The Pforzheimer Newsletter
April 5, 2021
“All The News That Fits We Print”

Tutor(s) on call this week:
Ellen Finch
(For Students on Campus)
617-651-1636

LOCKOUTS: During the day & evening, go to the Building Manager’s Office;
After Midnight, Call Securitas at 617-496-9370
FACILITIES After Hours: 617-495-5560

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Notes from the Allston Burr Assistant Dean, Monique Roy,
pforzheimerhousedean@fas.harvard.edu:

UPCOMING ACADEMIC DEADLINES:
Consider adding these key dates to your calendars as a reminder.
· * April 5: Change of Grading Basis form due in my.harvard
· * April 5: Last day to withdraw from a course.

Change of Grading Basis (Taking a Course P/F) Request in My.Harvard due TODAY April 5th, 11:59pm:
The Change of Grading Basis Form is available in my.harvard. Please see here for more information about the process and how to check on the status of your request. (Please note: These changes may take a few days to process. You will receive an email when your request has been approved or denied.) Heather has also sent out an email with additional guidance for both changing a course from letter graded to pass/fail and from pass/fail to letter graded. In Pfoho, this will be a two part process consisting of 1) a Google form for you to complete and 2) the official form in my.harvard. Please email Heather (pforz@fas.harvard.edu) if you have any questions.

Withdrawing from a Course:
The deadline to withdraw from a course is today, April 5, 2021 at 11:59pm (Eastern Time). In order to withdraw from a course you will need to fill out a Course Withdrawal Form and get your concentration advisor’s signature, then Monique’s signature, and finally submit the form via email to the Registrar’s Office. This entire process MUST be completed by tonight. You can find more details here: https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/change-course.
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](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies). 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.

**Other 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](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies).

**Pfoho ABRD Virtual Office Hours:** To schedule a time to talk via phone or Zoom, see [Monique’s calendar here](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies) or [Heather’s calendar here](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies) and choose a time that works for you.

**Announcements for Students ON Campus:**

**Moveable Pfeasts this week – Wednesday, 4/7, 9pm, Jordans Courtyard**
This Wednesday at 9 PM, we will also be continuing with our 3rd “movable pfeast”! This week’s theme will be **FAST FOOD**!! Every few weeks, we will be offering special treats outdoors, on a grab and go basis, set up for you to find in different outdoor locations around Pfoho! (Don’t worry – we have those of you who are vegan or dairy free covered)

**We’re 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](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies).

**Outdoor Pfun Returns for Spring**
Our big outdoor [chess set on the Moors Terrace is up and ready for play](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies), as are the [Games in the Pfaulty Row Courtyard](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies) (badminton, volleyball, corn hole). Pfun times!

**UPDATED Study, Practice, and Social Spaces in Pfoho available for reservations:**
Now that we’re in phase LIME, we have been allowed to expand our reservable spaces to include some **EVENING hours**.

**Changes include:**

1) **The Dining Hall is now available for evening study**! We can accommodate 16 individual spaces for study from 8:30-10:30pm Monday-Friday nights, all on a first-come, first serve basis. No reservations are necessary for these spaces. Please be reminded that you must wear a mask, no food or drink allowed, and please clean your space before and after.

2) **PfLibrary Evening Hours:** There are two time slots you can reserve:
   - 11am – 3pm (Mario’s staff will clean from 3-4pm)
   - 7:30pm – Midnight
   These time slots are reservable on the Roombook link below. There are 6 spaces available in the PfLibrary. Same rules apply, including 48 hour advance reservation for each booking.

3) **JCR evening social hours ARE NOW AVAILABLE** on Monday-Friday evenings from 7:30-Midnight. The TV will be up and running. Reservations can be made on Roombook for groups of 7 people or less. Each individual needs to make a reservation on Roombook, it can’t be done as a group. Only one reservation per evening. The usual restrictions apply – i.e., wear a mask, keep 6 ft apart, no food or drink.

   **These other Pfoho Rooms continue to be available via Roombook** ([https://roombook.harvard.edu](https://roombook.harvard.edu)):
   - Holmes Living Room (go thru JCR, follow to end of hall) – 7 spots – 9am-1pm, 2-4pm on weekdays
   - JCR (Holmes Hall, to the left of Mario’s office) – 7 spots – 9am-1pm, 2-4p for study
   - PfLibrary (along 1st fl Comstock Hall) – 6 spots – see above amendment
   - Music Practice Room (basement of Holmes Hall, no voice or wind instruments, masks required) – 4 rms – 9a-1p, 2-4p

**ONLY students living in Pfoho will be allowed to reserve these rooms** (same applies to every House). All will be closed midday from 1-2pm for a more thorough cleaning. Cleaning supplies will be left in each room – please clean your space before and after use. All regulations from the [Residential Community Compact](https://handbook.fas.harvard.edu/book/covid-19-emergency-policies) will apply, including completing your Crimson Clear each day and wearing a mask at all times. HEPA filters will be running and should be left on.
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.

Bluey’s Office Hours – Sunday, 1:00-1:30pm, Moors Terrace
No need to make an appt ahead. Bluey welcomes all for his puppy therapy hours!
Questions, contact his human, Summer, at srak@g.harvard.edu.

From your Community Health Lead, Kate Leach, katherineleach@g.harvard.edu:
Masks and the great outdoors!
As the weather gets nicer, please remember that if you’re hanging out in the quad lawn or the Jordans
courtyard (or anywhere on campus), masks are still mandatory. If you are “actively” eating or drinking it’s
obviously fine to remove it, but you should put it back on as soon as you are done eating or after you’ve taken
your drink.
Our level of reopening is directly tied to our compliance, and that means complying with masks and other
protocols in addition to testing and Crimson Clear.
Keep up the good work, everyone!!

Notices for the Pfoho Community near and far:
PfoHoCo Notes:
PfoHoCo Meetings are held every week on Mondays @ 7:00pm
Zoom Link:  https://harvard.zoom.us/j/3277232698

** Pfifty Day Super Mario Challenge CONTINUES!! 50 days, 50 pieces of Pfoho swag worn by our
own Super Mario! Watch for each day’s pic on PfoHoCo’s Instagram @pfoho.
See Super Mario in the Gazette article which came out TODAY – Whoo hoo!! So Pfroud!

** Pfeedback – we want to hear from YOU! Pfeel pfree to contact us at pfohoco@gmail.com anytime!
With Pflove, from your PfoHoCo Chairs: Javin Pombra & Kiana Ziadkhanpour (pfohohoco@gmail.com)
Pfoho Inside Scoop on Careers series continues TONIGHT, Monday, April 5, 7pm!
Topic:  Finance
We’re having our Start-up career panel today (Monday) at 7 PM. Please join us on Zoom to chat with these
amazing panelists to get all the sordid, inside details on what working in their industries is really like:

- Isabel Steinhaus (*18) spent her first two years after graduation as an investment analyst for Goldman Sachs.
  She recently transitioned to a new role at Nyca Partners, a leading venture capital firm focused on connecting
  innovative companies to the global financial system (LinkedIn Profile)

- Tom Skinner (*18) is currently a quant trader of financial products and assets at Susquehanna International
  Group, a privately held, global trading and technology firm (LinkedIn Profile)

The Inside Scoop! Come hear from some recent alums (mostly Pfoho alums) who were in your shoes and are
now doing some really cool stuff. Listen to how they got their jobs, what they actually did there, and what they
learnt - and ask them your questions. This isn't a recruiting event, so ask them anything!
Much pflove and looking forward to seeing you on Monday,
The Pfoho Career Tutor Team, Martin & Namya

Pfoho Weekly Arts Class:
This Week’s Offering  – Tuesday, 4/6, 7:00-8:00pm
Don't worry if you missed yesterday's soirée ... our very own Pf tutor Jose Quezada Márquez will be 'teaching'
this week's Pfoho Arts class. Jose will share some basics of classical cello with us and then perform a piece.
Stop by for a peaceful time as you wind down your Tuesday. Zoom link

Yoga After Hours, Spring 2021 - Thursdays, 9:00pm ET
Taught once again by the wonderful Rachel Rowenhorst
Participants need to register through the following google form below and then they will be given the zoom link
for the class. It’s quick and easy.
Please Stop Talking: a quiet coworking table with Keith and Elaine – Continues this Saturday @ NOON
Zoom Link:  https://harvard.zoom.us/j/95171914425
Join us for Please Stop Talking Table, the table where we just want everyone to hush up and work. What's that? You need to pop out to grab lunch in the middle of it? We don't mind if you don't announce it. Yes, cameras are welcome- I'll have mine pointed out at Pfoho's gate. Yes, you can leave your mic on, but if you talk more than a polite greeting or departure, the mute hammer will fall.

Paint & Jazz with Wellness Tutors Brittany & Chris
Next Session will be Sunday, April 18th, 4-5:30pm, 2nd session!
We have sent out color-by-number canvases and sets of paints and brushes (just add water!). On the third Sunday of each month, starting in February, we will meet 4-5:30pm. Each meeting 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. Any and all are welcome to attend, whether they signed up for a kit or want to bring their own art supplies.

This Week's Tables & Office Hours:
Research & Writing Table with Peter – Wednesday, 4.7, 8-9pm
Zoom link:  https://harvard.zoom.us/i/6049771417
Please join Peter for this week's session of Research and Writing Table (time and Zoom details will be announced via email). Here are some of the topics/challenges you can bring:
~ Getting started on a paper or essay ~ proofreading ~ feedback on structure, content, etc. ~ outlining papers ~ general motivation and accountability ~ inspiration ~ contacting a non-responsive professor ~ finding a research project or opportunity that's right for you.
No need to submit anything beforehand: just drop by with questions, an outline, or a draft. Even if you don't have anything written yet, feel free to stop in; Peter would be happy to help you break through that writer's block!

Tech Table with Keith and Elaine – Wednesdays @ 8:00pm
Zoom link:  https://harvard.zoom.us/i/91908064154?pwd=ak1XbmprdFBUQnRZOWszWU91VHdyUT0
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 using the Doodle poll below. Slots are available on a first-come-first-served basis - feel free to reserve as many as you need.
Doodle:  https://doodle.com/poll/2y8m645u8h93b97f?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link
Zoom:  https://harvard.zoom.us/j/99877939067?pwd=SjJ1RDRxYnlIazdMQlBtNzRUJeEzdz09

Scientific Writing Help with Chris – Sunday, 3–4:00pm:
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!
Zoom:  https://harvard.zoom.us/j/96853245779?pwd=SkVzaGVzalFQTi9jenhXMXlRVEElUT09

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!