

Northwestern Campus Resources

The transition to college life is a big one. There are many people and services on campus that can help with making it successful.

COVID-19 and Campus Updates

General information, updates on the latest university-wide developments, and links to resources can be found at <https://covid-19.soc.northwestern.edu/students/>. Information on undergraduate academic policies specific to the School of Communication can be found at <https://covid-19.soc.northwestern.edu/students/>.

Academic Support

College courses are rigorous. They require a high level of reading, writing and other academic skills in order to be completed successfully. If you find you are having trouble in a course, talk to your professor at office hours and make an appointment to see your academic advisor. The following are some additional resources:

SoC Advising

Your advisor can help you with course planning, identification of academic opportunities, time-management, note-taking and study skills, or any challenges or frustrations you may be having. Their contact information is on the SoC Advising site, at <https://advising.soc.northwestern.edu/>. The advising site also includes information on major and minor requirements, policies and rules, and general academic information.

The SoC Undergraduate Dean

The Undergraduate Dean, Lori Baptista, can help guide you to support services and work with you in managing academic issues when challenges such as illness, family emergencies or mental health issues arise. Call 847-491-7214 or email dear-soc@northwestern.edu if you have any concerns or would like to make an appointment with Dean Baptista.

Digital Learning

Northwestern is committed to ensuring students remain connected to courses and learning resources while participating in courses remotely. This page provides you with access to information to ensure you are prepared for—and can excel at—studies and participation in courses via Canvas, Zoom, and [other online tools](#). <https://digitallearning.northwestern.edu/keep-learning>

AccessibleNU

If you have been diagnosed with a disability, you may receive accommodations in your classes by registering with Accessible NU. Accessible NU can also refer students who suspect they may have an undiagnosed learning disability. Their website is: <http://www.northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/>.

Financial Aid

Northwestern offers aid based on demonstrated financial need. A variety of other financing options are available for those who are not eligible for need-based aid. Their website is: <https://undergradaid.northwestern.edu/index.html>.

Undergraduate Academic Resource Portal

If you're a Northwestern student, you're a skilled learner — but that doesn't mean you never need help. Explore the Portal for tutoring across many different academic areas. You can also use it to find a group study, general academic support, and other academic opportunities:

<http://www.northwestern.edu/searle/resources/undergraduate-academic-resources/>.

The Writing Place

The Writing Place, located in the University Library, provides free peer tutoring for writing. You can learn more and sign up for an appointment on their website: <http://www.writing.northwestern.edu/>.

Health Professions Advising (HPA)

Health Professions Advising offers support for students who want to pursue health- and healthcare- related careers. Their website is: <http://www.northwestern.edu/advising-center/index.html>.

NU Libraries

The libraries' holdings include immense and varied collections, databases and electronic journals, governmental information and more. Their website is: <https://www.library.northwestern.edu/>.

Health & Wellness

Many students find themselves sick at some point during their time at Northwestern, and college can be challenging mentally. There are many resources available that are dedicated to keeping you physically and emotionally well.

NUhelp

NUhelp is designed to provide community members with access to university resources and services that serve NU students. You may share a concern for a student, identify safety and security resources, discover health and wellness programs, and find academic assistance specific to a college/school. With support and assistance of the NU Associated Student Government. <https://www.northwestern.edu/nuhelp/>

Northwestern University Health Services

Northwestern University Health Services provides medical care to students. Their website is:

<https://www.northwestern.edu/healthservice-evanston/index.html>.

The Office of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

The Office of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) offers counseling and support services to students free of charge. They offer a series of workshops dealing with issues that are central concerns of many students, and a stress clinic: <http://www.northwestern.edu/counseling/>.

Student Assistance & Support Services (SASS)

The Student Assistance & Support Services team assists students by coordinating campus and community resources to promote well-being when dealing with complex issues. SASS members are available to consult with students, faculty, staff, families and community members/providers to determine the best approach for a student's current situation. Their website is:

<https://www.northwestern.edu/studentaffairs/dos/about-us/our-office/assistance-support/>.

Student Enrichment Services (SES)

Student Enrichment Services is committed to building an inclusive Northwestern community by engaging students and their allies with programming and dialogue around the low-income and first-generation experience. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/enrichment/>.

Center for Awareness, Response & Education (CARE)

The mission of CARE is to create a culture of healthy sexuality at Northwestern University where sexual violence, relationship violence, and stalking are not tolerated. CARE is a confidential space for students impacted by sexual violence, relationship violence or stalking, including friends or partners of survivors. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/care/>.

Women's Center

The Women's Center is dedicated to fostering a campus climate that promotes equity and enriches the personal, professional and academic lives of all members of the University community, particularly women students, staff and faculty. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/womenscenter/>.

Campus Life

There are countless clubs to join, organizations to support, and activities to participate in at Northwestern. These offices can be a resource for you when it comes to deciding how to be involved on campus:

Office of Campus Life

The Office of Campus Life facilitates transformative experiences with students to explore their potential, engage in community, and contribute toward a more just and equitable world. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/studentaffairs/community/students/campus-life.html>.

Student Organizations & Activities (SOA)

Student Organizations & Activities seeks to engage students in involvement opportunities that build a sense of belonging and community at Northwestern University. Students have the opportunity to participate in over 500 student organizations on campus or create one of their own. The office provides support, advising, and training for students and their organizations. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/studentorgs/index.html>.

The Religious & Spiritual Life Office

The Religious & Spiritual Life Office is a place to reflect and connect; it seeks to support the quest for meaning and purpose through exploration, practice, and growth in Northwestern's religiously diverse and inclusive communities. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/religious-life/index.html>.

Campus Inclusion and Community

Campus Inclusion and Community works collaboratively with the university community to cultivate inclusive learning environments through the intentional engagement with difference. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/inclusion/>.

Multicultural Student Affairs (MSA)

Multicultural Student Affairs (MSA) enriches the cultural experience of Northwestern through leadership and education programming; providing opportunities for community engagement and identity expression; and assisting students in navigating the University. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/msa/>.

Leadership Development & Community Engagement

In partnership with the Division of Student Affairs, the office of Leadership Development & Community Engagement serves as a connector, convener, and collaborator to support students' development and engagement on and off campus. They pursue justice & equity through students' leadership development and engagement in the community with non-profit and K-12 partners. Their website is:

<https://www.northwestern.edu/lead-engage/index.html>.

Fraternity & Sorority Life

Fraternity & Sorority Life supports educational programs, social activities, service projects, and leadership development opportunities. Northwestern currently has 47 values-based chapters across four governing councils that range in mission from social to service to cultural; however each chapter was founded on the principles of scholarship, service, leadership and community. Their website is:

<https://www.northwestern.edu/fsl/index.html>.

Career Support

Northwestern is dedicated to seeing you succeed after you graduate. There are numerous offices on campus that aim to support your professional success.

Northwestern Career Advancement (NCA)

Northwestern Career Advancement aids student in internship and full-time job searches, deciding on career paths, cover letter and resume writing, preparing for interviews, and more. The office also sponsors workshops, events, and career fairs. Their website is: <https://www.northwestern.edu/careers/index.html>.

External Programs, Internships, & Career Services (EPICS)

EPICS is the destination for career services within the School of Communication at Northwestern University. The office serves as a bridge between industry thought leaders and over 1,500 dedicated students through programming, a focused job board, and on-campus events. Their website is:

<https://epics.soc.northwestern.edu/>.