



Mission

Northwestern is a Christian academic community engaging students in courageous and faithful learning and living that empowers them to follow Christ and pursue God's redeeming work in the world.



Vision for Learning

As members of a Christian academic community rooted in the wisdom of the Bible, we at Northwestern College view learning as worship, using our minds to better understand, serve and love God's world. We are committed to participating in God's redemptive work, and we seek to respond to God's call to share the gospel, care for creation and serve Christ in everyone. In keeping with this commitment, we intend Northwestern graduates to be persons who:

Trust, love and worship God

Northwestern graduates understand learning is an act of worship. They trust that all truth is God's truth, which frees them to pursue any academic inquiry. They strive to love what God loves, valuing diverse people, cultures and ideas.

Engage ideas

Northwestern graduates are lifelong learners who listen, read, question and evaluate. They add their voices to the wider conversation through disciplined and imaginative speech, writing, art and performance.

Connect knowledge and experience

Northwestern graduates notice and nurture connections between individual courses and across whole disciplines of study—between their college learning and preparation for not only fulfilling careers but also faithful lives.

Respond to God's call

Northwestern graduates explore and discover their gifts—and then use them in service to God, humanity and creation.

A message from President Christy

Welcome to the Northwestern College family! I'm so pleased you've chosen NWC. I'm eager for you to arrive on campus and begin this exciting journey. College is a time to explore and grow intellectually, spiritually and relationally, and although I'm admittedly biased, I think Northwestern is one of the best places to do that. I also think your time here will be some of the best years of your life.

Hallmarks of your Northwestern experience will be great classes as well as professors, coaches and staff mentors who teach you to integrate your Christian faith with what you're learning. Our faculty and staff are dedicated to our mission and to preparing you not only for a career, but for the rest of your life.

I hope Northwestern will be a place where you discover you're capable of more than you realized and that God has big plans for you. We are blessed to have you here, and I look forward to the ways you will enrich our community.

Sincerely,

Greg Christy, President





MyNWC & your NWC email account

The financial aid package you received in March included your Northwestern College username and password. You can use those to login to my.nwciowa.edu. One of the first things you should do is change your password to something private; a change password link will appear just to the left of your name when you login. Click and follow the instructions.

At my.nwciowa.edu under CAMPUS RESOURCES, you'll find a campus email link. Your username and password will enable you to access your NWC email. Campus offices will use your NWC email address to communicate with you throughout the summer, so you should check it regularly (or arrange for it to forward to your preferred email account).

Connect with your NWC class at facebook.com/groups/nwcclassof2021 and start building the great community Northwestern is known for! Then visit nwciowa.edu/connect for lots of other ways to connect with NWC on social media.

#nwc4me







MAY 2017 FRIDAY SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY SATURDAY** 6 4 12 13 9 10 11 14 15 16 18 19 20 17 21 23 24 26 27 **22** REMINDER 25 REMINDER If you've not already New full-time students must submit completed completed the FAFSA, immunization forms by visit fafsa.ed.gov July 15 at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu NOTES: 28 30 29 **31** IMPORTANT Your travel plans should not conflict with NWC's final exam schedule. Check the dates at nwciowa.edu/academic-calendar

Visit the Red Checklist webpage for a pre-enrollment checklist and other helpful information for incoming students

First-Year Experience | nwciowa.edu/FYE

College is a big change. That's why we provide support through our First-Year Experience programming. Our aim is to help you have a first year that is as successful as it is memorable.

Envision Orientation Weekend. You'll be welcomed into the Northwestern family before classes even start. Your Resident Assistant and O-Staff leader will guide you as you move in, meet with your faculty advisor, and connect with your First-Year Seminar classmates and professor. Learn more at nwciowa.edu/envision and on the August calendar.

First-Year Seminar (FYS). FYS is a class all new students take. You'll read the same books and discuss the same issues as every other first-year student, growing closer as a class and more confident as college students. You'll receive your FYS summer book, *Ordinary Grace*, at your home and should read it before you come to campus in August.

Thrive Workshops. Succeeding in classes is only part of succeeding in college. Emerging adults manage their own time, money, career decisions, and health and wellbeing. Weekly Thrive Workshops during your first semester will teach life skills and be a supportive environment where you can interact with others navigating their way to independence.



Christian formation

A Northwestern education is for the whole person. That's why in addition to classes, we offer Christian formation opportunities to grow your mind, heart and faith. In addition to weekly worship in Christ Chapel, you can be part of a Discipleship Group in your residence hall and join one or more campus ministry or mission teams. Students are expected to accumulate 28 Christian formation credits per semester out of 62 credits offered from chapel services on Tuesdays and Fridays as well as other worship and discipleship opportunities.

Visit nwciowa.edu/faith for details.



Bringing your computer to campus

Both Macs and PCs are compatible with Northwestern's wireless network. While any computer purchased within the last 5 years is adequate, newer models are more likely to integrate well with our network. We recommend your PC have at least Windows 7; if you have a Mac, we recommend OSX10.6 (Snow Leopard) or newer. Northwestern provides Sophos antivirus software free. Sophos is the only antivirus software allowed and supported on campus, so if you have another program on your computer, it will need to be replaced by Sophos.

You'll find a download Sophos antivirus link under CAMPUS RESOURCES at my.nwciowa.edu. Other helpful information is at helpdesk.nwciowa.edu.

JUNE 2017										
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY				
NOTES:			1 IMPORTANT First semester billings are sent out	2 IMPORTANT Accepting the federal Direct Loan? Complete an MPN and entrance counseling at studentloans.gov	3					
4	5 IMPORTANT Set your NWC bill-paying method. Choose Billing Information at the top and Payment Plan on the left at my.nwciowa.edu	6 IMPORTANT If you plan to park a vehicle on campus, it must be registered. Choose Student Services at the top and Vehicle Information on the left at my.nwciowa.edu	7 REMINDER Selection of your preferred meal plan is due Aug. 15. Choose Student Services at the top and Meal Plan on the left at my.nwciowa.edu	8 IMPORTANT View your student bill information at Billing Information on my.nwciowa.edu	9 IMPORTANT If you're interested in student employment, explore your options at collegecentral.com/nwciowa	10				
11	12 IMPORTANT Student employment earnings are banked via direct deposit; authorization forms are due Aug. 1. Choose Billing Information at the top and Student Payroll on the left at my.nwciowa.edu	13	14 REMINDER: IOWANS To be considered for the lowa Tuition Grant, complete the FAFSA by July 1 (if you haven't already) fafsa.ed.gov	15	16 REMINDER HS transcripts, AP scores and ACT/SAT scores—as well as any college credits you've taken—are due June 30. Check that yours have been recorded at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	17				
18	19	20 REMINDER Submit your emergency medical contact, emergency evacuation plan and immunization forms by July 15 at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	21	22 REMINDER Report your outside scholarship sources and amounts. Choose Financial Aid at the top and Outside Scholarships on the left to access the form at my.nwciowa.edu	23 REMINDER Check your Northwestern email account. Campus E-mail is one of the links on the right at my.nwciowa.edu	24				
25	26 REMINDER First semester billings are sent to your home address. The first payment is due Aug. 1 (or July 25 if you've applied to be on a monthly payment plan).	27	28	29	30 DUE ACT/SAT scores and your final HS transcripts must be recorded at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu					

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You've got mail

At my.nwciowa.edu choose Student
Services at the top and Residence
Information on the left to learn your
Rowenhorst Student Center (RSC)
mailbox number. Be sure to pick up your
mailbox key at the RSC mailroom so you
can receive mail at your new address:

Northwestern College 208 8th St. SW RSC Box [your number] Orange City, IA 50141

Residence life

If you're like most of our students, residence life will be one of your favorite, most memorable parts of Northwestern. Roommate compatibility is a big part of adjusting to college, so we make matching you with the right person a priority. Unless you request a particular roommate as a new student, your admissions counselor will review your housing application information and pair you with someone you're likely to get along with. Then all that's left to do is make yourself at home. Visit nwciowa.edu/residence-life to learn more.





Packing list

In addition to your clothing and school supplies, you should also bring:

- Bedding (80-inch twin mattress)
- Bath towels and toiletries
- Hangers
- Laundry basket, detergent, dryer sheets
- Power strip w/ surge protector
- Alarm clock
- Wastebasket
- Fan (if your hall doesn't have AC)

Not permitted in your dorm room:

- Air conditioners
- Halogen lamps
- Microwaves
- Pets (except fish)
- Weapons (including airsoft guns)

You might also want to bring a small refrigerator, hotpot and eating utensils as well as a couch, chair or other furniture. For additional suggestions of what to bring to your home away from home, visit nwciowa.edu/what2bring



JULY 2017

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						1 DEADLINE: IOWANS To be considered for the lowa Tuition Grant, complete the FAFSA by July 1 fafsa.ed.gov				
2	3	4	5 INFORMATION Northwestern's 2017–18 catalog is online at catalog.nwciowa.edu	6 REMINDER Check that your HS transcript, AP scores, and ACT/SAT scores have been received by NWC at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	7 REMINDER If you'll need transportation from an airport to campus next month, make arrangements with Darla in the student life office by Aug. 10: darlah@nwciowa.edu	8 REMINDER Submit your emergency medical contact, emergency evacuation plan and immunization forms by July 15 at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu				
9	10 REMINDER First semester tuition payment is due Aug. 1 (or July 25 if you've applied to be on a monthly payment plan).	1 1INFORMATION Review your student insurance options. Choose Billing Information at the top and Insurance on the left at my.nwciowa.edu	12 PARENT INFO Order a birthday cake for your student. Visit nwciowa.edu/birthdaycake and follow the instructions on the form.	13	14 PARENT INFO If you need overnight accommodations in Orange City, review your options at nwciowa.edu/hotels	15 DUE Submit your emergency medical contact, emergency evacuation plan and immunization forms at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu				
16	17	18 REMINDER Report your outside scholarship sources and amounts. Choose Financial Aid at the top and Outside Scholarships on the left to access the form at my.nwciowa.edu	19	20 REMINDER NWC provides support for students with learning disabilities Submit your disability documentation by Aug. 25 nwciowa.edu/disability-services	21	22				
23	24 TEXTBOOKS You can pre-order your textbooks for the fall semester. At nwciowa.edu/bookstore choose Textbook Order Form at the top to download a form with instructions.	25 DUE For students on the monthly payment plan, your first payment is due. At my.nwciowa.edu choose Billing Information at the top and click the View/Pay Bill button to make a payment online.	26	27	28	29				
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Envision orientation weekend

Aug. 18-21 | nwciowa.edu/envision

Orientation weekend will introduce you to Raider Nation—your new classmates, upperclassmen who may become your mentors, and the faculty and staff who will guide your academic, spiritual and relational learning. **Residence Halls open promptly at noon on Friday, Aug. 18 (not before)**. When you arrive on campus, go directly to your assigned hall. (If you are unsure of your hall or are a commuter, go to the Ramaker Center.) Check in with residence life staff in the main lobby of your hall to pick up your room key and other orientation information. Then move in and start making NWC your home away from home. Visit the website for a full Envision orientation schedule for students and parents. If you have guestions, contact Darla in the student life office: darlah@nwciowa.edu or 712-707-7200.









Study break

Orientation weekend fun is just the beginning. Visit nwciowa.edu/campus-life for information about student activities, music and theatre performances, and Red Raider sports as well as a list of more than 50 student clubs and organizations you can join.

August 18 rides to campus

If you're flying to campus, we provide free transportation from the Sioux Falls, SD, and Sioux City, IA, airports on Friday, Aug. 18, at these times:

Sioux Falls, SD – Noon

Sioux City, IA – 1 p.m.

If you need a ride, please plan your travel accordingly and then make sure to reserve your spot by contacting Darla in the student life office by Aug. 10: darlah@nwciowa.edu or 712-707-7200.

AUGUST 2017 SUNDAY **MONDAY** WEDNESDAY **SATURDAY TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY** 4 1 DUE 2 REMINDER 3 REMINDER First semester tuition payment is due for Check your Northwestern email At my.nwciowa.edu choose My hose not on a monthly payment plan. At ny.nwciowa.edu, choose Billing account. At my.nwciowa.edu Checklist at the top to see if nformation at the top and click the View under Campus Links, choose anything on the list still needs Pay Bill button to make a payment online Campus E-mail. vour attention. Direct deposit authorization for student mployment earnings is due. At ny.nwciowa.edu choose Billing nformation at the top and Student Payroll on the left. 11 PARENT INFO 12 6 7 INFORMATION 8 INFORMATION 9 **10** DEADLINE An early arrival team arrives Resident Assistants (RAs) If you'll need transportation Register for the Envision on campus. arrive on campus for from an airport to campus, orientation weekend family residence life training. make arrangements with picnic and dessert reception Darla in the student life at nwciowa.edu/envision office: darlah@nwciowa.edu 13 14 15 DUE 16 17 PARENT INFO 18 ENVISION 19 ENVISION Selection of your preferred Order a birthday cake Orientation Weekend Orientation Weekend meal plan is due. Choose for your student. Visit New students may begin nwciowa.edu/envision Student Services at the top nwciowa.edu/birthdaycake moving into their residence and Meal Plan on the left at and follow the instructions hall rooms at noon. For a full schedule of the weekend's my.nwciowa.edu on the form. events, visit nwciowa.edu/envision 26 **20** ENVISION 21 ENVISION 22 CLASSES BEGIN 23 24 **25** DUE Opening convocation takes place in Orientation Weekend Orientation Weekend Tuition payment is due for Christ Chapel at 11:05 a.m. those on a monthly payment nwciowa.edu/envision nwciowa.edu/envision DUF plan. At my.nwcjowa.edu Submit your learning disability choose Billing Information at documentation at the top and click the View/Pay wciowa.edu/disability-services Bill button to make your Apply to work for the NWC phonathon payment online. at nwciowa.edu/call4nwc NOTES: 27 30 31 28 29

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Start off healthy

To comply with the American College Health Association (ACHA) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC), all new full-time NWC students must have:

- 2 doses of the MMR vaccine
- Meningococcal Quadrivalent (for students in residence halls or apartments)
- Tdap vaccine
- Tetanus booster (if one has not been administered in the past 10 years)

All incoming students are also required to complete a tuberculin screening questionnaire to determine if a TB test is necessary. As recommended by the ACHA and CDC, we strongly recommend the Hepatitis B series. For more information:

acha.org/ACHA/resources/topics/vaccine.aspx cdc.gov/vaccines/adults/rec-vac





During the school year, health and counseling appointments can be made in Northwestern's Wellness Center, located in the Rowenhorst Student Center: 712-707-7321 or wellness@nwciowa.edu.



Health forms due July 15

All new full-time students must complete the following forms, available at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu:

- Report your Immunizations
- Emergency Medical Contact
- Campus Evacuation Information

Send the immunization form to:

Darla Hettinga, Student Life Northwestern College 101 7th St. SW Orange City, IA 41041

Signed copies can also be faxed or emailed: 712-707-7228 or darlah@nwciowa.edu



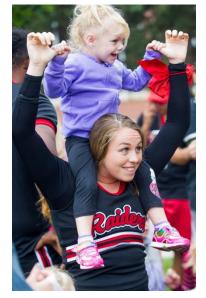
Athletic physicals & insurance

In addition to the health forms that all students must submit to the student life office, athletes also need to complete the Athletic Physical forms available at nwcraiders.com/athletic-training (this includes cheerleaders and dance team members). The forms need to be signed by a physician (forms signed by a chiropractic doctor are not acceptable).

All athletes are also required to provide copies of their primary insurance* card (front and back). Send insurance information and your completed Athletic Physical forms to your coach or a member of NWC's athletic training staff.

*Your primary insurance must provide non-emergency coverage in the state of lowa.





Student activities & traditions

Around 90% of Northwestern students live on campus, and many of them stay around on the weekends to enjoy a full calendar of student activities. The year starts with a little friendly competition during the Clash of the Classes. The Western Hoe-down and RUSH student dance concert are also popular social events. Each residence hall also has its own beloved traditions like Colenbrander's O Coly Night Christmas Bash, Fern's all-hall pajama bowling, Hospers' duct-tape-and-cardboard battle, North's Monday-night donut runs, and Stegenga's Steggy Keggy, where an evening of sight-seeing in theme-decorated halls is topped off with root beer floats.





Raider Days | Sept. 29–30 Homecoming & Parents Weekend nwciowa.edu/RaiderDays





Campus employment

Northwestern employs many students in campus jobs. To be eligible to work on campus, download the I-9 and Federal and Iowa W-4 forms at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu. Fill them out and bring them—along with 2 forms of ID (your driver's license and either your social security card or birth certificate)—to the business office sometime during orientation weekend in August.

NWC's intercultural learning community

Northwestern's Vision for Learning says one of our goals is that students will "strive to love what God loves, valuing diverse people, cultures and ideas." Loving diversity starts with knowing diversity, so we aim to give students plenty of opportunities to experience difference, both on campus and off. Visit nwciowa.edu/diversity to learn more about the intercultural experiences you'll have on campus, interacting with students from different cultures and countries.

Then explore where in the world your NWC education could take you. Our Global Education office plans summer study abroad experiences and offers 3 semester-long experiences: Denver Urban Semester, Oman Semester and Romania Semester. Or they'll help you enroll in one of more than 20 partner programs from Argentina to Uganda. Visit

nwciowa.edu/study-abroad to learn more.



Billing and payment

Northwestern offers the option to pay your tuition as a one-time payment or via a monthly payment plan. Visit my.nwciowa.edu and choose Billing Information at the top for payment plan information as well as the option to pay your bill online and view your statement any time. If you have questions, contact Deb in the business office at debw@nwciowa.edu or 712-707-7125.

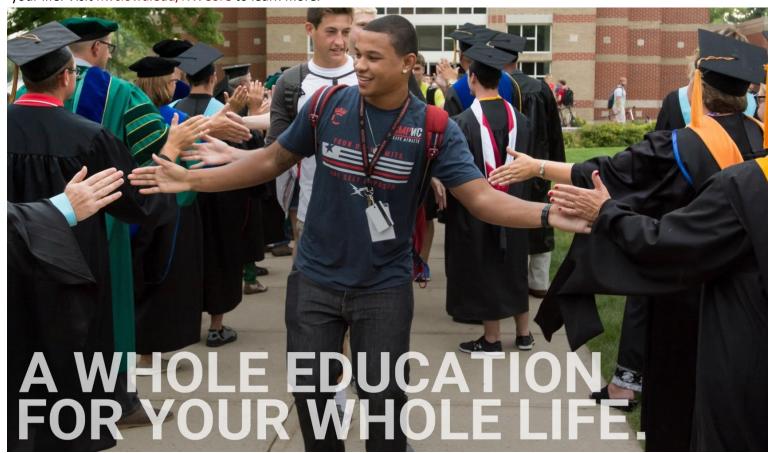


Christmas break

Exams conclude on Thursday, Dec. 14, and dorms close for Christmas break at 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 15. Please make your holiday travel plans accordingly. Residence halls reopen Monday, Jan. 8, at 9 a.m.

Northwestern Core

Northwestern Core (NWCore) is the name of NWC's general education. It's the foundation for your major, your career and, truly, your life as a thinker and difference-maker. NWCore includes our popular First-Year Seminar as well as religion classes where you'll explore your role in the grand Christian story. Other classes will explore themes such as belief and reason, cross-cultural engagement, historical perspectives, and self and society. NWCore culminates your senior year with a class where you'll reflect on your whole Northwestern experience and chart a course for the rest of your life. Visit nwciowa.edu/NWCore to learn more.







Campus map



Campus directory | nwciowa.edu/directory

Academic support & disability services

Dr. Tom Truesdell, director712-707-7045 | tomtrues@nwciowa.edu **John Menning, learning disabilities**712-707-7454 | john.menning@nwciowa.edu *DeWitt Learning Commons, first floor nwciowa.edu/academic-support*

Admissions

Brande Pals, assistant 712-707-7130 | admissions@nwciowa.edu Zwemer Hall, 2nd floor nwciowa.edu/admissions

Bookstore

Joshua Zylstra, manager 712-707-7196 | bookstore@nwciowa.edu Rowenhorst Student Center nwciowa.edu/bookstore

Business office

Deb Wassink, student accounts manager 712-707-7125 | debw@nwciowa.edu *Zwemer Hall, 1st floor* nwciowa.edu/business-office

Campus ministry/chaplain

Tanya Vaas, assistant712-707-7207 | tanya.vaas@nwciowa.edu
Ramaker Center, 1st floor
nwciowa.edu/faith

Career Development

Bill Minnick, director
712-707-7225 | cdc@nwciowa.edu
Ramaker Center, 1st floor
nwciowa.edu/cdc

Computing services

Matt Austin, helpdesk manager 712-707-7333 | helpdesk@nwciowa.edu Van Peursem Hall, 1st floor helpdesk.nwciowa.edu

Financial aid

Eric Anderson, director

Pam Mason, financial aid counselor
712-707-7131 | 712-707-7165 (fax) | finaid@nwciowa.edu

Zwemer Hall, 2nd floor
nwciowa.edu/financial-aid

Intercultural services

Kevin McMahan, associate dean
712-707-7016 | intl@nwciowa.edu
Rahn Franklin, multicultural student development director
712-707-7327 | rahn.franklin@nwciowa.edu
Ramaker Center, 1st floor
nwciowa.edu/intercultural
nwciowa.edu/international

Library

Greta Grond, director
712-707-7234 | library@nwciowa.edu
DeWitt Learning Commons
nwciowa.edu/library

Mailroom

Deb Wolthuizen, supervisor 712-707-7198 | dwolthui@nwciowa.edu *Rowenhorst Student Center*

Registrar

Sandy Van Kley, registrar
712-707-7145 | 712-707-7175 (fax) |
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Student life & residence life

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