Fall Reminders

As we near the end of October and the last weeks of the fall semester, we encourage you to take care of yourself, and to seek help if you need it to do your best. Resources like the Center for Counseling and Personal Growth, Academic Support office, and Dean of Students are always available to support you. Stay healthy, get connected, vote if you are eligible and haven’t already, and remember that daylight saving time ends this weekend. Turn your clock back on Saturday night and enjoy an extra hour of sleep.

Reminders from the Registrar

Last Day to Withdraw from Full-Semester Course
The last day to withdraw from a full-semester (or “B” session) course is Friday, Nov. 20. Email your course withdrawal form to registrar@clarku.edu.

Advising and Registration
Advising for intersession and spring courses is Monday, Nov. 2 through Friday, Nov. 13. Course grids, web registration instructions, and detailed registration dates can be found on the Registrar’s website. Schedule an appointment with your adviser to receive a special registration PIN.
Intersession

Registration will begin Monday, Nov. 16 at 8 a.m. (EST). Please note that undergraduate arts and sciences (A&S) students will be limited to a maximum of 1.5 units for the session. A registration PIN will not be required for intersession; however, it is always important to discuss options and course selections with your adviser to ensure you are meeting your program requirements. Registration will close at the end of the intersession add/drop period on Friday, Jan. 8, 2021. If you are a full-time undergraduate A&S student (3 units or more) in the fall semester, you will not be charged tuition for intersession courses. School of Professional Studies undergraduate courses will not be available to A&S undergraduates in the intersession.

Spring 2021 Registration

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. (EST) on the following dates:

- **Seniors**: Wednesday, Nov. 18
- **Juniors**: Friday, Nov. 20
- **Sophomores**: Monday, Nov. 23
- **First-years**: Tuesday, Nov. 24

Registration will close at the end of the spring semester add/drop period on Wednesday, March 3, 2021. Early registration is available for student-athletes and students registered with Student Accessibility Services; specifics will be communicated to eligible students by the programs in which they participate.

Review your “registration status” through your CUWeb account ([view instructions here](#)) frequently to check for and clear any holds on your account that might prevent you from registering.

Course Completion Week – Fall 2020 Semester

The last day of on-campus courses will be Friday, Nov. 20. After two reading days and the Thanksgiving break (November 23–27), the course completion week is Monday, Nov. 30 through Friday, Dec. 4. While two-hour exam blocks are not scheduled, faculty are free to use the regularly scheduled days/times of courses as they see fit — every activity that week will be conducted remotely. Some faculty may use this week for final classes/lectures, presentations, exams, etc. Please make sure you clearly understand your professors’ expectations for course completion week before you leave campus.
Remembering and Honoring Clark Students

All Clark community members are invited to join current students and alumni in remembering Ellen Arellana in a virtual vigil this Thursday, Oct. 29, at noon (EDT). Reflections and memories of Ellen will be shared, and a dance has been dedicated in her honor. Log into Clark Engage for the link.

Cards and art supplies are available at the Craft Studio on the third floor of the UC for any students wishing to send their thoughts and love to the families of both community members we’ve lost this year, Ellen Arellana and Anastasiia Yerzhova. Notes will be collected through the end of the week and be added to the messages already received to share with loved ones.

Wellness Education

Managing Your Relationship with Food During the Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought with it a flurry of unhealthy narratives and expectations around food and our bodies. Wellness Education is excited to team up with campus dietitian Kristen Chulada, RDN, LD, to bring you information and guidance on how to manage your relationship with food while surviving this pandemic. Join the session on Zoom this Wednesday, Oct. 28, from 4 to 4:30 p.m. (EDT). You can also find the event info and link on Clark Engage.

Prestigious Fellowships ad Scholarships

Juniors (and sophomores) are invited to learn about the Truman Scholarship, which can help fund your graduate studies, in a Zoom session on Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 4 p.m. (EDT). Contact jrobert@clarku.edu to get the Zoom link.

Truman is looking for future change agents who aspire to leadership positions in federal, state, or local governments, or in the not-for-profit and education sectors where they can influence public policies and programs. Criteria for the scholarships include:

- Extensive records of public and community service
- Commitment to careers in government or elsewhere in the public sector
• Desire to influence public policies or education programs
• Outstanding leadership potential and communication skills

**Career Connections Center Updates**

**Opportunity Funding Information Session**
**Thursday, Nov. 5 at 1 p.m.**
[Register on Handshake]

Do you have an unpaid internship, self-designed project, or research opportunity? This info session will give a broad overview of funding opportunities available to undergraduates for intersession, spring semester, and summer work. We also will discuss deadlines, how to apply, and how to be as competitive as possible in your application.

**ClarkCONNECT Alumni Job Shadow Program**

Seeking a mentor? Curious to know more about a certain profession or industry? Need assistance with informational interviews and networking? ClarkCONNECT can help! During intersession, you can participate in up to three virtual job shadow experiences with Clark alumni who currently work in fields you want to explore or enter. While the core of your job shadowing time is the meaningful conversation you’ll share with your alumni host, there are also opportunities available for you to participate in an industry-specific project, or to do some networking. Apply by this Friday on ClarkCONNECT.

**The Career Connections Center Newsletter**

Check your inbox for the most recent Career Connections Center newsletter, which includes ideas about “Planning a Productive Intersession.” If you want to jumpstart your plans for the six weeks between Jan. 4 and Feb. 12, 2021, we encourage you to meet with a career adviser. Book an appointment now on Handshake.

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**Upcoming Events**

*Visit Clark Votes* for a complete list of election-related events

**Vulnerability and Resilience: What is our role?**
**Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 3 p.m. (EDT); register here**
This student-led event will feature student-faculty dialogue on the intersections between racial, climate, and food justice with professors Ousmane Power-Greene (history), Jude Fernando (IDCE), and Morgan Ruelle (IDCE).

**Gender Politics and the 2020 Election**
**Thursday, Oct. 29 at noon; via Zoom**

Join professors Valerie Sperling (political science), Kristen Williams (political science), and Danielle Hanley (women’s and gender studies), who will explore, in relation to the 2020 election, masculinity, misogyny, intersectionality, identity politics, and the international landscape.

**Digital Authoritarianism and the Persecution of the Uyghur Muslims**
**Monday, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. (EDT); via Zoom**

Dr. Darren Byler of the University of Washington will discuss the digital enclosure that is being built around the Uyghurs and other minority Muslim populations in China.

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**Sustainable Clark Can Help with Your Move-out**

Moving out of a residence hall is complicated enough — but help is here. Can’t take it with you? Don’t really want, or need, it anyway? Donate it for a great cause: The “Clark Collections” move-out donation program, which benefits Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Mass., will take all your unwanted clothes, shoes, coats, dorm/school/art/cooking supplies, room décor, bedding, small appliances, games, and more.

Last year, we collected enough to fund 10 “Bigs” for 10 Worcester kids for a year — thank you! And in doing so, we diverted more than three tons from the landfill.

Donation bins will be in place Nov. 9–20 in Bullock Hall, Maywood Hall, and the Johnson Sanford Center. We are unable to accept food, books, toiletries, liquids, sports equipment, or furniture. **This program is sponsored by Sustainable Clark, Residential Live and Housing, Facilities Management, and Hartsprings.org.**