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STAFF COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 10/7/25 from 12:05-1:30**

All members of the UVM community are welcome.

The meeting is offered in-person and via [Teams](#), at the Chittenden Bank Room -413 - Davis.

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



Staff Art Exhibit Call For Artists

The Davis Center Art program in collaboration with the Staff Council invite UVM staff to submit their work for consideration in the Spring 2026 Staff Art Show! The deadline for submissions is Monday, December 1st, 2026.

We are excited to celebrate the creative talents of UVM's staff through a Staff Art showcase! After last year's amazing show, we can't wait to see what you'll share! This exhibition will highlight the diverse artistic expressions of UVM staff across all different mediums. Whether you're a seasoned artist or an enthusiastic hobbyist, we invite you to submit your artwork for consideration.

Submit your work to [this form](#), to be part of this celebration of creativity, connection, and the unique perspectives that make our UVM community what it is. All UVM staff members are welcome to participate!

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission Deadline: December 1

Artists Notifications: December 5

Art Drop-Off: By January 30

Exhibition Dates: February 6-March 6

Opening Reception: February 9, 4:30-6:30 PM

Art Pick-Up: March 6-March 20th

If your art is selected for the show, we will contact you with more information about scheduling a drop-off!

For more information or questions, please contact the DC Art Curators at dcart@uvm.edu.



Holiday Bazaar Call For Vendors

Yup, its that time as we put out a call for vendors for the Social Committee Annual Holiday Bazaar.

Who can apply to be a vendor?

Those with a direct UVM affiliation as Staff, Faculty, Students, Alumni, and Retirees are eligible to apply to reserve 6ft x 2ft. tables for the Holiday Bazaar. Non-UVM affiliated vendors will also be able to apply to reserve tables, but UVM affiliates will be given priority. **All applications must be submitted by 4pm Friday, October 10th.** [Click Here](#) for more details and to submit and application.



The application period for Q2 is now open.

All non-represented staff are eligible to apply.

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

[Rubric \(PDF\)](#)

[Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Q2 Deadline is October 31st!



Smugglers' Notch 2025-26

Smugglers' Notch Resort is excited to invite you to their 2025-2026 Corporate Partnership Program – an exclusive way for you and immediate family members to enjoy Vermont's best winter experience at special rates.

You can purchase exclusive passes and badges directly at www.smuggs.com/corporate. Please select the items labeled "Corporate" in their store, as their regular pass and badge options are also listed.

Sugarbush 2025-26

Sugarbush Corporate Season Pass Program includes a variety of pass options with special discounted prices. [Options and details found here](#)

2025/2026 Sugarbush Pass rates are available through Dec. 1, 2025.

(FYI, we have yet to hear from Bolton Valley at this time)



Committee Events - All Invited

- Staff Council Book Club, The Emperor of Gladness, 10/2, 11:30 - 1:30, [click for details](#)
- Tie Dye Event 10/2, [click for details](#)
- Fleming Museum Tour 10/6, [click for details](#)
- UVM Medical Center Farmers' Market Tour 10/7, [click for details](#)
- Fall CatChat Save The Date 10/8/25, 12:15 - 1, [click for details](#)
- Lyric Theater Production of A Chorus Line, Reduced Price seats, [click here](#)
- Shelburne Museum Reduced Rate VIP Winter Light Passes, limited number, [click here](#)

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
- Grossman School of Business
- Human Resources
- 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

CAMPUS NEWS



Our Common Ground Awardees

Dear UVM community,

It is with great joy that I announce the recipients of the 2025 [President's Our Common Ground Staff Award](#). This award honors staff members who embody the spirit of Our Common Ground values of respect, integrity, innovation, openness, justice, and responsibility—the shared aspirations that guide our university community.

This year's honorees, representing the very best of UVM's commitment to excellence and care, are:

Genevieve Anthony, Assistant Dean for Business Operations, Honors College

Tim Bilodeau, Chief of Police, UVM Police Services

Lori Durieux, Business Manager, Family Medicine

Sharon Mone, Director, Office of Accessibility Services

Gail Shamponis, Director, Office of Student and Community Relations

Barbara Stewart, Administrative Coordinator, College of Arts and Sciences

Please join me in celebrating these remarkable individuals for their outstanding contributions in making our community a strong, more compassionate, and connected place.

As we honor these awardees, I also want to recognize all our staff whose dedication, creativity, and care make UVM what it is today. I am deeply grateful for all that you do. I am excited for the upcoming [Staff Appreciation Week](#), from October 1–9. This week is designed to celebrate all our staff, with opportunities to connect, recharge, and feel appreciated. The week will culminate with the beloved [Social on the Green](#)—a tradition I am especially looking forward to experiencing.

I hope you'll take part in the festivities and feel the deep appreciation we hold for you—not just this week, but every day. Congratulations again to our awardees and thank you to all staff for the many ways you bring our shared values to life.

Sincerely,

Marlene Tromp
President



Staff Appreciation Week, 10/1-10/9

Every day UVM staff show up in ways seen and unseen to ensure our students thrive. Staff Appreciation Week is designed to recognize and thank all UVM staff members for their contributions to our community and campus. This fall's celebration is full of opportunities to learn and connect—highlights include workshops from UVM's AI Taskforce, Talent Acquisition, Invest EAP, Porter Knight, and more. Plus, join in Employee Wellness events or a scavenger hunt, snap a photo with Rally Cat, or attend Coffee Outside for a chance to win prizes. The week wraps up with the Social on the Green—a campus tradition you won't want to miss.

[Explore all the offerings →](#)



UVM Dining Survey

Hey Cats — Take a Paws to Share Your Opinion 10/1-10/15!

UVM Dining wants to hear from you—our dedicated staff members! Your experiences and ideas are essential to shaping a dining program that works for the entire UVM community. Whether you dine on campus regularly or occasionally, your feedback about on- and off-campus dining habits helps us improve services for everyone.

🕒 Takes about 15 minutes

🎁 Enter to win 1 of 3 Apple AirPods

🌱 Open to all UVM students, staff, and faculty

📱 Scan the QR code or visit go.uvm.edu/diningsurvey.



HR Employee Value Proposition Survey

Human Resources invites you to take part in a short, anonymous survey about what it's like to work at UVM. Your input will help shape UVM's Employee Value Proposition (EVP), a clear promise about what it means to work here. By sharing your experience, you'll ensure that promise reflects the reality of working at UVM and the values that matter most to our community.

The survey takes 5–10 minutes, is completely anonymous, and will be open from October 1 - 15, 2025.

To learn more about the EVP Project the timeline and survey, what to expect, and the project team, visit go.uvm.edu/evp



Indigenous Peoples' Day

Panel & Film Gather Discussion about Indigenous Food Sovereignty

Monday, October 13th 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

In-person: John Dewey Lounge Old Mill 325

Or

Virtually: go.uvm.edu/indigenousspeoplesday

The film Gather is available to watch on demand through UVM Library Streaming
go.uvm.edu/filmgather

THIS EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Sponsored by the Office of the Vice Provost for Intercultural Excellence



Vaccination Clinics

The Center for Health and Wellbeing has partnered with Employee Wellness to host Vaccine Clinics for all UVM staff, faculty, and students this fall!

The clinics will be staffed by Shaw's Pharmacy and will be held at the CHWB Rest Stop (formerly Living Well) on the first floor of the Davis Center.

When: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Tuesday 10/7

Wednesday 10/15

Tuesday 10/21

Wednesday 10/29

Vaccine offerings: RSV, Pneumonia, Flu, COVID, Shingles, Men A, Men B, HPV, MMR, TDAP, and Hep B

FAQ: <https://www.uvm.edu/health/vaccine-clinics>

We encourage you to [sign up online](#) prior to arriving at the clinic. You may do so through [this link](#). You can just show up as well.

Please come prepared with your insurance card or a photo of it."



Bookstore Fall Patio Sale

It's that time of year again! The UVM Bookstore will hold its [Fall Patio Sale](#) on **Wednesday, October 8th**. The Sale will go from **9:00AM to 3:30PM** on the Davis Center Oval patio, located just outside the UVM Bookstore.

Find UVM apparel and headwear as low as \$8 - as well as books, gift items, and so much more at bargain basement prices.



UVM Research Studies Seeking Volunteers

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

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT



UVM Professional Development & Training

UVM PD&T has many workshops, seminars and sessions available and coming up. Follow the links below for additional details.

- [Intergroup Dialogue Luncheon Series](#)
- [UVM Artificial Intelligence Townhall](#)
- [Artificial Intelligence at UVM Survey](#)
- [Find your Strengths with Gallup - Workshop](#)
- [Secrets to Happiness with Porter Knight](#)
- [Building your Personal Brand](#)

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



Vermont Energy Education Program

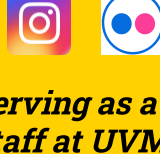
At Fletcher Free Library in Burlington on **Wednesday, November 5th at 6:30pm**, Vermont Energy Education Program (VEEP) will be running a **hands-on, interactive workshop about home heating efficiency**. Participants will learn how to answer the question: How can you use less energy to heat your home, and still stay warm and cozy in the winter?

Representatives from Burlington Electric and Vermont Gas Systems will also be there to give information on the financial incentives available for home improvements through their programs.

To register, go to this link: <https://fletcherfree.libcal.com/event/15409593>



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Staff Council - serving as a voice and advocate for all staff at UVM since 1971

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Hours: In-Person M, T, W 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM, Remote Th, Fri 8:30AM - 4PM

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