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STAFF COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 8/6/24 from 12:05-1:30 (no meeting in July)**

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](#).

GET INVOLVED Staff Council

Be A Staff Council Representative!

As one year closes, we begin the process to prepare for the next year. Staff Council is currently seeking staff to fill a few vacant representative seats from:

- College of Arts and Sciences
- Larner College of Medicine
- Division of Diversity Equity and Inclusion
- Extension
- Division of Finance and Administration
- OVPR
- DOSA

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

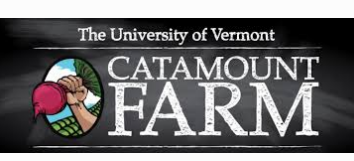
CAT CHAT

CatChat Call For Presenters

Do you have a hobby or interest outside of work that might interest other UVMers? Be part of our new bi-annual CatChat, where UVM staff share 10-minute tales of passions that have enriched their lives.

At our inaugural CatChat in March, we heard from a hot air balloon pilot, an indigenous flute player, and a mother who shared life lessons from her neurodivergent teenager, all staff right here at UVM.

Given the inaugural success and interest, we'll have two CatChat's this coming FY, 9/19/24 and 3/13/25. [Click here](#) for more information and submit your interest to present.



CSA Shares

Catamount Farm has generously donated three Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) shares to Staff Council for distribution among staff members throughout the season.

The Community Engagement Committee of Staff Council is offering sign ups for folks interested in getting **one** of the three free shares for **one week** during the season. If you are interested, please complete the form below. If you need any accommodation to complete this form, please reach out to staff.council@uvm.edu.

CSA shares will be available to pick up each Wednesday at the Allen House, 461 Main Street on campus. Shares must be picked up between 2-7pm.

If your name is drawn for one of the weekly shares, you will be contacted by someone on Staff Council.

[Please submit forms by Friday, July 5, 2024.](#)

You can read more about the CSA and items that are likely to be included in the shares here: <https://www.uvm.edu/cals/hrec/catamount-farm-csa>



The application period for FY25 Q1 is now open.

All non-represented staff are eligible to apply.

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

Q1 Deadline is July 31st!



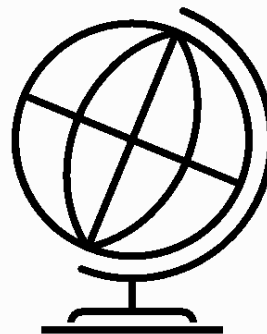
Staff Council Events

The Social Committee has it's slate of summer time savings ready to go.

- Lake Monster Tickets on 7/13 - [on sale NOW until 7/6, only 4 seats remaining](#)
- Champlain Valley Fair Tickets - [on sale NOW until 7/8](#)
- 17th Annual Golf Outing on 8/9 - [registration open NOW until 7/28](#)

[Click For Details on all events](#)

CAMPUS NEWS



Community Host Program

The Office of International Education is seeking hosts for the Community Host Program for the fall 2024 semester. This program matches an international student or visiting researcher with a UVM staff or faculty member that serves as a community friend and mentor. International community members and hosts get to plan their own activities and decide how often they'd like to meet. This is a great opportunity to build connections and form lasting relationships both at UVM and in the larger Burlington community. Many hosts remain in contact with their mentees years after they leave UVM! If you are interested in participating or would like to learn more, please complete this [short survey](#), and an OIE staff member will be in touch.



Dragon Boat Festival & Races
Sunday, August 4

Waterfront Park, Burlington, VT
 Community members will raise money to support [Osher Integrative Oncology at the UVM Cancer Center](#) during the annual **Dragon Boat Festival & Races** on Lake Champlain on August 4. We paddle so cancer patients and their caregivers have access to massage, acupuncture, yoga, mindfulness, and other evidence-based tools for controlling pain, fatigue, and other side effects, while improving quality of life. [Join UVM's Rally Against Cancer team](#), start your own, pledge your support, and spread the word! Register by July 1.

VTIFF

VTIFF Discount

[Green Border, 7/11](#). In the treacherous and swampy forests that make up the so-called "green border" between Belarus and Poland, refugees from the Middle East and Africa are lured by government propaganda promising easy passage to the European Union. Unable to cross in Europe and unable to turn back, they find themselves trapped in a rapidly escalating geopolitical stand-off. An unflinching depiction of the migrant crisis captured in stark black and white, this riveting film explores the intractable issue from multiple perspectives: a Syrian family fleeing ISIS caught between cruel border guards in both countries; young guards instructed to brutalize and reject the migrants; and activists who aid the refugees and great personal risk.

The promo code for the discount for this film is **UVM_2024**. To redeem the code, select the film, click buy/get tickets, and before adding a ticket to your cart, click **"Know a promotion code?"**. After it has been entered, you will see the discounted ticket as an option, add to your cart and proceed to checkout.



UVM Research Studies Seeking Volunteers

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

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



Intervale volunteer opportunities

Volunteer Project: People's Farm
 Date: Wednesday, July 31
 Time: 2:30pm-5:00pm
 What You'll Do: Assist in farm activities like seeding, transplanting, weeding, harvesting, and enjoying the pleasant hum of our vibrant ecosystem.
 Accessibility Notes: Expect exposure to full sun for prolonged periods of time and the occasional heavy lift. Expect to walk up to 20 mins through uneven terrain.
 Accommodations to park closer to growing site available.

If you are interested in signing-up to volunteer, you will need to flex time and receive approval from your supervisor. Once you have received approval, please email Liv Townsend (liv.townsend@uvm.edu) the day you would like to volunteer in order to sign up. Or email Liv Townsend (liv.townsend@uvm.edu) with any questions.

There is also

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT



Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in Vermont

Provides intellectually stimulating, affordable, non-credit learning opportunities to people 50 and older in community settings throughout Vermont.. [Click For Details](#)

