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## STAFF COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 5/6/25 from 12:05-1:30**

All members of the UVM community are welcome.

The meeting is offered in-person and via [Teams](#), at the Old Mill - 523.

Meeting agendas, minutes, and video recordings are also available [on our website](#).

## COMING SOON:



## Committee Events - All Invited

- [Wednesday Walks](#) - Each Wednesday thru April, 12:15pm Howe Steps
- [Cancer Center Tour](#) - Monday 4/28 Given Entrance, Noon, [Registration Required](#) limited space
- [Fantasy Book Club](#) - Thursday 5/1 Handy Family Room, 11:30am
- [Friendship Bracelets](#) - Thursday 5/8 Jost Foundation Room, 11:30am

THE STAFF COUNCIL  
PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT  
FUND

is now accepting  
FY25 Q4 applications.

The application period for Q4 is now open .

**All non-represented staff are eligible to apply.**

[Eligibility, Information, & Application \(PDF\)](#)

[Rubric \(PDF\)](#)

[Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

**Q4 Deadline is April 30th!**

## GET INVOLVED



Staff Council

## Be A Staff Council Representative!

Staff Council is currently seeking staff to fill a few vacant representative seats from:

- College of Arts and Sciences
- Larner College of Medicine
- Extension
- Strategic Communications
- Division of Finance and Administration
- OVPR

If you are feeling the itch to serve on Staff Council or know of someone you think would be a great representative, [click here](#) for more details or contact [staff.council@uvm.edu](mailto:staff.council@uvm.edu)

## CAMPUS NEWS

University of Vermont  
Office of Sustainability

## Claim The Lane

Join the Office of Sustainability, Prism, and WAGE for [the first-ever screening of a documentary](#) tracking the story of UVM's own staff member, Roxy Bombardier—an Iraq veteran and amateur cyclist who risks losing her closest relationships to be her true self and transition at age 51, while training for Vermont's most grueling gravel race. The film explores struggles shared by everyone, regardless of identity. A discussion with Roxy and the film's director, [Jesse Huffman](#), follows. [5:15–7 p.m., Davis Center Sugar Maple Ballroom](#).



## 2025 Vermont Corporate Cup

Registration for this fun tradition is open, and Employee Wellness is sponsoring 25 teams of three participants. Need help assembling a team? Sign up as an individual and Employee Wellness will put together a team for you. Race day is May 15, 5:45 p.m., in Montpelier.

[Register](#) →

University  
of Vermont

## Our Common Ground Nominations Open

Dear UVM community,

I am pleased to announce the call for nominations for the Our Common Ground staff award. This award recognizes staff members who have made extraordinary contributions to our university and who exemplify the values expressed in [Our Common Ground](#). Each recipient is awarded a \$1,000 prize, and the winners are recorded on a permanent plaque in the Waterman Building.

I encourage faculty, staff, and students to nominate staff members for this important award. This year submissions will be collected on a rolling basis between now and May 2. Please visit the [award webpage](#) for more information.

All nominations should be submitted using the [nomination submission form](#). Questions concerning nominations should be sent to [Liv Townsend](#), Retiree and Employee Engagement Coordinator. Recipients will be announced and celebrated this fall after the start of the new academic year.

Your nominations make these special awards possible. I hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to recognize a member of our staff for their outstanding service to our university.

Warmly,  
Patricia Prelock  
Interim President



## 10th Annual UVM WE 5k for Wellness

On April 20th, the Wellness Environment Learning Community will be holding their [10th Annual UVM WE 4/20 5k for Wellness](#). The 5k run/walk is cost-free, substance-free, and open to all UVM students and community members, usually totaling around 1,000 participants from UVM and the greater Burlington area!



## UVM Research Studies Seeking Volunteers

- [Dengue Fever research](#)
- [Asthma Research Studies](#)
- [Evolution of lung disease ages 25 - 35](#)

## TRAINING &amp; DEVELOPMENT



## Resources

- [Tuition Remission](#) - You and your family may qualify for tuition remission at UVM or Vermont State Colleges. Check your employee handbook or bargaining agreement to find out more about your eligibility.
- [Professional Development](#) - HR's Talent Development Center for Excellence brings together opportunities from across campus that expand your knowledge and advance skills, competencies, and careers. Find and register for the events that help you grow.
- [Professional & Continuing Education \(PACE\)](#) - Whether you're planning a career change, looking for personal enrichment, professional development, or preparing for an undergraduate or advanced degree, PACE supports students of all ages and backgrounds continue their education. UVM Employees receive a tuition discount.
- [LinkedIn Learn](#) - UVM employees have access to LinkedIn Learning, a platform that offers video courses taught by industry experts on various skills, including business, tech, and creative fields, to help users advance their careers and personal growth.
- [MindEdge at UVM](#) - MindEdge is available through UVM PACE and provides courses that are timely, relevant, and created for 21st-century business, used by more than two million learners seeking to enhance their professional growth. UVM employees receive a discounted rate for MindEdge courses.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES



## Spring Move Out Day

Spring Move Out Project (SMOP) is UVM's and Burlington's largest community swap, donate, recycle, and trash event. There is furniture, household items, clothing, and lots of other things for FREE. You don't have to bring anything to swap. You can just take anything for FREE in the swap section. This year will be the 25th year of SMOP!!

Every year, it is our volunteers who make the event both fun and successful. Volunteers could be organizing the swap section, helping unload furniture, directing traffic, explaining the SMOP guidelines, or some other cool stuff.

Are you available to help on either or both days. Even if you can join for an hour or two, it would make a huge difference. Tasty snacks, a gift card incentive, and deepest appreciation are provided. And if you can't volunteer, feel free to stop by and grab some items.

## The information can be found below -

Lower Loomis – Thursday, May 15th 11-2

Lower Buell – Thursday, May 22nd 11-2

With the event dates approaching soon, email [ash.hoyt@uvm.edu](mailto:ash.hoyt@uvm.edu) let me know your availability so that would be fabulous. [Event Info](#)



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