NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Welcome to campus! You've arrived at Northwestern at this specific time and it's no accident. God has planned for this very moment and His timing is perfect. We trust God is going to do something powerful in each of your lives over the course of this year, even this week. We pray for you often and ask that the Lord would bless and keep you as you take this next step of transition. Enjoy the excitement of meeting new friends for life and capturing shared memories. We look forward to an incredible year of growing, serving, and learning together!

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. . . . . . Coffee Shop Open
BILLY GRAHAM COMMUNITY LIFE COMMONS (GRAHAM COMMONS) – 1ST FLOOR

8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. . . . . . Resident Student Check-in **(required)**
10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. . . . . . Commuter Student Check-in **(required)**
GRAHAM COMMONS LOBBY
During this process, students receive their ID Card, Mail Center key, and other important items. After Check-in, resident students move into their rooms and meet Residence Life staff.

10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m . . . . . Lunch
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER
Students use dining funds. Family Members/Guests pay cash, credit, or use student funds. Children under 3 free.

2:00–3:00 p.m. . . . . . Welcome to Northwestern **(required)**
MARANATHA HALL
Students, along with family members/guests, will gather for worship and welcome as orientation officially begins.

3:00–4:00 p.m. . . . . . Meet the Faculty **(required)**
SEE PAPER INSERT OR DIGITAL SIGNAGE, FOR LOCATIONS
The faculty in each academic department welcomes all new students and their families.

4:00–5:30 p.m. . . . . . Resource Fair
TOTINO FINE ARTS LOBBY
Representatives from local banks and a variety of NWC campus resources are on hand to answer your questions, inform you of services they offer, and give you a vision of how they can partner with you for the duration of your academic career and beyond.

PARENTS RELEASED FOR THE EVENING

5:00–6:30 p.m. . . . . . New Student Dinner **(required)**
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER
Students join their New Student Group and Orientation Leaders for dinner. See check-in schedule for your New Student Group and exact dinner time. Students use dining funds.

7:00–9:00 p.m. . . . . . New Student Groups **(required)**
CAMPUS GREEN
New Students gather in their New Student Groups. Students will experience most orientation activities with this group of new friends.

STUDENTS: Use dining funds (ID card required) or cash.

SATURDAY SCHEDULE

STUDENT ORIENTATION

8:00–9:15 a.m. . . . . . Breakfast
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER

9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m. . . Student Session: Life Learning **(required)**
MARANATHA HALL
Belonging, life-calling, and personal development.

11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. . . . . . Campus Scramble **(required)**
Connect with fellow students and gather information about life at Northwestern. Includes lunch with your Orientation group.

2:30–6:30 p.m. . . . . . Commuter Students' Activity
NAZ CHAPEL STEPS
Commuters will gather for an afternoon activity and the opportunity to get to know one another.

4:30–9:30 p.m. . . . . . Connecting with Residence Life
(required for resident students)
RESIDENCE HALLS, GRAHAM COMMONS, AND MARANATHA HALL
Resident students will meet on their halls, will head to the Graham Commons for dinner, and will finish with a session in Maranatha Hall with the Residence Life staff.

9:45 p.m.–midnight . . . . . Late Night Activity
ROBERTSON STUDENT CENTER STEPS
Enjoy a late night activity with fellow students and student leaders.

PARENT ORIENTATION

9:00–11:30 a.m. . . . . . Coffee Shop Open

10:00–11:00 a.m. . . . . . Student & Parent Services Panel
NAZARETH HALL, BLUE ROOM
Hear from a panel of key department representatives who will answer any questions concerning your students new journey at Northwestern.

11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m. . . . . . Parent Conversations with Student Development
NAZARETH HALL, BLUE ROOM
Hear from Student Development as they share about their passion for students. This is also a time for you to ask any other questions you may have about residence life, spiritual formation, campus activities, and much more.

12:30–6:00 p.m. . . . . . Lunch and Dinner On Your Own
The Main Dining Center in Graham Commons is open.

6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. . . . . . Parent Worship & Prayer Service
NAZARETH CHAPEL, NAZARETH HALL
Join us for a time of praise and worship. Gather with fellow parents in prayer for each of your students as they begin their journey at NWC.

7:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. . . . . . Comedy and Snacks
NAZARETH HALL, BLUE ROOM
Sit back, relax and laugh! Enjoy what's sure to be a hilarious time of comedy in a unique atmosphere, while munching on snacks. This gathering has quickly become, "The parent event of the weekend!"

IMPORTANT MUSIC INFORMATION

Music Ensemble and Private Lesson Auditions
Contact Mrs. Judy Lennartson at music@nwc.edu or 651-631-5158 to schedule your audition.

Audition Times
Saturday 2:30–4:20 p.m.
Monday 4:30–6:50 p.m.
Tuesday 1:50–8:00 p.m.
Auditions held in the TOTINO FINE ARTS CENTER.

CAMPUS STORE HOURS

FRIDAY AUGUST 23 ..... CLOSED

SATURDAY AUGUST 24 ..... 12:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY AUGUST 25 ..... CLOSED

MONDAY AUGUST 26 ..... 12:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY AUGUST 27 ..... 12:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. . . . . . Visit a Local Church
We encourage you to attend a local church this morning. See your welcome packet for a list of local churches including some that provide transportation.

12:00 –1:30 p.m . . . . . Sunday Brunch - Pay at Dining Center
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER
Students use dining funds. Family Members/Guests pay cash, credit, or use student funds. Children under 3 free.

1:00–6:00 p.m. . . . . . Open Gym
ERICKSEN CENTER
Volleyball court, basketball court and the fitness area track will be available for students to use. Exercise equipment and racquetball courts are open.

2:00–4:30 p.m. . . . . . Transfer Connection Beach Party
THE ISLAND/LAKE JOHANNA BEACH
A free Beach Party for all transfer students. Highlights include swimming, volleyball, snacks, and canoeing.

4:30–6:00 p.m. . . . . . Island Picnic Supper
THE ISLAND/LAKE JOHANNA BEACH
A picnic style supper will be served on the island. (ID card required)

7:00–8:30 p.m. . . . . . Student Vespers
MARANATHA HALL
A worship celebration of Jesus hosted by Student Government

9:00–11:00 p.m. . . . . . At the Movies
MARANATHA HALL
Come and relax with friends at the movies (popcorn and beverages provided).

MONDAY SCHEDULE

7:20–8:45 a.m. . . . . . Breakfast
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER

9:00–10:30 a.m. . . . . . Student Session: Community Safety, Health & Wellness **(required)**
MARANATHA HALL
Students will be introduced to their role, and the role of the college, as they learn how NWC fosters and encourages safety, health and wellness within the college community.

10:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. . . . . . Lunch/Community Service Project **(required)**
This is an opportunity to share the love of Christ by serving our neighbors in the Twin Cities. Students should come dressed in jeans, tennis shoes, and work shirt. Lunches provided. (ID card required)

5:00–7:00 p.m. . . . . . Dinner
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER

7:00–9:00 p.m. . . . . . Student Session: College Life **(required)**
MARANATHA HALL
Hear from a panel of current students on their thoughts about college life and their perspectives on identifying its challenges and opportunities. Relevant topics, honest input, and focused perspectives.

TUESDAY SCHEDULE

7:20–8:45 a.m. . . . . . Breakfast
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER

9:00–11:30 a.m. . . . . . Student Session: Academic Life **(required)**
MARANATHA HALL
Receive information about academic procedures from key officials at Northwestern. Following this session, students should meet their Orientation Leaders. NOTE: Transfer students will be released at 10 a.m. to attend the Library session.

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. . . . . . Library Session **(required)**
BERNTSEN LIBRARY
Incoming students will be introduced to the place, resources, services and staff of the Berntsen Library. Students will learn about the access they have to resources through the library and also through CLIC, Cooperating Libraries in Consortium.

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. . . . . . All Campus Lunch
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER
Students should plan to attend this lunch as part of their New Student Group. Your Orientation Leaders will meet students outside of Maranatha Hall following the Academic session.

2:00–3:00 p.m. . . . . . Student Employment on Campus
RILEY 2300/2308
Meet the Student Employment/HR Staff and receive helpful tips for your job search. We will also cover required paperwork and go over the basics of interviewing. We will conclude with a time of Q&A.

5:00–7:00 p.m. . . . . . Dinner
GRAHAM COMMONS – MAIN DINING CENTER

10:00–11:00 p.m. . . . . . Residence Floor Meetings **(required for residents)**
RESIDENCE HALLS
All resident students meet with their Resident Assistant on their respective floors.

But now, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.

Isaiah 64:8