

# GPP NEWSLETTER

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Monthly Global Peer  
Program Highlights



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Spooooooooky season is upon us! In this newsletter, you can check out the upcoming workshops, fun events such as virtual and in-person coffee breaks, advisory drop-ins, and the most awaited in-person Halloween party. You can also check out important dates for the student's financial profile and deadlines. October is when the fall reading week takes place, so three of our mentors shared their reading week experience and some tips for the new students. We wish you a great reading week and hope to see you at our events!

~ GPP Peer Mentors ~

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### [Drop-in International Student Advising](#)

Tuesdays and Thursdays weekly & Wednesdays bi-weekly | 9:00 am



### [Virtual Coffee Break](#)

Wednesdays and Fridays | 2:30 pm



### [YorkU Academic Resources Workshop](#)

Oct 6<sup>th</sup> | 10:00 am



### [Halloween Party](#)

Oct 29<sup>th</sup> | 2:00 pm

## TIMELY REMINDERS

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### **Undergraduate Fall/Winter 21-22 Important Dates:**

Fall Reading Week – Oct 9<sup>th</sup> to Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Fall/Year term)

Last date to add courses with Permission – Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Fall Term) & Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Year Term)

For more information, check out: <https://registrar.yorku.ca/enrol/dates/fw21>

### **Student Financial Profile (SFP):**

Undergraduate Scholarships and Awards – Deadline to apply is October 15, 2021

For more information, check out: <https://sfs.yorku.ca/aid/sfp>

### **Vaccination Mandate:**

Any student accessing York's campuses will be required to disclose their vaccination status through YU Screen – Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

All students must be fully vaccinated or have an approved exemption in order to access campuses for the F/W Terms – Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

For more information, check out: <https://www.yorku.ca/bettertogether/2021/>

## PEER MENTORS & READING WEEK

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**Kritika Gupta (she/her)** is pursuing her third year as a BSC Hons computer science student. She believes that Fall reading week is a great time to analyze academic performance and work on the course materials. She uses this week to finish all her pending assignments and prepare for upcoming midterms. Also, the reading week is a refresher for her as she gets some time off to spend with her family, watch movies, party, or have a night out with her friends. She advises everyone to plan this week effectively to catch up with their academics and explore fun places.



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**Navya Goel (she/her)** is a fourth-year international psychology student from India. She usually spends her reading week learning a new hobby and exploring the city along with catching up on studies, of course! One tip that she would give to the new students is that they should try new things! Often classes keep everyone so busy that people forget to take a moment and enjoy, so she suggests they use the reading week to take a break from the classes and explore other things around! The picture is from her first day at York:



**Negin Hamesh (she/her)** is a third-year international sociology student from Iran. She uses the reading week to prepare for upcoming exams and assignments. She also likes to explore downtown Toronto as a newcomer. She advises that new students should use the reading week to figure out the ups and downs of university (emails, events, workshops, etc.), catch up with assignments, and socializing because before you know, the reading week is gone!