



Hello, Norwich Families -

This month's newsletter is full of information including updates on Family Weekend (next week!), semester breaks, shuttles, and more. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have additional questions.

Also, in order to continue to provide the best possible support to our students and families, we'd love to hear about your Norwich Families experience so far. Please take 5 minutes to complete our [family survey](#) to share your thoughts with our team.

Very respectfully,



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Family Weekend is next weekend!

*September 29th through
October 2nd*



Let us know that you are coming. Please take a moment to help us with a campus headcount for this weekend by completing a quick registration form found [HERE](#). (Note, this is in addition to buffet and VT tour registrations/attendance).

[View the full Family Weekend Itinerary here.](#)

The Thursday night buffet is sold out. We continue to work our way through the wait list as cancellations are received, so be sure you are on it if needed by [emailing us](#). If you are unable to secure tickets, you can still see your student for dinner. For Rook students and families, the Commandant has approved Rooks to eat at ease in the chow hall with their families during the 5-7pm buffet time frame. Civilian students and families are allowed off campus at any time, and there are many [restaurant options nearby](#). Reservations are recommended this time of year.

The Tour of Vermont is also sold out. Like the buffet, this event (new this year) sold out in less than a week's time. We are still working our way through the wait list as cancellations come in, and invite those families that aren't able to participate in the official tour to take their own [self-guided tour](#). ***Please do not follow the buses off campus on Friday morning.***

Seeing your student over Family Weekend. Please note that all students have classes on Friday, September 30th. Our weekend itinerary has many options to fill your day without your student. Civilian students have the flexibility to leave campus whenever they wish. Corps students, especially Rooks, must have their leave approved by Corps leadership. These students are allowed to stay off campus Friday and Saturday nights, reporting back Saturday morning and Sunday evening, respectively. Please see the [Rook FAQs family weekend](#) for more specifics. There is also no access to the Rook barracks during family weekend. ***Please do not attempt to visit your Rook in their room.***



A Note from the Registrar's Office: Access to Student Information

We have heard from many families that they can't access their student's academic or financial information as they don't have permission. According to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) when a student begins college-level course work, the student becomes the custodian of their record and the institution is responsible for protecting the privacy of the student's record. FERPA permits an institution to state educational records as directory information (no student release required) unless the student has a FERPA block. [View FERPA policy at this link.](#)

A student can add a third party to inquire about the student's record on an "as needed" basis and in most cases, this concerns the student's billing and financial aid inquiries. This can be done via the students' Norwich Banner Web application.

**Shuttle Service To/ From
Campus For Breaks**



For those students leaving campus for Fall break, we know that many of you are already looking to book travel to get your student home. Please be advised that your student can depart campus once their classes are finished, and no later than November 19th at 12 noon when residence halls close. (*Residence halls reopen from the Fall break on November 26th at 12 noon.*)

Norwich Student Activities provides a shuttle to the train and bus stations (not the airport). **Registration is open for the Fall shuttles and can be accessed [HERE](#).**

Norwich partners with Vermont Tour and Charter to offer discounted rides to Burlington Airport. Please visit the [VT Tour and Charter website](#) for more details and to book with them directly for rides to and from the airport.

We know that travel plans to/ from Vermont require advance planning, so looking ahead to mid-semester/ winter break, Spring break, and even the end of the school year, please note the following residence hall closing and opening times as well:

WINTER

- Residence halls close for Winter Break on December 19th at 12 noon (only students not returning for Spring semester will need to remove their belongings from their rooms)
- Residence Halls open after Winter break on January 7th at 12 noon

SPRING

- Residence halls close for Spring Break on March 4th at 12 noon
- Residence halls open from Spring Break on March 11th at 12 noon

END OF YEAR

- Residence halls close for regular (non-graduating/ commissioning) students on April 29th at 12 noon.
- Residence halls close for grads/commissioned officers on April 30th at 12 noon.

While many students leave campus during each break, we also know that many cannot and may need options to stay at Norwich. Please read below about the new Break-Stay program, as well as the Alternative break option available through the Center for Civic Engagement.

Break-Stay Announcement

For those students *needing* to stay on campus for the



Fall, Winter, or Spring breaks, we are pleased to introduce Break Stay opportunities for students to remain in residence on campus through academic break periods.

- Thanksgiving and Spring Breaks (7 days each): \$450 per
- Mid Semester/ Winter Break (19 days): \$1250

Student Break Stay requests will be reviewed by Student Affairs and Counseling and Wellness staff for approval. Your student received the full memo in their Student Portal from the Student Affairs team. Please view the Break Stay sign up form, referenced in that memo, [HERE](#).

Questions about Break Stays?

Please email nureslife@norwich.edu or call (802) 485-2120.



Alternative Break Option Student Volunteers Over Thanksgiving Break

The Center for Civic Engagement is once again offering the ever-popular Alternative Break option for those not able to go home over Thanksgiving or for those wanting to celebrate the holiday by giving back to those in need around Central VT! The program fee of only \$150 covers all housing, food, fun outings, and transportation! Apply here by Nov. 3rd and we'll reach out to schedule your interview [HERE](#).

News from the Career and Internship Center



It has been wonderful to see so many students utilizing career services so early into the semester! Regardless of class year, we always look forward to

working with students on career planning, meeting them where they are at, and helping them prepare for meaningful and rewarding careers. We are currently scheduling appointments Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. **Our Fall Career Events and programs can be found [HERE](#).**

Is your student Federal Work-Study eligible? There are plenty of departments across campus looking to hire student workers. A list of work-study positions are posted on our career portal, Handshake, accessed through the Norwich Student SSO portal. Encourage your student to check it out!

Improved Access to the Counseling and Wellness Center



The Counseling and Wellness Center is promoting a new support service for more accessibility to counseling without the need for an appointment or filling out paperwork - it is an informal introduction to counseling, where students can drop in at various locations and run a situation by a counselor or ask a question etc. [View FAQ's about this new service and team contact information HERE.](#)

FROM NU HEALTH SERVICES

With cold and flu season just around the corner, we encourage you to provide your student with some of the 'basic' needs such as Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Cold Medicine, and Cough Drops. This will help aid the student's recovery should they feel ill and not feel well enough to visit the bookstore or go to a store in town. You know your student best; a care package with those staples will make them feel at home!

And as always, have them reach out to our office with any questions or concerns about their health. NU Health Services (1st Floor of Marsilius Hall) 802-485-2552 or healthservices@norwich.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 21, 2022: Join Norwich for a free concert featuring the USMC "The President's Own" band.

Norwich University, the home of the oldest collegiate band in the United States, is pleased to host "The President's Own" United States Marine Band whose mission is to perform for the President of the United States and the Commandant of the Marine Corps. Founded in 1798 by an Act of Congress, the Marine Band is America's oldest continuously active professional musical organization.



Join Norwich for this free concert open to the public however, tickets are required. Tickets will be available starting September 23rd via: <https://marineband.ticketleap.com/northfieldvt22/>

October 12 to 13, 2022: Norwich Hosts the 2022 Military Writers Symposium: Robots Rising - Arming Artificial Intelligence



The only program of its kind at an American university, the Norwich University Military Writers' Symposium convenes authors and experts in the fields of military history, intelligence, and current affairs to offer important perspectives on pressing global concerns.

Warfare has changed – combat is no longer relegated to singular battlefronts or even to the kinetic world. Battles are now fought block to block in city streets, in the air without pilots, in cyberspace, and very likely, in space. What was once science fiction is now a reality. The 2022 Norwich University Military Writers' Symposium will examine the good, the bad, and the ugly of the rise of robotics and artificial intelligence as a force multiplier from the perspective of some of the globe's leading experts in the field. All members of the Norwich community are welcome to attend.

View more information and REGISTER HERE:

<https://www.norwich.edu/military-writers-symposium/symposium-2022>



We hope that you are settling into your new routine at home as well. We know it can be hard to be away from your student and it's our goal to keep you informed and connected. Remember, there are many resources to stay in touch with Norwich throughout the school year:

[Corps of Cadets on Flickr](#)

[Norwich YouTube channel](#)

[Norwich Instagram](#)

[NU Families Facebook page](#)

[NU Families website](#)

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



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