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Overview and Volunteers

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The HAA Crimson Society is the organization of all Harvard College and Radcliffe College alumni/ae starting the year after their 50th Reunion. As members of the Crimson Society, these classes will still have the traditional 55th, 60th, 65th, and 70th Reunions, while also providing annual opportunities for fellow alumni/ae to come together from all classes and celebrate the Harvard community. The HAA Crimson Society events will be held annually in addition to milestone reunions.

Membership in the HAA Crimson Society starts immediately following the 50th Reunion year (eligible alumni/ae are automatically part of this group and do not need to apply). Harvard and Radcliffe alumni/ae from classes more than 50 years out from graduation, and who are not celebrating a milestone reunion in a given year, will be invited to the HAA Crimson Society programming that will take place that year.

In effect, the HAA Crimson Society Programming each year can be thought of as similar to a reunion experience, much like the 5th-70th Reunions. Traditional class-based reunion programming like the class photo and memorial service will remain unique to the quinquennial class reunions.

The HAA Crimson Society was founded in the 2019-2020 academic year, with virtual programming being offered in spring 2020 and spring 2021. The in-person programming launched in spring 2022. Going forward, the Crimson Society will host a mix of both virtual and in-person programming throughout the year.

HAA Crimson Society Planning Committee

The HAA Crimson Society Planning Committee works in partnership with a staff liaison from the College Alumni Programs office to plan an annual program inviting all non-reunion alumni/ae back to campus for festivities and programs to foster alumni/ae connections in the years between Harvard's traditional milestone Reunions. Programming on the Harvard campus in the spring, to be held the day before and the day of Harvard Alumni Day will include opportunities to connect with other alumni, including the Tree Spread Luncheon and the Alumni Parade on Harvard Alumni Day.

In addition to the spring on-campus programming, virtual programming will be planned by the HAA for all reunion classes and the Crimson Society featuring Harvard faculty, administrators, and other special guests in the fall, winter, and spring. These programs will be held roughly once per month. The Crimson Society Planning Committee might also organize additional virtual programs or experiences specifically for the HAA Crimson Society members.

Representatives from across the classes will be asked to join the HAA Crimson Society Planning Committee to help with the planning process as well as reach out to their classmates in the in-between years to get them excited about returning to campus!

Answers to frequently asked questions can be found at <https://alumni.harvard.edu/reunions/faq#crimson-society>; other questions about the HAA Crimson Society can be directed to the College Alumni Programs office at hacrimsonsociety@harvard.edu.