# Raiders Stand Out

## Northwestern College Red Book Orientation Calendar 2020

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### 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 standout 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

P.S. When you're in Zwemer Hall, please feel free to stop by my office. I'd love to welcome you to campus personally.

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### 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.

At my.nwciowa.edu, NWC Email is one of the colored links at the top. 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 and during your time at Northwestern, so it is your responsibility to check it regularly.

Connect with your NWC class at facebook.com/groups/ NWCclassof2024. Start building the great community Northwestern is known for! Then visit nwciowa.edu/social-media for many other ways to connect with NWC.

### **#RaidersStandOut**







# **MAY 2020**

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

Visit the Red Checklist webpage for a pre-enrollment checklist and other helpful information nwciowa.edu/red-checklist To complete tasks on the calendar, login to MyNWC and choose "My Checklist" in the menu at the top my.nwciowa.edu

### 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.

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 adviser, and connect with your First-Year Seminar classmates and professor. Learn more at nwciowa.edu/orientation 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, *The Chosen*, 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 well-being. 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.



### **Billing and payment**

Northwestern offers two options for paying your tuition: 1) as a one-time payment or 2) monthly via an automatic electronic withdrawal. 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 Mariah in the business office at 712-707-7125 or mariah.mckinney@nwciowa.edu.



### **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 also strongly recommend you have an antivirus program on your computer. If you do not already have one, we recommend Sophos Home, which you can download for free by visiting home.sophos.com.



# **JUNE 2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 IMPORTANT First semester billings can be viewed online.	2 IMPORTANT Accepting the Federal Direct Loan? Complete an MPN and entrance counseling at studentloans.gov	3	4	<b>5</b> <b>IMPORTANT</b> Set your NWC bill-paying method. Choose Billing Information at the top and Payment Plan on the left at my.nwciowa.edu	6
7	8 IMPORTANT View your student bill information at Billing Information on my.nwciowa.edu	<b>9</b> <b>IMPORTANT</b> 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
<b>14</b> <b>REMINDER:</b> <b>IOWANS</b> To be considered for the lowa Tuition Grant, complete the FAFSA by July 1 (if you haven't already) fafsa.ed.gov	<b>15</b> <b>IMPORTANT</b> 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	16	17	18	19	20
21 REMINDER Submit your emergency medical contact, emergency evacuation plan and immunization forms by July 15 at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	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. NWC Email is one of the colored links at the top of my.nwciowa.edu	24	25 REMINDER First semester billings are sent to your NWC email account. Payment in full is due Aug. 1. (Or, if you've applied to be on a monthly payment plan, payment will be withdrawn electronically on July 25.)	26	27
28	29	30 DUE ACT/SAT scores and your final HS transcripts must be recorded at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu DEADLINE: DEADLINE: IO be considered for the Iowa Tuition Grant, complete the FAFSA by July 1 fafsa.ed.gov	NOTES:			

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### **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 and residence life staff will review your housing application information and pair you with someone you're likely to get along with. Visit nwciowa.edu/residence-life for more information, including room dimensions and furniture layout.

### **Packing list**

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

- Bedding (80-inch/XL twin mattress)
- Bath towels and toiletries
- Hangers
- Laundry basket, detergent, dryer sheets
- Power strip w/ surge protector
- 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. Visit nwciowa.edu/what2bring.

### Ordering textbooks

When you know what your fall courses will be, visit nwciowa.edu/registrar and choose the Fall 2020 option under Course offerings on the right. Find your courses in the list and click the Books button along the left to see what textbooks you will need. (To find your fall course schedule, at my.nwciowa.edu choose Academics at the top.) To order your textbooks, visit bookstore.nwciowa.edu.





# **JULY 2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTES:			<b>1</b> <b>DEADLINE:</b> <b>IOWANS</b> To be considered for the lowa Tuition Grant, complete the FAFSA by July 1 fafsa.ed.gov	2 REMINDER Submit your emergency medical contact, emergency evacuation plan and immunization forms by July 15 at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	<b>3</b> <b>REMINDER</b> Selection of your preferred meal plan is due Aug. 15 via My Checklist at my.nwciowa.edu	4
5 REMINDER Include your cell phone number at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	<b>6</b> <b>REMINDER</b> Check that your HS transcript, AP scores, and ACT/SAT scores have been received by NWC at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	7 INFORMATION Northwestern's 2020-21 catalog is online at catalog.nwciowa.edu	8	<b>9</b> INFORMATION If you plan to park a vehicle on campus, it must be registered via My Checklist at my.nwciowa.edu	10 REMINDER First semester tuition payment is due in full Aug. 1. (Or, if you've applied to be on a monthly payment plan, payment will be withdrawn electronically on July 25.)	11
12	13 PARENT INFO Order a birthday cake for your student. Visit nwciowa. edu/birthdaycake and follow the instructions on the form.	14 PARENT INFO If you need accommodations in Orange City, review your options at nwciowa.edu/ hotels	<b>15</b> <b>DUE</b> Submit your emergency medical contact, emergency evacuation plan and immunizations forms at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu	16	17	<b>18</b> <b>REMINDER</b> Report your outside scholarship sources and amounts. Choose Financial Aid at the top and Outside Scholarships on the left to access the form at <b>my.nwciowa.edu</b>
19	20 REMINDER NWC provides support for students with learning disabilities. Submit your disability documentation by Aug. 20 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.	<b>25</b> <b>DUE</b> If you're on a monthly tuition plan, your first payment is withdrawn electronically. Payment is required to maintain your registration.
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### Orientation weekend Aug. 21-24 | nwciowa.edu/orientation

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. We'll send you orientation details in August. You can also visit nwciowa.edu/orientation. If you have questions related to orientation or moving to campus, contact Alli in the student life office: alli.denboer@nwciowa.edu or 712-707-7200.







### You've got mail

At my.nwciowa.edu choose Student Life at the top and Residence Life 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 51041

### August 21 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. 21, 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 Alli in the student life office by Aug. 14: alli.denboer@nwciowa.edu or 712-707-7200. *Subject to change*.

# **AUGUST 2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTES:						<b>1</b> <b>DUE</b> First semester payment is due in full if you're not on a monthly payment plan. At my.nwciowa.edu choose Billing Information at the top and click the View/Pay Bill button to make a payment online.
2 REMINDER Check your Northwestern email account. NWC Email is one of the colored links at the top of my.nwciowa.edu	<b>3</b> <b>REMINDER</b> At my.nwciowa.edu choose My Checklist at the top to see if anything on the list still needs your attention.	4 <b>REMINDER</b> Direct deposit authorization for student employment earnings is due. At my.nwiowa.edu choose Workstudy at the top and Study Payroll on the left.	5	6	<b>7</b> <b>REMINDER</b> If you'll need transportation from an airport to campus this month, make arrangements with Alli in the student life office by Aug. 14 alli.denboer@nwciowa.edu	8
9	10	11	<b>12</b> <b>PARENT INFO</b> Order a birthday cake for your student. Visit nwciowa. edu/birthdaycake and follow the instructions on the form.	13	<b>14</b> <b>DEADLINE</b> If you'll need transportation from an airport to campus, make arrangements with Alli in the student life office alli.denboer@nwciowa.edu	<b>15</b> <b>DUE</b> Selection of your preferred meal plan is due. Choose Student Life at the top and Campus Dining, then Meal Plans on the left at my.nwciowa.edu
16	17	18	19	20 DUE Submit your learning disability documentation at nwciowa.edu/disability- services Apply to work for the NWC phonathon at nwciowa.edu/call4nwc	21 ORIENTATION New students may begin moving into their residence hall rooms at noon. For a full schedule of the weekend's events, visit nwciowa.edu/orientation	22 ORIENTATION nwciowa.edu/orientation
23 ORIENTATION 30	24 ORIENTATION 31	25 CLASSES BEGIN Opening convocation takes place in Christ Chapel at 11:05 a.m. DUE If you're on a monthly tuition plan, payment is withdrawn electronically.	26	27	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
- 2 doses of Varicella vaccine Meningococcal Quadrivalent (for students in residence halls or apartments), Serogroup B
- Tdap vaccine
- Tetanus booster (if one has not been administered in the past 10 years)

We also recommend you get the flu and meningococcal vaccines. 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.

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







### Health forms due July 15

All new full-time students must report their immunizations. These forms are available at My Checklist on my.nwciowa.edu:

- Report your Immunizations
- Emergency Medical Contact

• Campus Evacuation Information Send the immunization form to:

Alli Den Boer, Student Life Northwestern College 101 7th St. SW Orange City, IA 51041 Signed copies can also be faxed or emailed: 712-707-7228 or alli.denboer@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 Training Forms available at nwcraiders.com under "Inside Athletics" (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, and each residence hall has its own beloved traditions like Fern's all-hall pajama bowling and Hospers' duct-tape-and-cardboardarmor battle.

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.





Raider Nation Celebration Sept. 18-19 | Homecoming & Parents Weekend nwciowa.edu/homecoming



### **Campus employment**

Most students are employed at some time during their NWC education. 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. Bring those–along with 2 forms of ID\*–to the human resources/payroll office in Zwemer Hall sometime during orientation weekend in August. (\*your driver's license and either your SS card or birth certificate; if you have a passport then only that form of ID is required)

### 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.







### **Christian formation**

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 as well as other worship and discipleship opportunities. Visit nwciowa.edu/ faith for details.



### **Christmas break**

Exams conclude on Thursday, Dec. 17, and dorms close for Christmas break at 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 18. Please make your holiday travel plans accordingly. Residence halls reopen Monday, Jan. 4, 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.





- 16. Hospers Hall
- 17. Tennis Courts (outdoor)
- 18. Locker Room/Concession Stand

29. DeWitt Physical Fitness Center 30. Rowenhorst Student Center

31. Juffer Athletic Fieldhouse

26. DeWitt Center (cafeteria)

- 3. DeWitt Family Science Center
- 8. DeWitt Learning Commons
- 10. DeWitt Music Hall

25. Vermeer Dining Room

18. Locker Room/Concession Stand

20. Maintenance Building

6. North Suites

12. Zwemer Hall (Administration)

### Campus directory | nwciowa.edu/directory

### Academic support & disability services

Dr. Tom Truesdell, director 712-707-7045 | tomtrues@nwciowa.edu Marie Jeppesen, learning disabilities 712-707-7454 | marie.jeppesen@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

### **Business office**

Mariah McKinney, student accounts manager 712-707-7125 | mariah.mckinney@nwciowa.edu Zwemer Hall, 1st floor nwciowa.edu/business-office

### Campus ministry/chaplain

Tanya Vaas, assistant 712-707-7207 | tanya.vaas@nwciowa.edu Ramaker Center, 1st floor nwciowa.edu/faith

Career development Dr. Elizabeth Pitts, director 712-707-7225 | career@nwciowa.edu Ramaker Center, 1st floor nwciowa.edu/career-development

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** 712-707-7131 | 712-707-7165 (fax) finaid@nwciowa.edu Zwemer Hall, 2nd floor nwciowa.edu/financial-aid

### Intercultural services

Dr. 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 712-707-7147 | 712-707-7175 (fax) registrar@nwciowa.edu Ramaker Center, 1st floor nwciowa.edu/registrar

### Student life & residence life

Alli Den Boer, assistant 712-707-7200 | fax: 712-707-7228 alli.denboer@nwciowa.edu Ramaker Center, 2nd floor nwciowa.edu/campus-life

### Wellness & health

Alli Den Boer, summer assistant

712-707-7200 | fax: 712-707-7228 alli.denboer@nwciowa.edu Lila Simmelink, school year assistant 712-707-7321 | wellness@nwciowa.edu Rowenhorst Student Center nwciowa.edu/wellness





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