

# **BIG RED BARN PRESENTATION TO GPSA**

November 1, 2021



# HISTORY

- Horse barn for the AD White House
- In 1956 the building was adapted and extended to the east for alumni gatherings. Stalls on the ground floor were eliminated and the second story hayloft was made useable. Windows, a large stone fireplace and restrooms were added
- In February we will celebrate 30 years of the Barn being the Graduate and Professional Student Center





**QUIZ:**  
**WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THE GRADUATE STUDENT CENTER  
BEFORE IT WAS IN THE BIG RED BARN?**





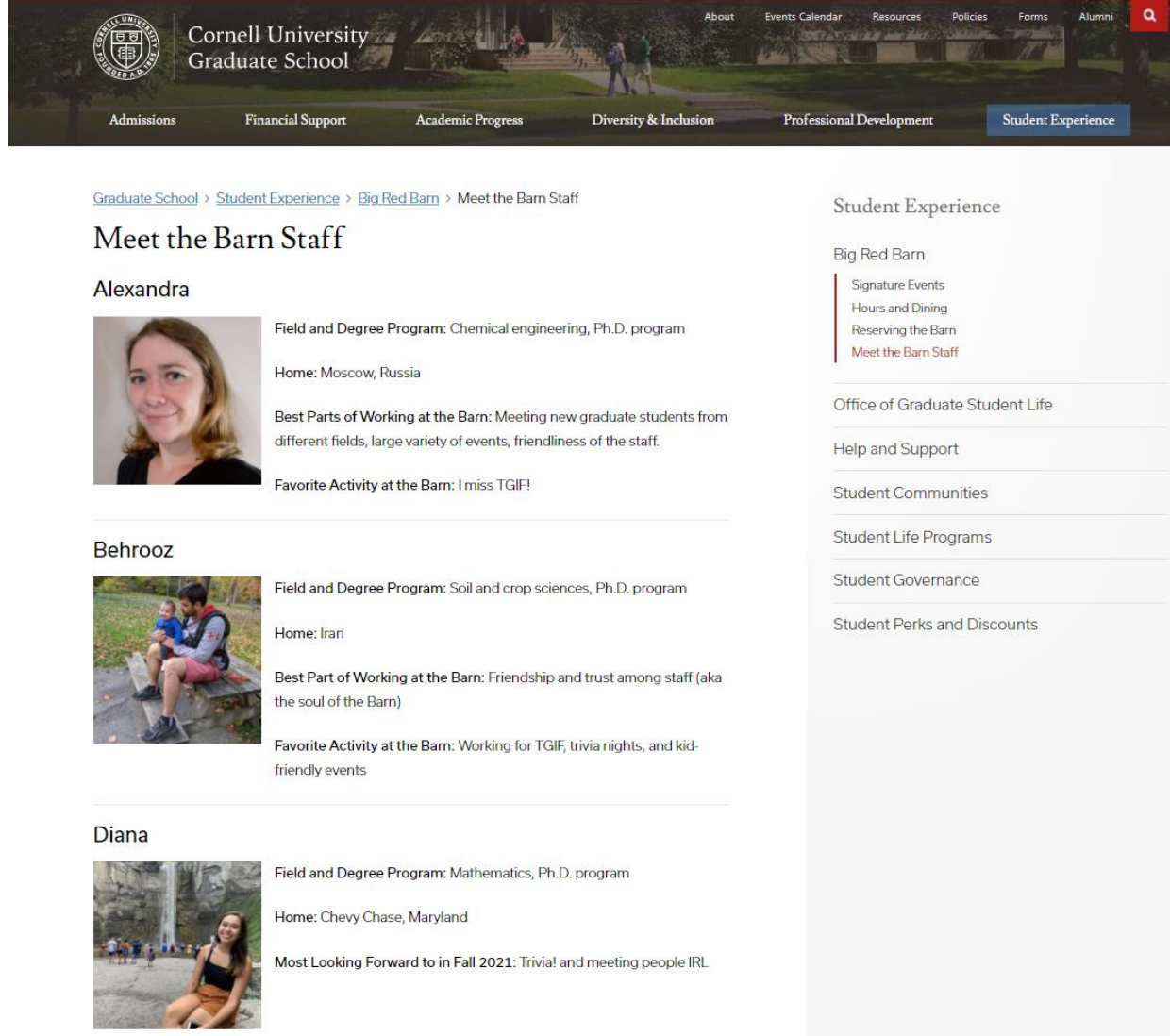
# CURRENTLY

- Graduate and Professional Student Center
- Reservations
- Programming
- Snack service
- Writing/reading/working space
- Newsletter/social media
- Separate Cornell Dining unit



# STAFF AND PROGRAMS

- Staffed by graduate student fellows that focus on the following types of programming:
  - Cultural
  - Social
  - Sustainability
  - Family
  - Wellness
  - Art
- Trivia manager, Purchasing manger, TGIF managers
- Currently open, Night Manager



The screenshot shows the Cornell University Graduate School website. The header includes the Cornell University logo and navigation links: About, Events Calendar, Resources, Policies, Forms, Alumni, and a search icon. A secondary navigation bar lists: Admissions, Financial Support, Academic Progress, Diversity & Inclusion, Professional Development, and Student Experience (highlighted in blue). The main content area is titled 'Meet the Barn Staff' and features three staff profiles: Alexandra, Behrooz, and Diana. Each profile includes a photo, their field and degree program, home location, best part of working at the Barn, and favorite activity. A right sidebar titled 'Student Experience' lists various services like Big Red Barn, Office of Graduate Student Life, and Student Life Programs.


**Cornell University Graduate School**

Admissions Financial Support Academic Progress Diversity & Inclusion Professional Development **Student Experience**

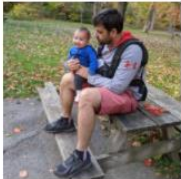
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## Meet the Barn Staff

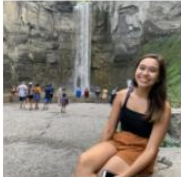
### Alexandra

 Field and Degree Program: Chemical engineering, Ph.D. program  
Home: Moscow, Russia  
Best Parts of Working at the Barn: Meeting new graduate students from different fields, large variety of events, friendliness of the staff.  
Favorite Activity at the Barn: I miss TGIF!

### Behrooz

 Field and Degree Program: Soil and crop sciences, Ph.D. program  
Home: Iran  
Best Part of Working at the Barn: Friendship and trust among staff (aka the soul of the Barn)  
Favorite Activity at the Barn: Working for TGIF, trivia nights, and kid-friendly events

### Diana

 Field and Degree Program: Mathematics, Ph.D. program  
Home: Chevy Chase, Maryland  
Most Looking Forward to in Fall 2021: Trivia! and meeting people IRL

### Student Experience

- Big Red Barn
  - Signature Events
  - Hours and Dining
  - Reserving the Barn
  - Meet the Barn Staff
- Office of Graduate Student Life
- Help and Support
- Student Communities
- Student Life Programs
- Student Governance
- Student Perks and Discounts





# PREVIOUS PROGRAMS

GWIS PRESENTS

## PUMPKIN

PAINTING + CARVING



Thursday • October 28 • 5:00 pm

Big Red Barn Patio

RSVP @ [bit.ly/GWiSpumpkins](https://bit.ly/GWiSpumpkins)


by GPSAFC. Open to the Graduate and  
y. We strive to make our events accessible  
ty members. Please contact Erin at  
ell.edu for any accommodations

BIG RED BARN PRESENTS

## OPEN MIC NIGHT

CELEBRATING LIFE IN WORDS

Thursday, October 28  
7:00-9:00 PM  
@ Big Red Barn



Sponsored by Big Red Barn  
Social Fellow

## GORGES LIBE-A-TION

**INGREDIENTS**


- New York State
- Malt, New York
- State Hops, Cornell
- Maple Syrup,
- Cherries
- Yeast provided
- from the Glibney
- Yeast Biology Lab


**ALC/VOL**

**HANDCRAFTED**

### RED ALE

WITH CHERRIES AND  
CORNELL MAPLE  
SYRUP





TGIF

## TGIF LAWN GAMES



BIG RED BARN LAWN  
STARTING FRIDAY AT 4:30PM

## TELL GRADS IT'S A DANCE FRIDAY


NEXT FRIDAY!



## Visions & Landscapes

Art exhibit of  
Julio Sánchez

Peer into a graduate student's photographic  
perspective of various scapes, objects &  
landmarks in Ithaca and beyond



Oct 21st 7-8:30pm  
Big Red Barn



# UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**ISU** **The Big Red Barn**  
A CULTURE FELLOW PROGRAM

FREE PRIZES FOR POKER  **BOLLYWOOD DANCE PARTY**

THE INDIAN FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

## Diwali

NOVEMBER 6TH, BIG RED BARN, 7-11 PM



**CORNELL LGBT  
RESOURCE CENTER**

**The Big Red Barn**

## Knitting Group

with Rachael and the Barn Art Fellow

5-6 PM | Wed, November 3  
At the Big Red Barn

Want to knit something warm for the winter?

Join the next session, all skill and interest levels are welcome!

Free supplies at the Barn or bring your own

Event sponsored by the Big Red Barn Art Fellow

We strive to make our events accessible to all community members. Individuals who would like to request accessibility accommodations should contact—brb.art.fellow@gmail.com. We ask that requests be made at least one week in advance to help ensure they can be met.



**The Big Red Barn**  
BIG RED BARN BRINGS YOU

## SPEED MEETING PT. II

AN INCLUSIVE SOCIAL EVENT FOR GRAD STUDENTS

NOVEMBER 11  
7:00-9:00PM AT BIG RED BARN

SPONSORED BY BIG RED BARN SOCIAL FELLOW



**RSVP for**

## GAME NIGHT!

Join OISE orgs for fun, games, food, and most importantly, community!

Friday Nov. 12 at Big Red Barn after TGIF 8:30pm

We strive to make our events accessibility to all community members. Individuals who would like to request accessibility accommodations should contact Alaa Farhli (af547). We ask that requests be made as soon as possible to help ensure they can be met.

**AGSA**

**bgpsa.**

**DISC**  
Diversity & International Students Committee

**FiGLI**  
First Generation & Low Income Graduate Student Organization

**GPSI**

**LGSC COALITION**

**MAC**  
Multicultural Academic Council

**SAAGA**  
SOCIETY FOR ASIAN AMERICAN GRADUATE STUDENTS AT CORNELL

**SACNAS**  
CORNELL CHAPTER

**GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT DIVERSITY COUNCIL**

**Cornell Graduate School**  
Office of Inclusion & Student Engagement

**welcome to grads**  
(LGBTQ+ graduate student organization, Cornell University)

GÖNN' DIR EINE PAUSE & KOMM' ZUM

## SPRACHCAFÉ

WAS?  
MEET-UP AMONG CORNELLIANS TO SPEAK GERMAN IN A RELAXED ATMOSPHERE

WANN?  
EVERY TUESDAY, 5:00PM TO 6:00PM  
(NO MEETING OCT 12 & NOV 23)

WO?  
BIG RED BARN,  
CORNELL UNIVERSITY

WIR FREUEN UNS AUF EUCH!

FRAGEN?  
ISABEL CHOINOWSKI & DENNIS WEGNER  
IMC37@CORNELL.EDU  
DW544@CORNELL.EDU

JOIN THE GERMAN STUDIES CAMPUS GROUP!





## HAZZLITT

*Great Wines, Great Times!*



# GETTING INVOLVED AND WE ARE HIRING

- Booking the space for groups you are involved in
- Using the space
- Attending programs
- Ideas for additional collaborations
- Advisory Board



GET EXCITED, 'CAUSE

## WE'RE HIRING!


STAFF  
FELLOWS  
COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER

Applications due Wednesday,  
November 3rd by 5 P.M!





# RESERVATIONS



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Graduate School

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AdmissionsFinancial SupportAcademic ProgressDiversity & InclusionProfessional DevelopmentStudent Experience

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## Reserving the Barn

The Big Red Barn Graduate & Professional Student Center can be reserved for student, department, and private events. On weekdays during the academic year when the Big Red Barn is open, only two areas of the Barn may be reserved so that we can accommodate our customers in the other space. In the summer and on Saturday and Sunday throughout the year when the Big Red Barn is closed, the entire building can be reserved.

NOTE: During fall, winter, and spring breaks, reservations will be made on an exception basis only.

### Capacity

- Full capacity: 165 people inside; 250 people w/ patio & BBQ
- For a sit-down dinner: 100 people; 75 to 80 people with a dance floor
- For a buffet dinner: 120 people; 100 people with a dance floor
- Patio (600 sq. ft.): tables and chairs allow 40 people; chairs only allow 85 people; standing allows 120 people



### Additional Information

- There is a \$25 flat fee for use of A/V equipment: TV, PowerPoint, mics, DVD, etc.
- Tent for patio measures 15' X 30' w/ no sides and must be 12' from building
- No tents are allowed in the Urn Garden

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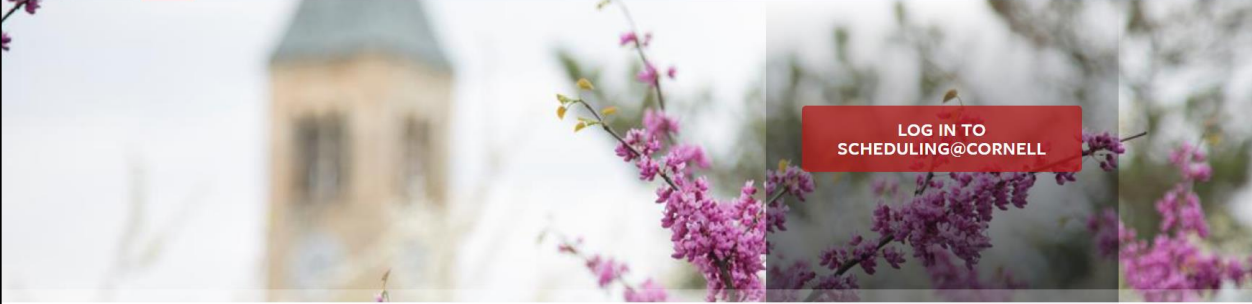
Student Governance

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Academic and Event Scheduling

HomePlanning Guide and PoliciesEvent SchedulingAcademic SchedulingGetting Help



### Welcome to the Academic and Event Scheduling Website

The website contains information and links to help you schedule space for an event, meeting, info session, social gathering, access important academic dates and information, and much more.

Be sure to check the Announcements for updates, training opportunities, and more.

### Announcements

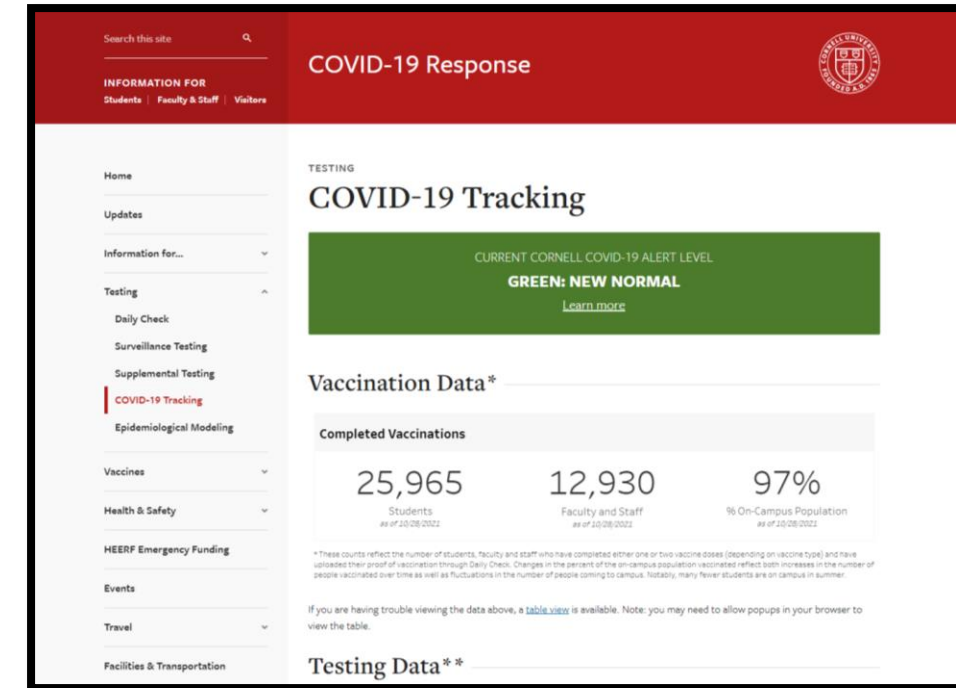
[Scheduling@Cornell Training Opportunities](#)

Available training opportunities



# COVID ALERT LEVELS AND EVENTS

- At yellow level:
  - We were open with no alcohol or popcorn
  - No outside food/catering
  - Groups could gather masked indoors, no eating or drinking
  - Students could use the space to study, write, grade, read etc.
  - We cannot support guests at Barn programs
- At green level:
  - We are open with alcohol and popcorn
  - No outside food/catering
  - Groups can gather masked indoors, asked to mask after eating and drinking
  - Students can use the space to study, write, grade, read etc.
  - We cannot support guests at Barn programs





# MOVING TO CASHLESS OPERATION

- University direction
- Changed processes related to cash management
- Short staffed
- Global pandemic advice encourages touchless systems
- Nation wide coin shortage
- Safety of student staff
- Consistent experience with payment across the Barn services



# NEW REGISTER SYSTEM

- Provides us data on sales and trends with the built in software
- Provides us data per staff member to avoid shrink
- Gives us the ability to accept credit, google pay, apple pay
- Gives us flexibility to sell in the line with the wireless device
- We can provide receipts to customers, groups, departments etc. for reimbursements or proof of purchase
- We eliminate the need for the time consuming drink ticket process
- The system is supported by IT





# GIFT CARDS

- We pay a credit card processing fee with each swipe, so we don't have the option of swiping for a \$1 purchase (the fees could be up to .35 per swipe)
- The gift cards never expire
- We are encouraging students who don't need the entire card to share a card with a friend or colleague
- The gift cards can also be used for any Barn programming charges (ex: if we charge \$5 for participation in a painting class)
- The gift cards can be used any time we are open with alcohol to purchase; this includes over Trivia, any programs, and any snack service
- Our drinks range in price from \$1-\$3 so some students may find a loaded card will empty a bit faster than others
- You never have to purchase an alcoholic drink to participate in TGIF or any of our programs. We always have free snacks and soda at TGIF and there is no necessity to purchase alcohol to participate and spend time with peers at the Barn.



# REMINDER

You never have to purchase an alcoholic drink to participate in TGIF or any of our programs. We always have free snacks and soda at TGIF and there is no necessity to purchase alcohol to attend programs or spend time with peers at the Barn.





# QUESTIONS?

## FEEDBACK:

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