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Brooks College Advising Center February 2026 Newsletter

Why, what's the matter,
That you have such a February face,
So full of frost, of storm and cloudiness?"
— William Shakespeare, *Much Ado About Nothing*

February Advising Update

It's time to plan your classes for Summer 2026, Fall 2026, and Winter 2027! Registration for these semesters will begin in late March. Meet with your advisor in February to choose classes, talk about internships and study abroad, and make sure you are on track for graduation!

Brooks Advising is offering virtual and in-person scheduled appointments: we can connect with you via email, phone, and Zoom or we can meet in person in our offices in Lake Michigan Hall 260. You can call 616-331-8200 to schedule an appointment, or easily see the next available appointment on [Navigate](#).

Midterms will be here before you know it! Check out <https://www.gvsu.edu/support/> to find Financial, Academic, Social and Wellness resources to stay successful through the semester!

Summer internships are available through Semester in Detroit and Summer in West Michigan. Apply today to be considered for a guaranteed internship placement in one of these programs!

<https://www.gvsu.edu/sid/r>

<https://www.gvsu.edu/sis/summer-in-west-michigan-connect-learn-and-work-26.htm>

Semester in Detroit and Summer in West Michigan offer internship placements along with classes that fulfill major requirements and Gen Eds. Both programs are open to students at all levels and in all majors.

New to GVSU?

If you are new to GVSU as a first-year student or a transfer student, you will need to meet with a professional advisor this semester before you can schedule classes for next year. You can watch for an email invitation to schedule an appointment or schedule yourself in [Navigate](#). Required advising sessions will include conversation about your classes, major and minor selection, campus life, and resources to ensure you are successful on campus and ready to register for the next academic year.

We are here to support you! Schedule your appointment today!

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Important Dates!

75% Tuition Refund Deadline - February 6 by 5:00 pm

Credit/No Credit Deadline - February 6 by 5:00 pm

Mid-term Evaluations - February 23-27

Mid-term Grades Due from Faculty - March 3 by 12:00 pm

Mid-term Grades Available to Students - March 5

Spring Break - March 8-14

The posted deadlines apply to courses that meet the entire semester/session. Classes that meet for only part of the session/semester have different deadlines. Those deadlines can be found by using the [searchable course schedule](#) or by contacting the Registrar's Office at (616) 331-3327 or email regdept@gvsu.edu.



Groundhog Day Celebration

Monday, February 2, 2026
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Allendale Campus

Celebrate Sustainability & the Promise of Spring!

Join us in 179 Lake Ontario Hall at 9am for an event to celebrate Groundhog Day and campus sustainability.

Get a sneak peak at the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) STARS report, tour the basement, and see the University tunnels!

REFRESHMENTS! RAFFLE! PHOTO BOOTH! GIVEAWAYS!

Hosted By: Brooks College Dean's Office, Office of Sustainability Practices, and GVSU Facilities Services

Location Information

179 Lake Ontario Hall

Contact Information

Questions?

Contact the Brooks College Dean's Office

brookscollege@gvsu.edu



Reporting on Key Issues in China and Taiwan with Emily Feng

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Allendale Campus

Join NPR correspondent Emily Feng for an exploration of identity and belonging in China, highlighting the intersection of politics, ideology, and everyday life under Xi Jinping, based on her on-the-ground reporting and new book.

Light snacks and refreshments provided.

Sponsored by the Joseph Stevens Freedom Fund.

Location Information

Kirkhof Center
Grand River Room, RM 2250

Contact Information

Department of Political Science
1121 Au Sable Hall
(616) 331-2320
plsdept@gvsu.edu

Hosting Department, Organization, or Business
Political Science, International Relations



Connecting With A Faculty Mentor

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Allendale Campus

Building strong connections with faculty is an essential step in getting involved in undergraduate research, but knowing where to start can feel overwhelming. This hands-on workshop gives students practical guidance on how to approach potential mentors with confidence and professionalism.

Participants will learn how to craft effective outreach emails, communicate their interests clearly, and prepare for productive introductory meetings. Through examples, discussion, and practice, students will leave with the tools they need to begin meaningful conversations with faculty and take the next step in their research journey.

Facilitated by the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarship (OURS).

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

2270 Kirkhof Center

Time: 4:00–5:00 PM

Date: Wednesday, February 4, 2026

Contact Information

For more information or questions, please contact: ours@gvsu.edu.



KDL Seed Library

Thursday, February 5, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Allendale Campus

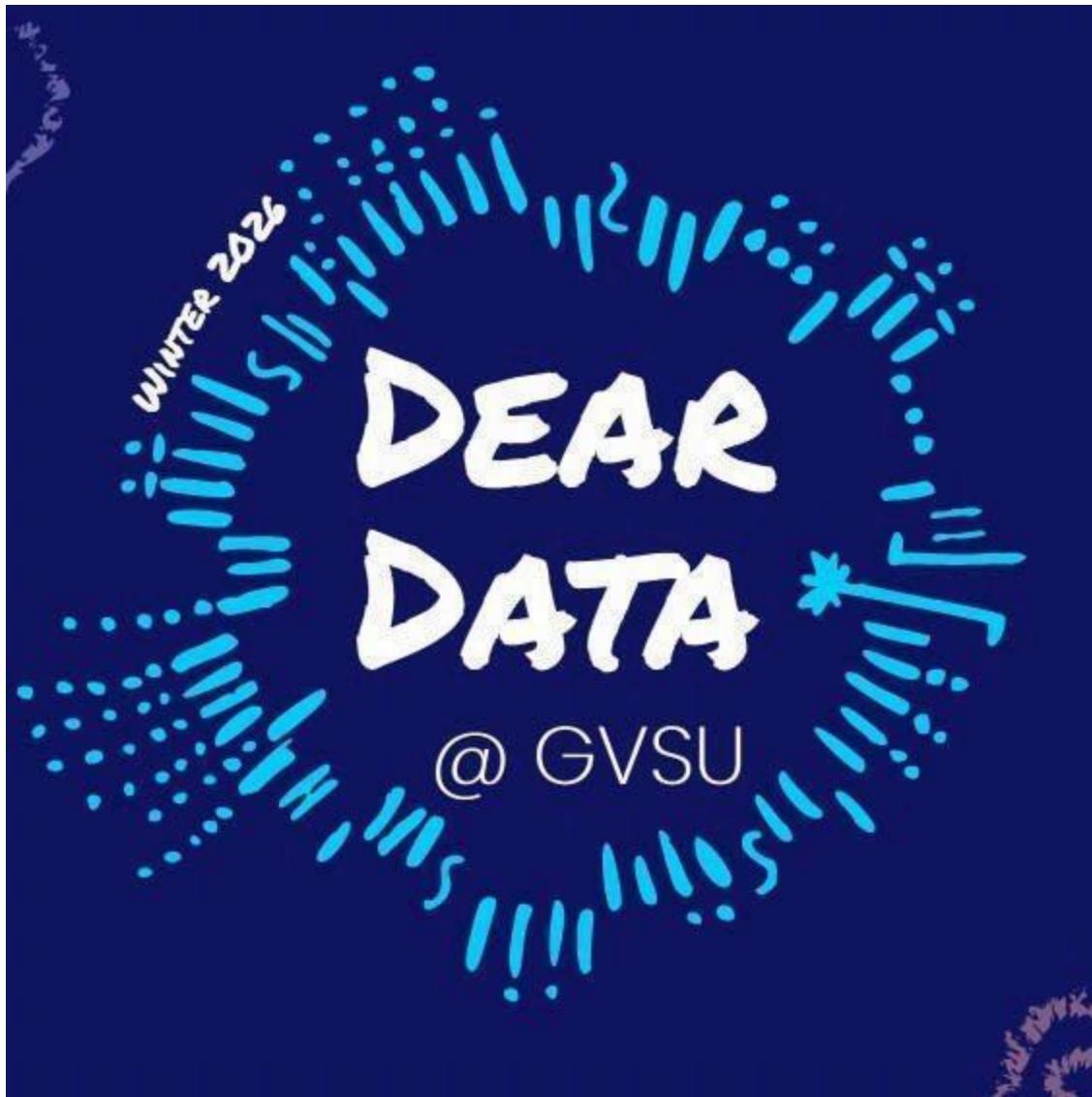
Come join us in the TSSC with the Kent District Library to create seed packets, get some volunteer hours, and meet other scholars in the process!

Location Information

Kirkhof Center 1152

Contact Information

tssc1152@gvsu.edu



Dear Data @ GVSU

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Allendale Campus

Join us for Dear Data @ GVSU. You can create a data selfie, learn more about the postcard submission process, or make time to draw and illustrate. Light refreshments will be provided.

All Dear Data @ GVSU events are **casual, drop-in gatherings** where guests can arrive and leave at their convenience.

What to Expect:

Learn about data visualization as a form of personal expression

Create your own hand-drawn data postcard

Share and connect through visual storytelling

Materials provided — just bring your curiosity!

Later in the semester, join us for the Dear Data @ GVSU Celebration and Exhibition on Student Scholars Day – April 8 at 4:00 PM

We'll wrap up the project with a celebration and public display of all submitted postcards in the library. Light refreshments will be provided.

The deadline for postcard submissions is March 26, 2026. Postcards can be submitted digitally or in physical form.

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[Click here for additional information](#)

Location Information

Mary Idema Pew Library, Valley Campus
[First Floor, Cafe near GV Brew](#)

Contact Information

Stacey Burns
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PREPARE FOR THE CAREER FAIR (VALLEY)



Prepare for the Career Fair (Valley)

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Allendale Campus

Are you preparing for the upcoming Fall GVSU Career and Internship Fair, but not quite sure where to start? The Career Center will be hosting a drop-in event to help you refine your resume, formulate your elevator pitch, and learn the proper way to follow up after the fair to build meaningful employer connections.

[Click here for additional information](#)

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

200 Student Services

Contact Information

Kristie Scanlon, scanlokr@gvsu.edu

STUDY ABROAD FUNDING 101 WORKSHOP



JANUARY 21: 1PM
FEBRUARY 16: 2PM
MARCH 17: 3PM

130 Lake Ontario Hall

Learn about funding sources such as financial aid, scholarships, grants, loans, fundraising, deferred payment options, and affordable program options.

STUDYABROAD@GVSU.EDU | 616-331-3898 | WWW.GVSU.EDU/SA

Study Abroad Funding 101 Workshop

Monday, February 16, 2026
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Allendale Campus

Learn about funding sources such as financial aid, scholarships, grants, loans, fundraising, deferred payment options, and affordable program options.

Come to one of the four sessions for during Winter 2026 semester!

January 21, 2026 1PM

February 16, 2026 2PM

March 17, 2026 3PM

Location Information

130 Lake Ontario Hall

Contact Information

Questions? Contact:

studyabroad@gvsu.edu

616-331-3898

GVSU Career & Internship Fair



**Thursday, February 19
1-5pm
DeVos Place
Convention Center**

GVSU Winter 2026 Career and Internship Fair

Thursday, February 19, 2026

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Off Campus

The Winter Career & Internship Fair is an excellent place to kick off your job or internship search, or to begin networking with organizations looking to hire Grand Valley students and alumni of all majors! 230 employers with immediate openings are expected to attend.

[Check out our student preparation site!](#)

Attend the Career Fair to:

meet with employers to discuss full-time positions
learn about available internships and co-ops
build your professional network and expand your job search

[Click here for additional information](#)

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

DeVos Place Convention Center
303 Monroe Avenue Northwest, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

Contact Information

Kristie Scanlon, scanlokr@gvsu.edu



National TRIO Day

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Allendale Campus

Join us to celebrate our 11 TRIO programs at Grand Valley State University. Come and meet our staff and learn what each program does.

Location Information

2250 Grand River Room Kirkhof Center

Contact Information

TRIO SSS Programs

616-331-3401

triosss@gvsu.edu



Jazz Ensembles Concert

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

7:30 p.m.

Allendale Campus

The GVSU Jazz Ensembles perform.

This event is recurring on [Monday, April 13, 2026](#).

Location Information

Louis Armstrong Theatre

Contact Information

Department of Music, Theatre, and Dance
(616) 331-3484



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Common Ground: Addressing Affordability

Thursday, February 26, 2026

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus

Experts from across the political spectrum will consider affordability in America, examining policy ideas and bipartisan strategies that could drive effective and lasting solutions.

[RSVP for this event](#)

Location Information

DeVos Center, Loosemore Auditorium

Contact Information

hc@gvsu.edu

1 Campus Drive
260 Lake Michigan Hall
Allendale, MI 49401

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