"All the world is birthday cake, so take a piece, but not too much."
IT'S TOO MUCH THE BEATLES

Campbell leaving to lead Harvard police dedepartment

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Campbell said in a phone interview Thursday evening that he had been approached by a recruitment firm that encouraged him to apply for the position at Harvard in August. He decided to leave Yale because he wanted to get out of his "comfort zone," he said. In the interview, he also explained that he would get a "pay raise" at Harvard, though he would not specify how much.

"This was definitely a punch in the gut," Mike Hall, president of the Yale Police union, said in a phone interview Thursday afternoon. "The sentiment among the membership is totally, you know, this is Yale's loss and Harvard's gain."

According to Hall, the Yale Police union received word of Campbell's departure on Thursday, though members had previously heard unconfirmed "rumblings" of his potential departure.

An "advance notice" email Lovello sent to the Yale Police union about Campbell's departure obtained by the News said that Campbell had "accepted a new position outside of Yale University." Yale Police union members received the email at 12:50 p.m. Thursday — about half an hour before the announcement was sent to the Yale community.

In the email to union members, Lovello wrote that the University expects "several members of the YPD command staff to take advantage of retirement incentives offered by the university."

According to Hall, as part of the University's new contract with the Yale Police Department, managerial and professional employees are eligible for retirement incentives. Hall anticipates that the YPD "will be losing many of its supervisors who are eligible for the program," he wrote in a text message.

"This period of transformation will provide an opportunity to shape the future of public safety services at a diverse, world-class academic institution," Lovello wrote. "Our partnership with the New Haven Police Department also provides space to explore new synergies and the best use of resources."

In an email sent to Yale Police on Thursday — just minutes before the Yale community learned of his departure — Campbell wrote that it "has been a privilege, an honor, and a blessing to serve with you at America's oldest campus police department."

"This is a deeply bittersweet moment. Professionally, this is a tremendous opportunity for me to bring the skills, talents, and gifts that God has placed in me to another historic institution," he wrote in the email.



Ariela Lopez, Contributing Photographer
On Thursday, a Yale official announced that Anthony Campbell '95 DIV '09, who has headed the Yale Police Department since 2022, will be leaving his post in January. Harvard announced that Campbell would take over its department.

Referring to Cambridge, Campbell wrote, "I don't know the culture of its community in the same way that I know the culture and community here in New Haven." He added that "there are so many things here that are just second nature that won't be there."

In the phone interview, Campbell said that he met his wife at Yale, and all three of his children were born at Yale-New Haven Hospital.

"It's the place where I learned, really, how to be a man who serves his community," Campbell said. "So many relationships, so many things that have made me who I am are right here in New Haven."

When asked who he will be cheering for at the Yale-Harvard football game this year, Campbell said, "Bulldogs all day long."

Campbell will begin his new role at Harvard on Jan. 5, 2026, according to the university's announcement.

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Grant programs merged to save money, Lewis says

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Lewis said in an October interview that though the increased tax on endowment returns "means a permanent reduction in the amount of money available for financial aid," the University will keep aid packages constant for every currently enrolled undergraduate student for as long as they attend Yale.

"So when we say that financial aid is threatened, we're not really saying your individual financial aid is threatened," Lewis said last month. "We're saying financial aid as a general priority is threatened."

Wednesday's announcement came as a surprise to many students who had considered both the International Study Award and Summer Experience Award as potential sources of non-competitive financial support for upcoming summers.

Hours after Lewis' email, the Yale College Council president, vice president and speaker of the senate circulated an email criticizing administrators' decision not to brief the YCC on the changes beforehand, describing the choice as "inappropriate."

The YCC leaders wrote that they planned to "request a formal explanation" from the Yale College Dean's Office about the rationale behind the changes in a Friday meeting. They requested that students send testimony "about the importance of summer funding at Yale" to help the YCC "compile lost Yale experiences."

Students who have used either the International Study Award or Summer Experience Award in a previous summer may still apply for the other award for summer 2026 if they have not yet used it. Beginning in summer 2027, the Summer Experience Grant will provide one opportunity for students on financial aid to receive non-competitive University funding, though it will not be available to students who have used non-competitive awards in the past.

Dorothy Ha '28, who used International Study Award funding to study abroad through a non-Yale program in Paris and Rome over the summer, said that the changes announced Wednesday have led her to reevaluate her options for future summer experiences.

"Now, I'm like, 'Oh, I have to lock in this summer to use my SEA so I can maximize the opportunities given to me by Yale,'" Ha said in an interview, referring to the Summer Experience Award.

Ha expressed frustration about the timing of Wednesday's announcement and that the Summer Experience Grant will no longer fund non-Yale programs abroad.

"It's just kind of a sudden decision, right? This is coming kind of near the end of the semester when people have already started to look at programs," Ha said. "I feel like it's just unfair to the freshmen because there's so many programs outside the scope of the Yale programs."

Lewis said on Tuesday that he has asked the Office of International and Summer Programs to "expand" offerings of international Yale Summer Session programs, particularly those in "less commonly taught languages." These programs will be eligible for Summer Experience Grant funding.

Kelly McLaughlin, the director of study abroad, wrote in an email that the office is planning to launch several programs beginning in summer 2026.

"While further details will be available by early December," McLaughlin wrote. "I am happy to share that the locations we have in mind include Barcelona, Florence, Stockholm, Cape Town and London."



Braden Mathis, Contributing Photographer
To reduce costs in anticipation of the endowment tax hike, Yale College will combine two summer awards into a one-time funding opportunity for students who receive financial aid.

Ha and Naomi Obasa '29 both acknowledged the financial pressures on the University that prompted the decision to discontinue International Study Award and Summer Experience Award funding. Still, Obasa was disappointed by the decision.

"I think it's kind of hard, especially when you don't have infinite resources from where you come from, to be able to find internships and opportunities to better yourself, right? And that's the point of coming to Yale," Obasa said.

Details about the application process for the 2027 Summer Experience Grant will be announced in summer 2026, according to Yale's fellowships and funding office.

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Lunchtime rallies spotlight ongoing negotiations

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"We Can't Keep Up" and "One Job Should Be Enough."

According to Dunn, clerical and technical workers' salaries in recent years have not kept pace with the rising costs of groceries, rent and electricity. Some union members have had to move in with other family members or take on second jobs — "things we never did before on a Yale job," he said.

"Inflation has eaten away our raises," Dunn said. "Right now, people are making less than they were in 2020 after you adjust for inflation, and we just need a contract that reflects that and keeps up with the cost of living."

Mishelle Raza, a senior administrative assistant at the David Geffen School of Drama, said the rally's high turnout demonstrates Local 34 members' conviction that they deserve a higher wage.

"We want to stand by what we are asking for. It's not just we're asking for in paper and behind the scenes, but we truly believe in it with conviction," she said in an interview at the rally. "And these are those people who can make it out in lunch break."

Jennifer Garcia, the secretary-treasurer of Local 34, agreed that the high turnout shows that union members are "really, really ready to fight for this contract."

The University disabled swipe access into Sheffield-Sterling-Strathcona Hall during the rally. Posterli, the spokesperson, wrote that "the university typically redlights buildings to avoid potential disruptions."

Protesters described the mood at Wednesday's rally as enthusiastic and energizing.

"I feel great. I feel excited," Alex Franqui, a project coordinator for the Yale Alumni Fund, said in an inteview at the rally. "There's a lot of energy here for our contracts, and people are really hyped up to get a good contract this time around."

Garcia added that protesting in the daytime was significant because "we know the administration is here."

University President Maurie McInnis's office is located in Sheffield-Sterling-Strathcona Hall.

Garcia said it's also important for Yale students to hear Local 34 members' demands because Local 34's upcoming contract will set the standard for all workers at Yale, including students.

"Local 34, Local 35 works with our students, graduate workers of Local 33,

Students Unite Now, which are our undergraduates," Garcia said in an interview with the News. "So we're not just fighting for Local 34 members, but we know that the contract that we get raises the standard at Yale for all workers, whether they belong to our union, any union or no union."

Franqui said he is "really happy" with what he described as Yale's good-faith negotiations with union representatives thus far, adding that he hopes negotiations continue that way.

While protesters acknowledged that the University is facing increased financial pressure due to the increased federal tax on endowment returns, they kept the pressure on administrators to increase workers' wages.

"Sure, there's a few difficulties going on," Raza said. "Every phase of government has its own challenges. But we still have to bear bills. Everybody does."

Local 34 has nearly 4,000 members, according to its website.

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Members of Local 34, Yale's union of clerical and technical workers, protested outside Sheffield-Sterling-Strathcona Hall and the School of Medicine amid contract negotiations with the University.