



HARVARD COLLEGE

Parents Connection

Message from the Dean

Dear Harvard College Parents and Guardians,



The spring semester is off to quite a start, with Cambridge accumulating nearly two feet of snow as part of a record-breaking winter storm that swept Massachusetts this week. But things are warming up with classes underway and student activities in full swing. I am delighted to welcome your students back to campus and look forward to an exciting semester ahead.

Warmly,

Rakesh Khurana
*Dean
of Harvard College*

Plan Ahead!



Spring Break

March 14 – 22

It's snowing in Cambridge, but spring break is just around the corner. Check in with your student to plan ahead.

In Case You Missed It ...

The *Harvard Gazette* is the official news source of Harvard University. [Subscribe to the Daily Gazette.](#)

Online gateway offers Harvard teaching on the Web

If your New Year's resolution involves learning more about Einstein or the history of the blues, you're in luck! Harvard's Online Learning gateway houses all of the University's open online learning opportunities under one roof for the first time. [Read more](#)

Wintersession offers creative and practical classes alike during January break

Print-making on clay tablets. African drumming. Jewelry-making. Yoga. Weightlifting. Scuba diving. They aren't topics that appear in the Harvard course catalog, but all — and more — were among the subjects that Harvard College students had the chance to explore during this year's Wintersession. [Read more](#)

Get Involved

[Junior Parents Weekend, February 27 – 28 »](#)

Junior Parents Weekend is quickly approaching. If you're able to join us on campus for this great weekend of events, [register](#) and book your hotel room now.

[Harvard ReConnect, March 21, Mountainview, CA »](#)

All Harvard parents living in the western region of the U.S. are invited to attend this day-long gathering, featuring Dean Rakesh Khurana and a panel of distinguished alumni and faculty members who will explore how to sustain excellence in a swiftly changing world. Please click [here](#) to register.

Did You Know?

In 1795, 21 Harvard students established a new on-campus society, pledging “to cultivate the social affections and cherish the feelings of friendship and patriotism.” Most importantly, they mandated that “the members in alphabetical order shall provide a pot of hasty pudding for every meeting.” With this ritual, the Hasty Pudding club found its namesake. Every year, the theatrical organization bestows Man and Woman of the Year awards on performers who have made lasting and impressive contributions to the world of entertainment. This year’s award winners are [Amy Poehler](#) and [Chris Pratt](#).



STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Concentrating in the Arts & Humanities

Whether a student dreams of becoming a scientist, an economist, a hedge fund manager, a writer, a teacher, or a working artist, he or she will find in the Division of Arts and Humanities courses that cultivate not only knowledge, but the tools to live a life of purpose, accomplishment, and meaning.

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Resources

Financial Aid: (617) 495-1551

Harvard University Health Services (24 hour): (617) 495-5711

HUHS Counseling and Mental Health Services: (617) 495-2042

Faculty of Arts and Sciences Registrar: (617) 495-1543

Housing and Residential Life: (617) 496-2774

Harvard College Parents Fund: (617) 496-3819

Additional Resources

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