



April 20 - April 27, 2020

WPI Virtual Activities

Welcome to this week's edition of the WPI Virtual Activities Newsletter! The Student Activities Office is excited to allow all readers a chance to access virtual event and resource information with ease!

Be sure to follow us on Facebook ([@wpistudentactivities](#)) and Instagram ([wpi_sao](#)) to ensure you see up to date information on virtual events and programs throughout the term and beyond! If you have questions or concerns, email sao@wpi.edu.

THE SAO PRESENTS...

DEALING WITH IT

Approaching and Handling Our Disappointment



Featuring speaker
Michael Miller

April 21st @ 12pm

Zoom Meeting ID:
985-600-5425

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TechSync Event

Zoom: <https://wpi.zoom.us/j/91453752956>

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#WFH Tip of the Week

Missing your morning walk up the hill? Or your stroll across the quad?

Create a morning commute to class! When you work (or learn) from home, maintaining a routine is important. Take a trip around your house, wander to your curb or travel up and down your street if you're able. Do whatever "commute" you're able to in a way that maintains a safe and healthy distance from others. Then take the same route when you're done with classes for the day. This helps to signal to your body that it's time to power down. It also is a good opportunity to move around.

Bonus points if you pass Gompei on your route!

Workshops and Programs

All times listed are Eastern Standard Time

Monday, April 20

Christian Bible Fellowship: Girl's Fellowship

Sponsored by: Christian Bible Fellowship

4-5pm

[TechSync Event](#)

Zoom Information: <https://wpi.zoom.us/j/462274392>

Looking for ways to apply the Old Testament to your life today? Join CBF girls as they discuss the book of Isaiah on Mondays from 4-5pm on Zoom.

Christian Bible Fellowship: Guy's Fellowship

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7-8pm

[TechSync Event](#)

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Ever wondered what Jesus taught while He was here on earth? Join us as we read through the parables of Jesus and discuss how it applies to our lives. This study meets every Monday from 7-8PM on Zoom.

Tuesday, April 21

Dealing with It: Approaching and Handing Our Disappointment

Featuring: Michael Miller

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When Things Fall Apart – Managing Drugs and Alcohol in Crisis

[By: Dr. Adi Jaffe](#)

3 PM EST

When things get hard, it's easy to fall back on substances and comforting behaviors that aren't necessarily good for us. But what's the alternative and how do we make better choices? This program answers those questions with easy to follow guidance and realistic tools.

[Register for this Program](#)

Be Well Together: Yoga Tuesday

Sponsored by: Humanities and Arts

Featuring: Kate Moncrief PhD

5-5:30pm

[TechSync Event](#)

Learn how to get started and to join the sessions here

(<https://www.wpi.edu/news/announcements/be-well-together-virtual-yoga-and-meditation-sessions-begin-today-d-term>). Please note you will need to create an account in Sona

Systems and run Zoom.

Real Talk

Sponsored by: Alpha Omega

7-7:45pm

TechSync Event: <https://wpi.campuslabs.com/engage/event/5586594>

Zoom Information: <https://zoom.us/j/158795906>

Times are tough; college is rough. We are providing a safe space for students to talk about life and how God can impact it. Real talk about real things. At our weekly Real Talk meetings, everyone will have the ability to connect and relate to each other through general topics and scripture. It is a fun environment filled with family, discussion, the bible, interactive activities, and games... yes, even on Zoom! Anyone of any faith or non-faith background is welcome and we hope to see you on Zoom!

Tuesday Night Trivia!

9pm

Sponsor: Goat's Head Programming

Sign up [here](#) and enter your team name and email. Once you do this, you will be send an email with more details on the day of the event including the Zoom invite. You can also check out the TechSync Event for details.

Wednesday, April 22

BS/MS Information Session

Sponsor: Graduate Studies, Business School & Academic Advising

Noon-1pm

Information: <https://www.wpi.edu/news/calendar/events/bsms-program-info-session-0>

This will be an interactive virtual session where we will provide undergraduate students with a general overview of the BS/MS program. The session is for all undergraduate students including graduating seniors.

Topics will include:

- How to finish two degrees in 5 years, double counting of credits, ROI
- Timeline and Application Process
- Financial Assistance for Graduate Studies
- Prospective from a WPI BS/MS Alumni.

Register online: https://fs28.formsite.com/webteamwpiedu/BS-MS-InformationSession/index.html?_ga=2.133904014.1039625620.1586781544-1881529828.1482687473

ISPE Guest Speaker: Professor Young

Sponsor: International Society of Pharmaceutical Engineers

3pm

Zoom: <https://wpi.zoom.us/j/961985491>

TechSync Event

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Engage in All Levels of Public Policy

Sponsored by: Students for Life

4-5pm

[TechSync Event](#)

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/917045686>

Join SFLA's Virtual Activism Training Course with other young Pro-Life Leaders in New England. In this event, we engage in all levels of public policy with Michael King, expert in all things, from Massachusetts Family Institute.

Be Well Together: Yoga Wednesday

Sponsored by: Humanities and Arts

Featuring: Angela Rodriguez, PhD

8-8:30pm

[TechSync Event](#)

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Thursday, April 23

Workshop: Membership Retention and Motivation

Sponsored by: Student Activities Office

11am-Noon

[TechSync Event](#)

Zoom: <https://wpi.campuslabs.com/engage/event/5657214>

Engage in a workshop focused on keeping and motivating members!

Be Well Together: Yoga Thursday

Featuring: Jeanine Skorinko PhD

12:30-1pm

[TechSync Event](#)

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With Grit

[By: Saul Flores](#)

3 PM EST

During this national pandemic, Saul explains how students can harness the power of grit to stay centered around purpose-driven goals. Using storytelling, discussion, and practical exercises, students will feel empowered to develop gritty habits and use grit as a tool for moving forward.

[Register for this Program](#)

Friday, April 24

Be Well Together: Meditation Friday

Sponsored by: Humanities and Arts

Featuring: Justin Laplante, PhD

10-10:30am

[TechSync Event](#)

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Friday Night Fellowship

Sponsor: Christian Bible Fellowship

7-9pm

[TechSync Event](#)

Zoom: <https://wpi.zoom.us/j/164707818>

Friday Night Fellowship, or FNF, is our weekly gathering for fun, worship, prayer, and Biblical teaching. We'd love to have you join us on Friday nights during the school year!

Ongoing Programs



Join the brothers of **Tau Kappa Epsilon**
as they raise funds for their philanthropy:

St. Jude Children's Hospital with
#stjudeperfect

*trick shots should align with the values of the WPI community and
should represent you, WPI and St. Jude's well*



Twitch TV channel "Rec Without Borders" comes the "Quarantine Quiz Show"

Wednesday Nights

Open to students, faculty and staff

8pm every Wednesday night during April

Twitch channel:

<https://www.twitch.tv/recwithoutbClvJTGGyzPs-UyP7t0GEUq4rvkl>

*****YOU MUST SIGN UP FOR / PARTICIPATE. THERE WILL FILL OUT AS WELL!!**



Be Well Together: Yoga and Meditation to Build Resilience

Monday – Friday, 12 noon

Sponsored by: Humanities and Arts

Be Well Together will showcase sessions that help to bring us together – while we are physically apart-through breathing exercises, yoga, and mindfulness practice. We wanted to be sure the sessions were offered during various times to provide flexibility for those interested in participating.

Learn how to get started and to join the sessions here (<https://www.wpi.edu/news/announcements/be-well-together-virtual-yoga-and-meditation-sessions-begin-today-d-term>). Please note you will need to create an account in Sona Systems and run Zoom.

Friday April 3rd - May 8th

D Term Trading Competition

[Learn more on TechSync](#)

Sponsored by: Investing Association

The Investing Association is starting the 2020 D Term Trading Competition. This game is completely free and is strictly a simulation, no real money. But you can win Amazon Gift Cards! You don't need any experience to participate. You can join anytime!



Ending Saturday, April 25

Humvee Photoshop Competition

[Learn more and Register on TechSync](#)

Sponsored by: Phi Gamma Delta

We would love your feedback!

Student Activities Trips Program

While we might be working and learning from home, the Student Activities Office is already hard at work planning for the next academic year! Whether you have

participated in the past or not, we would love to hear your feedback about the weekend trips program! Please share your thoughts through this [survey](#) so we can plan to have a great line up of activities when we return to campus!



Do you have an idea for a virtual program? Be sure to share that [here](#)!

A Look Ahead

[Netflix and Learn](#) by CAMPUS SPEAK 4/28 at 3pm

Fighting Burnout with Dr. Kathy Obear 4/29 at Noon

FREE MONEY Gameshow 4/29 at 3pm

[Avoiding the Quarantine – 15 Pounds](#) by CAMPUS SPEAK 4/30 at 3pm

Student Organization Corner

SocComm

Trivia

Take a guess to the question below in this [link](#) for a chance to win a [food flannel blanket](#) and [marshmallow mug set](#) - Winner's Choice! Be sure to fill out the form and make your guess by Thursday, April 23rd!

Question: How many ducks did SocComm Annual Events hide during Quackfest 2.0 (last year, 2019)?

Congratulations to the winners of last week's trivia, Kim Mori and Ally Breen!

Student Government Association

SGA Feedback Survey

As you likely know, SGA is always looking for ways to improve. New project ideas, thoughts on past projects, or general feedback can be submitted through this [form](#). Submissions can be made until the end of D term. Keep an eye on your email because 5 people who fill out the survey will be randomly-selected to receive ultrafans. Your feedback is much appreciated!



Campus Hearing Board Elections

Six student representatives are needed for the Campus Hearing Board. Campus Hearing Board makes decisions involving violations of the WPI Student Code of Conduct. Representatives include faculty, staff, and members of the student

body. Applications and additional information can be found [here](#). Please submit your application by April 22 at 11:59pm if you are interested in running. Elections will be held April 27th through May 1st.

Residential Services Programming

Virtual Coffee Chat Hour

“Join the Residential Services Staff in a “Coffee Hour” chat. Each week we’ll have different topics we’ll be focusing on, but you can also come with a different topic you have in mind. This is a great time to chat with other students and with Res Services staff members!

- Mondays from 11 am to 12 pm with Community Director Kaitlynn Bartley ([Zoom Link: https://wpi.zoom.us/j/846253246](https://wpi.zoom.us/j/846253246)),
- Wednesdays from 2 pm to 3 pm with Community Director Zellie Hackett ([Zoom Link: https://wpi.zoom.us/j/746232793](https://wpi.zoom.us/j/746232793)), and
- Fridays from 9 am to 10 am with Community Director Andrés Cintrón ([Zoom Link: https://wpi.zoom.us/j/500459919](https://wpi.zoom.us/j/500459919))

Res Services Book Club

Join the Residential Services Office in reading more this term! The three Community Directors will each be facilitating a book club. To sign up, please go to [this form \(https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9XacWBXK-UGIS1XsFaBnKtWZzU74kR5Hvb_9yIkbItBUOUkzSUZVUkINTEk1WkVPUThPTDRR_MkxXUi4u\)](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9XacWBXK-UGIS1XsFaBnKtWZzU74kR5Hvb_9yIkbItBUOUkzSUZVUkINTEk1WkVPUThPTDRR_MkxXUi4u) by April 15th. We will either send you the book to your e-reader or we can mail you a physical copy of the book. Starting the week of the 20th, we will have our first discussions on the book! There will be three separate book clubs to participate in:

- Little Fires Everywhere by Celest Ng [Click Here for Synopsis](#)

- The Gifts of Imperfection: Let Go of Who You Think You're Supposed to Be and Embrace Who You Are by Brené Brown [Click Here for Synopsis](#)
- Spare Parts: Four Undocumented Teenagers, One Ugly Robot, and the Battle for the American Dream by Joshua Davis [Click Here for Synopsis](#)

Career Development Center

Virtual Company Events

Several companies are hosting virtual information sessions, events, and workshops for WPI students. Some sample organizations hosting over the next couple of weeks are XR Terra, Bank of America, NNSA, NSA, Inari, and AT&T. They are an amazing way to network and introduce yourself to company representatives. Company events are changed and added frequently. Always check the “Events” tab in [Handshake](#) for the most up-to-date schedule!

BS/MS Information Session for Current Undergraduate Students

Thursday, April 23 @ 12-1pm or 4-5pm.

Whether you're getting ready to finish up your degree or are just starting your WPI journey, it's always a good time to start thinking about next steps. A master's degree is shown to have an invaluable impact in your future career, and with WPI's BS/MS program, you can earn an MS degree after only five years of full-time work (usually one year after earning a BS). You already know WPI is a great school—why not set yourself up for even more success and stay with us for your graduate degree? We're holding two interactive, virtual info sessions about the BS/MS program for all undergraduate students on Thursday, April 23. These hour-long sessions will be held at 12 and 4 p.m. and will focus on all things BS/MS—including a general BS/MS program overview, application timelines, return on investment, delivery options, and other logistics. Get your questions answered, hear from students who have successfully completed the program, learn about the application process, and start making plans of your own. Registration is now open—[complete the form](#) today to reserve your spot.

Connect virtually with the CDC

Are you looking for an Internship/Co-op or Full Time Position? Click on the links below, select 'Apply', and add your resume to the 'Resume Book'. The 'Resume Book' will be shared with Employers who are currently looking to hire WPI students. Students are encouraged to submit their resumes to the 'Resume Book' by April 23rd.

o Intern/Co-op: <https://wpi.joinhandshake.com/jobs/3719817>

o Full Time: <https://wpi.joinhandshake.com/jobs/3719844>

Go to Handshake to [schedule an appointment](#) on a range of career related topics. Or attend virtual drop-ins! Drop-ins will be hosted virtually Monday - Friday from 10 am - 2 pm. To access these drop-ins, please follow this [link](#). Keep in mind there may be others already in the room so there may be a waiting period.



First Generation Peer Mentor Program

Are you a rising sophomore, junior, or senior who identifies as a first-generation college student? Do you enjoy helping students navigate WPI and enjoy helping first-year students feel a sense of belonging at WPI? Interested in developing your

leadership skills? If so, you should consider applying to become a Peer Mentor for the newly established First Generation Peer Mentor Program!

[Click here to learn more and to fill out an application by May 8th.](#)”

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please email gr-innovationspeermentorprogram@wpi.edu. We look to working to doing this work together!

Top 5 Things to do from Home

- 1) **Explore.** Take a virtual tour and explore [12 Famous Museums](#)
- 2) **Enjoy.** Check out the [Panda Cam](#) at Zoo Atlanta!
- 3) **Learn.** Try to [learn a new language](#).
- 4) **Be Entertained.** The Grammy Museum is offering [online music and video production classes](#)
- 5) **Exercise.** Take a break and go for a walk, run, or bicycle ride! Don't forget to follow the Sports and Recreation Center on Twitter at @WPIRecCenter or Instagram at WPIRecCenter for some great tips!

Campus Office Outreach Opportunities

Office of Disability Services

Join ODS daily through the end of the term for Virtual Office Hours.

Monday – Friday, *through May 13*

2pm-3pm

Please join us with any questions you may have or simply pop-in to say hello – we would love to connect with you!

Join Zoom meeting: <https://wpi.zoom.us/j/6169882343>

Meeting ID: 616 988 2343

Office of International Student Life

The International House is excited to invite you to:

Virtual Walk-In Hours

Every Tuesday and Thursday

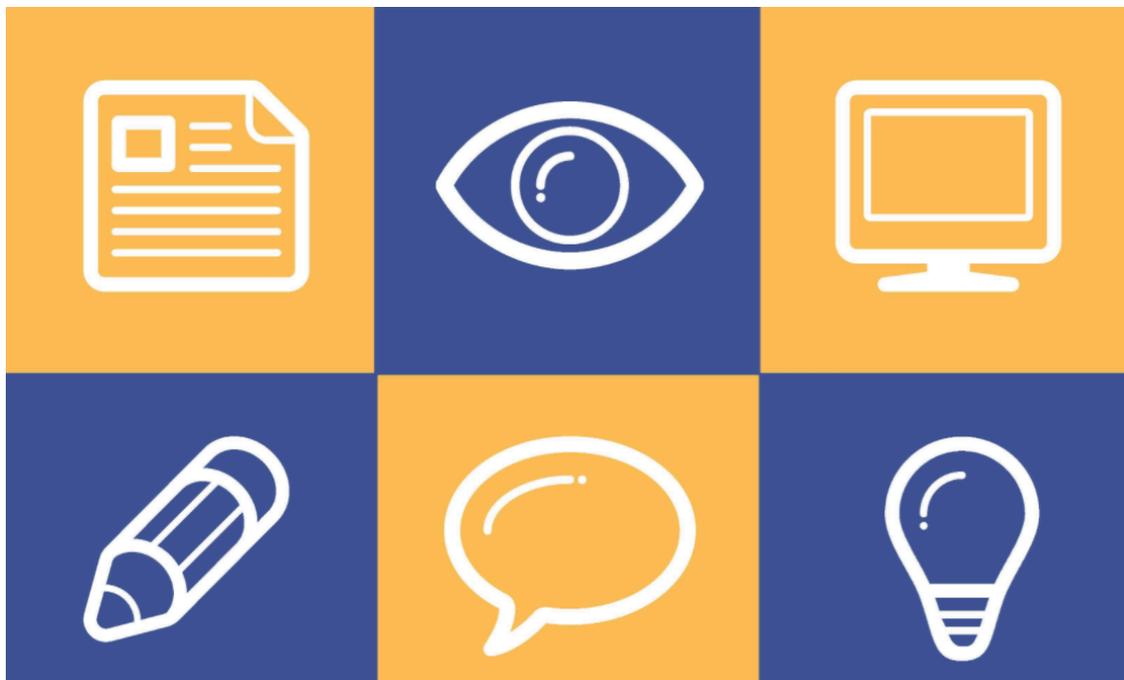
3-4pm

Zoom: <https://wpi.zoom.us/j/709157000>

Office of Multicultural Affairs

Join the Office of Multicultural Affairs for Virtual Office Hours.

- **Dr. Tiffany Butler**- Tuesdays, 3:00pm-5:00pm (schedule by Outlook Calendar appointment, tbutler@wpi.edu)
- **Mia-Kay Fuller**- Wednesdays and Thursdays, 3:00pm-5:00pm (<https://calendly.com/mfulleroma>)
- **Rachael Heard**- Mondays and Fridays, 1:00pm-3:00pm (<https://calendly.com/rdheard>)



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VIRTUAL TEAM SUPPORT

Every Tuesday and Thursday

1pm & 4pm (EST)

<https://wpi.zoom.us/j/649494241>

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SUPPORTING WPI THROUGH EFFECTIVE AND EQUITABLE TEAMWORK



Follow Us From Home

Campus Departments are open, and while staff are working from home, we are here to support you! Make sure you follow student services based departments on social media! It is a great way to stay in touch while working and learning remotely!

Residential Services:

Instagram: @wpiresservices

Athletics:

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/WPIAthletics>

Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/wpiathletics/>

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/WPIAthletics>

You Tube - <https://www.youtube.com/wpiathletics>

Club Sports: @wpi_clubsports

Email: recenter@wpi.edu

Career Development Center:

Facebook: @CDCatWPI

Instagram: wpi_cdc

Twitter: @WPI_CDC