Commencement Information

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Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.
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We hope your student had an enjoyable Spring Break and has returned to campus ready for the final stretch of this academic year. April is an exciting time of year in Residential Life and Housing as we begin the 24-25 Housing Selection process and put the final touches on a variety of exciting programs and events happening in these last few weeks of the semester. Please take note of the following upcoming important dates for your student:

Late-April: 2024-2025 Housing and Meal Plan Assignment official letters sent to students’ NEC emails.

Friday, May 10th: Deadline to sign up for Summer Housing. The cost is $1,500 for each 7-week term. There is no meal plan service available during the summer term.

Thursday, May 16th @ 7PM: Residence Halls close for all students, except for graduating seniors and approved summer housing residents.

Sunday, August 25th: Returning Student Move-In for Fall 2024 semester. RAs, Peer Leaders, Diversity Ambassadors, and Fall Athletes should consult their supervisor or coach for their fall move-in information.
Tips for the Final Stretch

We're in the final weeks of the semester—that's right; by the time you're reading this, we have just a handful of weeks left. Spring might finally be approaching (after winter decided it wasn't quite over with us!), and while it's tempting to ease up and itch for summer, we want students to finish strong. Here are a few tips for helping your student get through the next few weeks and head into summer.

Assess:
Now's the time to take stock of where everything stands at this moment in time in order to plan for improvement or continued success. Questions to consider asking:
· How is the semester going at this point?
· Have you checked your midsemester grades?
· How do you feel about your progress and achievement at this point? Are you where you want to be? If no, what's standing in the way?
· How is your current plan of study progressing? Do you check Degree Works to see the progress you're making toward your degree and note what's missing?
· Do you need to plan to take any summer term courses?

Plan:
Once students have a sense of the current situation (see above!), now's the time to think about charting out the remaining six weeks. Consider these questions:
· What upcoming assignments do you have in each of your classes?
· Which of those assignments are “big” assignments and/or weighted heavily?
· Are there any supports you need to put into place between now and the end of the semester—for example, a meeting with your professor(s)? Tutoring sessions with WASC? Study groups?
· Are you all set for next semester's courses? Summer term?

Implement:
Now that they've figured out where they are and what's needed over the remaining weeks, it's time to put the plans into action! Now is the time for students to:
· Schedule tutoring sessions for final papers or exams
· Set up meetings with professors
· Make use of professors' office hours
· Set up a schedule for completing remaining assignments
· Do the best they can!

Evaluate:
As the weeks tick by, take some time to check in with your student. As the end of the semester nears, students may start to feel overwhelmed and/or restless. Remind them they're nearly there—and there's a community of professionals ready and able to help them every step of the way!
Our Associate Professor of Politics, Nathan R. Shrader, PhD, took his class on a "Politics of the Civil Rights Movement" trip over Spring Break. They enjoyed exploring Memphis, TN, Mississippi in Clarksdale, Tutwiler, Parchman, Drew, Cleveland, and Indianola. They had a crash course in civil rights politics with civil rights leader Charles McLaurin; SNCC coordinator, Fannie Lou Hamer friend and Campaign Manager. They also took a trip to the Mississippi State Capitol and laid flowers at the gravesite of Fannie Lou and Pap Hamer.
Scotland Immersion Trip

Assistant Professor of History, Dr. Craig Gallagher, and Associate Professor of Education, Dr. Jessica Morris took ten students to Edinburgh, Scotland for an immersion trip.

Highlighted Activities and Visits Included:
HolyRood House: The King's official residence in Edinburgh and the home of Scottish royal history; The National Museum of Scotland; The Capital Theatre to see the musical Hamilton; Edinburgh Castle; An underground ghost story tour event.

Students also presented at the University of Edinburgh: The Power of Storytelling in Educational Settings
This session brought together students and faculty from New England College and Moray House School of Education and Sport at the University of Edinburgh, to explore the role of storytelling in intercultural communications and the implications for educational practice and policy in national and international contexts. Students shared their understanding and experiences of the role of storytelling in the following areas: Cultural dialogue, intercultural competence, transformational learning, inclusiveness in teaching and learning and respect for cultural differences.
Criminal Justice DC Immersion Trip

This is a group photo taken at the Prince William County Virginia Police Department. Shown in the photo are the CJ Seniors on the trip, NEC CJ faculty along with Chief Peter Newsham. The visit included the seniors being addressed by Chief Newsham, and having several presentations by officers from specialized units, including the Gang Unit and also the Drone Unit. Afterwards, the seniors were given a tour of the Central Division headquarters. During the week as well, CJ seniors were able to have ride alongs with Prince William County officers.

This is a photo of students and faculty at the DC Metro Harbor Patrol Unit. The unit patrols the Potomac River and oversees the numerous marinas located in the District of Columbia. The Harbor Patrol Unit has a fleet of approximately 20 vessels, which range from jet skis to airboats. Students were able to go out with officers into the Potomac aboard several of the vessels.

This is a photo of students and faculty at the DC Metropolitan Training Academy with DC Metro Officer Anthony Gramieri and his K-9 'Miko'. Officer Gramieri is a 2011 NEC graduate who participated in the DC trip in his senior year at NEC.
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The Wellness Center runs weekly health promotion events for the students. These events aim to help students make informed decisions regarding their health and wellbeing.

This last month we explored 3 topics:

- **Ducks in a Row**: The rubber ducks were a visual reminder for students to prepare for a safe Spring Break, especially regarding alcohol and partying.
- **Sleep Hygiene**: college students notoriously lack sleep. These tips set up people for a successful rest. We enjoyed hot, decaffeinated tea and cocoa.
- **CRAAP Test**: this researched tool helps people critically think about information they see and decide whether the information is reliable.
At the half-way point in the semester, the workload increases in many classes: papers, projects, and presentations—oh, my! Procrastination is the bane of a college student's existence. Just as with the end of fall semester, encourage your student to utilize campus resources (Wellness, Writing and Academic Support Center, Academic Advising, Peer Success Coaches, Mentoring), and plan ahead as much as possible. Breaking assignments into manageable parts can reduce overwhelm. Agendas and To Do Lists (via apps or paper) may seem “old school”, but they can be effective tools for organization and time management. Communication with professors is a key element for academic success. Encourage your student to meet with their professor(s) during office hours for additional help, and answers to questions. Seniors are no doubt counting the days until Commencement, but now is not the time to become complacent. You're almost there, and a lot can happen in these remaining weeks. That diploma you've been working so hard for, is within your grasp. You got this!

Sports and Recreation facilitate New England Youth Soccer Event

On Saturday, April 6th, some members of the NEC Sports and Rec Club took a trip down to Gillette Stadium to help facilitate a New England Youth Soccer event held inside of the stadium. The trip included a tour of the new lighthouse, the offices of the New England Revolution Staff, and tickets to the game vs Charlotte F.C.
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Diversity and Inclusion Newsletter
April 8th 2024
Come gather At Our Table

New England College
Afro Beat and the Arts Coloring Event

AFROBEATS & COLORING
EVERYONE IS INVITED!

COFFEHOUSE MARCH 13 @ 7:30 - 9:00 PM

CULTURAL SHARING THROUGH THE ARTS
MARCH’S EVENTS HOSTED BY THE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

HAPPY Women’s HISTORY MONTH

Women’s achievements were celebrated throughout the month of March

SISTERHOOD

A group that meets weekly to support each other. They have a weekly project to provide resources for women on campus

Diversity and Inclusion Podcast
Students Sharing their cultural Heritages
Upcoming Events

The following are upcoming events hosted by the Office of Diversity and Inclusion:

• Holi Festival

• Multicultural Festival/Arts and Culture Presentations

• Weekly Ambassador Support Program and Bi-Weekly Ambassador Training Program

• Day of Silence

• LGBTQIA+ Prom

• ODI Day
MARCH HIGHLIGHTS

CRUNCH LAB WITH GENERAL MILLS

It was great fun providing students with creative and customizable snacking options with General Mills for some cereal madness.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY

Everyone was Irish for our St. Patty’s Day dinner event. Corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and leprechaun water was on the menu and it was delicious! We gave out hats, glasses, and beads to make the event even more fun!
THOUGHTFUL
Join us for fun, food, and self-care!

DIY MINI HERB GARDEN
Social House | April 18th | 11:30am

NEC DINING INFO
We offer a “We Proudly Serve” Starbucks location on campus in the Lyons Center. Order ahead with BOOST mobile app. Now serving pizza.

NEC DINING NEWSLETTER

SOCIAL HOUSE @ GILMORE

CINNON CHURRO FRENCH TOAST STICKS
7.49

KICKSTART THE MORNING
Add a juice to your yogurt for a better breakfast!

COLD, CREAMY, CARAMEL
Take advantage of this bonus offer and add Flex/Pilgrim $’s to your student account. Fast, easy & tax-free. Visit dineoncampus.com/nec

SIMON GRILL & BOOST SPECIALS

DOWN TO EARTH

Bread with a side of banana and chocolate swirl

STARBUCKS HOT CHICKEN TENDERS
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