



Hello Norwich Families -

Things are really looking up on campus! Recent snowfall has made it even more picturesque (if still very chilly!), and the loosening of COVID-19 restrictions is welcomed by students, faculty, and staff alike. With continued support from all, we look forward to a successful Spring semester.

Very respectfully,



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FROM THE COMMANDANT OF CADETS

Greetings from the Hill, still white with snow and decorated with snow sculptures from last week's Winter Carnival Weekend!

Our Vermont home surrounded by green mountains and clean air attracts many students, faculty, and staff to Norwich. Student Activities Office planned a fun-filled week for students to shake the winter blues. Many enjoy the outdoors by sledding, skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, trail bike riding on wide tires, and just having fun in the snow.

Our first-year cadets now enjoy their new status as cadets and have begun their leader development training. My staff is completing the cadet promotion process for the 2022-2023 academic year. It's refreshing to see how many cadets are taking advantage of the leadership opportunities offered in the Corps of Cadets. Cadets accepting increased responsibilities to lead others is experiential learning at

its best. You cannot thoroughly learn leadership in the classroom. You have to do it, and our upper-level cadets are stepping up to the challenge. Our founder Captain Alden Partridge would be pleased.

Spring break is soon upon us. Some students will travel to a warmer climate, others will return home to family, a few will be adopted by families, which they and we appreciate very much, and a handful will remain here. Enjoy any time you have with your student. For senior parents, this time is very precious as your student plans for life after Norwich as a proud alumnus or alumna!

Norwich Together, Norwich Forever!



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FROM THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

We have enjoyed the opportunity to deliver fully in-person academic and co-curricular student experiences this academic year, like the recent Winter Carnival. Student leaders are instrumental in planning, executing, and assessing campus programs like this. These types of leadership opportunities are available to students of all lifestyles (commuter, civilian residential, cadet residential).

Student leader selection processes are currently underway for the 2022-2023 academic year. Civilian residential students can apply to serve on the Residence Life Staff as leaders in the residence halls, and any student can apply to serve as an Orientation Leader or a key leader in Student Activities or the [Center for Civic Engagement](#). Please encourage your students to get involved and to take full advantage of these campus opportunities for character and leader development.

The Fall 2022 Housing process will begin in the coming weeks. Intent to Return Forms will be available the week prior to Spring Break (February 28 – March 4) and must be submitted to the appropriate lifestyle leadership the week following Spring Break (March 14 – 18).

Midterms are upon us. We are still very much in the heart of a Vermont winter, but the days are getting longer on the Hill in advance of our upcoming Spring Break. We must get through midterms first. Faculty grades are due Monday, February 28, so students should expect to see their midterm grades in Banner by that date.

Encourage your students to take full advantage of [student support services on campus](#), including the [Academic Achievement Center](#), [Career & Internship Center](#), and the [Counseling & Wellness Center](#) to underpin academic performance and

student success.

Spring break is the week of March 7th. Residence Halls and barracks will close at noon on Saturday, March 5th and reopen following Spring Break at noon on Saturday, March 12th. (Dining services will close following dinner on March 4th, and resume services on March 13th.)

We anticipate that a small number of students will need to remain on campus through Spring Break. Consolidated housing in Alumni, Crawford, Dalrymple, and South Halls, as well as daily meal service, will be available at no additional cost. Students should direct questions about Break Stays to Residence Life; nureslife@norwich.edu.

As we think ahead to Spring Break and warmer days, please encourage your students to prioritize any outstanding academic coursework, to live the [Norwich Guiding Values](#), and to be safe traveling during a much-needed and well-deserved Spring Break.

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SPRING BREAK TRAVEL INFORMATION



Shuttle Service to Montpelier Train Station: Space is limited so reserve your seat soon. [Click here to register](#) online. *(The shuttle will also stop at the Montpelier bus station after the train station, for any students departing at or after 10:30 am and arriving back in VT at or before 7:30 p.m.)*

Shuttle Service to Burlington International Airport: [Click here](#) for BTV shuttle information through Vermont Tour and Charter.

Rideshare: Students offering and seeking rides are posted on the my.norwich portal.

TAG DAY!

Thank-a-Giver (TAG) Day next week! This is our on-campus opportunity to celebrate the wonderful donors who make a Norwich education possible. On Thursday, February 24, check out Norwich's [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [Facebook](#) to see how our students say thank you!

STUDENT ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS



February is jam-packed with fun activities for students. From neon roller skating on the 19th, to "make and take" jellyfish air plants on the 24th, to a bus trip to Burlington on the 26th, there is lots for students to choose from. For a full list of events to include club activities [HERE](#).

COVID-19 UPDATES AND STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

President Anarumo continues to strategically update our COVID-19 response strategies, consistent with public health and medical guidance. Testing strategies, our masking policies, and our vaccination mandate emphasize individual responsibility among Norwich students and employees.

The most critical action a student can take, in support of their individual health and to protect public health, is to contact [NU Health Services](#) or (802) 485-2552 (open while classes are in session) if [symptomatic](#) with impaired function. Campus data and public health trends in Vermont are encouraging but we must remain vigilant and agile through the remainder of the Spring 2022 semester, as we think ahead to the next academic year.

A reminder that you can keep up to date on all COVID-19 related information (Presidential messages, data dashboard, who to contact) on the [Norwich PSA site](#).

Additionally, if your student has difficulty getting a reply about making up classwork due to illness, or needs assistance facilitating a plan to stay caught up on work, please contact Associate Provost Lea Williams at lwilliam@norwich.edu or (802) 485-2351.

Other student support services (also available remotely):

[Counseling & Wellness Center](#): cwc@norwich.edu or (802) 485-2134

[Academic Achievement Center](#): aac@norwich.edu or (802) 485-2130

[Center for Writing](#): writingctr@norwich.edu or (802) 485-3282

CONNECTING WITH THE PROVOST'S OFFICE

Commencement seating choice results are in! Norwich seniors voted overwhelmingly to sit by academic major (over lifestyle) at their 2022 graduation. For more information on this year's ceremony and related events, be sure to [visit the Commencement webpage](#).



Alongside mid-term exams, mid-winter often brings on homesickness. Let your student know you are thinking of them by sending a care package! Besides the usual snacks (granola bars, dried fruit, nuts), treats (candy, chips, mints), and toiletries (toothbrush, travel tissues, lip balm), throw in extras like playing cards, playdough, stress balls, colored pencils, or crossword puzzles! Toy-like items can help provide a mental break and are a fun way to reduce anxiety and stress. Don't forget to include a handwritten note of encouragement to your student.

CAREER SERVICES: SPRING INTO INTERNSHIPS

Recruiting for summer internships has begun and the Career and Internship Center is here to help students find high-impact practices that complement their career goals.

On February 23rd from 12-1p.m. in the WCC, Internship Coordinator [Jim Graves](#) will be hosting an information session to talk about internship timelines, types of internships available, the best ways to find them, and how to prepare for one. Internships are extremely competitive, so applying early (January-May) for summer opportunities is crucial.



Another way students can get a head start on an internship search is to attend our [Spring 2022 Career Fair](#), our largest recruiting event of the semester! Not only can students explore available opportunities, but they can practice many career skills like informational interviewing and elevator pitches, networking with employers, and receiving resume critiques.

If your student is interested in participating in any of these events, please direct them to our [Spring 2022 Calendar of Events](#).

CAMPUS SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Our goal is for our students to learn and thrive in a safe and supportive learning community on campus. To that end, our campus security team, along with Norwich leadership, has several notification systems and protocols in place.

You can find comprehensive [campus emergency information here](#).

EVENTS ON AND OFF CAMPUS



There are many events happening on campus and off. Check out Norwich events happening around the country by viewing [Event Calendar](#). Here's a sampling of upcoming events:

In their *Academic Resilience Collaborative Series*, the Center for Global Resilience and Security will host an event titled: “Resilient Bodies are Built to Last: Vermont’s Solution to a National Crisis.” Learning about our capacity as humans for recovery and adaptation is essential in our ever-changing environment. Encourage your student to attend one or both sessions to learn more about strengthening their minds and bodies, so they are better prepared to assist themselves and others in times of adversity. See below for more details. [Click here](#) for more information, including registration.



Encourage your student to expand their personal and professional network by attending our in-person Norwich Network events during Norwich’s Spring Break the week of March 7, 2022. [Visit our event page for more details.](#)



Norwich University's Peace and War Center is hosting the 3rd Annual Peace and War Summit (in-person with remote options) on March 21-22, 2022. This year's theme is "Deciphering the Russian Riddle: National Interests and Geopolitical Competitions." At the Summit, nine Russian experts will scrutinize various challenges deriving from

Russia, which range from its territorial intrusion into Ukraine and Georgia to intervention into Syria to growing military partnership with China to its cyber-attacks and disinformation campaigns. [More details here.](#)

Calling High-School Cyber Sleuths! Have a HS student interested in getting involved in digital forensics?

Want to learn how to defend against cyber attacks? At Norwich University's virtual week-long GenCyber Forensics pre-college program this summer, you will dive deep into the cyber-realm with tools used by police forces around the world through a series of gaming, modeling, and simulation activities.

Visit <https://www.norwich.edu/cyber/genCyber> to see last year's lineup and get a hint of what 2022 will be like. New details, including 2022 dates, coming soon.



STAY CONNECTED

Remember, there are also many resources to stay in touch with Norwich throughout the school year!

[Corps of Cadets on Flickr](#)

[Norwich YouTube channel](#)

[Norwich Instagram](#)

[Norwich Twitter](#)

[Norwich Facebook](#)

[NU Families Facebook page](#)

[NU Families website](#)

[NU Events calendar](#)

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And you can always email our office at mystudentis@norwich.edu too.



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