BENNINGTON COLLEGE

Where to Find It

A Resource Guide for Faculty

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Coffee & Tea

Admissions Office in Cricket Hill House
Has a brew-by-the-cup machine along with an opportunity to chat with prospective students and parents.

Bookstore
Has a brew-by-the-cup machine. $1 per cup unless you bring your own mug – then it's free

Student Center
$1 for small, $1.25 for large

Powers Market in North Bennington
$1.25 with some choices of flavor

Mary's Coffee Express on Rt. 7 en route to Downtown Bennington
If you require Starbuck's beans, this is the place

South Street Café at the Four Corners of Downtown Bennington
Lattes and the like

Dunkin' Donuts on Northside Drive and on Rt. 7 en route to Downtown Bennington
Open late

Meals/Snacks on Campus

Bennington College Dining Halls - Commons

Faculty Lunch
The Office of the Dean of the College provides lunch for faculty in the College Dining Halls, Monday-Friday 11:30am – 1:30pm.

All Dining Halls meals are open to the public.
Cash Prices: Breakfast $7.20, Lunch $10.85, Dinner $13.95.

Monday-Friday
Continental breakfast: 7:00am – 10:00am
Breakfast: 7:30am – 9:00am
Lunch: 11:30am – 1:30pm
Dinner: 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Weekends
Continental breakfast: 8:00am – 1:00pm
Brunch: 11:00am – 12:00pm
Dinner: 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Bennington College Student Center - Uncommons

Market: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 12:00am
Deli: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 11:00pm

Market: Saturday – Sunday 2:00pm – 12:00am
Deli: Saturday – Sunday 2:00pm – 11:00 pm

Bar: Wednesday – Saturday 8:00pm – 12:00am

Meals/Snacks Off Campus

Powers Market in North Bennington
Deli, soup and sandwiches, desserts
Open 7:00am – 6:00pm

Pangaea Restaurant and Lounge in North Bennington
Restaurant – gourmet open Tuesday – Saturday 5:00pm
Phone: 802-442-7171
Lounge – eclectic menu and bar (a faculty favorite) open 5:00pm daily
Phone: 802-442-4466

Kevin's in North Bennington
Reliable comfort food
Phone: 802-442-0122

Blue Benn Diner on Rt. 7 en route to Downtown Bennington
Good for breakfast and lunch
Open Monday & Tuesday 6:00am – 5:00pm,
Wednesday–Friday 6:00am – 8:00pm,
Saturday 6:00am – 4:00pm, Sunday 7:00am – 4:00pm
Phone: 802-442-5140

Allegros at 520 Main Street in Downtown Bennington
Upscale Italian
Phone: 802-442-0990

Carmody's at 421 Main Street in Downtown Bennington
Comfort food, similar to Kevin's
Phone: 802-447-5748

China Wok on Northside Drive
Chinese, nearby
Phone: 802-447-2280

Green Tea at 141 Main Street in Downtown Bennington
Chinese, buffet
Phone: 802-442-5503

Bean and Leaf at 139 Main Street next to Green Tea
Wraps and sandwiches
Open Monday 7:00am – 3:00pm
Saturday 8:00am – 3:00pm
Phone: 802-442-8822

Gimme Pizza on East Main in Bennington
Upscale pizza
Phone: 802-442-6609

Marigold Kitchen in North Bennington next to Kevin's
Organic Pizza Contemporary
Phone: 802-447-0985

Man of Kent Tavern & Cafe on Route 7 over the NY state line.
Lunch and Dinner – 'Gourmet' Grilled Cheese and 130 Beers

Mezze Bistro at 16 Water Street in Williamstown, MA
Contemporary
Phone: 413-458-0123

Thai Garden at 27 Spring Street in Williamstown, MA
Thai
Phone: 413-458-0004

Spice Root at 23 Spring Street in Williamstown, MA
Indian
Phone: 413-458-5200

Groceries

Clear Brook Farms off of Route 7A in Shaftsbury
Organic produce
Open September-October 10:00am – 6:00pm
Phone: 802-442-4273

Hannaford Supermarket on Rt. 67A heading for Bennington
Pretty good prices and nearby
Open 6am – Midnight

Powers Market in North Bennington
Meager groceries, fancy wine/beer
Open 7:00am – 6:00pm

North Bennington Variety Store on Rt. 67A heading for NY
Think 7-11, country style
Open 6:00am – 9:00pm
Phone: 802-447-0431

Price Chopper Supermarket on Northside Drive
Good produce and fresh fish
Open 24-7

Spice 'n' Nice at 223 North Street en route to Downtown Bennington
Health food
Phone: 802-442-8365

Wallomsac Farmer's Market beside the Walloomsac River walk at the corner of Depot and River Streets, in downtown Bennington
Saturday May 10 – October 25, 10am – 1pm
Tuesday May 13 – October 21, 3:30 – 5:30pm

Liquor Store

Bennington Beverage Outlet at 125 Northside Drive
Good wine prices, the only source for hard liquor in Bennington
Open: 9:00am – 9:00pm, Sunday 9:00am – 7:00pm
Phone: 802-442-4001

Beverage Den and Smoke Shop at 340 North Street in Bennington
Good beer, wine, and magazine selection
Phone: 802-442-2861

Check Cashing

The Bennington College Book Store, x4361, is available to cash personal checks, petty cash reimbursements, and travelers' checks.
Monday–Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm

ATM Machine

An Automated Teller Machine is located in the lobby of Commons. There is a $3.00 charge for bankcards other than Chittenden.

Post Office

Federal Express, Parcel Post, UPS, and Faxing Services are available at the Bennington College Post Office.
Monday–Friday 10:00am – 4:00pm
Saturday 10:00am – 12:00pm

Laundry

Commons Building
The laundry room is located in Commons Building on the first floor. Machines are coin operated. Washing machines are $1.50 – $1.75; dryers are $1.00. A change machine is located nearby in the Post Office.

Paulin's Gas Station in North Bennington
Coin operated, self-service.

Movie Theaters

Cinema 7 at 319 Northside Drive en route to Bennington
Phone: 802-442-8179

Images Cinema at 50 Spring Street in Williamstown, MA
www.imagescinema.org

Spectrum 8 Theater at 290 Delaware Avenue in Albany, NY
www.spectrum8.com

Video Rental

Crossett Library on campus

Blockbuster in Hannaford Plaza

Red Box $1 Rental Machines Hannaford and Price Chopper Grocery Stores

Video World Superstore next to Rite Aid Pharmacy en route to Four Corners in Bennington

Fitness/Recreation

Meyer Recreation Barn
The goal of the fitness center is to expand recreational and fitness opportunities available to the Bennington community. The Meyer Recreation Barn is open to all faculty, staff, and students. Members are allowed to bring one guest with them but the member must accompany them. All guests will be asked to fill out a liability waiver before using any of the equipment. The facility houses an aerobics room, climbing wall, free weights, sauna and restrooms. The exercise equipment includes selectorized/cable, cardiovascular, and plate loaded machines. The Office of Student Life provides oversight of the facility. Only children 14 years or older who are accompanied by a parent or guardian with a valid identification card are permitted into the Meyer Recreation Barn to use any equipment in the facility, including the Climbing Wall.

Hours of Operation

Term Time	
Monday through Friday:	6:30am to 10:30pm
Saturday and Sunday	9:00am to 9:00pm
Non-Term Time	
Monday through Friday	6:30am to 8:30am and 4:00pm to 10:00pm *
	Saturday through Sunday 1:00pm to 9:00pm *
	**Please call x4589 as these hours are subject to change*

General Guidelines for Use

- The Recreation Barn is open to all members of the Bennington College community, who must present a College ID to use the facility. ID applications are available through the Office of Student Life, and IDs are made through Dining Services.
- Appropriate athletic attire, shirts and shoes are required. Black-soled shoes are not permitted in the aerobics room.
- Sports equipment, including basketballs, soccer balls, baseball/softball equipment, bocce sets, tennis equipment, Frisbees, and badminton sets may be checked out from the facility. Persons wishing to borrow equipment must fill out an Equipment Checkout Form. Equipment must be returned within 24 hours of the checkout time. If equipment is lost, damaged, or returned late, borrowing privileges will be revoked, and the borrower will be billed for the cost of equipment.
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- Outdoor equipment is also available for rental for local personal trips. This equipment includes sleeping bags and pads, backpacks, tents, snowshoes, and cross-country skis. There is a rental fee for each item, which must be paid prior to use. Those renting equipment are responsible for its appropriate use and returning the items in good condition at the set return time. To rent equipment, contact the Office of Student Life.
- Anyone who does not comply with these guidelines may have his/her privilege to use the facility and/or equipment revoked.

Monitors
Students are employed as monitors and are responsible for ensuring proper equipment and facility use. In case of an emergency, they will call Security. They are not employed or certified as “personal trainers.”

Use of Equipment
Each user of mechanized and/or weight equipment must be trained in its proper use by a monitor. If it appears that a piece of equipment is not being used properly, either the use must be discontinued or the user must receive proper training. Any person lifting free weights must use collars on the weight bars and return the weights to the racks. No free weights may leave the facility.

Climbing Wall
The Climbing Wall is an indoor rock climbing facility where climbers of all abilities are welcome. The Climbing Wall is open for climbing Sunday – Thursday 7pm – 9pm, throughout the academic year except during the Winter (FWT) and Summer breaks. Bouldering on the wall is allowed any time the Meyer Recreation Barn is open. Anyone using the climbing wall must first fill out a liability waiver form and safety policies form. The bouldering line indicates the height to which someone may climb (with shoulders below the line) without using ropes, however a spotter is recommended for safety purposes. Individuals who have passed the belay certification test are eligible to belay other climbers. Monitors are available to help individuals prepare for the certification test, and perform the test during open hours.

Aerobics Room
This room may be reserved for non-academic use through Student Life. The walls are mirrored and the space may be used for a variety of activities, such as student athletic clubs.

Sauna
Manufacturer's guidelines for use are posted and must be followed. For sanitary and public health reasons, clothing or covering must be worn. Monitors will be responsible for checking the sauna.

Outdoor Recreation Activities on Campus
Outdoor recreation facilities include three tennis courts, a basketball court, and a soccer field. Hiking is available on the College's Blue Trail, which winds through the wooded parts of campus and connects to several good trails throughout the region. The trailhead is located behind the Davis Alumni House.

The Office of Student Life can provide information on racquet and health clubs in the area, including information on the Bennington Recreation Center, a local facility that offers an indoor swimming pool. Staff may be eligible for a discounted rate at the Bennington Recreation Center. Please inquire at that facility for discount rates.

Bennington Recreation Center at Gage Street in Bennington
Small workout area and swimming pool
Annual membership: $58.50, 6 Months: $43, Day Pass: $4 adults, $2 kids
Phone: 802-442-1053

Off the Wall Racquet and Health Club at 160 Belmont Avenue in Bennington
Phone: 802-447-0217

Bookstores

Northshire Bookstore at 4869 Main Street in Manchester
(worth the trip!)
Open Sunday-Monday 10:00am – 7:00pm,
Tuesday-Saturday 10:00am – 9:00pm
Phone: 802-362-2200

Water Street Books in Williamstown, MA
Open Monday-Saturday 9:30am – 6:00pm,
Sunday 12:00pm – 5:00pm
Phone: 413-458-8071

Bennington Bookshop at 467 Main Street in Bennington
Phone: 802-442-5059

Discount Programs

College Passes/Art Exhibits
Bennington College purchases annual passes to the Clark Art Institute and Mass MoCA Center. Employees may use these passes to gain free entrance to these local attractions. To obtain passes for either of these locations, visit the Circulation Desk at the Crossett Library. Passes are checked out in the same manner as checking out books and employees will need to present a College identification badge at the time of checkout.

Clark Art Institute – Williamston, MA
The Clark Art Institute, located at 225 South Street, Williamstown, MA is home to a variety of exhibits ranging from the Renaissance to the early twentieth century. The museum shop contains more than 2,000 fine art and art history books for readers of all ages and inclinations. For more information and hours of operation, please visit the Clark Art Institute website at www.clarkart.edu

Mass MoCA Center – North Adams, MA
The Mass MoCA gallery is one of the world's premier galleries showing the newest and best art of our time. Combining both visual art and performing art, Mass MoCA offers something to see or do for people of all ages. The Mass MoCA gallery is located at 1040 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams, MA. For more information and hours of operation, visit the Mass MoCA website at http://www.massmoca.org

The Great Escape and Splashwater Kingdom
The Great Escape is a Six Flags Theme Park located in Lake George, New York. This amusement park offers 135 attractions including 7 roller coasters, daily shows, and a huge water park. They are located between exits 19 & 20 of Interstate 87.

Discounted tickets for the Great Escape are currently available from Human Resources at the rate of $24. The $24 general use admission ticket is used for both children and adults. For more information, visit the Great Escape online at http://www.sixflags.com/parks/greatescape/index.asp

Bromley Sun Mountain Adventure Park
Bromley Sun Mountain Adventure Park features a host of summer fun including an alpine slide, giant swing, "The Big Splash", 24-foot climbing wall, bumper boats, 18-hold championship mini golf, and much more. Adventure Park passes are being offered for $19 each; passes are good for unlimited ride use. The Park is open daily until September 1 and weekends only from September 2-October 13. Visit www.bromley.com for additional details. Employees can purchase Adventure Park passes in Human Resources.

Universal Studios Orlando Theme Park
As a Universal Orlando Fan Club program* participant, Bennington College is able to offer employees a universe of exciting benefits and discounts!

- Discounts for you and your family and friends on multi-day tickets to Universal Orlando's TWO amazing theme parks: Universal Studios® and Universal's Islands of Adventure®
- Special offers on vacation packages booked through Universal Parks and Resorts Vacations®
- Discounts on tickets to Wet 'n Wild
- Ticket discounts at Universal Studios Hollywood®

Fan Club members can pre-purchase tickets by booking online or by calling 1-888-777-2131. These discounts are not available to the general public. All member benefits are subject to change without notice.

Apple® Education Discounts
Apple is offering special pricing and discounts to all employees working in higher education. Employees may be eligible to receive substantial discounts on a variety of favorite Apple products including MacBook, Mac Desktops, software products, accessories, refurbished items and more. For a full listing of Apple products visit http://www.apple.com/education/shop/. Best of all, employees can redeem the discount at any Apple Store, the Apple Store online, or over the phone at 1-800-692-7753. Please note that this offer by Apple® is subject to change without notice.

Bennington Chamber of Commerce
Employees of Bennington College are eligible to receive discounts from participating retailers of our local Chamber of Commerce. Please visit http://www.bennington.com for a complete list of Chamber discounts. Employees will need to present a Chamber membership card to obtain the discounts. Membership cards are available in Human Resources

Public Transportation – Downtown

Bennington College Van
Regular runs to area shopping centers and downtown
Monday–Thursday 1:00pm – 8:00pm, Fridays 1:00pm – 9:00pm,
Saturdays 10:00am – 10:00pm, Sundays 10:00am – 9:00pm
Saturday and Sunday runs to the Williams College Library
Check with the Campus Safety Booth for a schedule or call x0.

Walt's Taxi Service
Phone: 802-442-9052

Public Transportation – Albany airport, train station, bus station

Car Service to Albany

Professional Transportation Service
Phone: 413-441-0929

Alternative Limo
Phone: 518-686-7682

Champlain Adventures
Phone: 802-379-6257
www.champlainadventures.com

Classic Limo Service
Phone: 802-447-1609

Amtrak www.amtrak.com – 800-872-7245
Rensselaer Station – 518-462-5763
One-way fares to NYC are $38, $54, $65, $73 depending on time of day/week

Adirondack Trailways (between NYC and Albany, NY)
http://www.trailwaysny.com/html/english/fares.asp
Phone: 800-858-8555
One-way fare $24, 10 trips daily

Van Service to Albany
By arrangement with Alternative Limousine, the Office of Student Life offers shuttle service to the Albany airport, bus station, and train station each weekend. Contact Office of Student Life for prices, complete schedule, and arrangements at x4330.
Thursdays & Fridays departs Bennington College at 3:45pm
Sunday & Monday departs various Albany locations between 8:30-9:15pm

Car Rental

Enterprise
Phone: 802-447-2203

Target Rent-A-Car
Phone: 802-442-5308

Faculty Housing – On campus

Occasional Rental
Rooms may be available in shared faculty houses or other designated guest houses for rental on an occasional basis. Contact Angel Brownell, Facilities Supervisor, x4547, abrownel@bennington.edu. Rooms are $34 per night, payable by cash or check. You may occupy the room after 2:00pm and vacate by 10:00am the next day. Linens provided.

Alumni House (Virginia Todahl Davis Alumni House) may have rooms available on an occasional basis for faculty and their guests. Contact Suzanne Caraman, Development Office, x4339. Rental terms, per night are $50 for a single and $65 for a double, payable by cash or check.

Term-by-Term Rental
Rooms may be available in shared faculty houses for a full term. Contact Meredith Meurs, x4406, mmeurs@bennington.edu. The rental charge will be automatically deducted from the faculty member's paycheck.

Private apartments are sometimes available for a term. Rental fees vary depending on apartment size, but are generally comparable to Bennington area apartment rents. The renter may choose to have the apartment furnished or unfurnished. Furnished apartments include cookware and dishes and a set of linens (no laundry service provided).

Annual Rental
Apartments and Orchard houses occasionally become available for year-round rental. Contact Meredith Meurs, Dean's Office, x4406, mmeurs@bennington.edu**.** Rental fees vary depending on apartment/house size**.**

Local Realtors

Brenda Jones Real Estate
www.BenningtonRealEstate.com
Phone: 802-442-3344

Hoisington Realty
www.hoisingtonvt.com
Phone: 802-442-8337

Maple Leaf Realty
www.mapleleafvermont.com
Phone: 802-447-3210

R.T. Martins
www.rtmartins.com
Phone: 802-442-8335

Country Properties (Cambridge, NY)
www.countrypropertiesre.com
Phone: 518-677-8588

Babysitters

- Jennifer Rohn, Drama Faculty member with a young child, keeps a list of area babysitters. Contact Jenny at 440-4687 or jrohn@bennington.edu.