

HOLIDAY BAZAAR & FOOD DRIVE

University of Vermont
Staff Council

DECEMBER 3RD 9-3

Shop for local crafts & enter to win amazing prizes!
Donate to the Bake Sale!
Sign up as a volunteer!
Bring a non-perishable food item and get a free raffle ticket!

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STAFF COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 12/2/25 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 - Davis

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



Call for Volunteers
The Staff Council Social Committee's annual Holiday Bazaar is fast approaching. December 3rd from 9am - 3pm held in the Davis Center Grand Maple Ballroom. While the Social Committee does a wonderful job planning and executing the event, the reality is, they can't be successful without your help.

Many on campus have been very generous donating time to helping staff and run the event. There are many different task and jobs to accomplish over the day. Offering as little a 1 hour is a tremendous help. [Click Here To Sign Up](#)

You might consider donating a baked good to the Bake Sale part of the event. Those funds also going toward the ability to lower the cost staff pay to many of the committees events, tickets and activities. [Click Here To Sign Up](#)

[You can click here for a few more details.](#)



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

Committee Events - All Invited

- Annual Holiday Bazaar 12/3 9 - 3 [Click For Details](#)
- Potato Stamp Gift Wrapping 12/4 11-1 [Click For Details](#)
- Spring CatChat 3/13 watch for details



GET INVOLVED

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
- 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



AI Innovation Fund
Announcing a new initiative emerging from the University of Vermont's AI Taskforce: the AI Innovation Fund. Sponsored by Enterprise Technology Services, this effort builds on our commitment to thoughtful leadership in artificial intelligence, as outlined in our recent [update](#). As part of the AI Taskforce, the Strategy Group has been developing a program designed to support experimentation, foster critical and intersectional conversations, and spur innovation across disciplines. We are excited to launch the AI Innovation Fund, which will provide financial support for initiatives that grow technical and intellectual expertise around AI at UVM.
[More Details Found Here.](#)



Penguin Plunge Team
Penguin Plunge team for UVM Staff and Faculty encouraging clubs, orgs, and teams on campus to participate in this Special Olympics challenge located right on the waterfront.

The team is called "UVM Faculty and Staff" and the link to join is:
<https://give.specialolympicsvermont.org/team/786297>



Reduced price Staff Athletic Tickets
All faculty and staff can get two tickets to the a number of UVM Athletic events at discounted rates by using the link below and the code below:
Link: <https://uvmathletics.venue.net/promotions/STAFF>
Promo code: **STAFF**



UVM Research Studies Seeking Volunteers

- [Nutritional and physical activity habits of Vermonters](#)
- [Long Term Dining Study](#)
- [Asthma Research Studies](#)
- [Evolution of lung disease ages 25 - 35](#)

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT



Professional and Continuing Education (PACE)
UVM Professional and Continuing Education is pleased to offer discounted courses that are timely, relevant, and created for 21st-century business through [MindEdge](#). Courses are being offered at a 50% discount for UVM employees when paid for through a department chartstring. Choose from a variety of concise, affordable, and self-paced online courses designed to help you enhance your credentials, earn professional credits, or explore an area of career interest while balancing the demands of your busy life.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



Vermont Foodbank
Weather you are in need of assistance or wish to help there are dozens of locations to connect with. Vermont Foodbank partners with over 200 food shelves, meal sites, and organizations providing food assistance throughout the state. These organizations work closely with us to provide food to nourishing neighbors facing hunger. Please use the Find a Food Shelf tool below to find local listings and locations to access food near you. While we strive to keep hours of operation up to date, we encourage you to contact the individual locations directly to ensure they are open for business during a listed time. [For locations near you and more information, click here.](#)



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