

STAYING CONNECTED

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Welcome to “**Staying Connected**,” designed to keep parents, guardians and caregivers (hereby referred to as parents) informed of important matters. Our goal is to keep you linked, knowledgeable and up to date.

It is mid-term and the semester is almost over. Important dates for the second half of spring 2010 semester are as fol-

lows:

***March 26**—Last Day to Drop a Course

***March 29**—**August 27**—Registration for Summer and Fall 2010 Semester

***April 30**—Classes End

***May 1—7**—Final Examination Period

***May 8**—Commencement

If you are looking

for deadlines and information about Commencement, the May 2010 Commencement Information Booklet is now online at <http://www.nsu.edu/commencement/booklet/index.html>.

Beginning Monday, May 10—Friday, July 30, NSU will have a 4-day work week. The University will be open from 7 a.m.—6 p.m. Monday—Thursday.

DO YOU HAVE A MAY 2010 GRADUATE?

In preparation for the Spring 2010 Commencement, the NSU Bookstore will hold a Commencement Fair on Tuesday, March 30 from 11 a.m.—6 p.m., and Wednesday, March

31 from 11 a.m.—3 p.m. in the New Student Center. Encourage your graduate to take the time to review and prepare to order all graduation items. The Fair will feature aca-

ademic regalia, diploma frames and alumni gifts. As a special gift, **Framing Success** will offer a 15% discount on diploma frames purchased during the Commencement Fair.

NSU STUDENT NEWSPAPER WINS AWARDS

The **Spartan Echo** received three Excellence in Journalism Awards at the 12th Annual HBCU Student News Media Conference in Jackson, MS February 11—14. The Excellence in Journalism Awards are open to all HBCUs in the

United States and the Virgin Islands and allows students to compete against each other in various categories of journalism, almost like an HBCU journalism Olympics.

This year, the **Spartan Echo** won 1st place for Online

Video for a second year in a row, and 1st place in a new category: Online Multimedia Package. The Echo won 2nd Place in the Student Newspaper Website category.

Take a few moments to review spartanecho.com.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TRACK TEAM

The NSU men's and women's track team recently won their respective Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference indoor championships. The Spartans are the first school to sweep the MEAC since

2003.

The victory was the MEAC-record fifth straight for the Spartan men, who also set a meet record by scoring 188 points. Coach Kenneth Giles was named the MEAC Men's Most

Outstanding Coach.

The indoor championship was the first for the NSU women since 2000. Coach Rhonda Berard was named the MEAC Women's Outstanding Coach.

NEW STUDENT CENTER FEATURED

The New Student Center at NSU was recently featured nationally in **The Bulletin** magazine, a publication of the Association of College Unions International. The spotlight

centered on the New Student Center's many amenities including the newly designed fitness center, gaming room, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, diverse meeting rooms,

computer lab and much more. The article discussed the center's programming as being key to student engagement.

Be sure to visit the Center upon your return to campus.

SUMMER 2010 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Mini-Term A

Registration—March 29—
May 14

Class Cancellation—May
14

**Classes Begin/Late Regis-
tration**—May 17

**Last Day to Drop a Course
and Receive 100% Re-
fund**—May 20

**Last Day to Register and
Add Courses**—May 21

**Last Day to Drop a Course
and Receive 50% Refund**—
May 25

Memorial Day Holiday—
May 31

Last Day to Drop—June 15

Last Day of Classes—June
24

Final Examination—June
25

Please visit [www.nsu.edu/
registrar/calendars](http://www.nsu.edu/registrar/calendars) for
additional information.

Mini-Term A
May 17—June 25,
2010
(6 Week Term)

Mini Term B
June 28—July 23,
2010
(4 Week Term)

IT IS TIME TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Now is the time to complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** (FAFSA) for the academic year 2010-2011. The FAFSA must be completed by all students wishing to receive finan-

cial aid.

The process is as easy as 1—2—3...

1. Gather necessary documents
2. Complete the FAFSA online
3. Students and parents (dependent

students): Sign FAFSA electronically with a PIN

www.fafsa.ed.gov

TIMING IS IMPORTANT

Completing the financial aid application process is vital in ensuring that your student is considered for all forms of financial aid. Students are awarded

based on their eligibility and the availability of funds at the time of awarding. Although a student may have eligibility to receive certain aid types, these monies may be de-

pleted by the time the awarding process takes place.

Please visit [www.nsu.edu/
financialaid](http://www.nsu.edu/financialaid) to view **The Financial Aid Information Guide.**

FINANCIAL AID PRIORITY DEADLINE

March 15

School Code—003765

<http://www.nsu.edu/financialaid>

Need to Email a Financial Aid Counselor?

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dlblount@nsu.edu

Last Names Beginning With
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 Norfolk, Virginia 23504
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Thank you for visiting our Customer Care webpage. We hope that you have enjoyed this issue of "Staying Connected," a newsletter designed just for you. Be sure to let us know of articles you would like to see in upcoming issues.

Our goal is to provide you with the ultimate customer care experience. Please know that as our partner in education, you are valued, appreciated, and important to us. May we help you?

Let's stay connected!

We want to exceed your expectations!

**CAMPUS DIRECTORY
 757 AREA CODE**

ACADEMIC SCHOOLS and COLLEGES

School of Business— 823-8920

School of Education— 823-8701

College of Liberal Arts—823-8118

College of Science , Engineering and Technology—823-8180

School of Social Work—823-8668

Honors College - 823-8208

ADMIN. SERVICES

Admissions—823-8396

Bookstore—823-2037

Career Services—823-8462

Cashier's Office—823-8545

Counseling Center—823-8173

Disability Svcs.—823-2014

Financial Aid—823-8381

First Year Experience—823-8507

Graduate Studies—823-8015

Housing - 823-8407

Judicial Affairs—823-8222

Library—823-2418

Post Office—823-8332

Registrar - 823-2330

Student Accounts—823-8381

Student Center—823-8200

University Police—823-8102

Veteran Affairs—823-2586