
6:00-10:00 p.m.— Dudley House Common Room

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

RAD Women’s Self Defense— Full Class
6:00-10:00 p.m.— Dudley House Common Room

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

RAD Women’s Self Defense— Full Class
6:00-10:00 p.m.— Dudley House Common Room

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

Mt. Auburn Cemetery Guided Tour
Expert guide Dudley House Administrator and Mt. Auburn Docent Susan Zawalich leads a walking tour of the stunning arboretum and resting place of many famous Bostonians. Tour takes about two hours. Walk 20 minutes or take bus 71 or 73 to the cemetery.

Departure time and location to be announced.

Information: Edlyn—edlynlevine@fas.harvard.edu
Dudley Outings mailing list: Dudley.harvard.edu/outings.
Dudley House Events

For more information, visit the Dudley House website: http://www.dudley.harvard.edu

Dudley House Fellows & Events

LITERARY FELLOWS

Maria and Marissa will be leading Dudley literary events such as Book Club, Bootcamps, and a newly-revived Creative Writing Circle, as well as edit the Dudley Review.

Literary Wine and Cheese Party
Tuesday, September 9, 7:00 p.m.—Dudley House Fireside Room

Information: dudleyhouse.literary@gmail.com.
Dudley House Groups

**DUDLEY CHORUS**

Join Harvard’s graduate student choir for students and community members.

**Informal Auditions:** held for students and community members who are new to the chorus on August 26, 27, and September 6 and 7.

**Rehearsals:** Tuesdays 7:00-9:00 pm, beginning Tuesday, September 9—**Dudley Common Room**

**Information:** Jamie Blasina-jblasina@fas.harvard.edu

**DUDLEY ORCHESTRA**

Dudley Orchestra is a wonderful community of about 85 members of students from GSAS with some other Harvard schools.

**Fall Concert:** Paine Hall on Saturday, November 22.

**Auditions:** To be announced the week of Orientation.

**Rehearsals:** Sunday evenings, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.—**Dudley Main Dining Room**

**Information:** Christopher Faesi-cfaesi@cfa.harvard.edu

**DUDLEY JAZZ ORCHESTRA AND JAZZ COMBO**

Join Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Combo (a smaller group) for a great year of playing at Dudley.

**Auditions:** Please be prepared to play several jazz standards from the Real Book, do some sight reading, and improvise. **Wednesday, September 10, 6:00 p.m.**—**Dudley Main Dining Room**

**Rehearsals:** Wednesday 6:00-10:00 p.m.—**Dudley Main Dining Room**

**Information:** Director Tamar Sella-tamarsella@fas.harvard.edu

**DUDLEY WORLD MUSIC ENSEMBLE**

The **World Music Ensemble** is a small group of musicians dedicated to learning and performing traditional music from around the globe. No experience needed. Any member with a specific expertise can teach the group.

**Past music performed:** European and American folk music, Irish contradance, Bluegrass, Klezmer, Romani music, Indian vocal drumming, Middle-Eastern music, and drinking songs from around the globe.

**Instruments played:** harp, banjo, fiddle, accordion, clarinet, sax, traditional flutes and percussions, tabla drums, guitar, bass cello, oud, divan, setar, and mandolin.

**Rehearsals:** Tuesdays, **location in Dudley House to be announced.**

**Information:** Peter McMurray-mcmurray@fas.harvard.edu