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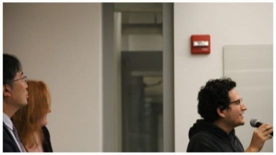

What is the FGLI Experience?

Happy Monday friends! First things first: **Thank you to everyone who came to our inaugural event of the year last week!** We had over 120 attendees and were graciously joined by Deans Marvin Chun and Burgwell Howard. We hope that you were able to meet other incredible FGLI students and get a peek into the programming we have in store for the coming year!

The FGLI Team is grateful for your input and engagement that you have already shared, and we have been thinking much about how to make following meetings enjoyable and reflective of what you want. Using the community guidelines established on Monday, we'll continue thinking about what it means to form community as we share our voices and stories.

We hope to see you at our next Community Time tonight centered on the question "What is the FGLI Experience?", where we'll talk about our own experiences prior to Yale and what a Yale acceptance means to FGLI students. We'll have snacks and good company, so we hope you can join us at the Center for Teaching and Learning from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm! RSVP via our Facebook event HERE.

Contact Us!

Do you need help picking a club to join or classes to pursue? Do you need advice on how to navigate the hectic nature of college or want information on the best Mexican restaurants to go to? **We'd love to hear from you!** In addition, we will be announcing our office hours soon where you'll be able to stop by to study with us or just chat about the college experience. Email our **Student Ambassadors**:

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the First-Generation Low-Income at Yale website

We are happy to announce the launch of the FGLI Yale College website! Go to fgli.yalecollege.yale.edu to access key resources for FGLI students of all ages.

Some of the resources include:

- A **financial guide** with advice on understanding your aid, approaching student jobs, and saving money
- **Services** planned for the future (e.g. Community Dinners during break, Career Closet, etc.)
- **Centralized career & academic-related resources** - including diversity-seeking opportunities made with FGLI students in mind
- Information on **planned programming** (discussion and workshop series) and **student groups** for students seeking to get involved

Visit the Website

FGLI Student Blog

How can FGLI student visibility

increase without centering the voices of FGLI students themselves? The First-Generation Low-Income at Yale student blog is an effort to address this issue by spotlighting the voices of students. Whether it is to share a creative project, reflect on what it means to be FGLI, or simply share an interesting article online, we encourage all FGLI students to contribute to this community platform.

Visit the Blog

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for the following events occurring within the next few weeks!

Monday, Sept. 17: FGLI Community Time: What is the FGLI Experience? Part I (7:30pm - 8:30pm) - CTL (301 York St.)
Tuesday, Sept. 18: Multiracial and Transracial Adoptee Mixer - Asian American Cultural Center (295 Crown St.)

Thursday, Sept. 20: FGLI Workshop: Succeeding in Seminars and Lectures (6pm - 7pm)- CTL (301 York St.)
Tuesday, Sept. 25: **Inaugural** 1stGenYale Alumni Webinar: Making Unconscious Bias Conscious (12pm)

Sunday, Sept. 23: Yale Multicultural Block Party (12pm - 3:30pm) - Divinity School Courtyard (409 Prospect St.)

Help Us Build the Career Closet!

One of the services we will be providing as part of our initiative is a Career Closet that students can use to borrow formal clothes. But first, **we need your help!**

Fill out our survey to share what clothes you'd be interested in borrowing.

If you already know have clothes you'd like to contribute, fill out the Career Closet form to start coordinating your donation.

Email jose.lopez@yale.edu or sheraz.iqbal@yale.edu with further questions.

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Opportunities

Interested in helping low-income, high-achieving high school students get into the nation's best colleges? Interested in educational justice and college access? If so, **apply to be an Advising Fellow with Matriculate**! Fill out an interest form to receive further details about how to apply. Reach out to e.richards@yale.edu with questions. Learn more about Matriculate here.

For junior students in STEM: **the STARS II Program**, which supports research junior and senior year for students historically underrepresented in the sciences, will be accepting applications until Wednesday, September 26 at 11:30pm. Learn more and apply here.

> "Dominator culture has tried to keep us all afraid, to make us choose safety instead of risk, sameness instead of diversity. Moving through that fear, finding out what connect us, reveling in our differences; this is the process that brings us closer, that gives us a world of shared values, of meaningful community."
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> - Bell Hooks

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