Academic Sessions Course Descriptions

N-SIDE VIEW DAY 2026

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Auditions/Portfolio Reviews - Students can participate in Theatre and Dance auditions, Music program auditions, Band auditions, Fine + Graphic Arts portfolio reviews. This session allows prospective majors to showcase their talents, meet faculty, and receive guidance on program expectations and opportunities.

Louisiana Scholars' College – Challenge yourself in Louisiana's only selective-admissions honors college. With small seminar-style classes, interdisciplinary concentrations, and a supportive academic community, you'll explore big ideas, conduct original research, and prepare for impactful careers or graduate study.

New Media, Journalism, and Communications - At Northwestern State University, the New Media, Journalism & Communication program blends storytelling, strategy, and production. You'll learn to report with accuracy, create content with impact, and lead campaigns that deliver measurable results — from the newsroom to brand studios, podcasts to TikTok, live broadcasts to documentary film.

School of Allied Health: Radiologic Sciences, Ultrasound, and Allied Health Careers – Radiologic technology blends compassionate patient care with high-tech imaging—an in-demand skillset in today's healthcare field. At NSU, the BSRS program teaches you how to use ionizing radiation to produce diagnostic images used in the treatment of disease and injury. You'll graduate ready for a dynamic career in medical imaging with ethical, professional standards and real-world experience.

College of Nursing - From top national rankings and exclusive programs to unmatched affordability and accessibility, NSU's College of Nursing & School of Allied Health offers a premier, student-centered path to a successful healthcare career.

Kinesiology, Sport, & Public Health - NSU's Health and Exercise Science program prepares you for a thriving career in fitness, wellness, and rehabilitative care. With concentrations in athletic training, occupational therapy, and physical therapy, you'll graduate industry-ready through hands-on learning and personalized guidance.

Social Work - At NSU, our Social Work program prepares you to address real-world challenges, uplift communities, and lead with empathy. With expert faculty, hands-on fieldwork, and a mission-driven curriculum, you'll graduate ready to make an impact from day one.

School of STEM - Choosing NSU's School of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) means joining a community built to prepare you for tomorrow's most in-demand careers. Our programs combine rigorous academics, hands-on learning, and supportive faculty mentorship to help you succeed in college, graduate school, and the workforce.

English, Languages, and Cultural Studies - Find out about our major in English and learn about minor programs in Spanish, Spanish for Healthcare, French, Creative Writing, English, and Film.

Engineering Technology - Prepare to design, innovate, and lead in today's fast-moving industries. NSU's Engineering Technology program blends hands-on training with cutting-edge theory to equip you for careers in manufacturing, electronics, construction, automation, and beyond. With industry-aligned curriculum, modern labs, and expert faculty, you'll graduate career-ready and in demand.

School of Education - At Northwestern State University's School of Education, we prepare passionate, skilled, and innovative educators who make a difference in the lives of students and communities. Whether you dream of teaching in the classroom, leading in administration, or influencing education policy, NSU offers the programs, faculty expertise, and real-world experience to help you succeed. Our graduates are highly sought after, known for their strong instructional skills, leadership abilities, and commitment to lifelong learning. With flexible pathways, online options, and hands-on training, NSU is your partner in turning your passion for education into a rewarding career.

College of Business & Technology - We blend innovation with tradition to deliver a business and technology education that matters. Our students thrive in a hands-on learning environment grounded in the values of leadership, service, and academic excellence. We support every learner's journey—whether you're starting college or returning to finish your degree.

Hospitality, Management & Tourism - The Hospitality Management and Tourism (HMT) program at Northwestern State University prepares students for successful careers in the hospitality industry through classroom instruction, hands-on learning, industry partnerships, and real-world experiences. With an emphasis on leadership, professionalism, and service excellence, students gain practical skills in culinary arts, hospitality operations, event management, and tourism.

Music – Come take a crash course in Music Theory! Northwestern State University's School of Creative and Performing Arts offers one of the most vibrant music programs in the region, blending tradition with innovation. With nationally recognized faculty, state-of-the-art facilities, and opportunities to perform in ensembles, choirs, bands, and orchestras, NSU provides an environment where musicians thrive.

Psychology & Addiction Studies - Gain deep insight into human behavior, unlock career opportunities in mental health and beyond, and graduate ready to make a meaningful difference in people's lives. Earn a degree that prepares you to treat addiction, support mental health, and strengthen communities. NSU's Addiction Studies program opens doors to a life-changing career.

Exploratory/Undecided (General Studies) - At Northwestern State University, every student in the Interdisciplinary Studies program is assigned a professional academic advisor dedicated to their success from admission through graduation. Advisors work one-on-one with students to explore academic interests, career goals, and personal strengths. Together, you'll create a customized plan that may include specific courses, minors, concentrations, and co-curricular opportunities designed to support your path.