



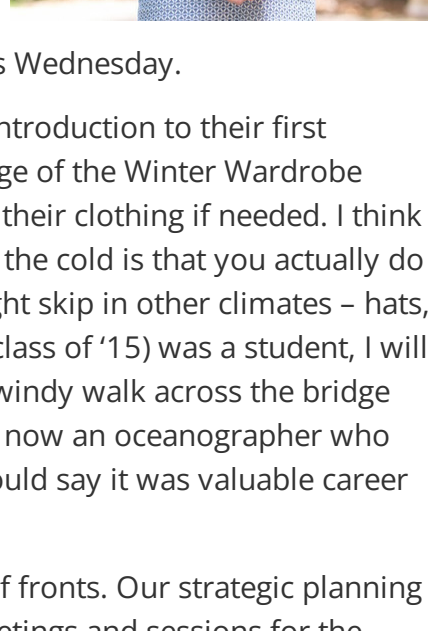
January 11, 2023



A Message from President Byerly

Dear Parents and Families,

Happy new year! I hope that you all had a wonderful holiday, and that if your student was home during the break, you enjoyed your time together. Winter Term began by living up to its name, with snow and some ice making the return to campus challenging for some. Students have also taken advantage of the winter weather, though, by building snow sculptures, skating on the Bald Spot, and staging a big snowball fight at the end of the first day of classes Wednesday.



For new students, this may feel like an intensive introduction to their first Minnesota winter. I hope that many took advantage of the Winter Wardrobe offered by Student Life in October to supplement their clothing if needed. I think the main thing students discover as they adapt to the cold is that you actually do need to *wear* all the winter accessories you might skip in other climates – hats, mittens, scarves, and boots. When my daughter (class of '15) was a student, I will admit I did not enjoy her description of the cold, windy walk across the bridge from Goodhue in subzero weather – but as she is now an oceanographer who specializes in Arctic and Antarctic research, you could say it was valuable career preparation!

Things are already busy on campus on a variety of fronts. Our strategic planning process, Carleton 2033, involves a number of meetings and sessions for the campus community as the task forces that have been appointed gather input from students, faculty, and staff. I will be “tabling” in Sayles myself later this week, which I have found is a good way to get spontaneous student feedback. Students who might not have time to show up at a long meeting are happy to stop by a table and sit down to chat for a few minutes.

We are also very interested in the thoughts of parents and families about our strategic planning topics, so you will see elsewhere in this newsletter information about a virtual session for parents and families that we have scheduled for January 31, 2023, at 6:00 pm. I hope you'll consider joining the discussion.

Alison Byerly

Upcoming Events

Looking Towards Carleton's Future: A Discussion for Parents and Families

January 31, 2023
6:00 pm Central

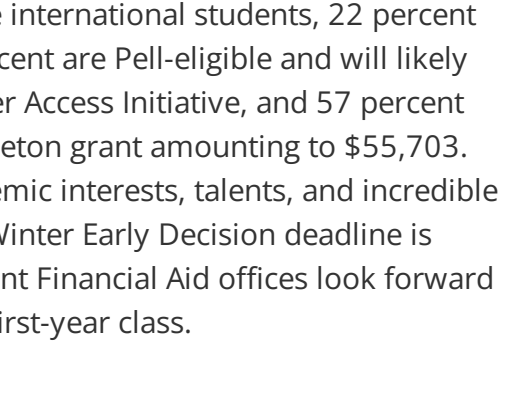
Parents and families have been invited to join President Byerly for a conversation on Carleton 2033, the process of planning for Carleton's future that the College began earlier this year. President Byerly and leaders of the strategic planning committees will share updates on the process to date, followed by time for questions and opportunities for your input. Questions can be submitted in advance through the webinar registration page.

[Register for webinar](#)

Carleton Connects: Jeff Mow '81, Therese Picard '93, and our National Parks

January 19, 2023
3:00 pm Central

With its connections to everything from climate change and land ownership to Indigenous history and outdoor recreation, the National Park System touches nearly every facet of our country's character. Two alumni with six decades of NPS experience between them will offer a behind-the-scenes look at what it takes to keep our national parks' visitors, neighbors, and inhabitants flourishing.



[Read more and register](#)

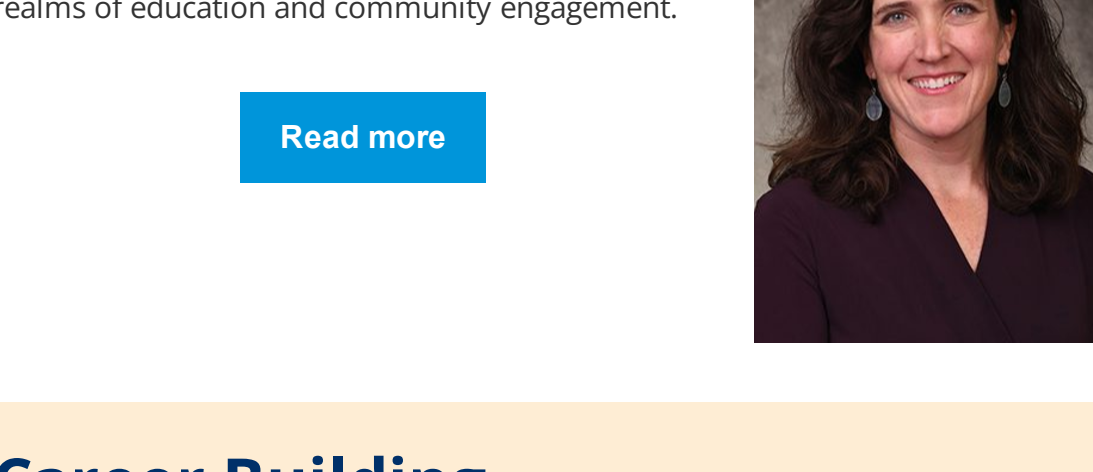
Campus News

180 Carls admitted to the Class of 2027 in Early Decision

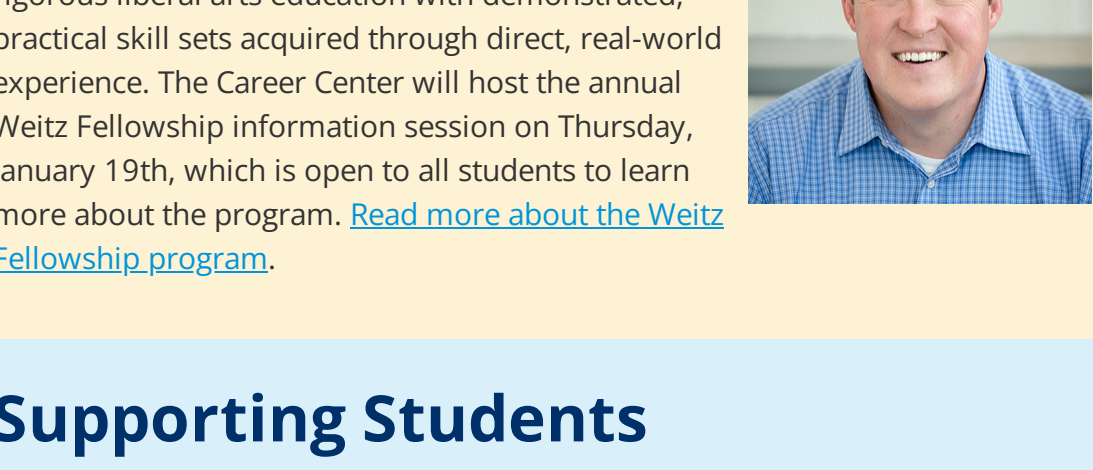
In December, 180 students were admitted to Carleton through the Fall Early Decision program as the initial members of Carleton's Class of 2027. The admitted group includes 20 QuestBridge Match Scholars and 12 students selected as Posse Scholars in Houston. Of the Fall Early Decision students, 40 percent self-identify as BIPOC, 9 percent are international students, 22 percent are first-generation college students, 21 percent are Pell-eligible and will likely qualify for financial support from the Schuler Access Initiative, and 57 percent qualify for financial aid with an average Carleton grant amounting to \$55,703. Students also represent many diverse academic interests, talents, and incredible life experiences. The Regular Decision and Winter Early Decision deadline is January 15, when the Admissions and Student Financial Aid offices look forward to selecting the additional members of the first-year class.

Knights sports highlights

More than 500 students registered for a Sport Club this fall! Many teams had very successful seasons, including Ultimate Frisbee teams Syzygy, CUT and CHOP, along with Club Tennis – all tournament winners. The Ballroom Dance team provided another highlight, competing at the University of Wisconsin with all members reaching the semi-finals and several dancers receiving awards in the finals. The Sport Club Council reminded students that opportunities to [join the fun on a Club team](#) are available this winter.



The Men's basketball team had a great week in December as [Jeremy Beckler '23 became the newest member of the Knights' 1,000-point club](#) in only 57 career games, and [Matt Banovetz '24](#) was named the MIAC Defensive Player of the Week.

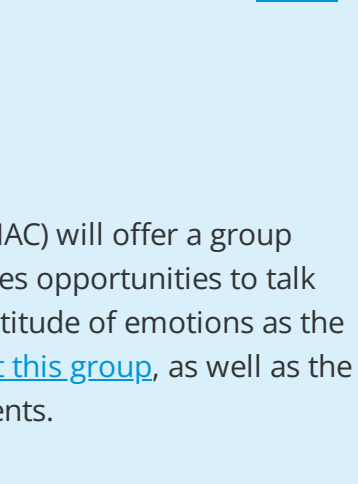


[Sloan Wallgren](#) and [Alec Holcomb](#) were named the new coaches of the Men's & Women's Golf and Baseball teams, respectively.

More headlines, results, and the schedule for all varsity sports can be found on the [Knights website](#).

Sarah Fortner named director of sustainability as Carleton expands sustainable approach across and beyond campus

Fortner's new position is part of a recommendation to extend the reach of the Sustainability Office beyond facilities management and further into the realms of education and community engagement.

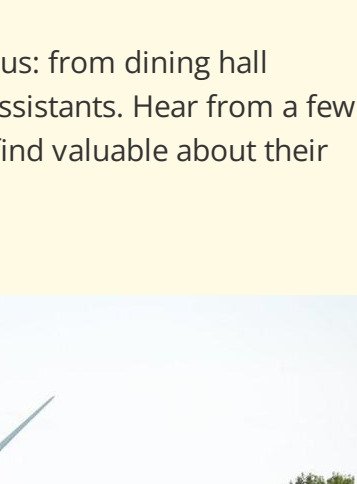


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Career Building

Above all, what do Carls want to do when they graduate?

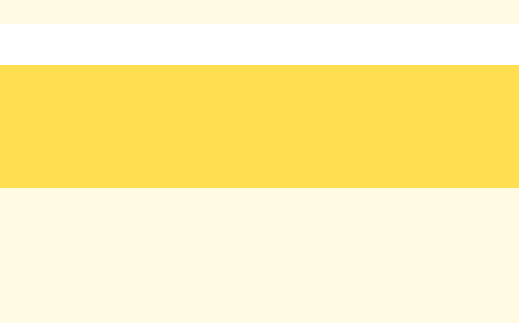
The Weitz Fellowship provides opportunities for new Carleton graduates where they can combine the cross-disciplinary proficiencies developed through a rigorous liberal arts education with demonstrated, practical skill sets acquired through direct, real-world experience. The Career Center will host the annual Weitz Fellowship information session on Thursday, January 19th, which is open to all students to learn more about the program. [Read more about the Weitz Fellowship program](#).



Supporting Students

Send love from home

Want to celebrate your student's birthday or Valentine's Day? Want to support them as they're cramming for finals? Send your Carl a special treat! Here are a few ideas:



- Check out the [Hugs from Home](#) menu by Carleton's dining service, Bon Appétit.
- Send a care package with [Campus Red Caps](#) (founded by Carleton alumni), which offers customizable care packages that go beyond food.
- Satisfy your Carl's sweet tooth and support Northfield businesses by ordering from [CakeWalk](#) (cupcakes and cakes), or [Night Owl Bake Shop](#) (cookies and other sweets).
- Custom cookies and sweets made with love by Katie at Northfield's [Sweet Tooth Treats](#).

Therapy groups starting soon

Starting January 19, Student Health and Counseling (SHAC) will offer a group called "Change and Transitions" for seniors that provides opportunities to talk through the challenges in moving forward and the multitude of emotions as the last two terms of senior year unfold. [Learn more about this group](#), as well as the ongoing meeting groups for First Gen and BIPOC students.

Faculty Spotlight

Faculty development grants for 2023-24 announced

On behalf of the Faculty Grants Committee, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Michelle Mattson announced faculty development fellowship awards for 2023-24. [Read more](#) about the projects these grants support.

Beyond the Classroom

Student Employment

Nearly 80% of Carleton students are working on campus: from dining hall managers and tour guides to Chemistry lab teaching assistants. Hear from a few students who work on the Arb Crew about what they find valuable about their campus job.

Useful Links

- [Parent/Family Gateway](#)
- [COVID-19 campus updates](#)
- [Weekly Convocations](#)
- [Campus Calendar](#)
- [2022-2023 Academic Calendar](#)
- [Make a gift to the Parents Fund](#)

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