Get Connected

Take advantage of the numerous opportunities to socialize, network with, and support the extraordinary people who make up the Cornell community.

Events

Cornell Events Calendar

There is always something enriching and interesting to do at Cornell. Take advantage of the wealth of lectures, workshops, discussions, performances, and exhibits that are held on campus and in our community. Search the CU Events Calendar to find events related to your choice of theme or group.

Volunteer / Donate

Cornell Commencement: Support graduating students, and enjoy special perks, too!

Cornell Elves Program: Benefit needy children in Tompkins County and the surrounding area.

Cornell Botanic Gardens: Educate audiences about the interrelationships among plants, people and the environment.

Cornell Public Service Center: Service organization connecting Cornell students, faculty, and alumni with community organizations.

Cornell Retiree Volunteer Opportunities: Connecting retirees with their surrounding communities in a variety of volunteer opportunities run through Cornell and other local agencies.

Cornell United Way: Cornell supports the efforts of the United Way in our community - get
involved!

**Emergency CARE Fund Annual Online Auction**: Exciting annual online auction supports financial assistance to faculty and staff during crisis.

**Employee Appreciation Events**: Volunteers are always needed for events throughout the year, such as our Employee Celebrations, Bring a Child To Work Day, and the Jennie T. Farley Office Professionals luncheon.

**Pawprint Editorial Board**: Submit articles for publication, and contact for other ways to be of service.

**Professional Clothing Giveaway**: Donate gently worn professional clothing, business casual, shoes and accessories that are offered at no cost for those who are interested. Sponsored by the Employee Assembly, Division of Human Resources, the CARE Fund and Cornell Wellness.

**Slope Day**: Support a safe and enjoyable springtime celebration.

**University Committees**: Website featuring details and links to all Cornell committees.

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**Socialize**

**Social Media**: Follow the University’s official social sites to stay up to date with all the latest news and conversations. A few are listed below; be sure to take a moment to search for individual colleges and units -- there are hundreds of Cornell-related social media opportunities, including sports teams, clubs, associations, professors, publications, leaders, and more.

- Cornell University Facebook
- Cornell University Twitter
- Cornell University Instagram
- Cornell University LinkedIn
- Working at Cornell Facebook

**Colleague Network Groups**: CNGs are university-sponsored employee networking groups for traditionally underrepresented minorities and allies of those groups. Connect with Cornell colleagues across the university in groups supporting men of color, women of color, LGBT, disabilities, veterans, and young professionals.

**First Fridays of Ithaca** is a monthly social networking event for local, diverse professionals. It’s a great opportunity to network and socialize in a relaxed setting, and meet new
colleagues. First Fridays events have been held worldwide on the first Friday of every month since the late 1980s. Come and join this global phenomenon of professional camaraderie right here in Ithaca. Contact Cassandre Joseph at (607) 255-3976 or firstfridaysofithaca@cornell.edu to join the mailing list or for more information.

**Cornell Campus Club**: Social organization for Ithaca women featuring diverse activity groups, events, lectures, and service options. (Cornell affiliation is not required to join and the organization is not officially supported by the university.)

**Cornell Green Ambassadors**: Leadership program design to empower, equip, and engage staff and faculty as peer educators to facilitate a culture of environmental, economic and social sustainability within their own workgroups.

**Cornell Recreation Connection**: Encouraging camaraderie among staff, faculty, and retirees by providing social experiences and outlets through recreational events.

**Cornell Retirees Association**: Networking and service group open to Cornell retirees and their spouses/partners.

**Local Activities**: A Cornell website featuring things to do, places to go, maps, and more for visitors to campus and the Ithaca area.

**President’s Sustainable Campus Committee People Team**: Networking group of staff, faculty and students interested in sustainability engagement and outreach to further Cornell’s campus sustainability goals.

**Support for Diverse Communities**: Links to resources supporting Cornell’s diverse communities, including communities of color, disabilities, LGBT, military, religion, and women.

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**Email lists**: The Division of Human Resources administers electronic mailing lists (e-lists) on a variety of topics, including: parenting (including the school closing list), adult caregiving, support groups, workshops, and news and updates.

*Also see* [Networking](#)