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**SPRING 2024**

# WELCOME BACK

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Spring Welcome Back is a series of FUN and FREE events designed to welcome back new and returning students to Northwestern State.

Whether you are new to campus or a returning student, Spring Welcome Back 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 a new semester with fellow Demons and the NSU community.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

### Residence Halls Open

Refer to the welcome back emails from Campus Living Villages for specific details regarding Move-In Day.

## MONDAY, JANUARY 8

### 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!

### 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.

### Meet Your Leaders: Greek, SGA, UPC

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!

### 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*

### BCM Hot Cocoa Social

7 p.m. | UP1 & UP2

Come get free hot cocoa and fellowship with the members of the BCM!

*Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry*

### FYE Rocks Prather

6:30 p.m. | Prather Coliseum

Join the Office of First Year Experience as we cheer on the Demons as they take on McNeese! Prizes will be awarded to the student in the best rockstar costume.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

### Where the Fork is My Class?

7:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Kyser Brickway

### Food Pantry Volunteer Training

5 p.m. | NSU Pantry

We invite you to be a part of The NSU Pantry volunteer team. Volunteers are the backbone of The NSU Pantry and play a vital role in our campus community. Join us in combating food insecurity at NSU. See you at the volunteer training!

## **BCM Hot Cocoa Social**

**7 p.m. | Columns & Varnado**

**Come get free hot cocoa and fellowship with the members of the BCM!**

*Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry*

## **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10**

### **Water and Poptart Giveaway**

**8 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Kyser Brickway**

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### **CPC Open Houses**

**5 p.m. | Organization Row & Greek Hill**

**Stop by the chapter facilities of Alpha Omicron Pi, Phi Mu, and Sigma Sigma Sigma to learn more about each chapter at NSU!**

### **Mass & Meal with the CSO**

**5:30 p.m. | Holy Cross Catholic Church (129 Second Street)**

**Join the CSO for mass and then for dinner and fellowship. All are welcome! Mass & Meal is held each Wednesday of the semester at 5:30 p.m.**

*Sponsored by Catholic Student Organization*

### **NPHC 101**

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

**NPHC informational to learn more about the intake process. Anyone interested in joining a National Pan-Hellenic Council organization at NSU should attend.**

### **IFC Open Houses**

**7 p.m. | Various Locations**

**Check out @nsula\_ifc on Instagram for each Interfraternity Council's spring recruitment schedule. First up on the schedule? Open Houses! Stop by chapter facilities to learn more about each organization.**

### **BCM First Worship Service**

**8:30 p.m. | BCM**

**All are welcome to join the BCM for a night of fellowship and worship. Worship is held each Wednesday of the semester at 8:30 p.m.**

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## **THURSDAY, JANUARY 11**

### **Greek Night at Basketball**

**6:30 p.m. | Prather Coliseum**

**Let's get loud and cheer on the Demons as they take on Houston Christian! Greek students are encouraged to wear their letters for a chance to participate in in-game activities and to win prizes.**

## **FRIDAY, JANUARY 12**

### **Food Pantry Volunteer Training**

**12 p.m. | NSU Pantry**

### **MLK Day of Service**

**3 p.m. – 6 p.m. | Boys & Girls Club**

**To honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the Office for Inclusion and Diversity along with several on campus organizations will be participating in various community service projects around the city of Natchitoches. Follow @CID\_NSULA for more information.**

## **SATURDAY, JANUARY 13**

### **MLK Day of Service**

#### **• Park Clean Up:**

**9 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Highland Park**

#### **• Nursing Home Bingo:**

**1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | Natch. Nursing & Rehab**

## **MONDAY, JANUARY 15**

### **No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

### **MLK March for Justice and Peace**

**11 a.m. | Beginning at Ben Johnson Parking Lot**

**The City of Natchitoches and the Office for Inclusion and Diversity will conduct the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. March for Peace and Justice. All are welcome to march in peace and solidarity with a dedication by Dr. King's Fraternity Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. culminating the march. Follow @CID\_NSULA for more information.**

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 16**

### **NSU Crew Informational**

**6:30 p.m. | Student Union, Lucile M. Hendrick Room**

### **UPC Movie Night**

**7 p.m. | Parkway Cinema**

**An opportunity to join UPC for popcorn and a movie!**

*Sponsored by University Programming Council*

## **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17**

### **Food Pantry Volunteer Training**

**3 p.m. | NSU Pantry**

### **Singers and Legend Keepers with Elisabeth Mora**

**5 p.m. | Student Union Plaza**

*Sponsored by Center for Inclusion and Diversity*

## **THURSDAY, JANUARY 18**

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

**2 p.m. – 4 p.m. | President's Room**

**TRIO SSS would like to welcome back its participants and invite interested individuals out to see what TRIO has to offer. Open to all.**

### **Get Back in the Groove of School**

**6 p.m. | WRAC**

**Feeling like you need to get back on track and back in the groove as we begin a new semester? Let's groove tonight with Zumba!**

*Sponsored by Order of Omega*

## **MONDAY, JANUARY 22**

### **Origami with OADS**

**6:30 p.m. | Watson Library**

*Sponsored by Office of Accessibility and Disability Support*

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 23**

### **Financial Literacy: FAFSA Workshop**

**2 p.m. | President's Room**

*Sponsored by TRIO Student Support Services*

### **Demons Defense**

**4 p.m. | WRAC Group X Room**

**Join the Office of First Year Experience and University Police for a self-defense class!**

### **Demon V.I.P Informational**

**6 p.m. | Lucile M. Hendrick Room**

**Join us to learn more about the Demon Volunteer Program and to find out how to apply to be a part of the 2024-2025 Demon VIP team!**

### **Singles Pickleball Tournament**

**7:30 p.m. | WRAC Gym**

## **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24**

### **Lunch Bunch**

**11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. | BCM**

**FREE LUNCH! Grab a friend and come get a free homecooked meal! Free lunch is served every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. throughout the semester.**

*Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry*

## **THURSDAY, JANUARY 25**

### **Scoops for Success**

**6 p.m. | Watson Library**

**If you have a sweet tooth, swing by the Watson Library for some ice cream and academic tips to begin the semester.**

*Sponsored by Alpha Lambda Delta First Year Honor Society*

## **FRIDAY, JANUARY 26**

### **Leadership NSU Day 1**

**12 p.m. | Student Union**

## **SATURDAY, JANUARY 27**

### **Leadership NSU Day 2**

**8 a.m. | Student Union**

### **Student Leader's Day at Basketball**

**1 p.m. | Prather Coliseum**

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

**Mario Kart Tournament**  
7:30 p.m. | Esports

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

**Demon V.I.P Informational**  
6 p.m. | Lucile M. Hendrick Room

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

**Grad Fest**  
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

**Demon V.I.P Informational**  
6 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

**Warm and Cozy Drive**  
11 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Various Locations  
Looking to make a difference? Drop off something warm and cozy to Iberville Cafeteria, the Student Union Lobby, or the Kyser Brickway to give back to a local philanthropy.  
*Sponsored by National Pan-Hellenic Council*

**Cornhole Tournament**  
7:30 p.m. | WRAC Gym

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

**Lady Brion Poetry**  
6 p.m. | Student Union, Lucile M. Hendrick Room

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

**Krewe of NSU**  
5 p.m. | Prather Coliseum  
Let the good times roll with the Department of Student Affairs! Join us before the UNO vs. Northwestern Women's Basketball game for some Louisiana style fun!

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

**No School – Mardi Gras Break**

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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

**School Resumes at NOON**

**Sweetheart Paint and Sip**  
5 p.m. | Student Union, President's Room  
Grab your sweetheart and join TRIO Student Support Services for a Valentine's themed paint and sip!

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

**Galentine's Day**  
6 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom  
It's the season of LOVERS...ARE YOU READY FOR IT?!  
Join the College Panhellenic Council and University Programming Council as we celebrate Galentine's Day with friendship bracelet making, pancakes, and surprise performances from your favorite eras.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

**Origami with OADS**  
6:30 p.m. | Watson Library  
*Sponsored by Office of Accessibility and Disability Support*

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

**Smash Bros Tournament**  
7:30 p.m. | Esports

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

**National TRIO Day**  
11 a.m. | The Rock & Kyser Brickway

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

**Helping Hands Black History Program**  
7 p.m. | Theatre West  
TRIO SSS and Helping Hands invites you to a night of storytelling of our history through our voice.



## **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

### **Try TRIO**

**12 p.m. – 2 p.m. | Kyser Brickway**

You may have heard someone say “TRIO,” but do you know what we’re about? We’re here to answer all your questions. Open to All

## **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

### **Spring Career Fair**

**10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Student Union Lobby**

Open to all majors. Making connections with different employers from multiple industries can increase your chances of finding a great internship or job after graduation.

### **Sound Bites: Eems**

**4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | Iberville Dining Hall**

*Sponsored by University Programming Council*

### **Doubles Badminton Tournament**

**7:30 p.m. | WRAC Gym**

## **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29**

### **Civil Rights and Jazz**

**5:30 p.m. | Student Union Ballroom**

### **Lady Demons Basketball vs. Nicholls**

**6:30 p.m. | Prather Coliseum**

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