

## Amherst College

## First-Year Experience Newsletter


Upcoming FYE ProgramsStart Off on the Right Track: Time Management Workshop

September 26th • 5:30-7:00pm • Friedmann Room • 20 points  
 This workshop will explore with student's strategies on how to meet the many demands of being a student at Amherst College. Time management strategies will be shared through individual and group discussions. The goal of the workshop is to help students explore ways to be socially and academically successful. Date books will be available, but students are also encouraged to bring with them the tools they use to help them meet their personal goals and deadlines. Pizza will be provided. The first 25 people to arrive get a planner!

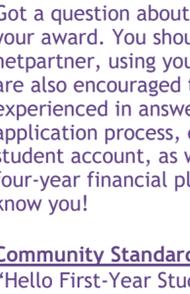
*Facilitators:*

*Kristen Brookes, Senior Writing Associate, Writing Center*  
*Charri Boykin-East, Senior Associate Dean of Students*

Meet, Greet, Drink, Eat with Amanda and Laurie

October 4th • 4pm • McCaffery Room • 20 points  
 Do you have curiosity, interest, or questions about Amherst's work preventing and responding to issues related to sexual respect? Do you want to know more about the Title IX office and how we do our work on-campus? Maybe you are thinking about how you can help a friend who is working with Title IX or perhaps you would just like a snack? Please come by to meet Title IX Coordinator Laurie Frankl and Deputy Title IX Coordinator Amanda Vann for a casual gathering and informal conversation. There will be great snacks and beverages! Pick up some resources, play a game, and gather some information. We look forward to seeing you!

*Presented by: The Title IX Office and Sexual Respect Education*

Advice from a current student...

Name:  
**Christopher Lewis**

Pronouns:  
 He, Him, His

“Change the definition of ‘Cool’. Walk up to a random person in the dining hall, classroom, Keefe, gym or wherever and just start a conversation. Amherst has many resources but the best resource is the diverse body of people on this campus, and you can gain the most knowledge out of your Amherst experience just by stepping out of your comfort zone and talking to someone you normally wouldn’t.”

Tips and Tricks for SuccessFinancial Aid

Got a question about your financial aid? Messages explain the details of your award. You should review them online at [www.amherst.edu/go/netpartner](http://www.amherst.edu/go/netpartner), using your Amherst username and password. New students are also encouraged to come in and meet our staff. They are experienced in answering a broad array of questions regarding the application process, external scholarships, how financial aid credits the student account, as well as other first-time questions. A successful four-year financial plan starts now and we look forward to getting to know you!

Community Standards

“Hello First-Year Students! My name is Corey Michalos and just like all of you, I am new to Amherst College and I share in the excitement and energy around the amazing community that we will build together over the next few years. As the Director of Community Standards within the Office of Student Affairs, I have the opportunity to be able to engage with all members of the Amherst community and create, develop, and champion our shared rights and responsibilities. You can review our current rights and responsibilities in the 2017-18 Student Code of Conduct. Additionally, we each have an obligation to hold ourselves and each other accountable to our community standards; as such, Amherst College has created reporting tools to help us effectively communicate about behaviors that impact your academic, interpersonal, or environmental success. I look forward to working with you and learning about Amherst together!”

Apply to be an Area Council EXEC Member

The Office of Residential Life is excited to announce an opportunity for first year students (who live on the first-year quad) to get involved with Area Councils. Area Councils consist of executive members that are elected to represent and lead the Area Council. Students who live in James, Stearns and Charles Pratt are general members of the First Year East Area Council. Students who live in Williston, North, South, and Appleton are general members of the First Year West Area Council.

Apply for an Area Council EXEC BOARD position! Positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Communications Coordinator, Social Coordinator and Building Representatives (one per each residence hall). Individuals may run for up to two council positions (building representative and one additional position), but will only be able to accept one position.

Residents of James, Stearns or Charles Pratt may fill out an application here (you must use your Amherst log-in): <https://goo.gl/forms/ozivzQbT45fmHryH2>

Residents of Williston, North, South and Appleton should fill out an application here (you must use your Amherst log-in): <https://goo.gl/forms/3m0dExByQD4g22qY2>

For questions, contact Sidney Lin ([slin17@amherst.edu](mailto:slin17@amherst.edu)) and Bessy Birhanu ([bbirhanu17@amherst.edu](mailto:bbirhanu17@amherst.edu)), Coordinators of Area Council.

Five College Campus Tours

First-Year Experience and the Association of Amherst Students, along with the Five College Consortium, is offering campus tours of all the Five Colleges. You will get a guided tour and food at each campus.

*The tour locations are as follows:*

- September 15: University of Massachusetts Amherst
- September 22: Mount Holyoke College
- September 29: Hampshire College
- October 13: Amherst College
- October 20: Smith College



**Take an insider's tour of the Five Colleges!**

*Learn where to find:*

- the best food
- the most fun
- the quietest study spaces
- the loudest social spaces

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**MORE INFORMATION: The Hub**

Amherst College | Hampshire College | Mount Holyoke College | Smith College | University of Massachusetts Amherst

More Details

Contact Ashley Maitland at [firstyearexperience@amherst.edu](mailto:firstyearexperience@amherst.edu) with any comments, questions or concerns regarding First-Year Experience!