

# September 2016

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## WELCOME BACK

The SSS staff would like to welcome you back for the 2016-2017 academic year. We hope that you thoroughly enjoyed your summer and made a lot of memories with your friends and family while doing so. Now, it's time to get back in gear and get ready to hit the books. Our hopes are for all of us to work together this fall and make this one of your best semesters academically. Let's make this semester about prioritizing, bettering ourselves, and coming together as a team to get business taken care. Again, welcome back and we look forward to working with YOU.

## Financial Aid Reminder

Login to myNSU and check your financial aid status. Once you login to myNSU, click Financial Aid, click my Status, select financial aid year 2016-2017 and click submit. Once you get to this screen you will see a message that reads "You have unsatisfied student requirements for this aid year" if you have anything else that needs to be completed in order for your aid to process. Click the word "unsatisfied requirements" to see what else you need to do. If the first message you see is your estimated cost of attendance, then you have completed everything necessary.



# August/September 2016 Important Dates



**August 30, Tuesday** - Final day to register, add courses, and make section changes (16-week & A-term)

**August 31, Wednesday** - Dropping 16-week and A-term courses with a "W" begins via NSUConnect (**NOTE: Courses dropped with a "W" are not refundable at any time and will not be credited to a student's account**)

**September 5, Monday** - Labor Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL

**September 8, Thursday** – SSS Tailgate with Students 4:00 – 6:30 @ Prather Coliseum Field

**September 21, Wednesday** – Lunch w/ Your SSS Advisor 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. @ Iberville Dining Hall

## 10 Tips for Academic Success

1. Get involved – and get to know people
2. Go to class – and participate
3. Don't be afraid to ask for help – and don't wait until it's too late
4. Go to see your professor – that's why they have office hours
5. Make a good impression
6. Get a calendar or planner - and use it
7. Think about your future – early and often
8. Take great notes
9. Take responsibility
10. Prepare to challenge yourself – and be challenged

# Happy Labor Day

Labor Day is Monday, September 5, 2016. Below you will find some interesting facts about Labor Day that was produced by

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/steveodland/2012/08/29/10-labor-day-facts/#363919bb6a27>.

- Labor Day in Canada began in 1872 in Toronto but quickly made its way south to the U.S. Originally it began as a significant demonstration demanding rights for workers.
- The first U.S. Labor Day was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, planned by the Central Labor Union. The Labor Day parade of about 10,000 workers took unpaid leave and marched from City Hall past Union Square uptown to 42nd street, and ended in Wendel's Elm Park at 92nd Street and 9th Avenue for a concert, speeches, and a picnic.
- Oregon was the first state to make Labor Day a holiday in 1887.
- On June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories.
- What are we celebrating? The contributions and achievements of the 155 million men and women who are in the U.S. workforce.
- In the late 1800s the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks to eke out a basic living. Children as young as 5-6 years old worked in factories and mines.
- The year in which the 8-hour day was firmly established was 1916 with the passage of the Adamson Act. This was the first federal law regulating hours of workers in private companies.
- Traditionally people did not wear white or seersucker clothes after Labor Day as it unofficially marked the end of summer.
- The football season starts on or around Labor Day and many teams play their first game of the year during Labor Day weekend.
- Labor Day is viewed as the unofficial last day of vacation before the start of the new school year (and mourned by students all over). Stated differently, it is the Back-to-School kickoff (cheered by parents all over!).

# SSS Calendar of Events



September 8 @ 4 -6pm: Tailgating for the NSU White Out Game-Free food

September 14 @ 5:30 pm: Cane River Room Student Union Financial Literacy workshop (1 is required for class)

September 15 @ 5-7 pm: Student Union Ballroom SSS Game Night

September 21 @ 11:30 am-1 pm: Lunch with SSS advisors at Iberville (everyone responsible for their own lunch)

October 11 @ 4 pm: Student Union President's Room SSS Relaxation Session

October 19 @ 11:30 am: Student Union Vic's Lunch with SSS advisors (everyone responsible for their own lunch)

October 26 @ 5:30 pm: Student Union Cane River Room SSS Karaoke Night

November 1 @ 5 pm: Student Union President's Room SSS Financial Literacy workshop (1 is required for class)

November 16 @ 11:30 am: Lunch with SSS advisors at Iberville (everyone responsible for their own lunch)

November 29 @ 5 pm: Student Union President's Room SSS Movie Night-start submitting your suggestions

The Student Support Services Staff would like to welcome our new Administrative Coordinator, Mrs. Becky Stephens. Mrs. Becky has been with NSU for twelve years and she is ecstatic about this new chapter of her life. If you need to contact Mrs. Becky, you can reach her at [stephensb@nsula.edu](mailto:stephensb@nsula.edu) or 318-357-5901.

We would also like to welcome our newest Advisor/Instructor Mrs. Terri Marshall. Mrs. Terri is excited about working with students and getting to know everyone. If you were Mr. Thomas' student, please make sure you contact Mrs. Terri to schedule an appointment. You can reach her at [marshallt@nsula.edu](mailto:marshallt@nsula.edu) or 318-357-5901.

# Happy Birthday

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| August 2  | Shatoria Moore   | August 14 | Tadriel Jones    |
| August 3  | Ebony Rax        | August 19 | Daeshawn Lyles   |
| August 4  | Sidney Jackson   | August 20 | Jaylen Mumphrey  |
|           | Megan Pellegrin  | August 21 | Kelsy Baker      |
| August 5  | Jaisley Barnes   |           | Matayzsha Dorsey |
|           | MiAsia Johnson   |           | Mercedes Wiles   |
|           | Zummie Law       | August 22 | Travis Allen     |
|           | Kayla Roquemore  |           | China Brown      |
| August 6  | Andrea Farrell   | August 29 | Shawn Christophe |
|           | Savanna White    | August 30 | Breona Ross      |
| August 7  | Nolan Lowe, Jr.  | August 31 | Kamela Gold      |
| August 11 | Mallory Breaux   |           |                  |
| August 13 | Maryline Sanders |           |                  |
|           | Moesha Smith     |           |                  |

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| Sept. 3  | Kourtnei Griffitt | Sept. 14 | Taylor Aucoin       |
| Sept. 5  | Quasha Blue       | Sept. 16 | Roderick Henry, Jr. |
|          | Lyia Kennedy      |          | Chester Roberts     |
| Sept. 7  | Kierra Doucet     |          | Victor Washington   |
|          | Alexis Hailey     | Sept. 23 | Brikeysha Duskin    |
| Sept. 8  | Lynnetta Fuller   | Sept. 25 | Jasmine Johnson     |
|          | Keidrick Haynes   |          | Shevonte' Lewis     |
|          | Paige Ware        | Sept. 26 | Evon Washington     |
| Sept. 10 | Kenisha Wafer     |          |                     |
| Sept. 12 | Jarrett Cheadle   |          |                     |
| Sept. 13 | Shaterika Jones   |          |                     |

*Have you been looking for a service organization to join? If so, Helping Hands is the organization for you! Helping Hands meetings are held at 5:00 p.m. in the President's Room of the Student Union. If you need any additional information regarding Helping Hands, please contact Helping Hands President, Joy Trahan at [jtrahano20844@nsula.edu](mailto:jtrahano20844@nsula.edu).*



### **GOT NEWS?**

If you've got news you'd like to share with the NSU SSS community, please send it to us at [trioss@nsula.edu](mailto:trioss@nsula.edu). A picture may enhance your story, so feel free to include that also. The deadline for all submissions for the next month's issue is always the 20<sup>th</sup>.

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