Advising Fortnight
March 30 - April 10, 2015

Arts & Humanities

Social Sciences

School of Engineering & Applied Sciences

Sciences
This year, you have taken the first steps on an academic journey that will continue through graduation (and perhaps beyond). This journey is of your own making. The steps you take and the paths you go down are yours to choose.

Next year, at the end of fall term, you will decide your concentration (unless you elect to do so earlier). That step, above all, will define your Harvard academic experience. To make it wisely requires great self-understanding and sometimes great courage as well. It also takes great effort, familiarizing yourself with all the options before you.

We hope that this guidebook will help get you started down your path. In it will find information on the many events during Fortnight that will deepen your understanding of Harvard’s 48 fields of study. We encourage you to review the entire guidebook, noting any events that seem interesting to you and putting them on your calendar. Use this guidebook to take notes on events you attend. Talk with your adviser about your Fortnight plans and, afterwards, about your impressions.

If you have specific questions about a concentration, and you’re not able to attend its Fortnight event(s), meet with a concentration adviser during office hours. You can access each concentration’s office hours on the Advising Fortnight website. If you have questions about how other opportunities (study abroad, research, postgraduate study or careers, etc.) might be fitted with particular concentrations, visit the different offices on campus with expertise in these areas (e.g., the Office of International Education, the Office of Career Services, and the Office of Undergraduate Research and Fellowships).

And be sure to take time to reflect. Choosing a concentration wisely isn’t always easy, but it’s essential. The path to your own academic fulfillment hinges on the choice you make. We’ve offered some questions for you to consider as you get started. We hope this guidebook, the Fortnight website, and the many events on offer during Fortnight will help ready you to make your own best decision next year. We wish you an exciting journey ahead!

For more details about office hours, events, contact info, and how to document your Advising Conversation, visit advisingfortnight.fas.harvard.edu.
Harvard offers 48 concentrations in four broad disciplinary areas (Arts and Humanities, Engineering, Sciences, and Social Sciences). Choosing a concentration is perhaps the most important academic commitment you’ll make in college, and with 48 to choose from, the task is both exciting and daunting.

The Faculty voted in 2006 to give students more time to consider this decision by moving the timing for declaring the concentration from the end of the freshman year to November of the sophomore year. In passing this legislation, the Faculty also voted to require students “to have a documented Advising Conversation with a representative from one or more prospective concentrations near the end of the second term of enrollment.” In order to facilitate these conversations the Advising Programs Office, in collaboration with the concentrations, created the unique advising experience that is Advising Fortnight, now a freshman tradition.

Advising Fortnight kicks off with a special Fortnight buffet and concentration fair in Annenberg on Monday, March 30, from 5pm to 7pm. You’ll have the chance to speak with advisers from all 48 concentrations as well as the 9 unaffiliated secondary fields.

Over the following two weeks, each concentration will host one or more events, e.g., open houses, faculty and student panels, and interdisciplinary presentations, where you can hear from and speak with faculty, advisers, and peers about the structure of the concentration and the intellectual community you’ll be joining. You’re invited to attend as many individual events as you can. In addition, the concentrations will hold office hours during Fortnight, in case you have additional questions or would like to speak with an adviser one-on-one.

During Advising Fortnight every time you attend a concentration’s event or office hours to learn more about what the concentration offers and how it fits with your goals, you are engaging in an Advising Conversation. We hope you will have many such encounters on the path to your eventual concentration choice, and we encourage you to attend as many office hours and events as you can. The deadline for reporting your conversations is Friday, April 24, 2015. Visit advisingfortnight.fas.harvard.edu to learn more.

Think of Advising Fortnight as your gateway to the 48.

What is Advising Fortnight?

Be sure to visit advisingfortnight.fas.harvard.edu for other online resources you can use to get started.
Preparing for Advising Fortnight

Selecting a course of study is about more than just figuring out requirements. It’s about you. Finding the right concentration is a matter of understanding your needs, your priorities, your interests, your goals. How do you know which concentration is the right fit? What does “the right fit” even mean?

On the pages that follow, we offer several questions as a starting point to help you prepare to engage with all of the advising resources that will be available during Fortnight, and we provide space for you to keep your own notes. Think about what matters most to you as you strive to create your own transformative undergraduate experience. We encourage you to come up with your own questions as well.

Be sure to discuss these questions with concentration advisers, your proctor, your freshman adviser, your Peer Advising Fellow, and other trusted advisers, before, during, and after Fortnight.

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Preparing for Advising Fortnight

Do you do your best work when you...

- ...do research and write to investigate a topic in depth?
- ...do lab work - whether in a science lab or an art restoration lab or an innovation lab?
- ...take exams?
- ...do problem sets?
- ...engage in a creative or artistic process?

Read through a concentration’s course offerings in the online Courses of Instruction, considering both content and pedagogical approach. Ask concentration advisers how their concentration assesses a student’s mastery of the material.

What kind of advising do the concentrations I’m exploring offer?

Will you have a faculty adviser?

How are advisers matched to students?

How often do most students in the concentration meet with their advisers?

Advising is structured differently in each department. Try to assess your own needs and desires honestly, and look for the right fit for you.

Do you want advising on courses and requirements or on postgraduate opportunities?

Who will advise you if you write a thesis?
Student Perspectives

Don’t be overwhelmed! Check out the Fortnight calendar at the beginning of each week and choose a few events that appeal to you. Be sure to put them on your calendar! If you can’t make it to an event you’re interested in, remember that departments are also holding one-on-one drop-in office hours during Fortnight.

Step outside of your comfort zone. When deciding which events to attend, sometimes be guided by your gut; don’t simply attend the events of concentrations you’re considering declaring. Fortnight is a great opportunity for exploring your interests wherever they may lead. You never know what you might discover!

Speak with as many concentration representatives as you can at any events you attend. One of the most important things you should do during Fortnight is gain lots of different perspectives on the concentrations you’re interested in.

Have Fun!

Rediscover the 48 Book and the Concentrations Website (concentrations.fas.harvard.edu).

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Will a given concentration allow me to explore the issues that intrigue me most?
Did you know that at Harvard you can study health policy through the lens of Neurobiology, Government, Environmental Science and Public Policy, Economics, and Sociology (among others)? Use Advising Fortnight to discover how the various concentrations approach the issues and questions that energize you.

What are the concentration’s requirements?
Are there required tutorials? How many half-courses do I need to take? What do I have to do to be eligible for Honors? Do I have to write a thesis? How might these requirements align with other goals I have, such as pursuing summer research, internships, or study abroad?

Does this concentration offer research opportunities?
Concentrations support undergraduate research in a variety of ways – through funding, faculty contacts, or special coursework. Ask advisers in your prospective concentrations what kinds of resources are available for students interested in research in the concentration.

Check the Handbook for Students for detailed requirements (handbook.fas.harvard.edu).
What kind of intellectual community does this concentration foster?
Beyond its courses and requirements, every concentration has its own community and hosts community events like speaker series and colloquia. How do the concentrations you’re exploring foster their own unique communities?

How much will choosing a particular concentration impact my long-term career goals?
As part of a liberal arts and sciences education, all concentrations at Harvard will prepare you to think analytically and critically and to apply the knowledge you’ve gained in all aspects of your life, regardless of your career. You may still wish to know what alumni have done with degrees in concentrations you’re exploring. Departments are eager to share this information with you.

Be sure to also talk to advisers at the Office of Career Services about the correlation between concentrations and careers.

Visit ocs.fas.harvard.edu for more information.

The deadline to report your Advising Conversation is Friday, April 24, 2015.

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Event Worksheets

The deadline to report your Advising Conversation is Friday, April 24, 2015.

When you log into the Advising Network Portal to document your Advising Conversations, you will be asked several questions about the Fortnight events and office hours you attended. For your convenience we provide several worksheets here with those questions.

Additional worksheets will be available to download at advisingfortnight.harvard.edu, and to pick up in hard copy at the Fortnight table in Annenberg between 12 and 2 (beginning 3/31).

Concentration/Event: ____________________________________________________

Event location: __________________________Event date/time: _________________

• Did you speak with a concentration adviser (faculty or staff)? If so, with whom?
• What did you learn about this concentration from the event or office hours you attended?
• After attending this event or office hours, are you considering choosing this concentration?
• What are the next steps you plan to take to learn more about this concentration?
• What key questions would you like to have answered about this concentration?

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Seek out meetings with concentration advisers (find their contact info and office hours at advisingfortnight.fas.harvard.edu) before, during and after Fortnight.

Did you know the Bureau of Study Counsel holds workshops and events on such topics as “Decisions and Choices,” “Motivation/Purpose/meaning,” and “Success/Failure/Resilience”? Visit bsc.harvard.edu to learn more.

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Advising Fortnight Event Listing
[Listed in Alphabetical Order by Department]

African & African American Studies
AAAS Senior Thesis Symposium
Tuesday, March 31, 11:00-1:00pm
Barker Center, Thompson Room (110), 1st Floor.
Current seniors in African & African American Studies present their senior theses. Lunch will be served.

Considering Interdisciplinary Concentrations
Thursday, April 9, 4:00-5:00pm
Barker Center, Kresge Room (114), 1st Floor.
Meet students and faculty from programs that combine coursework from multiple departments. Featuring: Social Studies; Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies; History & Literature; African & African American Studies.

Anthropology
Snapchat with Faculty
Tuesday, March 31, 5:00-6:30pm
21 Divinity Avenue, Tozzer Anthropology Building.
Enjoy delicious tortas, burritos and churros while meeting faculty and current students and learning more about Anthropology, including Archaeology and Social Anthropology.

Got Culture? Alumni and Career Panel
Monday, April 6, 6:00-7:30pm
11 Divinity Avenue, Peabody Museum, 1st Floor, Room 12.
Hear about career pathways in social entrepreneurship, consulting, medicine, and policy for people with degrees in the social sciences, followed by Q&A. Light refreshments will be served.

Joint Concentrations Essentials: What You Need to Know
Tuesday, April 7, 2:30-4:00pm
Harvard Hall, Room 102.
A practical discussion of how to navigate the waters of the complicated system of joint concentrations at Harvard with representatives from Anthropology; Government; History of Science; Music; Romance Languages & Literatures; and Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies. Followed by Q&A.

Social Sciences Panel
Friday, April 10, 2:00-3:30pm
Harvard Hall, Room 104.
The directors of studies from six social science concentrations (Anthropology, Economics, Government, History, Social Studies, and Sociology) will each speak briefly about their concentration, followed by Q&A.

Key:
- Academic Fair
- Alumni and Current Concentrators
- Joint Concentration Event
- Open House
- Panel Discussion
- A Closer Look

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Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
Learn about the life sciences cluster of concentrations in this panel discussion. The life sciences advisers will provide brief descriptions of each concentration, followed by an opportunity for you to ask questions. Representatives from each of the Life Sciences concentrations will be present at this event. Life Sciences concentrations include Biomedical Engineering, Chemistry, Chemical & Physical Biology, Human Developmental & Regenerative Biology, Human Evolutionary Biology, Molecular & Cellular Biology, Neurobiology, Integrative Biology (formerly OEB), and Cognitive Neuroscience & Evolutionary Psychology (the Life Sciences track in Psychology).

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
Come talk with advisers and students from the Life Sciences concentrations, all in one location! The Life Sciences concentrations present at this event include Biomedical Engineering, Chemical & Physical Biology, Human Developmental & Regenerative Biology, Human Evolutionary Biology, Molecular & Cellular Biology, Neurobiology, Integrative Biology (formerly OEB), and Cognitive Neuroscience & Evolutionary Psychology (the Life Sciences track in Psychology). Note that Chemistry will host a separate Open House on Thursday, April 2. See Chemistry for details.

Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Chemical & Physical Biology
Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Chemistry
Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Chemistry Open House
Thursday, April 2, 6:00-7:00pm
12 Oxford Street, Chemistry and Chemical Building, Room M217.
Co-Director of Undergraduate Studies Gregg Tucci and upperclass Chemistry concentrators will be available to answer all of your questions about the concentration. Everyone is welcome! RSVP to tucci@fas.harvard.edu. Some tasty food will be served!

Chemistry & Physics
Monkeybread at Leverett House with Physics and Chemistry & Physics Students
Sunday, March 29, 9:00-10:00pm
25 DeWolfe Street, Leverett House Masters’ Residence, 2nd Floor.

Classics
The Humanities and Your Financial Future
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Barker Center, Thompson Room (110), 1st Floor.
A recent alumni panel! Hear about careers for people with degrees in the humanities and get a chance to ask questions. Featuring Classics, Comparative Literature, English, History & Literature, and Romance Languages & Literatures.

Info Session and Pizza Party for Prospective Concentrators
Tuesday, April 7, 6:00-7:30pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
Students interested in a concentration or secondary field in Classics are invited to join faculty members and concentrators for a discussion about teaching and research in the department, study abroad, and other aspects of the concentration.

Comparative Literature
Comparative Literature/History & Literature/English: What’s the Difference?
Wednesday, April 1, 7:00-9:00pm
Barker Center, Plimpton Room (133), 1st Floor.
A presentation by the Directors of Undergraduate Studies in Comparative Literature, History & Literature, and English. This is an excellent way to learn about what distinguishes each of these Humanities concentrations.

Senior Thesis Panel
Thursday, April 2, 7:00-8:30pm
Barker Center, Kresge Room (114), 1st Floor.
Presentation of thesis work by various Comparative Literature seniors. Come hear about the kind of work students do in Comparative Literature. Dessert will be provided.

Everything You Wanted to Know About Comparative Literature + Pizza
Wednesday, April 8, 5:00-6:00pm
16 Quincy Street, Dana Palmer House, Seminar Room (diagonally across from the Barker Center).
Everything you wanted to know about Comparative Literature but were afraid to ask. 5-5:30: Meet with DUS Sandra Naddaff to discuss requirements and more. 5:30 - 6: Come enjoy pizza and conversation with Comp Lit students to learn more about undergraduate life. Feel free to attend either or both events.
Comparative Literature (continued)

The Liabilities of Logos: Reading the Classics in Modern China
Thursday, April 9, 6:00-7:30pm
Barker Center, Thompson Room (110), 1st Floor.
Join us for a lecture presented by Professor Shadi Bartsch-Zimmer from the University of Chicago.

Computer Science

Concentration Advice with Ben & Jerry
Tuesday, March 31, 2:30-4:00pm
33 Oxford Street, Maxwell Dworkin Lobby.
Come hear what it’s like to concentrate or do a secondary in Computer Science. Free ice cream from Ben & Jerry’s, plus free advice from concentrators and faculty!

Earth & Planetary Sciences

Department Tutorial
Wednesday, April 1, 5:00-6:00pm
20 Oxford Street, Faculty Lounge, 4th Floor Hoffman Labs.
Over pizza, Prof. Zhiming Kuang will chat about his research on tropical convection and large scale atmosphere-ocean dynamics.

Environmental Sciences Open House
Wednesday, April 8, 4:30-5:30pm
24 Oxford Street, Harvard University Center for the Environment (HUCE), Geological Museum Building, Seminar Room 310.
Come chat informally with faculty, students and staff from Earth & Planetary Sciences, Environmental Sciences and Engineering, Environmental Science & Public Policy, and Integrative Biology.

Open House Pizza Party
Friday, April 10, 4:30-6:00pm
20 Oxford Street, 4th Floor Hoffman Labs, Student and Faculty Lounges.
Come chat with faculty and concentrators about life in EPS; then at 5:15 hear student adventures of the January field camp in Death Valley.

East Asian Studies

Study Abroad Dim Sum Party
Thursday, April 2, 2:00-3:00pm
2 Divinity Avenue, Harvard-Yenching Library, Common Room.
Meet with EAS students, faculty and staff to find out more about the concentration and secondary field in EAS, as well as study abroad.

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Folklore & Mythology
Open House
Wednesday, April 8, 4:30-5:30pm
Warren House, Room 102.
Meet concentrators and faculty and hear about the concentration. Light refreshments served.

Germanic Languages & Literatures
German and Scandinavian Advising Lunch
Thursday, April 2, 1:00-2:00pm
AND Wednesday, April 8, 1:00-2:00pm
Grafton Street Restaurant, 1230 Massachusetts Avenue.
Please join faculty as well as current and former students for an informal but informative lunch, find out about the concentration and secondary field, and learn about international career possibilities with Germanic Languages.

Government
Government Department Open House
Wednesday, April 1, 3:00-5:00pm
CGIS Knafel (North), K151.
Drop by the Government Undergraduate Program Office for a chance to chat casually with Government Undergraduate Program students, faculty, concentration advisers, and staff. Sweet treats will be served!

Government and the Real World
Monday, April 6, 4:00-6:00pm
CGIS South, Lee Gathering Room (S030).
Please join faculty from the Government Department for a panel discussion of what drew them to the discipline, their current research, and the ways in which the study of Government interacts with real world events.

Joint Concentrations Essentials: What You Need to Know
Tuesday, April 7, 2:30-4:00pm
Harvard Hall, Room 102.
*See Anthropology for full description.

Social Sciences Panel
Friday, April 10, 2:00-3:30pm
Harvard Hall, Room 104.
*See Anthropology for full description.

History
Q & A Discussion: History or Hist & Lit?
Wednesday, April 8, 7:30-8:30pm
Robinson Hall, Lower Library.
At this panel discussion, students will hear about the differences between concentrating in History versus Hist & Lit.

History Alumni Panel
Thursday, April 9, 7:00-8:30pm
Robinson Hall, Lower Library.
This panel discussion will feature history alumni and current history concentrators and will cover the knowledge and skills that are acquired by studying history, and how that knowledge can be transferrable in various professions.

History (continued)
Social Sciences Panel
Friday, April 10, 2:00-3:30pm
Harvard Hall, Room 104.
*See Anthropology for full description.

History & Literature
Exploring History & Literature
Tuesday, March 31, 4:00-5:30pm
Barker Center, Kresge Room (114), 1st Floor.
Learn about concentrating in History & Literature from current students and faculty!

Comparative Literature/History & Literature/English: What’s the Difference?
Wednesday, April 1, 7:00-9:00pm
Barker Center, Plimpton Room (133), 1st Floor.
*See Comparative Literature for full description.

The Humanities and Your Financial Future
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Barker Center, Thompson Room (110), 1st Floor.
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Considering Interdisciplinary Concentrations
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Barker Center, Kresge Room (114), 1st Floor.
*See AAAS for full description.

History & Science
Joint Concentrations Essentials: What You Need to Know
Tuesday, April 7, 2:30-4:00pm
Harvard Hall, Room 102.
*See Anthropology for full description.

Open House
Friday, April 10, 12:00-1:30pm
Science Center, Room 469.
Please join us to meet our faculty, advisers, and current concentrators and hear what it’s like to concentrate in History and Science. A light lunch will be provided.

History of Art & Architecture
Open House
Thursday, April 2, 5:00-6:30pm
Open House with faculty and concentrators to casually discuss the features and programs of History of Art & Architecture. Snacks and pizza, too!
Human Developmental & Regenerative Biology
Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Human Evolutionary Biology
Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

HEB Spring Open House
Wednesday, April 1, 4:00-5:30pm
11 Divinity Avenue, Peabody Museum, 5th floor, HEB Lounge.
The Open House is a chance for both current and pre-concentrators to find out more about HEB, interact with faculty and grad students in the department, and enjoy some snacks. Questions answered about HEB research opportunities, classes and requirements.

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Integrative Biology (formerly Organismic and Evolutionary Biology)
Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Environmental Sciences Open House
Wednesday, April 8, 4:30-5:30pm
24 Oxford Street, Harvard University Center for the Environment (HUCE), Geological Museum Building, Seminar Room 310.
*See Earth & Planetary Sciences for full description.

Linguistics
Spring Open House
Thursday, April 9, 5:00-7:00pm
Boylston Hall, 3rd Floor Lounge Area.
The Department of Linguistics welcomes undergraduates interested in linguistics to join members of the department at the Spring Open House in order to learn more about linguistics and concentration requirements.

Mathematics
Open House/Reception
Monday, April 6, 3:00-4:00pm
Science Center, 4th Floor, Austin and Chilton McDonnell Common Room.
An opportunity for freshmen to meet and talk with Math Department faculty and Math concentrators. Light refreshments will be served.

Mechanical Engineering
Engineering Concentration Advising Fair
Tuesday, March 31, 2:30-4:00pm
33 Oxford Street, Maxwell Dworkin Room 119.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Molecular & Cellular Biology
Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Music
Music Advising Info Session
Friday, April 3, 1:30-2:30pm
3 Kirkland Street, Music Building, Taft Lounge.
Come learn about the Music concentration from the Director of Undergraduate Studies and other concentration advisers.

Music Advising Info Session
Monday, April 6, 3:00-4:00pm
3 Kirkland Street, Music Building, Taft Lounge.
Meet with advisers and Department of Music administrators about the Music Concentration and Secondary Field.

Joint Concentrations Essentials: What You Need to Know
Tuesday, April 7, 2:30-4:00pm
Harvard Hall, Room 102.
*See Anthropology for full description.

Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations
NELC Open House
Wednesday, April 1, 4:00-6:00pm
6 Divinity Avenue, Semitic Museum, 1st Floor Gallery.
Be among the powerful Mesopotamian kings. Discover some of the word’s oldest languages and consider a modern one. Come visit us and learn about the concentration from faculty and current students. Food and refreshments will be served.

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Neurobiology

**Discussion Panel with Life Sciences Concentration Advisers**
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00-8:00pm
Emerson Hall, Room 105.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Neuro Info Night
Thursday, April 2, 7:00-8:00pm
Boylston Hall, Fong Auditorium.
The Neurobio concentration advisers will lead a discussion 1) to help you decide if Neurobio is the right concentration for you, and 2) to get you started finding and using the resources at Harvard to deepen your studies of the brain. There will be a short presentation, snacks, and a Q&A session.

Life Sciences Open House
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Boylston Hall, Ticknor Lounge.
*See Biomedical Engineering for full description.

Philosophy

**Open House**
Friday, April 10, 12:00-1:30pm
Emerson Hall, Robbins Library, 2nd Floor.
We invite you to Robbins Library to meet faculty and concentrators and learn more about the Philosophy Department. Lunch will be provided.

Psychology

**Speed Dating the Psychology Faculty**
Tuesday, March 31, 4:00-5:00pm
William James Hall, Room 1550.
Come and meet faculty members from the Psychology Department! You’ll be in one of many small groups of freshmen who will be visited by a rotating group of faculty members, just like speed dating in the real world.

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Religion, Comparative Study of

**Religion and Tapas Open House**
Wednesday, April 1, 4:00-6:00pm
Barker Center, Thompson Room (110), 1st Floor.
The Comparative Study of Religion is an exciting, multidisciplinary concentration that brings together the humanities and social sciences. Drop by our Open House to talk with current students, faculty, and alumni about the concentration and secondary field programs. Enjoy tapas and micro sweets as we answer your questions—no query is too small, or too big.

**Stories from the Field**
Monday, April 6, 4:00-6:30pm
Barker Center, Thompson Room (110), 1st Floor.
The perfect opportunity to learn about the Comparative Study of Religion from our current students and faculty. Enjoy delicious refreshments and hear mini-presentations from undergraduates about their on-going projects—from ethnographic field work abroad to play-writing in Cambridge. How has the study of religion shaped their college experiences and their plans for the future? Bring your curiosity and questions!

**Bienvenue, Benvenuti, Bem-vindo, and Bienvenidos – Welcome to our Open House!**
Friday, April 3, 12:00-2:00pm
AND Wednesday, April 8, 2:00-4:00pm
Boylston Hall, 4th Floor.
Please join us for refreshments and conversation with members of the Department of RLL! Faculty, students, and staff will be available to talk about concentration offerings in language, literature, and culture, including our numerous concentration track options.

The Humanities and Your Financial Future
Monday, April 6, 7:30-9:00pm
Barker Center, Thomson Room (110), 1st Floor.
*See Classics for full description.

Joint Concentrations Essentials: What You Need to Know
Tuesday, April 7, 2:30-4:00pm
Harvard Hall, Room 102.
*See Anthropology for full description.

Slavic Literatures & Cultures

**Advising Lunch**
Tuesday, March 31, 11:30-1:30pm
Barker Center, 3rd Floor outside Room 325.
Join the Slavic Department’s Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies, Prof. Justin Weir, and Director of Language Programs, Dr. Steven Clancy, for conversation over lunch about your options for concentrating in the Slavic Department.

Social Studies

**Ice Cream Social**
Tuesday, March 31, 4:00-5:30pm
William James Hall, 3rd Floor Lounge.
Join faculty and student representatives from the Committee on Degrees in Social Studies to learn more about the concentration. Serving Lizzie’s Ice Cream Sundaes!
Events Hosted by Non-Affiliated Secondaries

For the first time this year, unaffiliated secondary fields may choose to host events during Fortnight, and you will find these events on the calendar. Please note that secondary fields are optional and that attending an event hosted by a secondary field will not satisfy the Faculty requirement. That said, we hope that you will appreciate the opportunity to explore all of the options available to you on your academic path.

Energy & Environment

Environmental Sciences Open House

Wednesday, April 8, 4:30-5:30pm
24 Oxford Street, Harvard University Center for the Environment (HUCE), Geological Museum Building, Seminar Room 310.

*See Earth & Planetary Sciences for full description.

Ethnicity, Migration, Rights

The EMR of Chocolate

Monday, April 6, 3:30-5:00pm
2 Arrow Street, Room 408.

Come learn about the politics of chocolate and the relationship between this decadent treat and ethnic groups, the migration of people, and human rights. Join us for a brief talk followed by discussion and a chocolate tasting.

Global Health & Health Policy

Open House: Secondary Field in Global Health & Health Policy

Tuesday, April 7, 6:30-7:30pm
AND Wednesday, April 8, 12:00-1:00pm
14 Story Street, 4th Floor.

Join us for lunch or dinner and the chance to ask questions about the GHHP Secondary Field. Find out about courses, requirements, special programs, and funding for summer research and internships.

Visual & Environmental Studies

Inside VES

Thursday, April 9, 5:00-6:15pm
24 Quincy Street, Carpenter Center for the Visual Arts, Room B-04.

Do you want to create art and make films? Do you want to explore the history and theory of cinema; environmental studies; visual culture; and critical theory? Visit “Inside VES” to learn more about the department from faculty, students and alums. Light refreshments served.

Social Sciences Panel

Friday, April 10, 2:00-3:30pm
Harvard Hall, Room 104.

*See Anthropology for full description.

Sociology

Sushi with Sociology Faculty: Panel Discussion

Thursday, April 2, 4:00-5:00pm
William James Hall, Room 105.

A panel discussion with Sociology faculty, moderated by Rachel Meyer, Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Social Sciences Panel

Friday, April 10, 2:00-3:30pm
Harvard Hall, Room 104.

*See Anthropology for full description.

South Asian Studies

Chai and Samosa Tea

Fridays, April 3 & 10, 3:00-5:00pm
1 Bow Street, 3rd Floor Lounge.

Join our faculty and students in a casual atmosphere over chai and samosas. We look forward to meeting you and answering your questions about concentration options in our department!

Statistics

Open House and Info Session

Friday, April 3, 12:00-2:00pm
Science Center, 7th Floor.

Join us for an information session and lunch. Ask questions about courses, concentration and secondary requirements, meet faculty, and more!

Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies

Joint Concentrations Essentials: What You Need to Know

Tuesday, April 7, 2:30-4:00pm
Harvard Hall, Room 102.

*See Anthropology for full description.

Considering Interdisciplinary Concentrations

Thursday, April 9, 4:00-5:00pm
Barker Center, Kresge Room (114), 1st Floor.

*See AAAS for full description.

advISING FORTNIGHT RAFFLE

Raffles to be held daily.

Watch for the “question of the day” in our daily Advising Fortnight announcement email.
Find us in Annenberg during lunch to enter the raffle.
Lots of exciting prizes!

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The 48 Concentrations Exercise

This can be a group exercise or one you complete yourself. Move rapidly through the list of the 48 concentrations on the back flap of this guidebook and select the top 8 concentrations that you instinctively feel you would find the most exciting, engaging, and meaningful. Don’t stop to think about whether you have the background or the skills to perform well in these concentrations. Don’t get hung up on whether or not particular concentrations connect in obvious ways to possible future careers. Simply identify those concentrations that you would find the most engaging.

When you have selected your top 8, write them down on the blank space below in rank order, listing the concentration you find most exciting first. If your first choice ranks much higher in your estimation than your second, indicate this by leaving a space between them. If any two or more of your choices are essentially equivalent in rank, list them next to each other (i.e., horizontally). (If you choose to do this as a group activity, be sure to print legibly so that others can read your list.)

**Group exercise:** Once everyone completes their list, take turns reading each list out loud. Other participants should brainstorm about possible connections between the concentrations on each list.

**What patterns emerge?** Are there any connecting threads among the concentrations you listed, or among subgroupings of them? Are there any meaningful points of disconnect? What are your instincts telling you?

Keep this exercise in mind as you plan your Fortnight itinerary, and try to visit as many events being held by the concentrations on your list as you can.

**Exercise adapted from** [https://alumni.gsb.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/The_100_Jobs_Exercise.pdf](https://alumni.gsb.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/The_100_Jobs_Exercise.pdf) based on Getting Unstuck by Timothy Butler.
For more information about the 48 concentrations, check your 48 Book or visit concentrations.fas.harvard.edu.
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