A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

The staff in the Division of Student Affairs have been working diligently to adjust programs and services to meet the new academic timeline. The Student Affairs calendar will be available in the next couple of days. It is full of exciting events and activities that we have planned for all our students. I encourage you to attend as many events as possible, be it virtually or in-person. This will ensure that you will have a memorable spring semester. The latest information about the Omicron variant, coupled with the measures that we have taken, make me confident that we will soon return to operations like this past Fall semester.

As always, it a is pleasure to serve as your Vice President for Student Affairs. Our goal is to create the best experience for students that is humanly possible, so stay safe and let us know how we can be of service.

Take care and Go Norse!

Eddie J. Howard, Ed.D.  
Vice President for Student Affairs
Meet
Julie Hellmann

Julie Hellmann is a social work student at NKU and the first field placement social work student to join the NKU Police Department.

Julie is pursuing her bachelor's degree in Social Work. She was born and raised in Northern Kentucky and will be considered an NKU alumnus once she graduates in May 2022. She has a huge passion for lending a helping hand and finding ways to bring positivity to the table. She loves to visit with family and friends and explore new places. One goal that she would like to set for herself in the future is to travel to all 50 states and step out of her comfort zone.

Julie will be out and about with NKU Police officers throughout the Spring term. Make sure you say hi and ask her more about her role with NKU Police.

A NEW APPROACH TO POLICING
Embedding social work professionals into police work

There has been a national trend to embed social work professionals into police work. While this is not a new concept, it is a new opportunity for the NKU Police Department. Cities around the country (one of the earliest being Alexandria, KY) have added social service professionals to their departments with exceptional results. According to Dr. Jay Miller, Dean of the College of Social Work at the University of Kentucky, "The same way that social workers are not trained to deal with certain quote-unquote police-type issues, police are also not trained to deal with some of these social work type issues...You think a lot about social problems that we may criminalize or have historically criminalized (like homelessness and substance abuse). We need to think about how to put into play and how to invest in service provisions that allow for an adequate response to those types of things."

The NKU Police department believes in the benefit of partnering with social workers to provide the best service to our community. NKUPD is excited to announce we have our first field placement social work student joining our team this semester. NKUPD hopes this is just the beginning of their partnership with the College of Social Work. This is another way our department can support not only our students' academic goals but also give our community wraparound care.

NKU Police is invested in connecting with students, faculty, and staff at Northern Kentucky University. The Community Relations Team seeks to create a safe and fun environment through teamwork and education for the entire NKU community. Offering programs such as Crime Prevention, Rape Aggression Defense Training, The Citizen’s Police Academy and many more opportunities. To learn more about outreach efforts from NKU Police, visit their website or reach out to schedule a meeting with someone from the Community Relations Team.

NKU Police Community Outreach

January is Stalking Awareness Month. The most common stalking behaviors experienced by college students include unwanted voice/text messages, unwanted emails or social media messages, and being approached or having the other person show up unexpectedly. Follow Norse Violence Prevention on Instagram and/or Facebook throughout January for more information on stalking, resources, and safety tips.
NEW STUDENT AFFAIRS STAFF

University Housing

Sadeja Harper  
Residence Life Coordinator, Northern Terrace

Haley Jacobs  
Residence Life Coordinator, New Residence Hall

Kyendreck Scott  
Quarantine Specialist

Housing Updates

Housing Renewal
Students who currently live on campus are able to select their rooms for next academic year beginning on Jan. 18, 2022. Go to your housing portal, complete the application, and follow the steps to select your room for Fall 2022!

Same room sign up  
Jan. 18 - Jan. 24

General upper-division room selection  
Starts Jan. 26

Norse Violence Prevention
Room Changes and Meal Plan Changes
Resident students can change their meal plans through Jan. 21, 2022 through their housing portal. Meanwhile, room change applications are open on Jan. 31, 2022, with the first group of room changes approved the week of Feb. 7, 2022.

Learn more about University Housing staff
Learn more about Campus Recreation staff
Learn more about Counseling staff
Learn more about NVP staff
Parents Attending College

The Parents Attending College Holiday Help program wrapped up in December and we hosted our holiday party. PAC had 36 student parent families register for assistance this year, with a total of 130 individuals. Thanks to the generous sponsors, all individuals received at least one gift this year. Our donors consisted of 17 departments, countless individual faculty and staff, and students, like the Biology students who conducted a cookie fundraiser in order to purchase gifts, and Judy from Upward Bound who worked with their high school students to collect donations. I have been truly touched by the generosity of all my co-workers and seeing the difference it makes in the lives of our student parents makes me proud to be a NORSE! Below are some of the photos from our holiday party.

Center for Student Engagement

Ornaments for Sale in Support of 2022 Homecoming!
Get your limited edition NKU Ornaments today! There is a limited supply, so be sure to get them before they are all gone! All proceeds go back into the Homecoming Fund. These will make a great stocking stuffer for next year.

To purchase a limited edition NKU Ornament, please visit https://nku.eventsair.com/studentengagement/purchase

$18/SET
LIMITED QUANTITY!

Student Affairs Calendar

Check out the Spring 2022 Student Affairs Events Calendar, now available electronically on the Student Affairs website.

Student Affairs Calendars
Campus Recreation

Membership Sale Extended
Because of the recent closure, we have extended the Membership Sale. Get 22% off all annual memberships purchased before March 1, 2022.

Spring Norse Fitness Schedule
Visit our website for the Spring Fitness Schedule. We have in-person and virtual classes. All classes are free! Try one today!

Intramural Sports
Sign up online today!

Basketball Preseason Tournament (1-day tournament)
Registration deadline is Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Basketball League
Registration deadline is Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Wiffleball League
Registration deadline is Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Floor Hockey Preseason Tournament
Registration deadline is Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Floor Hockey
Registration deadline is Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Welcome our new team members!
Rochelle Shields is the new Associate Director for Facilities. Rochelle joins our team from the NKU Housing staff and oversees all Campus Rec facilities and reservations. Please contact Rochelle with any facility concerns or reservation questions at shieldsr3@nku.edu or (859) 572-6024.

Adam Parks is the new Facility Coordinator. Adam joins us from the Jacobs Aquatic Center in Key Largo, FL, overseeing the CRC Facility operations and staff. Please reach out to Adam for any CRC facility concerns or questions at parksa4@nku.edu or (859) 572-1346.

The Early Learning Campus at NKU is now Empower Learn Create

Empower Learn Create has two locations:

Northern Kentucky University Location
(859) 572-6338
info@empowerlearncreate.org

University of Cincinnati Location
(513) 961-2825
info@empowerlearncreate.org

Do you enjoy working with young children? Are you looking for a Part-Time position that fits within your class schedule?

Apply to work at Empower Learn Create!
We offer flexible schedules and competitive wages. Positions available at our NKU and UC locations.
Hours available
Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM.

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