We’re back to school and back on the ice, and we’re so excited for the 2012-2013 season! Our competition season kicks off this weekend on October 13th at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia. This week we had our own team exhibition at the rink to practice competing and cheer each other on, and we’re feeling great—we can’t wait to put on great performances this weekend!

You can keep up with our news and live competition results by liking our “Dartmouth Figure Skating Team” page on Facebook or by following @DartmouthFSC on Twitter!

**Right: New team member Katie Bates ’16 skates a beautiful program during our in-team exhibition this week.**

We love spending time with each other, both on and off the ice! This fall has been beautiful, and we’ve enjoyed it by going apple picking and with weekly Sunday morning nature walks. Additionally, this week’s traditional pre-competition team dinner included a hilarious game of charades where we brought out our funny side! We’ve loved spending time with each other and getting to know the new ’16 team members.

**Left: New and returning members**
Welcome to the team, ‘16s!

We couldn’t be more excited to welcome the ‘16s to the team! These talented new skaters come from all different backgrounds and have diverse interests, but they have all been brought together by a passion for skating. They bring incredible enthusiasm both on and off the ice. We’re so happy they’re here!

**Elena Isabel Alicea ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Alexandria, VA
- **Academic Interests:** Math, Romance languages, Vocal performance
- **Skating Level:** Unsure
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** The people I’ve met

**Katie Bates ‘16**
- **Hometown:** San Carlos, CA
- **Academic Interests:** Everything
- **Skating Level:** Senior
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** The stir-fry station in FoCo, and the awesome people

**Sarah Gertler ‘16**
- **Hometown:** New York, NY
- **Academic Interests:** Economics, Math, Public Policy, Government
- **Skating Level:** Intermediate
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** Meeting so many great new people

**Renata Hegyi ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Budapest, Hungary / Lexington, KY
- **Academic Interests:** Environmental studies, Geography, Government
- **Skating Level:** Preliminary
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** The people! And singing the alma mater

**Susanna Kalaris ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Summit, NJ / London, England
- **Academic Interests:** Government, French, Law, Geography
- **Skating Level:** Pre-Bronze Dance
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** Seeing so many people on the Green every day

**Christine Mozer ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Sands Point, NY
- **Academic Interests:** Economics, Government, History, International relations, Chinese
- **Skating Level:** Senior
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** DOC Trips and meeting the skating team

**Esther Wu ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Los Angeles, CA
- **Academic Interests:** Biology
- **Skating Level:** Senior
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** DOC Trips

**Jenny Liu ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Branford, CT
- **Academic Interests:** Biology, Chemistry, Studio Art
- **Skating Level:** Juvenile
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** The people

**Lauren Yeager ‘16**
- **Hometown:** Manchester, VT
- **Academic Interests:** Biology, Spanish
- **Skating Level:** Preliminary Dance
- **Favorite part of Dartmouth:** The people

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