

The College of Social Studies

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Summer 2021

TO: CSS Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors,

FROM: John Bonin and Basak Kus, CSS Co-Chairs

We look forward to meeting you at the All-College meeting scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7th, as detailed on the CSS First Week Schedule. This meeting will take place at Russell House, 350 High Street, located just across the lawn from our new CSS location at 330 High Street.

For a complete overview of the CSS academic year please see the CSS Calendar.

COVID-19 caused serious disruption to the way in which we could run the CSS last year. This year, we are planning to host the regular social events that make life in the College richer for all of us: Weekly Monday Lunch Talks, Friday afternoon Social Hours, and evening events including the Fall and Spring Banquets, the December Holiday Party, and a Spring Picnic. In the unwelcomed event that COVID variants require Wesleyan to re-institute any of the protocols that were in place last year, we will provide revised information about all activities in a timely fashion.

Please see below for information specific to each class year.

Enjoy the waning days of summer. We look forward to working with you soon.

SOPHOMORES:

Your first colloquium paper is due Monday, September 6th, the first day of classes, and the first tutorial paper is due Friday, September 10th. To help you get a head start with the reading, we have attached the syllabi and first assignments for the colloquium and for your individual tutorial. You should make every attempt to attend the weekly preceptorial meeting with your Preceptor; these meetings are designed to help you prepare for the colloquium and Friday tutorial.

Please read the "Registration Notes" for sophomores. You will be taking the sophomore colloquium (CSS 271) as well as your first trimester tutorial into which you have already been assigned (CSS 220 or 230 or 240). You should preregister for a non-CSS course in the fall if you have not already done so (and have an opportunity to do so). Once Drop/Add has begun you may change the non-CSS course or add an additional non-CSS course (with partial or full credit), but you should consult your CSS advisor about all the courses you will be taking in the fall.

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JUNIORS:

Please read the "Registration Notes" for juniors. If you are planning to be away from campus for the fall semester, please let us know where you will be by sending an e-mail to mcrebbin@wesleyan.edu.

Please review your plan for completing Stage I and Stage II General Education Requirements. If you have not yet completed Stage I requirements, please submit your plan via email to Martha at mcrebbin@wesleyan.edu by Wednesday, September 8th.

In the spring semester, you are required to take the Junior Colloquium, CSS 371. In addition, you will take a two-tutorial sequence that is equivalent to two course credits, choosing two of the three Junior Tutorials (Economics, Government, and History) that are being offered. The preliminary syllabi for these tutorials will be emailed to you in September. **You MUST send your tutorial preferences to Martha Crebbin by Monday, October 4th.** You will be pre-enrolled in your CSS classes prior to the spring semester pre-registration planning period in early November.

SENIORS:

Please read carefully the "Registration Notes" for seniors and the attached schedule of important dates for senior thesis and senior essay. It is your responsibility to meet these deadlines.

Some of you are not yet Stage I or Stage II compliant with regard to the General Education Expectations. **As you know, it is mandatory for all CSS seniors to be Stage II compliant in order to graduate from the CSS.** If you have not yet met this requirement, please submit your plan (or revised plan) via e-mail to Martha at mcrebbin@wesleyan.edu by Wednesday, September 8th.