Wentworth Family Newsletter - Upcoming Info Sessions

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Dear Wentworth Families,

We hope your students are enjoying their well-deserved spring break! Please see below for updates, information about campus resources, and opportunities to connect with Wentworth.

For additional family resources and information, please visit our <u>family resources</u> <u>webpage</u>, which will be periodically updated with key information.



Family Info Sessions

Over the next four weeks, a series of virtual family info sessions (with plenty of time for Q&A) will be hosted by some key departments on campus. If you would like to attend one or more of the sessions listed below, please <u>click here to sign up</u>.

March 15 at 6pm: Center for Wellness

- counseling, mental health

March 24 at 6pm: Residential and Commuter Life - housing, off campus and commuter student services

March 30 at 6pm: Dean of Students - campus involvement, general student support

April 6 at 6pm: Success Studio - advising, tutoring, accessibility services As the weather warms and the days get longer, we know that spring is upon us as well as the close of another academic year. I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself to our Wentworth families as I take on my new responsibilities as Dean of Students. My journey at Wentworth has provided me opportunities to work in a variety of areas on campus: residence life, student conduct, and student support. The past 10 years, I have enjoyed my work at Wentworth and take great pride in my ability to now use my role to understand and advocate for the student experience.



The past few years have not been easy, but our community has continued to show its resilience and ability to put others before self. I am grateful that we have reached a place in this pandemic and in our mitigation planning, that we have moved to mask optional in non-classroom and health settings.

We are now entering a very busy time for our students, and it is always important to send a reminder of important resources to aid in student success. Students are always encouraged to reach out to their faculty for additional support or utilize the resources of the <u>Success Studio</u>. The Success Studio's new structure of increased advisors to provide more individualized support to students has led to increased academic success and retention of our students. Additionally, the Center for Wellness continues to welcome new clients to their counseling services. Students can call 617.989.4390 or visit the office in Williston Hall room 202 to make an appointment. These resources and many others on campus were intentionally designed to aid your students in meeting their personal and academic goals.

I wish all our Wentworth families a healthy spring and summer and I look forward to celebrating our graduating students this April and August and welcoming our new and returning students back to campus in August. Until then, I can be reached at kossesj@wit.edu.

My best, Dr. Jenn Kosses

Financial Resources for Students

<u>Student Emergency Fund</u>: The Student Emergency Fund is available to assist students who are experiencing financial hardship. The fund is also used to assist students who experience an unplanned expense, such as having to return home for a family emergency. Examples of expenses we've assisted students with include books and supplies, medical co-payments, food, housing, transportation, and more.

<u>LeopardCents</u>: LeopardCents is Wentworth's Money Management Program. We provide free financial education to the Wentworth Community. Our goal is to help students become more financially aware and independent. To aid you in becoming more financially savvy; LeopardCents offers 1 on 1 meetings, a podcast, blog posts, and helpful tips. We cover financial topics including: budgeting, saving, credit, taxes, investing, and loan repayment.

<u>WIT Materials Design Fund</u>: The WIT Materials Design Fund provides financial relief for students in the School of Architecture and Design. This initiative was spearheaded by the National Organization of Minority Architects (NOMAS) along with their faculty advisors. DiMella Schaffer Architecture Firm generously established the WIT Materials Design Fund to support students traditionally underrepresented in architecture and design. With the semester underway and projects being assigned,

please know there is a resource available should a need arise for materials. Please reach out to designmaterials@wit.edu with any questions.

Updates and Reminders



<u>Summer Semester Housing</u>: Is your student taking classes or on co-op this summer semester? Students interested in living on campus this summer who did not participate in housing selection can submit a housing request form on our website.

Fall Semester Housing: Fall 2022/Spring 2023 housing down-payments and housing agreements are now being accepted, and are due by Monday, March 28, 2022. Please visit our housing software system, Adirondack-THD (thd.wit.edu), to submit both your \$500 housing down-payment and your housing agreement prior to the deadline above. Current first-year students are required to live on campus, as per Wentworth's residency requirement.

<u>Summer Tuition Bill</u>: The summer semester bill is available to view on LeopardWeb. The summer semester due date is April 1. Please visit the Student Accounts Office website for payment plan options and payment information.

News and Events



<u>Men's Basketball</u>: Senior Trey Carrier (Wilton, N.H.) had a record-setting night with 45 points as the ninth-seeded Wentworth Institute of Technology men's basketball team rolled to a 93-73 win over eighth-seeded University of New England in an opening round contest of the 2022 Commonwealth Coast Conference Men's Basketball Tournament. Carrier's 45 points eclipses the previous mark of 39, set by Jason Ganley on Jan. 19, 2016,

<u>Students on BSA Board</u>: The Boston Society of Architects, AIA Chapter recently announced that WIT Students, Andres Jimenez (BSArch 22) and Lucas Chichester (BSArch 23) were both appointed as student Members to the Board of Directors!

<u>IIDA Alumna Interview</u>: Megan Dobstaff, Interior Design Class of 2010, was recently interviewed by the International Interior Design Association (IIDA) for their feature Women Lead Design: Women's History Month 2022. Megan was one of three women who shared their experiences of being a woman in the design industry.

<u>Men's Volleyball</u>: The Wentworth men's volleyball team rolls into Spring break with a record of 13-3 and a national ranking inside the top 10. The team has featured multiple conference players of the week. Sophomore Jacob Labouliere was recently named national player of the week. Next, they head to California for 4 matches over spring break.

<u>28th Annual Golf Tournament</u>: Are you a Wentworth Alum or friend who would like to golf to support our students? Our annual golf tournament will be held on June 20th at Pinehills Golf Club in Plymouth. Sign up today! All tournament proceeds benefit the Wentworth Fund.

<u>Graduate Student Open House</u>: Graduate Admissions is hosting an In-Person Open House on Thursday, March 24th 6-8pm and an online Info Session on Monday, March 28th from 5pm-6pm for all of our programs being offered in the Fall of 2022. Application Waiver Codes will be provided at both events, so register today! <u>Pre-College Programs</u>: The Office of Pre-college Programs is proud to announce our inaugural summer program, ImpactLab. ImpactLab is an innovative two-week residential summer experience for rising juniors and seniors in high school, with sessions offered between July 10 - August 5, 2022. This hands-on immersive learning program will give students a chance to explore their passions in science, engineering, and design. We are pleased to be able to offer a 10% discount for all friends and family of the Wentworth community. Please contact our office at precollege@wit.edu for more information about the discount code.

Our next newsletter will be sent out in May. Please reach out to us at studentlife@wit.edu or 617-989-4702 with any questions.

Sincerely, Center for Student Life

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