

The Pforzheimer Newsletter

April 12, 2021

"All The News That Pfits We Print"

Tutor(s) on call this week:
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This Week in Pfoho...

Monday 4/12	Tuesday 4/13	Wednesday 4/14	Thursday 4/15	Friday 4/16	Saturday 4/17	Sunday 4/18
<p>PfoHoCo Mtg 7pm (link ↓)</p>		<p>Spanish Table w/Jose 7pm, link below</p> <p>Tech Table w/Keith & Elaine 8pm (link below)</p>	<p style="color: green;">Happy Wellness Day, Pfoho!</p> <p>Pfoho Petting Zoo!! 2-4pm, Faculty Row Ctyd</p> <p>Chem Help w/Chris 6:30-8:30p (link below)</p> <p>Yoga After Hours 9pm (link below)</p>	<p>Bike Outing w/Daniel 3-5pm, Meet on Moors Ter (sign up ahead, info ↓)</p>	<p>Please Stop Talking Table w/Keith & Elaine, Noon, link ↓</p>	<p>Paint & Jazz session, w/Brittany & Chris 4-5:30pm, link ↓</p> <p>Sunday Soiree, 9p, Holmes LR Details TBA</p>

Notes from the Allston Burr Assistant Dean, Monique Roy,

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UPCOMING ACADEMIC DEADLINES:

- *April 15 - Wellness Day
- *April 28 - Last day of classes
- *April 29 - Reading Period begins
- *May 6 - Exam Period begins

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.

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>.

[Extension of Time Policy - Spring 2021](#)

[Exam Policy - Fall/Spring 2020-2021](#)

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.

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](#).

Wellness Day #5 – Thursday, April 15th

As you take a well-deserved break from your studies on Thursday, come out to the Faculty Row Courtyard in the afternoon for a treat!

Petting Zoo, just for Pfoho!! – April 15th - Pfaculty Row Ctyard – 2:00-4:00pm



There will be a large pen set up in the Faculty Row Courtyard (behind the House Offices – access from Comstock by the mailboxes, or from Holmes JCR), and you'll be invited to come and pet, cuddle and otherwise visit with some baby goats and lambs, a flock of baby chicks and ducklings, a family of rabbits, and an alpaca. We will need to practice crowd control, of course, to maintain

Covid regulations, but there should be ample time for everyone who did not know that they have been waiting all semester for this experience (but now realize it) to enjoy!

Pfoho Bike Outing, Bikes and Helmets Provided! – Fri, 4/16, 3:00-5:00pm

We'll be riding to the base of [Lone Tree Hill](#) in Belmont, approximately 30 minutes away by bike. There's a small but beautiful nature preserve at the top of the hill, and we'll walk up the hill to take in the view. Please note that the journey up the hill is strenuous. If you don't feel up to ascending the hill, no worries, I will stay at/return to the base of the hill with you.

On our way back to Pfoho, we'll go to BerryLine and pick up yogurt or ice cream (yes, BerryLine has amazing ice cream!) on the House!

Spaces are limited. Please RSVP by emailing Daniel Frim at danielfrim@g.harvard.edu with the following information:

-Will you be bringing your own bike? If so, do you have a helmet?

-If you'll be borrowing a helmet, do you expect that you'll need a small-or large sized helmet?

I'll reply to confirm your spot on the trip. Safety constraints limit the number of people that can come on this outing, but not to worry: if you don't get a spot on this trip, there will be another!

Meet on foot from Moors Terrace next Friday at 3:00 to a nearby BlueBikes station.

-Daniel

Study, Practice, and Social Spaces in Pfoho available for [reservations](#):

Spaces 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 AVAILABE** 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>):

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](#) 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.


From your Community Health Lead, Kate Leach, katherineleach@g.harvard.edu :

Vaccine Information

Dr. Nguyen, the Executive Director of Harvard University Health Services, sent an email on 3/29/2021 about Vaccines and our COVID protocols. Here are some of the highlights:


 - People ages 16+ will be eligible for the vaccine starting **April 19th**. You can pre-register for appointments at state-run sites [here](#).


 - If you already received the vaccine, let HUHS know by uploading a picture of your completed COVID vaccination card to your patient portal or email the picture HUHS at mrecords@huhs.harvard.edu. It's also recommended to take a picture of your card in case something happens to it.

 - Even after you have been fully vaccinated, you are still expected to: wear a mask at all times when you're outside of your room/suite, practice physical distancing, attest daily on [Crimson Clear](#), and participate fully in the University COVID testing program that applies to you.

Quad Lawn Etiquette - Friendly Reminders

I just wanted to take some time to remind you all about the outdoor gathering rules. We do a really great job on this for the most part, but remember:

 - If you're meeting with friends outside, you can be in a group of up to ten people, but make sure you're six feet apart. If you're eating or drinking, your group should be no larger than four people

 - You should still wear your masks when outside (it's a campus policy and also a city policy). If you're eating or drinking, please put your mask back up as soon as you are done.

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 pfeatured in this [Gazette](#) article. So Pfroud!

**** Pfeedback** – we want to hear from YOU! Pfeel pfree to contact us at pfohoco@gmail.com anytime!

With Plove, from your PfoHoCo Chairs: Javin Pombra & Kiana Ziadkhanpour (pfohohoco@gmail.com)

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.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeozXz45IdeMfQFuJgDbhbbLp1qO3-HvyepXEKtbfhqTAKFvA/viewform?usp=sf_link

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.

When? Sundays, 4-5:30pm (Feb 21, Mar 21, **Apr 18**, May 16; come to as many as you'd like!)

How? <https://broadinstitute.zoom.us/j/2320569093?pwd=SEFRTTzNm1hMlZpRS91RUhKaTRYQT09>

Meeting ID: 232 056 9093

Passcode: 000000

Questions? Feel free to email us! Brittany (bpetros@broadinstitute.org), Chris (cgerry14@gmail.com)

What can I do with my finished 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.

Coming NEXT Week:

Pfoho Senior Theses Pforum – Wednesday, April 21 @ 7:00pm

Pfoho is happy to be carrying on a special tradition of our Pfoho Senior Thesis Conference and Reception in virtual Zoom style this year. It will still encompass all of the fantastic facets of the annual event, although, virtually.

The Annual Pfoho Senior Thesis Conference and Reception includes a Zoom hosted reception with TED-talk style thesis presentations and a Champagne/Cider toast given by our house deans. The entire House is invited including Tutors, House Fellows, Deans, and our Senior Common Room members. Zoom details will be provided soon. It is sure to be a memorable evening!

During the Pforum all attendees will have a chance to learn more about the academic work of your senior peers. We hope to see you there!

This Week's Tables & Office Hours:

Spanish Table with Jose – Wednesday, 4/14, 7:00pm

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7421477903?pwd=RF3Mk8wM1ozeTVaLzErR3JCN3pBUT09>

Research & Writing Table with Daniel – Thursday, 4/15, 4:00-5:00pm

Zoom link: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/96682206300?pwd=U2VSbHISUDNLdzRpSIFDQ1IGUEIjZz09>

Please join Daniel for this week's session of Unblocked: Research and Writing Table. Writing and research can be stressful, but the writing team is enthusiastically here to help you!. 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.

There's 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; getting started can be the biggest hurdle of all, and we're here to help with that too.

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

Zoom link: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/91908064154?pwd=ak1XBmprdFBUQnRZOWszWU91VHdyUT09>

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=SjJ1RDRxYnlazdMQlBtNzRUejEzdz09>"

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 by appointment. Just email Chris at cgerry14@gmail.com.

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!

