The upcoming program will be held

July 10 - 30, 2022!

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ADVANCErs Create Fabulous Memories

Right: Nicholas Head plays a Slayer medley at the Talent Show. Below: 4th year students (seated from left): Ava Reid, Derrilon Young. Standing (from left): Kendii Zabel, Brianna Stephan.

Left: Samantha Yeboah at the first dance. Below: Dousing at the Beach Party are (from left): Ava Pham, Donovan Cho, Sree Karnati, Stephanie Okereke. Others beware!

Right (from left): Masen Starks, Oli Walters, Peyton DeSoto, Maggie Charlet ham it up at the annual Coffee House.

Left (from left): Anjana Danivas and Elena Miller participate in a lab experiment to determine the formula of magnesium oxide.
Faculty and Administration

ADVANCE continues to meet the needs of academically motivated students thanks to its dedicated faculty, staff, and administrators. Below (from left): Celia Mangham (Coordinator of Residential Life), René Lewis (RN), Harriette Palmer (Associate Director), Lakesha Walker (Counselor). Thanks for 33 years!

Above right: Jessica Bass, Algebra 1 instructor, explains math concepts.

Faculty (from left): Mason Joiner (Marvel Comics & Film Studies), Katy Mulvaney (Mythology), Andrew Galatas (Chemistry), Chris Hynes (Director), Ralph Adamo (Creative Writing), Jessica Bass (Algebra 1), Valerie Johnson (Algebra 2), Neeru Deep (Psychology).
CLASSES

Algebra 1


Algebra 2

Front row (from left): Lily Buckles, Samantha Yeboah, Peyton DeSoto, Masen Starks. Back rows (from left): Isahn Kunada, Valerie Johnson (Instructor), Wesley Maidoh, Emery Haynes (TA), Jonathan Dequeant.

Chemistry

Front row (from left): Anjana Danivas, Eunice Yi, Tessa Dilhey. Back row (from left): Ahebwa Muhumuza, Elena Miller, Gus Brown (TA), Andrew Galatas (Instructor).

Creative Writing

The class members created an anthology, “Joe, Our Beloved” and read original works at a coffee house during the program. View it online at advance.nsula.edu. Click on Archives in the menu box, and then click on 2021 Creative Writing Anthology.

Front row (from left): Maggie Charlet, Alyssa Reid (TA), MaKenna Perkins, Oli Walters. Back row (from left): Alison Loucious, Harli Cruse, Ralph Adamo (Instructor), Chris Dunin.
Marvel Comics and Film Studies

Front row (from left): Talise Beverly, Ava Reid, James Lee, Claire Miller (TA), King Nicholas, Ty Russell. Back row (from left): Mason Joiner (Instructor), Donovan Cho, Ethan Elmer.

View the class’s film project by visiting our website, advance.nsula.edu, and click on Film Studies Movies in the menu box. Then tap “Click Here”, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on Guardians of ADVANCE.

Mythology

Front row (from left): Ava Pham, Remi Swan, Sree Karnati, Stephanie Okereke, Qetuwrah Clay, Diana Shah, Pranab Mitra. Back row (from left): Josh Hook, Leighanna Kain, Derrilon Young, Elisabeth Miller, Morgan Johnson, Katy Mulvaney (Instructor), Jacob Hypes, Cyrus Sorsby, Harper Luster, Pius Lau (TA).

Psychology


Above: Attentive Algebra 2 students (from left) are Wesley Maidoh, Jonathan Dequandt, Masen Starks, Peyton DeSoto, Ishan Kunada, Samantha Yeboah. (Not pictured: Lily Buckles.)
Classroom Participation Provides Results

Right (from left): Chemistry students Ahebwa Muhumuza, Tessa Dilney, and Eunice Yi participate in a chemistry lab.

Above: Bhuvana Danivas takes meticulous notes in Algebra 1. Right: Alison Louciouis entertains while reading original pieces for Creative Writing.

Left: Filming in Morrison Hall are (from left) King Nicholas, Ty Russell, James Lee, Mason Joiner (Instructor). Below: Katy Mulvaney (Instructor) stands among Mythology students while lecturing.

Left: Psychology students (from far left) Savannah Jester, Brianna Stephan, Nathan Wiseman, Celeste Blanchard prepare their PowerPoint presentations.

Erin

Haley

Sarah

Shaun
Burn Some Steam or Chill with Friends

Right (from left): Ava Reid and Talise Beverly enjoy a treat from Smoothie King. Below (from left): Remi Swan, Tessa Dilney, Elisabeth Miller, Daniel Norwood, Diana Shah are proud of the gratitude jars they made at an activity.

Above: Making collages are (from left) Lily Buckles, Peyton DeSoto, Sydney LeBlanc, Ava Pham, Leighanna Kain, Remi Swan, Bhusana Danivas.

Left: King Nicholas takes basketball to new heights as Emery Haynes (TA) watches. Below (from left): Masen Starks, Savannah Jester, James Lee, Jacob Hypes, Alex Langford enjoy conquering their enemies’ territories.

This activity brings out the competitive spirit and ZOMBIES!

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Humans vs. Zombies

Express Yourself

Right (from left): Dancing to karaoke are (from left) Mackenzie LaCombe, Maggie Charlet, Peyton DeSoto, Elisabeth Miller, Elena Miller. Below: Ty Russell is a worthy opponent at dodgeball - beware!

Above: Unwinding while learning basic yoga poses are (from left) Eunice Yi, Anjana Danivas, Bhuvana Danivas, Stephanie Okereke, Donovan Cho, Tessa Dilney, Erin Tappel (RA), Remi Swan, Oli Walters, Leighanna Kain, Sree Karnati.

Left (from left): Destiny Brown, Eunice Yi, Bhuvana Danivas, Celia Mangham (CRL), Talise Beverly master tie dye. Below (from left): Donovan Cho and Jacob Hypes enjoy Northwestern State’s new e-Sports venue.

Capture the Flag

A Variety of Activities Keep Students Happy

Right (from left): Camille Kirzner and Celeste Blanchard dress for Decades Day. Below (from left): Ethan Elmer, Ty Russell, Tobi Adeleye. King Nicholas dominate the students’ vs staff basketball game. Congratulations!

Right: Thanks go to Victoria and Samantha Bell, who donated a game table, and Sam and Pius Lau, who let the program use their Mahjong tiles. Students (from left) Ishan Kunada, Eunice Yi, Wesley Maidoh, Savannah Jester, Bhuvana Danivas learn to play Mahjong.


All smiles at kickball are (front row from left): Ahebwa Muhumuza, Josh Hook, Lane Dominguez, Stephanie Okereke. Back row (from left): Alex Langford, Morgan Johnson, Wesley Maidoh, Tobi Adeleye, Pranab Mitra, Ishan Kunada, Mackenzie LaCombe, Angelo Schibetta (RA).
Classroom Breaks at the Courtyard and Kyser Bricks

Right (from left): Wesley Maidoh, Ishan Kunada, Tobi Adeleye, Jonathan Dequenart, Alex Langford. Far right (from left): Stephanie Okereke, Ava Pham, Remi Swan, Sree Karnati.

Left (from left): Camille Kirzner, Celeste Blanchard, Maddie Smith, Samanthta Yebouh. Far left (from left): Oli Walters, Wesley Maidoh, Sydney LeBlanc.

Right: Elan Monette. Far right (from left): Anjana Danias, Eunice Yi, Gus Brown (TA), Ahebwa Muhumuza, Tessa Dinney.


Right (from left): Alison Loucious, Makena Perkins, Alyssa Reid (TA), Harii Cruse. Far right (from left): Pranab Mitra, Josh Hook, Jacob Hypes, Morgan Johnson.

Thor vs. Odin
Students Present a Variety of Acts at the Talent Show

The Talent Show is a culminating event that allows students an opportunity to showcase their talents. Right: Qetuwrah Clay dances to Dance Alone by Tayla Parx. Below: Ahebwa Muhumuza beautifully plays Mazurka in G Minor by Faber.

Left: Abbi Boyd plays and sings House of Gold by 21 Pilots. Below (from left): Harli Cruse and Chris Dunn take suggestions from the audience and then present an improv skit.

Above: Lane Dominguez performs Boy by Lee Brice. Right: Cyrus Sorsby sings She Waits by Lowden Swain to an appreciative audience.

Above: In less than two minutes, Lily Buckles draws a picture that is projected to a drop down screen for everyone to view. Incredible!
Well Done, Students

Right: Sydney LeBlanc sings and strums Anchor. Below (from left): Emcees Tobi Adeleye, Destiny Brown, Samantha Yeboah help keep the Talent Show moving smoothly.

Above: As always, the entire staff joins aging out students to sing Leaving on a Jet Plane by John Denver. Right: Maddie Smith beautifully sings the lyrics to A Whole New World from the Disney movie Aladdin.

ADVANCE Dances are A-M-A-Z-I-N-G!

Current hits are played, but classics such as Time of Your Life (Green day), Time Warp (Little Nell), Bohemian Rhapsody (Queen), Istanbul (They Might be Giants) are hugely popular. It’s the End of the World (R.E.M.) is always the last song.
Dance the Night Away
Coffee House

Beach Party
Staffers are the Heart of ADVANCE!

Staffers give 200%, serve as positive role models, offer fabulous activities, and have an incredible time working very long hours at ADVANCE. Thanks for your hard work and for making the magic happen again this year!
Right Leighanna Kain sings *You All Over Me* by Taylor Swift at the Talent Show. Below: Taking to the soccer field are (from left) Lily Buckles, Christian Fulcher (TA), Lane Dominguez, Elan Monette, Jacob Hypes, Destiny Brown.

Above (from left): Tessa Dilney, Daniel Norwood, Chris Dunn attack others with water guns at the Beach Party. Right: Talise Beverly checks the light and prepares for a scene for the Marvel Comics class project.


Above: Our fabulous 4th year students and others who are aging out of the program. Kneeling (from left): 4th year students include Kendsi Zabel, Brianna Stephan, Ava Reid, Derrion Young. Standing (from left): Abbi Boyd, Ethan Elmer, Nicholas Head, Qetuwrah Clay, Ty Russell, King Nicholas. We will miss these students!

Thanks for the Memories!
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