



WPI

Parents & Friends Newsletter



C-TERM 2015



Welcome from Don Richardson, Acting Director of Library Services



With C-Term 2015 well underway, the Gordon Library is abuzz with activity as the academic hub of WPI. Students collaborate on projects in our 11

Tech Suites; instruction librarians guide students in their research and teach them about best resources; and WPI publications and historical materials are preserved and made available [online](#).

If you plan to visit campus soon, stop by the library and check out *ART WPI*, an annual showcase of visual artwork by WPI faculty, staff, and students. Come see all of the talent on display in the Class of '41 Gallery!

Another ongoing project is our "Food for Fines" program in which students can pay overdue fines with non-perishable food items. So far this year we have donated over 100 pounds of food to a local food bank.

The library staff is here to support your students. Please [contact me](#) if you would like more information about our services.

Events Calendar

2/9: Geek Week

2/12-14: Masque presents [Eurydice](#)

2/13: WPI Concert Band's ['80's Hair Bands](#) concert

2/15: [Engineer's Week](#)

2/19: Academic Advising Day

2/19: [Spring Career Fair](#)

2/22: [Worcester Symphonic Project](#) at Mechanics Hall

2/23: [Gompei's Birthday](#)

2/25: WPI Orchestra and Ballet Arts Worcester present [Peter and the Wolf](#)

3/6: End of C-Term

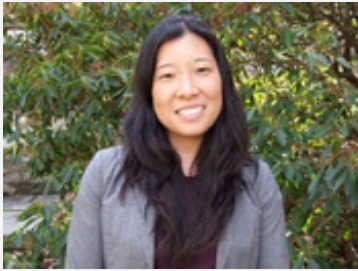
3/14: Pi Day

3/16: Beginning of D-Term

3/22: Orchestra Brass Concert with Master Singers of Worcester, Mechanics Hall, 4:00 p.m

3/27-31: [Choral Alumni](#)

Message from Sarah Pelletier, Associate Director of Parent Programs



I recently joined the WPI Advancement Office as the associate director of Parent Programs. My primary roles are to help engage parents in the life of the university,

serve as a resource should you have any questions or concerns, and share volunteer opportunities and other ways to connect with WPI. I can be reached at sepelletier@wpi.edu or 508-831-5308. You can also stay up to date by reading the [WPI Parents Association blog](#).

Career Fair & More

Spring Career Fair, February 19

In September the CDC ran our most successful career fair yet, with over 190 companies and 2,000 students and alumni. We expect our [Spring Career Fair](#) to parallel these numbers. We also offer a [variety of workshops](#) to help your students prepare for the Fair, including *Resumazing* resume critiques and employer Interview Panels. Students can register through JobFinder.

Student Blogs

The CDC is fortunate to have 26 student workers, several who blog about their experiences searching for and finding internships and jobs. Encourage your students to read our [student blog entries](#) for advice.

Calling All Alumni

Are you aware that WPI's CDC serves alumni for free, for life? Whether you are changing career paths, re-entering the work force, or simply want to keep your resume up to date, we can help. Check out our [online resources](#) or activate your JobFinder account to make an appointment.

Housing Selection Under way



It's that time of year again – when returning students select housing for next year. We are now using an online, credit-based system. We are currently reviewing

groups that were submitted by Feb 6. and working with students who did not join a group. We have close to 100 more spaces for upperclassmen compared to last year.

What can you do to support your students? First, make sure they are checking their email, as all

[9/27-28: Student Alumni Weekend](#)

4/15-18: Masque presents *New Voices 33*

Reminders from the Registrar

Feb 19 is Academic Advising Day, when students meet with advisors to discuss goals and course selection for next year.

The last day of C-Term is March 6, and D-Term begins on March 16.

If your student is a senior, please make sure they have filed for May 2015 graduation.

Multicultural Affairs Events



February is Black History Month, and we're celebrating with special events including our [Black History Month Dinner](#) and a screening of the movie "[Dear White People](#)."

This month we will also hold workshops on creating a healthy [Work-Life Balance as a Woman](#) and [Living and Leading with Your Values](#).

Find out more about all of our [upcoming events](#).

Athletics Updates



WPI's athletic teams scored several impressive victories in

of our housing communications are sent through WPI email. Second, ask if they are in a group—if they are not, have them email res-services@wpi.edu. You can find more information on our [website](#), and they can access [additional instructions](#). Don't hesitate to contact us by [email](#), or at 508-831-5645.

Off-Campus IQP Update



The application process for off-campus IQP programs in the 2015-16 academic year is complete. More than 800 students applied to over 25 Project

Centers around the world. The process is competitive, and we thank students for their flexibility.

Students were notified about placement by email in early January. Depending on their placement term and location, they may be required to submit a deposit payment and confirmation paperwork by early February. A list of deadlines and requirements can be found on your student's [Global Portal](#) account (student login required).

Preparation for off-campus programs for E15 and A15 will begin in D-Term. If your student has any questions, they can contact IGSD at global@wpi.edu.

Spring Meal Plan Promotion



For a limited time, Chartwells is offering a \$50 Dunkin' Donuts gift card or \$50 Goat Bucks credit to students who purchase the [Gompei 190](#)

[voluntary meal plan](#). With this plan, students can dine anywhere on campus at any time. The plan also saves over 10% per meal! *Promotion expires March 15, 2015.*

C-Term. The Engineers Football Team [made history](#) with its first ever win over Springfield, and three players were voted [CoSIDA Academic All-District I](#).

Meanwhile, the Women's Basketball Team earned its sixth [Worcester City Women's Basketball Tournament championship](#).

WPI's New Corporate and Professional Education Blog

Are you looking for career advancement tips? Want to stay connected to how engineers think? Are you interested in higher ed trends? If so, then [ACCELERATE!](#) is the blog to follow.

Run by WPI's Corporate and Professional Education team, the blog offers an engaging portal focused on diverse topics. We would also love to hear from you – post or comment to share your opinion.

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