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STAFF COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 1/6/26 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](#).



Lyric Theater - Frozen - 4/11/26 - 6pm
Disney's Frozen: The Broadway Musical makes its Vermont theatrical premiere! Step into the enchanted world of Frozen, the spectacular Broadway musical based on the beloved Disney film! With dazzling costumes, breathtaking special effects, and unforgettable songs like "Let It Go," this heartwarming story of love, courage, and sisterhood comes to life on stage. Follow Elsa and Anna on their epic journey through a snow-covered kingdom where magic, danger, and true love await. Perfect for the whole family, Frozen is an unforgettable theatrical experience that will melt even the coldest hearts.
We have 60 reduced price tickets on sale NOW. [Click Here For Details And To Purchase](#)



Staff Council Book Club - 2/17/26
The Staff Council Book Club will be meeting at the Fleming in February! Please join us for a discussion of the art-themed book *My Friends* by [Frederik Backman](#), followed by some time to look around the museum. We will meet at noon in the lobby. Please email skye.ellicock@uvm.edu to RSVP and to get information on borrowing the book. [Additional Details Here](#)



Main District Energy Plant Tour - 1/13/26
Join the **Staff Council Community Engagement Committee** for an exclusive tour of the **University's Main District Energy Plant (MDEP)** and the **STEM building's mechanical penthouse**.
At the MDEP, you'll explore a highly efficient central facility where massive boilers, chillers, and heat-exchange systems generate and distribute thermal energy to multiple buildings through an underground pipe network. You'll also visit the control room, featuring real-time monitoring screens that showcase the scale of campus-wide heating and cooling.
Next, the tour continues to the STEM mechanical penthouse. Here, you'll see air-handling units, pumps, and ventilation systems that deliver fresh air, heating, and cooling throughout the building. While learning how these systems work, you'll also enjoy unique views of the surrounding area.
Free - [Registration Required](#)
When: January 13, 2026, 12:00pm-1 pm
Where: The tour will begin at the "Cage" or the backside of the Royall Tyler Theater
[Additional Details Here](#)



UVM Cancer Center Tour- 2026 - 2/10/26
Brought to you by the Staff Council Community Engagement Committee, a walking tour of the University of Vermont Cancer Center with the Director, Dr. Randall Holcombe. Dr. Holcombe will give an overview of the four pillars of the UVM Cancer Center - community outreach, research, clinical care, and education. The tour will include an overview of the cancer center labs in LCOM HSRF/Firestone and the clinical outpatient clinics (Hematology/Oncology, Breast Care, and Radiation Oncology) at UVMHC. This will include a ten minute walk (all inside) from the Larner College of Medicine to UVM Medical Center Main Campus. The tour will include an overview of the cancer center funding - including NIH funding, and there will be time for questions and answers with Dr. Holcombe.
Free - [Registration Required](#)
When: February 10th, 12:00pm-1 pm
Where: Given Entrance
[Additional Details Here](#)



The application period for Q3 is now open .

All non-represented staff are eligible to apply.
[Eligibility, Information, & Application \(PDF\)](#)
[Rubric \(PDF\)](#)
[Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

Q3 Deadline is February 28th!

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
- 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



UVM Book Nook
Dear UVM Community,

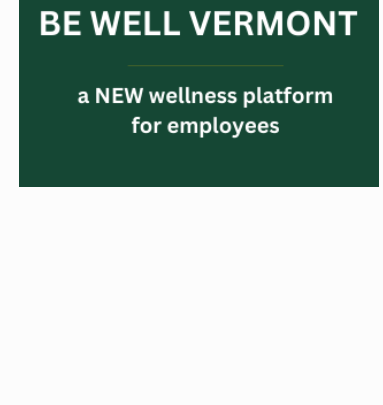
As we begin the new year together, I want to thank you for supporting the Book Nook through the years. It is an honor to be associated with its mission to offer our students opportunities to read the world's best books for free and to keep. We clearly desire to inspire them to continue after UVM to be lifelong learners. Your book donations signify that you care about their intellectual, cultural, and spiritual development as young adults. A UVM education should not be the end, but the continuation for pursuing knowledge that will propel them forward the rest of their lives. Your books serve to inform them, entertain them, and help prepare them to enter a world of greater challenges than my generation has ever faced. Books can bring joy and even sublimity, they can illuminate us to the reality of suffering and tragedy. Books connect us to humanity, the planet, and the universe; to who we are as humans and to see that we have the power to change to make our lives, our communities, and the world better.
Please continue with your fantastic support of the UVM Book Nook in an effort to broaden the minds and hearts of our students. Our Book Donation Box is located on the first floor of the Davis Center a few feet from the entrance to Brennan's Pub and Cafe. I can also pickup larger donations at your location on campus or home.
Sincerely,
Jacques-Paul Marton "JP"
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myUVM – Overview
On July 15, 2024, the University switched to a newer, more modern portal called [Experience](#). The following covers general user functionality for the new platform. These new features and actions should apply to all users who use the Experience platform. This includes searching for cards, interacting with cards, and finding information. [Click Here For Details on How To Personalize myUVM](#)



Catamount Safety Award Nominations
Consider Nominating Someone for a Catamount Safety Award!
As we transition into the new year, consider those who have contributed to the safety, security, health and wellbeing, and our culture of safety on the UVM campus. Nominations for the Catamount Safety Awards are open until March 3rd, but don't wait to recognize students, faculty, staff, and other members of the UVM community who make a difference!
<https://www.uvm.edu/dsc/catamount-safety-awards>



Well-Being Grant
NOW accepting applications for a Well-being Grant [APPLY HERE](#)
This Grant is made possible in partnership with UVM Staff Council and UVM Employee Wellness. This Grant includes 3 elements to optimize the health and wellness outcomes for the recipient.
3 elements of this grant:
[UVM Campus Rec Group Fitness Unlimited Class Pass for Spring 2026](#)
[Boost program with UVM Campus Rec](#)
[Integrative Health and Wellness Coaching](#)

Please review all policies and expectations listed in the application before submitting.
Four Staff members will be awarded grants per semester.
Application period for Spring 2026 ends Wednesday 1/14 at 8pm.
Try it out [Free Week at UVM Campus Rec begins Monday 1/12/26 and ends Sunday 1/18/26](#)



UVM Lane Series Discounts
The George Bishop Lane Series was established by a generous gift from the Lane family and has been presenting the finest in live performing arts since 1955. We have approximately twenty-five events per academic year, primarily in the comfortable, intimate, and acoustically superb UVM Recital Hall on Redstone Campus. We enjoy an international reputation as presenters of classical, jazz, folk/traditional, chamber, and choral music as well as theater and film. As a program of the University of Vermont School of the Arts, we are also dedicated to providing educational outreach to students of all ages, both on and off campus.

Serving as a link among many constituencies, the Lane Series finds its audience, volunteers, and advisors from the students, faculty, staff, and alumni of UVM as well as the community at large. In addition to the presentation of performances, the Lane Series enables students and the general public to interact directly with performers through master classes, workshops, residencies, lectures, and receptions. We also offer reduced ticket prices to students and University of Vermont faculty and staff.

The Lane Series offices are located at in the Music Building, 384 South Prospect Street in Burlington. Our mailing address is 392 S. Prospect St., Burlington, VT 05405.

[Spring 2026 Events and discounts](#)



Reduced price Staff Athletic Tickets
All faculty and staff can get two tickets to a number of UVM Athletic events at discounted rates by using the link below and the code below:

- 1/9/26 - Men's Hockey vs Northeastern

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

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT



Leadership Development
Effective leadership is about more than managing tasks—it's about inspiring and supporting people. At UVM, we provide resources to help supervisors and team leaders build strong, inclusive, and high-performing teams.
[Follow this link for more information on available leadership development opportunities](#)

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



Active and Healthy Communities
When the place where we live makes it easy for everyone to exercise and eat well, fewer people will suffer from injury, cancer, diabetes, stroke, heart and lung disease. Our goal is to help shape our communities to support health and well-being. To do this we:

- promote use of, pleasant and accessible places for all people to walk, roll or bicycle
- promote use of public transit
- ensure access to healthy and affordable food
- ensure safe, quality housing

We work with community organizations, municipal and regional planners, schools and health care providers. We begin with conversations to learn what is important to our community. From there, we find ways to weave in health and wellness improvements that fit the priorities of our towns, such as economic development. All Vermonters will thrive when our living conditions help to eliminate differences in health for different groups of people.

[More Details And Information Here](#)



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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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