## **III** | NORTHWESTERN STATE



Inspired by the First Year Experience motto, 'Loyalty. Leadership. Service." Pitchforks for Pencils gives new students the opportunity to give back to the Natchitoches community. You can help local children start the school year prepared by donating back-to-school supplies. Drop off supplies during Move-In Day or throughout the first week of classes to the Office of First Year Experience and Leadership Development located in the Student Services Center on the first floor.

#### Supplies Needed

# 2 Pencils
Erasers
Crayons
Colored Pencils
Washable Markers
Pocket Folders

Composition Notebooks Rulers Construction Paper 3 Ring Binders White Glue Paper Towels/Kleenex

### **Parking Permits**

All Students **MUST** register their vehicles online through **myNSU**. Upon logging into **myNSU**, you should see an alert for **PERMIT REGISTRATION**. Once you have registered



your vehicle(s), you may pick up your parking permit at NSU Police Department at 315 Caspari St. You must provide your **NSU ID** and/or **Driver's License** to receive your permit. NSU PD will also be in the Student Union Ballroom on August 19th and 20th handling parking permits. *Please be sure to register online before.* 

# WELCOME TO DEMON DAYS 2024

Are you all moved in and looking for something to do? Check out the calendar for **Demon Days 2024**...

**Demon Days** is a series of FUN and FREE events designed to welcome new and returning students to Northwestern State. **Demon Days** begins with Move-In and continues throughout the first 42 days of the fall semester!

Whether you are new to campus or a rising senior, **Demon Days** has something for everyone. The schedule is full of activities to help you explore your Northwestern State home, connect with old friends, meet new ones, and celebrate the start of the school year with fellow Demons and the NSU community.

Don't miss the SIGNATURE EVENTS, indicated with a

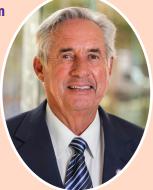
**SIGNATURE EVENTS** are either required or important enough that we think you should attend.

## New Student Convocation Sunday, August 18 | 5PM | A.A. Fredericks Auditorium

Convocation serves as the University's official welcome to you as entering first-year and transfer students and marks the beginning of your formal education at Northwestern State University.

The President's Picnic will immediately follow. All new students are expected at Convocation. The event requires an RSVP by Friday, August 16. To RSVP, please see the "Alerts" area once signed in to your myNSU.

> WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT "Roadtrip of " a Lifetime



**James T. Genovese** 21st President of Northwestern State University

# Residential Community Meetings

Northwestern State University is committed to the academic success and personal growth of its students. As part of that commitment, NSU and its partners are responsible for providing a safe living, learning, and working environment for students, faculty, and staff. We want your student experience at NSU to be exceptional, and this includes your on-campus residential community.

All residential students are <u>REQUIRED</u> to attend one of the following meetings held in the STUDENT UNION BALLROOM.

- Early Arrivals: Saturday, August 17 @ 5pm
- Wednesday, August 21 @ 4pm, 5pm, and 6pm

• Thursday, August 22 @ 5pm



## Thursday, August 15

#### **Residence Hall Move In Day for Special Interest Groups** 8 a.m. – 12p.m. | 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. | Campus Residence Halls

### Friday, August 16

#### **Residence Hall Move In Day**

8 a.m. – 12p.m. | 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. | Prather Coliseum & Campus Residence Halls The NSU Move-In Crew and the Natchitoches community will be there to help! Refer to the welcome and information emails from Campus Living Villages for specific room assignments and move-in times. *Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life & the NSU Community* 

## Saturday, August 17

#### **Residence Hall Move In Day**

8 a.m. – 12p.m. | 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. | Prather Coliseum & Campus Residence Halls

#### **Taking Care of Business**

#### 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Student Services Center Offices

Have a few last-minute questions and need answers? The following offices will be open in the Student Services Center and ready to assist: Admissions, Financial Aid, One Card, Registrar's, Student Accounting and Cashier's, First Year Experience, and University Recruiting. The University Post Office will also be open during this time.

## **First Night Fest** 6:30 p.m. | Iberville Green

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You're moved in, now it's time to chill with your future classmates. Join us for live music on Iberville Green. Free food for the first 300 students, Italian ice, drinks and games. *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience, UPC, KNWD, & Raising Cane's* 

## Sunday, August 18

#### **Destination Demons: Find My Classes**

#### 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Need a little help finding your classes? The Demon Volunteers are ready to help! Grab your fall schedule and meet us at Kyser Brickway to find your buildings and classrooms.

#### New Student Convocation 5 p.m. | A.A. Fredericks Auditorium

New Student Convocation serves as the University's official welcome to entering students and marks the beginning of your academic journey at Northwestern State. New students are expected to attend. *This event is for first year students only. Sponsored by the President's Office & the Office of First Year Experience* 

#### **Class of 2028 Photo**

#### 5:45 p.m. | A.A. Fredericks Auditorium

Smile for the camera! It's the official Class of 2028 photo! (Following Convocation) *This event is for first year students only.* 

#### **President's Picnic**

6 p.m. | Columns at Normal Hill This event is for first year students only.

#### **BCM Meet & Greet**

#### 8:30 p.m. | Varnado and University Columns

How about meeting new friends, great fellowship, and ice cream in a relaxed environment. What more could you ask for? Come explore all the BCM has to offer. *Sponsored by the Baptist Collegiate Ministry* 

## Monday, August 19

#### **First Day of Classes**

Welcome back! We hope you all had a great break. We are excited to see what adventures this semester holds! Fork 'em Demons!

#### Fuel Up For Your First Day of Class

7:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. | University Columns Front & Back Entrances, University Place 1 and 2 Front of Clubhouses, and Varnado Hall Community Kitchen

Start the first day of classes off right with coffee and a snack. The Resident Assistants and Housing Staff will greet you at the gate and send you on your way with a beverage and something delicious to make the day great! This event is for residential students only. *Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### Where the Fork is My Class?

#### 7:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Kyser Brickway

What? It's the first day of classes? You've got questions about campus? We've got answers. Stop by the help tent and let us help you find your way. Don't forget to bring your schedule with you. You can even take your first day of school picture! *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience, Office of Marketing & Branding, & Coca-Cola* 

#### **Information Station**

8 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

#### **Yearbook Pictures**

8 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Student Union Lobby

Come take a seat, smile for the camera, and have your yearbook photo featured in the school's yearbook!

#### **Meet Your Senator Day**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Meet your official representatives to the University Administration and learn more about getting involved in YOUR Student Government. *Sponsored by NSU Student Government Association* 

#### **Meet and Greek!**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Meet the awesome fraternities and sororities that make up the Greek community at NSU. Learn about what makes each chapter unique and opportunities available to members, and, of course, how to join! *Sponsored by the Office of Greek Life* 

#### **Meet Your Resident Assistants**

#### 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Stop by to meet the Resident Assistants, and play to win some great prizes. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life

## Color Chaos

#### 6 p.m. | Organization Row

You made it through the first day of classes! Now it's time to relax and have some fun. Join us on Organization Row for music, a tailgate dinner, and the largest water slide in North Louisiana. What could make this event any better? Oh, that's right...350 gallons of paint! We recommend bringing a pair of inexpensive goggles and leaving your valuables at the residence hall. *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience & Coca-Cola* 

#### Color Chaos "Carwash"

#### 6:45 PM | Residential Communities Clubhouses

Did you enjoy Color Chaos? When you return to your residential community, go through our "carwash" in front of the Clubhouses and wash the paint off before going to your room. Enjoy a sweet treat to end your first day! This event is for residential students only. *Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### **Snow Cones and Fellowship**

#### Catholic Student Center | 7 p.m. (after Color Chaos)

Come enjoy a snow cone and play some Corn Hole with the CSO and meet some new friends!

#### **BCM Meet & Greet**

#### 8:30 p.m. | University Place 1

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### **Tuesday, August 20**

#### **NSU Student Day of Golf**

#### ALL DAY | Recreation Complex

Every Tuesday head out to the NSU Recreation Complex and bring your Student ID to have the green fee waived and check out the new driving range. Golf cart rental is not included. *Sponsored by NSU Recreation Complex* 

#### Where the Fork is My Class?

7:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Kyser Brickway

#### **Information Station**

8 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

#### **Yearbook Pictures**

#### 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Student Union Lobby

Come take a seat, smile for the camera, and have your yearbook photo featured in the school's yearbook!

## Sophomore Breakfast Club

#### 8 a.m. | Orville Hanchey Gallery & Alumni Plaza

Bye-Bye Freshman Year. Hello, Year 2 at NSU! Welcome back class of 2024! Start the semester off with your classmates and join us for breakfast on the run. *This event is for second year students only*. *Sponsored by Sodexo Campus Dining, Alpha Lambda Delta, and the Office of First Year Experience* 

#### **Fraternity Field Day**

#### 3 p.m. | Organization Row

Join the men of the Interfraternity Council for slip and slide kickball, soccer, flag football, and more!

#### **Prayer Boards with the CSO**

#### Catholic Student Center | 6 p.m.

Come spend some quality time with us and make a prayer board to help guide you through this upcoming school year!

#### **Greek 1010**

#### 6 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

All Greek informational to learn more about fraternity & sorority recruitment and intake. Anyone interested in joining a Greek organization at NSU should attend. *Sponsored by the Office of Greek Life* 

#### Varnado Hall Road Trip Roommate Trivia

#### 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | Varnado Hall Ballroom

Get to know your roommate during Trivia Night. Join us for food, drinks, and prizes! *This event is for Varnado Hall residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### University Columns Road Trip Roommate Trivia

7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | University Columns Clubhouse

Get to know your roommate during Trivia Night. Join us for food, drinks, and prizes! *This event is for University Columns residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### University Place 1 Road Trip Roommate Trivia

#### 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | University Place 1 Clubhouse

Get to know your roommate during Trivia Night. Join us for food, drinks, and prizes! This event is for University Place residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life

#### **BCM Meet & Greet**

#### 8:30 p.m. | University Place 2

How about meeting new friends, great fellowship, and ice cream in a relaxed environment. What more could you ask for? Come explore all the BCM has to offer. *Sponsored by the Baptist Collegiate Ministry* 

### Wednesday, August 21

#### Varnado Coffee Club

#### 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Varnado Hall Ballroom

Join us for coffee, pastries, and informal discussion with various campus departments before you head off to class! *This event is for Varnado Hall residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### **Putt for Parking**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Your chance to win a FREE faculty/staff parking permit for the year! Already purchased your parking permit? No problem. You get the cash if you win! *Sponsored by University Affairs, University Police, & the Office of First Year Experience* 

#### **KNWD: Live from the Student Union**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Student Union Lobby

Join us for a live broadcast in the Student Union inviting students to talk on air and provide updates on their first week on campus. KNWD will also be sitting down with campus officials to tell our students what to look forward to this school year!

#### **Make-A-Friend Social**

#### 5 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

The first few days of college can be a little overwhelming. Between classes, orienting yourself to campus, getting organized, and taking care of daily obligations, it can be difficult to find time for making friends. That's where we come in! Come by yourself or bring a friend for an evening of games, activities, refreshments, and opportunities to meet others who you may not have otherwise had a chance to get to know. If you bring a friend, both of you are entered into a door prize drawing! *Sponsored by Counseling and Career Services* 

#### **Mass and Meal**

#### Holy Cross Catholic Church | 5:30 p.m.

Join us for Mass then a great meal while getting to know the CSO better!

## Glow in the Dark Zumba

## 7 p.m. | Health & Human Performance Gym

It's a Glowing 80's Zumba with the NSU Pom Line and the FYE Staff. Glow sticks, party favors, and prizes for the most outrageous 80's attire will be provided. Not into Zumba? Come anyway – it's fun to watch! *Sponsored by NSU Pom Line & the Office of First Year Experience* 

#### **BCM Large Group Worship**

8:30 p.m. | Baptist Collegiate Ministry

#### **Mamma Mia Movie Night**

#### 9 p.m. | Organization Row

Relax and unwind after Glow in the Dark Zumba! Enjoy some refreshing snacks as we kick back, relax, and sing along to Mamma Mia! *Sponsored by the College Panhellenic Council* 

## Thursday, August 22

#### Pop in at the Pantry

#### 2 p.m. | NSU Food Pantry

Supporting and encouraging our peers is an integral part of what makes Northwestern State special. The NSU community continues to unite in support of The Pantry. Stop by to learn more about this student service and the opportunities available to all Demons, and enjoy popsicles and popcorn!

#### Field Day with CSO and Purple Inferno Volleyball Club Intramurals Field on the side of Tri Sigma | 6 p.m.

Join us for some fun and field games like Volleyball, Corn Hole, and Spike Ball!

## Get Loud @ the Library

#### 6 p.m. | Watson Library

For one night, Watson Library will transform from a popular study spot into three floors of fun and games. Join us for an evening of music, individualized games, and cookies to go. The more you learn about the library... the better your chance of winning prizes. You could win the grand prize, a Hatch alarm clock. *Sponsored by Watson Library & Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society* 

#### **University Place 2 Road Trip Roommate Trivia**

#### 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | University Place 2 Clubhouse

Get to know your roommate during Trivia Night. Join us for food, drinks, and prizes! This event is for University Place 2 residents only. *Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### **BCM Waffle Night**

8:30 p.m. | Baptist Collegiate Ministry

## Friday, August 23

## Purple Priday

On Fridays We Wear PURPLE! If you're wearing purple, prepare to be rewarded while you're out and about during class. Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience & NSU Marketplace

## [1 of 7] Service Kickoff Event

#### 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

1 of 7. It's a simple concept. And it's one that can make a HUGE difference. Pick one day of the seven and do something for someone else! We will depart from the Student Union at 1:00 p.m. to the various community worksites. Begin your community service career with your classmates. *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience* 

#### **Kayaking on the Cane**

#### **Catholic Student Center** | 6 p.m. Join us for some outdoor fun and fellowship!

## Saturday, August 24

#### No Time for a Siesta, We're Having a Fiesta

#### 6 p.m. | Collins Pavilion

Live music, tacos, churros, mocktails and more. *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience & the International Student Resource Center* 

### Sunday, August 25

#### **Color Chaos Rain Date**

6 p.m. | Organization Row

## August 26 – September 5

#### **IFC Open Houses**

Interested in joining one of our 6 IFC fraternities at NSU? Over the course of the fall semester each chapter will be hosting events in order to promote the fraternity experience at NSU. *Sponsored by the NSU Interfraternity Council* 

### Monday, August 26

#### **TRIOFit Recruitment Day**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Have fitness goals? Join the TRIO SSS Team as we launch TRIOFit. Meet the TRIO SSS team and sign up for fitness classes/walking club. *This event is open to all.* 

#### **University Columns Community Dive-In Movie Night**

#### 7:30 p.m. | University Columns Clubhouse

Bring your swimsuit and join us at the pool. Float around the pool while we watch JAWS. Enjoy food, fun, and fright with your new neighbors! *This event is for University Columns residents only. Sponsored by University Housing & Residence Life* 

#### FreshMesh: Night 1

#### 8:30 p.m. | Baptist Collegiate Ministry

Gather with friends at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry for fellowship. Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry

#### **Midnight Cereal Bar**

#### 11:59 p.m. | UP1 Clubhouse

Connect with fellow residents, swap cereal creations, and enjoy the cozy atmosphere! Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life

#### Tuesday, August 27

#### **TRIO SSS Welcome Back Social**

#### 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. | Student Union President's Rm

TRIO SSS would like to invite you to their Welcome Back Social. Come out and have a little fun while you learn all about the great things we are doing! *This event is open to students, faculty, and staff.* 

## It's Time for Success: Black Male Alliance Informational

#### 6:30 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

Have you been wondering how you would make your mark here at NSU? The Black Male Alliance Informational will teach you just that and then some! Join the members of BMA to learn more about success while in college, reaching your highest potential, and meeting the people in your corner. Wait, wait...that's not all. We also want to introduce you to some friends along the way! See you August 27, 2024, at 6:30 pm!

## **Parkway Movie Night**

#### 7 p.m. | Acadiana Cinemas

NSU students receive a free ticket of their choice to a movie at Natchitoches' Acadiana Cinema! The semester just started, but who said you can't take a break for a movie with your friends!

#### FreshMesh: Night 2

#### 8:30 p.m. | Baptist Collegiate Ministry

Gather with friends at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry for fellowship. Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry

#### **Midnight Cereal Bar**

#### 11:59 p.m. | UP2 Lounge

Connect with fellow residents, swap cereal creations, and enjoy the cozy atmosphere! Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life

## Wednesday, August 28

#### 4 v 4 Mud Volleyball Tournament

4 p.m. | Organization Row

#### **Student Media Open House**

5 p.m. – 7 p.m. | Kyser 225, Kyser 109 (KNWD Radio Station), Kyser TV Studio Join Student Media and learn about our student publications on campus. Guests will get to meet the staff, apply for open positions, play games, and test out equipment!

#### Diners, Drive-Ins & Dives: University Place Community Pit Stop

#### 7 p.m. | University Place 1 Pavilion

Join us for a "sizzling" celebration to welcome the Fall semester! Dive into fun with refreshing poolside relaxation and indulge in delicious BBQ. Whether you're soaking up the sun or making a splash, it's the perfect opportunity to mingle with neighbors and create lasting memories! *This event is for University Place residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### **Speed Friending**

8:30 p.m. | Baptist Collegiate Ministry

Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry

#### **Midnight Cereal Bar**

#### 11:59 p.m. | Varnado Hall Ballroom

Connect with fellow residents, swap cereal creations, and enjoy the cozy atmosphere! Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life

## Thursday, August 29

#### **Study Abroad and National Exchange Information Table**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Student Union Lobby

A cultural experience awaits – so why not make it a lunch and learn? Stop by during your lunch break to learn about Study Abroad opportunities. *Sponsored by the International Student Resource Center & Study Abroad* 

#### **Panhellenic Sorority Convocation**

#### 6 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

This program will go over everything you will need to know about recruitment weekend. From what to wear, how bidding works, what each day will focus on, to how much it costs to join and what all is covered, you will get all your questions answered as we kick off your formal recruitment experience. *Sponsored by the NSU College Panhellenic* 

#### **9Square Fellowship Game Night**

#### 8 p.m. | Baptist Collegiate Ministry

Gather with friends at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry for fellowship and games. *Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry* 

### **Midnight Cereal Bar**

#### 11:59 p.m. | Columns Clubhouse

Connect with fellow residents, swap cereal creations, and enjoy the cozy atmosphere! Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life

## Friday, August 30



On Fridays We Wear PURPLE!

## August 30 – September 1

#### **Formal Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment**

This process is designed for you to meet the women of the chapters and for them to meet you. You will learn about the values of each organization so that you can make the best decision on which sorority will be the best fit for you. Each day will be different as there is a sisterhood day, philanthropy day, and preference day. The weekend concludes with a bid day party for each sorority. Register and learn more at greeks.nsula.edu. *Sponsored by the NSU College Panhellenic* 

## Monday, September 2

## **Labor Day Holiday**

## **Tuesday, September 3**

## Rowing Informational

6:30 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

**Sound Bites with UPC** 7 p.m. | Iberville Cafeteria

#### Roadside Assistance: Resident and University Police Social 7:30 p.m. | University Columns

Join University Police for Cornhole, Volleyball, and a cook-out to learn about Campus Shield and to meet our University Police team! *This event is for University Columns residents only. Sponsored by University Housing & Residence Life* 

### Wednesday, September 4

#### Varnado Coffee Club

#### 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Varnado Hall Ballroom

Join us for coffee and an informal chat with Rebecca Boone, the Director of Counseling and Career Services before you head off to class! *This event is for Varnado Hall residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### **Suicide Awareness Tabling**

#### 11 a.m. | Kyser Brickway (Rain Site: Student Union Lobby)

Let's start a dialogue about mental health. Learn about the activities taking place during the month of September that promote mental health, suicide awareness and prevention. *Sponsored by NSU Counseling Services* 

#### **Interested in the Bracelet?**

#### 11 p.m. – 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway (Rain Site: Student Union Lobby)

Learn about the wonderful scholarship opportunity of NSU's Miss Lady of the Bracelet Program!

#### **Wing Wednesday**

#### 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

Join us for Wing Wednesday, a flavorful introduction to the Gail Metoyer Jones Center for Inclusion and Diversity at NSU! As you indulge in delicious wings, you'll also feast on conversations about the mission and work of the CID. This event isn't just about wings; it's a chance to connect, learn, and celebrate the rich tapestry of backgrounds and perspectives that make our campus community thrive. Come hungry for both wings and meaningful dialogue as we kick off the semester.

### **Roadside Assistance: Waffle Bar with Campus Police**

#### 7 p.m. | University Place 1 Clubhouse

University Place 1 residents join the University Police team for waffles and learn about Campus Shield. *This event is for University Place 1 residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

## **Thursday, September 5**

#### **TRIO SSS New Participant Mixer**

#### 5:30 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

TRIO SSS invites its newest participants to come and get to know more about us as we get to know more about you. *TRIO Participants ONLY event*.

#### **Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives: Taste of Natchitoches**

#### 7:30 p.m. | Varnado Hall Ballroom

Welcome to Natchitoches, Varnado Hall Residents! We are pleased to have you live with us and treat you to Natchitoches' finest delicacies in the Varnado Ballroom. This event is for Varnado Hall residents only. *Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

## Friday, September 6

## On Fridays We Wear PURPLE

#### **Inferno Practice Run**

**7:30 p.m. | Turpin Stadium** *New students* will participate in a practice run for Saturday's Inferno Run.

## Upper Demons Come Out at Night Pep Rally

## 8 p.m. | NSU Tailgate Field & Collins Family Pavilion

Show your Demon spirit at the first game pep rally. Meet the players and coaches, members of NSU Spirit Groups, and the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band. *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience and University Programming Council* 

## Saturday, September 7

## The Inferno!

#### 5:30 p.m. | Behind Caspari Hall

New students must arrive at Turpin Stadium Caspari Gate by 5pm. *The Inferno Run is for new students only.* 

## First Home Game—NSU Football vs. Prairie View A&M

6 p.m. | Turpin Stadium

## Monday, September 9

#### **Origami with OADS**

**6:30 p.m.** | Watson Memorial Library Academic Success Center Sponsored by Office of Accessibility and Disability Support

#### **Roadside Assistance: Waffle Bar with Campus Police**

#### 7 p.m. | University Place 2 Clubhouse

University Place 2 residents join the University Police team for waffles and learn about Campus Shield. This event is for University Place 2 residents only. *Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

### **Tuesday, September 10**

#### **Part-time Job Fair**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

Open to all majors. Students seeking part-time, off campus employment can meet with local businesses to learn about part-time job opportunities in the Natchitoches area. *Sponsored by NSU Job Location and Development* 

## **Roadside Assistance: Varnado Hall Friendship Bracelets**

#### with Campus Police

#### 7:30 p.m. | Varnado Ballroom

Varnado Residents, meet Campus Police & learn about Campus Shield while making friendship bracelets for your new-found friends! *This event is for Varnado Hall residents only. Sponsored by Housing & Residence Life* 

#### **RoShambo Tournament**

7:30 p.m. | WRAC Gym

## Wednesday, September 11

#### **Patriot Day**

#### 7:46 a.m. | Student Services Flagpole

Patriot Day is a US holiday in commemoration and remembrance of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 (9/11). We remember all the heroes who were forged in the hours, days, and years that followed that terrible morning— ordinary Americans who, amidst the terror, smoke, and flames, demonstrated extraordinary courage and selflessness. *Sponsored by NSU Student Government Association, NSU ROTC, Creative & Performing Arts* 

## Counseling & Career Service's Suicide Awareness Candlelight Vigil

#### 6:30 p.m. | Chaplains Lake

The candlelight vigil is an opportunity to remember those we have lost to suicide and those who love them and to raise awareness about the importance of taking care of our mental health. *Sponsored by NSU Counseling Services* 

## **Thursday, September 12**

## Study Abroad and National Exchange Information Table

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Student Union Lobby

A cultural experience awaits — so why not make it a lunch and learn? Stop by during your lunch break to learn about Study Abroad opportunities. *Sponsored by the International Student Resource Center & Study Abroad* 

#### **Karaoke with TRIO Student Support Services**

#### 5 p.m. | Student Union President's Rm

Can you hold a note or carry a tune; neither can we so why don't you come on out to TRIO SSS's Karaoke Night where it's sure to be filled with fun and laughter.

#### **Culture Fair**

## 7 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

Immerse yourself in all the cultures that help make up Demon Land! Join UPC and ISRC to allow students to represent their culture from Spain, to Japan, to Mexico, and across the globe!

## Friday, September 13

## Purple Priday

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## September 16 – 20

## ... NPHC WEEK ...

Come check out the events hosted by the NSU National Pan-Hellenic Council to learn more about our 7 historically African American fraternities and sororities, their service opportunities, history, culture, and how to join! *Sponsored by the NSU National Pan-Hellenic Council* 

## **Tuesday, September 17**

## **Constitution Day & National Voter Registration Day**

#### 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Constitution Day commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution on September 17, 1787 and the birth of our form of American Government. Stop by to pick up your copy of the US Constitution from the SGA! National Voter Registration Day is a nonpartisan civic holiday celebrating our democracy. First observed in 2012, it has quickly gained momentum ever since. Nearly 3 million voters have registered to vote on the holiday to date. Visit your Student Government Association to learn how to be a more engaged citizen by registering to vote! *Sponsored by NSU Student Government Association* 

### **Financial Literacy with TRIO SSS**

#### 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. | Student Union President's Rm

Want to understand your personal finances better? Do you know how to create a basic budget or plan short and/or long-term goals? We didn't either at your age, so come out and learn a little bit about your money and what you can do with it. This event is open to all.

## Pack the Pantry BINGO

#### 6:30 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

Win your way to a full pantry! Come play BINGO with FYE for a chance to win non-perishable food items and themed snack baskets created by faculty, staff, and student organizations. *Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience, Campus Living Villages, & Raising Cane's* 

#### **Mario Kart Tournament**

7:30 p.m. | Esports

## September 18 – 19

#### **Student Body Elections**

#### 8 a.m. – 8 a.m. | Online

Participate in democracy at NSU by casting your ballot in the Student Body Elections for Homecoming Honor Court, Mr. and Miss NSU, and more! *Sponsored by NSU Student Government Association* 

## Wednesday, September 18

#### **New to You T-Shirt Market**

#### 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Kyser Brickway

Going to college on a budget? Let the FYE staff help you build your college wardrobe. Come check out the t-shirt market and pick up vintage NSU tee's in all sizes. Help us "put a fork in campus hunger" by swapping 3 non-perishable items and toiletries to benefit the NSU Food Pantry in exchange for vintage t-shirts. While supplies last. Sponsored by the Office of First Year Experience and the President's Leadership Program

#### **Use Your Voice**

#### 6 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

Join NAACP and The Current Sauce for 'Use Your Voice' – an empowering social engagement event aimed at inspiring students to become active participants in their community and local politics. Through open dialogue and collaborative discussions, attendees will explore various avenues for involvement, from volunteering opportunities to grassroots activism. Let your voice be heard as we unite to make a positive impact together!

#### #RushFC2025

#### 6:30 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

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## Thursday, September 19

#### **TRIO SSS Paint and Sip**

#### 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. | Student Union President's Rm

Come sip on our famous "TRIO Sunrise" mocktail while you relax and paint a masterpiece.

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## Friday, September 20

## Purple Priday

On Fridays We Wear PURPLE!

## Saturday, September 21

#### Family Day—NSU Football vs. Weber State 6 p.m. | Turpin Stadium

## Monday, September 23

#### SGA Speaker Series: National Hazing Prevention 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. | SU Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

National Hazing Prevention is a time when communities, institutions, organizations, and individuals make a concerted effort to raise awareness and increase education about hazing.

## **Tuesday, September 24**

#### **Graduate Career Fair**

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

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#### 6:30 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Rm

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#### **Double Pickleball Tournament**

7:30 p.m. | WRAC Gyms

## Wednesday, September 25

#### **KNWD and NAACP Silent Disco**

7 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

## Thursday, September 26

#### Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet 6 p.m. | A.A. Fredericks Auditorium

### **Tuesday, October 1**

Sound Bites with UPC 7:00 p.m. | Iberville Cafeteria

### **October 7-8**

## FALL BREAK

## Thursday, October 17

#### **TRIO SSS Old School Game Night**

#### 5 p.m. | Seven Oaks Stage

Come have a good time playing games that your parents, even grandparents once played! Have you ever played Red Light, Green Light, Stop? What about Duck, Duck, Goose? There will be volleyball, musical chairs, dodgeball, and many more games! Wear some comfy clothes and be prepared to win prizes and be named "Champion" of Old School Games! This event is open to all!

#### **Karaoke Break**

#### 7 p.m. | Lucile M. Hendrick Room

Come take a breather from the stress of midterms to a world of melody and camaraderie at our college karaoke night. With the stage set for unforgettable performances and the air alive with laughter and music, it's a chance to unwind, unleash your inner superstar, and bond with peers over shared tunes and good vibes, all while taking a well-deserved break from the books. Join the Gail Metoyer Jones Center for Inclusion and Diversity and International Student Resource Center for a night of food and fun!

### **October 22-October 26**

## **HOMECOMING WEEK**

### Monday, October 28

#### **Spooky Cookie with SGA**

6 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Room

Join the Student Government Association for our weekly meeting and for a sweet Halloweek treat!

## **Tuesday, October 29**

#### **Halloween Carnival**

#### 5 p.m. | Student Union Circle

NSU is hosting our annual Halloween Carnival for children and grandchildren of NSU Faculty, Staff, and also for NSU Elementary Lab students (pre-k through 3rd grade). Enjoy tons of Halloween attractions, fun games, and much more! It will be lots of fun for the whole family! Costumes encouraged!

#### **Celebration of Life**

#### 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. | Student Union Lucile M. Hendrick Room

Join the Gail Metoyer Jones Center for Inclusion and Diversity and Counseling Services for a workshop about grief in different cultures. At the conclusion of the workshop, you will have the opportunity to release a paper lantern!

#### Myths and Legends

#### 8:00 p.m. | Columns at Normal Hill

Meet us at the NSU Columns on Normal Hill for this late night, hair-raising tour of NSU's campus and meet some of Northwestern State's legends.

## Wednesday, October 30

#### **Day of the Dead**

#### 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. | Orville Hanchey Gallery

Visit the Day of the Dead altar, enjoy music, and food as we remember those that we have lost. Participants are encouraged to bring a picture of a loved one that they have lost. *Sponsored by the Department of ELCS, Spanish Club, HSJA, CID, and ISRC* 

#### **Shivers and Thrills**

#### 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. | Watson Library, Cammie G. Henry Research Center

Come join University Libraries and ABA as they co-sponsor a haunted event! We'll be sharing Louisiana-themed ghost stories, including some from the Archives. Enter to win prizes in our costume contest. We'll have spooky snacks and a hot chocolate bar. Come get your shivers and thrills at the Library! *Sponsored by University Libraries & ABA* 

#### **Monster Ball**

#### 7 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

Get ready to unleash your creativity at 'Monster Ball'! Join us for a spooktacular evening of frightful fun and enchantment as students don their most spellbinding costumes for a formal Halloween dance. From ghouls to ghosts, witches to wizards, come dressed to impress and dance the night away in style. It's a night of thrills, chills, and unforgettable memories – you won't want to miss this hauntingly good time!

## Thursday, October 31

#### **Frightened Fall Fest**

8 p.m. | Iberville Green

Get into the spooky spirit with UPC at Frightened Fall Fest! Games, food, giveaways, and frighteningly fang-tastic performances!

## Monday, November 4

#### **Origami with OADS**

6:30 p.m. | Watson Memorial Library Academic Success Center Sponsored by Office of Accessibility and Disability Support

## Tuesday, November 5

Wellness Fest 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | WRAC

#### **Vic's Birthday**

5 p.m. – 7 p.m. | Student Union

"Go, go, go, go, go, go, Go, VIC It's your birthday, We gon' party like it's your birthday!!!" Celebrate Vic's 101st birthday with the University Programming Council.

### **Thursday, November 14**

#### **Winter Wonderland**

#### 5 p.m. | Iberville Green

Sleigh bells and glistening snow! Walk on over to our annual Winter Wonderland event bought to you by the University Programming Council!

## Tuesday, November 19

#### SGA Speaker Series: International Men's Day Luncheon 11:00 – 12:30 pm | Hendrick Room

International Men's Day celebrates worldwide the positive value men bring to the world, their families, and communities. We want highlight positive role models and raise awareness of men's well-being.

#### **Sound Bites with UPC**

7:00 p.m. | Iberville Cafeteria

## Wednesday, November 20

Pause for Paws and Destress Express 11:00 am – 1:00 p.m. | Student Union Lobby

### Monday, December 2

Late Night Breakfast 9:00 pm | Iberville Cafeteria

