

The Pforzheimer Newsletter

May 3, 2021

"All The News That Pfits We Print"

Tutor(s) on call this week:
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 After Midnight, Call Securitas at 617-496-9370

FACILITIES After Hours: 617-495-5560

This Week in Pfoho...

Monday 5/3	Tuesday 5/4	Wednesday 5/5	Thursday 5/6	Friday 5/7	Saturday 5/8	Sunday 5/9
<p>Scoop on Careers Panel, Tech alums, 7pm, link below</p>		<p>Tech Table w/Keith & Elaine 8pm (link below)</p>  <p>Exam Eve Pancake Study Break, 9pm, FD Courtyard</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">EXAMS BEGIN GOOD LUCK, PFOHO!!</p> <p>Chem Help w/Chris 6:30-8:30p (info below)</p>	<p>Pfrench Table w Angela W. 6:30p, link ↓</p>		<p>Science Writing Tbl w/Chris 3-4p (info below)</p> <p>Pfinal Paint & Jazz w Brittany & Chris, 4-5:30p, link ↓</p>

Notes from the Allston Burr Assistant Dean, Monique Roy,

pforzheimerhousedean@fas.harvard.edu:

Pfoho ABRD Virtual Office Hours: To schedule a time to talk via phone or Zoom, see [Monique's calendar here](#) or [Heather's calendar here](#) and choose a time that works for you.

UPCOMING ACADEMIC DEADLINES:

*May 6 - Exam Period begins

*May 15 - Exam Period ends

Academic Resources and Stress Management: *It is as important as ever to get plenty of sleep, eat well, and balance your studying with other activities. If you are feeling overwhelmed, please reach out. Your Pfoho tutors are available to provide support and encouragement, and Heather and I are always here for you, too – email me at pforzheimerhousedean@fas.harvard.edu or Heather at pforz@fas.harvard.edu.*

The **Academic Resource Center** is an excellent resource for both academic and personal advising, especially when navigating a remote Reading Period and Final Exams; visit their website to learn more: <https://academicresourcecenter.harvard.edu/home>

The **Writing Center** is available if you are looking for help with papers and other written assignments: <http://writingcenter.fas.harvard.edu> and [here for their online scheduler](#).

Emergency Student Handbook Policy Updates 2020-21:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Committee on Undergraduate Educational Policy (EPC) has been making updates to certain Handbook policies. <https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies>.

Extension of Time Policy - Spring 2021 Extensions are an option: Extensions up through the last day of

exam period (Saturday, May 15th this term) can be granted by professors, but **any work handed in after May 15th requires Ad Board approval to be accepted by the professor**. Monique is here to help you navigate that! If you anticipate needing an [extension beyond May 15th](#), please be in touch with Monique as soon as possible so she can walk you through that process.

[Exam Policy - Fall/Spring 2020-2021](#) The examination rules have also been adapted for remote learning. The rules apply to how you take exams, when they are schedule and what to do if you are absent/ill or need to request accommodations. Exams fall under the Extension of Time policy but there is some nuance as to how it is done (and we need to be in communication with professors). Please be in touch with Heather and Monique right away if you anticipate needing any assistance with exams this spring.

HUHS and CAMHS/Urgent Care: Services are available for both remote and on-campus students. If you are currently on campus, [telemedicine and some in-person urgent care](#) remains available, 8:00am – 6:00pm, 7 days a week, at Smith Campus Center -**please call HUHS at (617) 495-5711 for guidance BEFORE your visit**. For assistance between 6:00 pm – 8:00 am, 7 days a week, please call the nurse advice line at (617) 495-5711. If you are currently studying remotely/off-campus, [see here](#) for information about the HUHS and CAMHS services that are available to you. Please be sure to visit the [CAMHS website](#) for up-to-date information. Additionally, for those seeking resiliency tools in stressful and disruptive times, CAMHS psychologist, Tara Cousineau, PhD, offers her [“Courage, Presence, Resilience” \(CPR\) workshop](#) in short, 15-minute clips.

Academic Honesty: This is a VERY good time to check in with your instructors about course-specific expectations on source citation, collaboration, and late work. **When you are sleep-deprived, feeling pressured, and down-to-the-wire on a deadline (or an exam), your judgment may not be at its sharpest.** If you find yourself feeling pressured, please set up a meeting with me or a tutor to talk through your options. **Remember that the penalty for academic dishonesty is always worse than for turning in an imperfect paper or incomplete problem set.** See the Honor Council's [“Top Five Tips”](#) for more ideas. The full College policy on plagiarism, collaboration, and dual submission can be [viewed here](#).

Backing up your written work: Remember that it's not a question of if your hard drive will crash, but when. There's nothing more frustrating than losing a paper you just spent hours on, and some professors will not accept computer problems as a reason for your missing deadlines, so make sure to back up your work regularly. There are free cloud backups that you can use, including Google Drive (<https://www.google.com/drive/>) and Dropbox (<https://www.dropbox.com/>). A good habit is periodically to email yourself a copy of your drafts, to make sure you'll always have a recent edition available if anything happens.

Harvard Summer School Courses for Credit

This is a reminder that only some of the courses offered at Harvard Summer School count for degree credit. That list of courses can be found here: [Summer School 2021 - Courses for Harvard College Credit](#). Additionally, there is a ton of information about HSS that has been specifically curated for College Students. That can be found on the HSS website here: [HSS Harvard College Overview](#). Please be sure to read that information thoroughly if you are planning to register for HSS courses.

Remote Learning Privacy Policy:

Please note that the Committee on Undergraduate Educational Policy (EPC) passed a policy this year stating that **students cannot post/make public class videos without faculty permission**. Here is a link to that [privacy policy](#). This rule protects everyone's privacy and makes sure that the classroom is a place where students can focus on learning. It is also an important issue of equity as we need course materials recorded to make sure that all students (especially those at a distance from the East Coast) can learn. Please let me (Monique) know if you have any questions about this policy.

Announcements for Students ON Campus:

We're still in phase **LIME** now!

If you need a reminder of the guidelines for each color phase, here's the link to all the [Color levels](#).

Exam Eve Pancake Study Break – Wed., May 5th, 9pm – Anne & John's courtyard



Come to our patio courtyard (enter through Walker Street, near Comstock). Monique, John and I will be flipping pancakes for all of you from 9pm until we run out of batter!

There will be batter choices of classic buttermilk, blueberry, chocolate chip, and gluten-free! There will be toppings, including butter, real maple syrup, Nutella, berries, and sliced

bananas.

We will all be there, with big smiles (under our masks, but they will be there!), spoiling you all, and wishing you a good end of semester!

Anne, John, Monique and the team

Updated Quad Shuttle offerings: The Saturday Night Quad - Yard Express Shuttle service is now available. Shuttles will run every 20 - 25 minutes starting at 4:30 PM until the last ride at 12:30 AM. On Monday-Friday nights, the Crimson Cruiser operates every 30 minutes from 4:30 PM - Midnight. Please wear a mask and enter at the center door. Capacity is limited to 15 students per trip. For more information, please visit the [Harvard Transportation website](#).

QRAC Hours: 7am-7pm Mon-Thurs, 7am-2:30pm on Friday, 9am-1:00pm on weekends
Similar to the MAC, reservations are required ahead of time.
See [here](#) for full details.

Notices for the Pfoho Community near and far:

Pfoho Inside Scoop on Careers series continues TONIGHT Monday, May 3, 7pm! **Tonight's topic: Tech alums fr Google, Amazon, SignalFire & Booze Allen Hamilton**

It's that time of the week – Monday evening at 7 PM, we have 4 all star alums from Google, Amazon, SignalFire and Booz Allen Hamilton Data Science that are looking to talk candidly about their experiences in Tech and answer your questions (even the ones you would never ask at a recruiting event).

You can find the **Zoom Link to the event** [HERE](#)

BUT - could you please RSVP at [this link](#) or email in reply to this email if you're going to make it? We know you're super busy with finals and papers and if we don't get responses by tomorrow at noon, we'll let the panelists know and you can reach out to us to speak to them one on one in your own time rather than at the panel.

Here's the line up:

 **Olivia Angiuli (Pfoho '15)** has worked with a number of smaller Tech Companies as a data scientist, including Quora, Coinbase and her current position at SignalFire

 **Andre Nguyen (Pfoho '16)** is currently a data scientist at Booz Allen Hamilton. For those of you interested in data science and consulting, he's a great person to talk to.

 **Mari Georgiadis (Dunster '15)** has been working with Google since graduating. She started out in product marketing and is now a product manager.

 **Rainy Michelson (Pfoho '20)** just started a role as a Manufacturing Test Engineer at Amazon Robotics. Hope to see you there (please RSVP)!
Pfllove, Your Career Tutors team, Martin and Namya

*****FINAL*** Paint & Jazz with Wellness Tutors Brittany & Chris** **Sunday, May 9th, 4-5:30pm (note NEW date)**

Because it conflicted with the college-wide move-out date, we are moving our final Paint & Jazz session to **May 9, 4-5:30pm**. We will begin with inviting those interested to share 1-2 things that they are grateful for, and then we will play soft jazz while painting together. It will be a laid-back, relaxing environment.

When? Sunday **May 9**, 4-5:30pm

Zoom Link? <https://broadinstitute.zoom.us/j/2320569093?pwd=SEFRTTZtNm1hMlZpRS91RUhKaTRYQT09>

Passcode: 000000

Questions? Feel free to email us!

What will my finish product look like? See below for an example; there are a few different kits.

What can I do with my pfinished product? You can keep it, or choose to donate it to Pfoho. We will gather the donated paintings into an exhibit dedicated to you, our students, for your tenacity during an unprecedented year.

Best wishes, Brittany & Chris

This Week's Tables & Office Hours:

Tech Table with Keith and Elaine – Wednesdays @ 8:00pm

Zoom link: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/91908064154?pwd=ak1XbmprdBuQnRZOWszWU91VHdyUT0>

Chemistry Help with Chris – Thursday, 6:30-8:30pm:

Want some help with that looming organic chemistry PSet? Do you have questions about d-orbital splitting and crystal field theory? Or are you curious about research, graduate school, or chemistry-related career options? If so, stop by Pfoho's Chem Table.!

You can sign up for a 1:1 with Chris between 6:30-8:30pm EDT by emailing Chris at cgerr14@gmail.com.

Slots are available on a first-come-first-served basis - feel free to reserve as many as you need.

Pfoho French Table (Friday, 6:30pm Eastern Time)

Zoom link: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/92277151741pwd=Mm1DanhJT2RJaGFFRXo2VTRyMDJMQT09>

Password: 12345

All levels welcome - Join me for a casual conversation in French - Friday at 6:30pm EST.

Nous accueillons des étudiants de tous niveaux en français- venez parler en français dans une atmosphère détendue - Vendredi à 18H30 EST.

Questions – contact Angela Wu, angelaw@fas.harvard.edu

Scientific Writing Help with Chris – Sunday, 3:00-4:00pm:

Data don't actually speak for themselves, so how can we talk about scientific results most effectively? If you're feeling stuck with a presentation, a thesis chapter, or any other type of scientific communication task, then come to **Pfoho's Scientific Writing Office Hours** for some guidance. Office hours will be held **every Sunday from 3-4pm EST**. Hope to see you there! Email Chris, cgerry14@gmail.com, to set up an appointment.

Our Pfoho Newsletter will continue to come out every Monday (or occasionally Tuesday) afternoon. If you'd like to include an announcement, just send it to Sue Watts (swatts@fas.harvard.edu) by Monday at noon.

Stay safe, stay healthy, Pfoho!

