

The Columbia University Undergraduate Journal of Women's Health and Gynecology



What's Happening at GYNECA?

We hope your last few weeks of classes end on a good note! Our meeting with Planned Parenthood earlier this month and first social gathering was a success! Read more to find out about other amazing opportunities and events coming up!:)

What have we accomplished recently?

This semester we had **3 Events!**

- <u>GYNECA Social</u>- On April 23, we had our first GYNECA social with the current Eboard members. We planned a picnic on Butler Lawns and had a great time getting to know each other. Special thanks to our Leadership team for planning it.
- <u>Planned Parenthood Event</u>- On April 4, we had an first in-person event with Planned Parenthood, featuring Barnard senior Madeleine Morales. She brought awareness to the issue of *the tampon tax*. Read more about it on our website.
- <u>Finals Study Break</u>- Sponsored by Samsung -On May 1, our resident Samsung ambassador Adela Zhou, also our Senior Revision Editor, hosted a study break in Uris Library. There were fun and relaxing activities including guided meditation, study-playlist making, affirmation writing, snacks, and a giveaway of Samsung products!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to graduating senior and Art Director, Ausra Pranevicius! Thank you for all your work on helping GYNECA become what it is. Good Luck and we wish you nothing but the best in your future endeavors!

GYNECA is now accepting External Submissions open to all Columbia-affiliated undergraduates!

Our Website is now Live!

Stay Tuned for Our Inaugural Issue! (Summer 2022)



Updates from the Website Team

This semester we welcomed EBoard Members **Chichi Mba** and **Elaine Su** to the website development team. Chichi is a sophomore at Columbia College studying Computer Science. Elaine is also a Computer Science Major at Barnard College, with a special interest in graphic design. In addition to coding, both Elaine and Chichi were heavily involved in developing a creative vision for GYNECA's digital platform.

Be sure to check out our **new website** that they've been creating for the past couple months.

Updates from the Journalism Team

Our Journalism column for *GYNECA* evolved out of our previously named Social Review division and has grown to encompass more journalistic style pieces such as interviews and exposés. This semester, our journalists have worked under our new Journalism EBoard Member, **Nicole Greco**, on their pieces to be ready by the end of the summer.

Nicole says, "Working alongside the dedicated women of GYNECA has really opened my eyes to the culture of women in science and has inspired me to push for more impact on the Columbia community. As we continue to nurture this club, I look forward to creating a hub of resources for and about women."

External Submissions now OPEN

We are extremely excited to announce that **External Submissions are now OPEN!** All members of the Columbia University Undergraduate community are encouraged to submit!

The goal of GYNECA's first issue is to create a more informal platform to share thoughts on various global health topics related to women's health and gynecology and build a community conversation. In our inaugural issue, we hope to foster a space for students to engage in women's health by sharing experiences, bringing awareness, and encouraging creativity.

Example pieces include Op-Eds, letters to scientists, reflections, briefings, science-art, and more!

Link to the submission form:

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Looking Ahead

Summer Plans- If you want be involved in *GYNECA* in the summer, fill out this form! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdckHNWJX0setu4-KO8WDcjXMWKzQpMJfpPHY9mTF6sEvLH9A/viewform

We will be actively working on compiling articles for our inaugural issue.

