STAYING CONNECTED is your online resource of news and information as a Spartan Parent or Family Member!
The ἀγογή was the rigorous education and training program which involved cultivating loyalty to Ancient Sparta. It included military training, dancing, singing, and social preparation. The aim of the system was to produce strong and capable warriors to serve in the Spartan army. It was prestigious throughout the Greek world, and many aristocratic families from other cities sought to send their sons to Sparta to participate in the ἀγογή for varying periods of time. The Spartans were very selective in which young men they would permit to enroll.

Similarly, Norfolk State University was very selective in its admission of Spartans to our great institution. AGOGE Week is a collaborative effort between the Divisions of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, along with Academic Affairs. As NSU’s Welcome Week, it provides an opportunity to assist students with their transition to college life. Students are exposed to educational and social programming in an effort to provide information about the academic experience, campus resources, college life, living in a residential environment (on-campus students), and navigating their way as commuting students (where applicable). For many of our freshmen students, this will be their first time away from home. Hence, AGOGE WEEK is an excellent way to meet new people and adjust to college life among their peers!

Our complete calendar of events for AGOGE WEEK is forthcoming. Please encourage your Spartan to ask for more details.
SCHOOL DAZE!

Fall 2019 Academic Calendar

Friday, August 23 - Saturday 24: Departmental Advising and Registration
Monday, August 26: Classes Begin/Late Registration
Friday, August 30: Deadline for Late Registration/Adding Classes or Declaring Audit
Friday, August 30: Mini-Term 1A/1C Deadline for Late Registration/Adding Courses or Declaring Audit
Friday, August 30: Deadline to Drop a Course and Receive 100% Refund (19/1 and Mini-Term 1A/1C)

Monday, September 2: Labor Day Holiday (No Classes)
Monday, September 16 - September 21: Mini-Term 1A/1C Advisory Grades Due (7-week session)
Thursday, September 19: Founders Day Celebration
Friday, September 20: Deadline to Apply for December 2019 Graduation
Monday, September 23 - Saturday, September 28: At the 6th Week First Advisory Grades Due (16-week session)

Monday, October 7 - Saturday, October 12: Mini-Term Grading for Graduate Courses
Thursday, October 17 - Friday, October 18: Fall Break (No Classes)
Saturday, October 19: Mini-Term 1B/1D (Classes Begin)
Friday, October 25: Mini-Term 1B/1D Deadline for Late Registration/Adding Courses or Declaring Audit
Friday, October 25: Deadline to Drop a Course and Receive 100% Refund (Mini-Term 1B/1D)
Monday, October 28 - Saturday, January 11: Registration for Spring 2020 Semester Begins
Monday, October 28 - Saturday, November 2: At the 10th Week, Second Advisory Grades Due (16-week session)

Friday, November 1: Deadline to Drop a Course (19/1, 19/B, and 19/D)
Monday, November 11 - Saturday, November 16: Mini-Term 1B/1D Advisory Grades Due (7-week session)
Wednesday, November 27: Reading Day (No Classes)
Thursday, November 28 - Sunday, December 1: Thanksgiving Break

Monday, December 2: Classes Resume
Wednesday, December 4: Final Grades Due for December 2019 Graduates
Friday, December 6: Classes End (Last Day to Withdraw from the University without Academic Penalty)
Saturday, December 7 - Friday, December 13: Final Examination Period
Saturday, December 14: Commencement
Tuesday, December 17: Deadline to Report Final Grades
The Norfolk State University Police Department is committed to serving and protecting Sparta. Our officers are responsible for the safety and security of all members of the University community. The term “campus crime” tends to bring to mind a few obvious crimes, such as bicycle thefts or textbook thefts. Certainly, these thefts can and do prove very costly to victims. But a realization that any crime that occurs in society can and does occur on a college or university campus puts your student one step closer to avoid being a victim. Most crimes can be deterred, if not entirely prevented, by developing simple habits and performing certain tasks. Please discuss the tips below with your student which may reduce their chances of being victimized.

CALL FOR HELP!
* Dial (757) 823-8102/8103 and report any suspicious behavior. Also dial 911 if necessary.

VEHICLES
* Lock your doors anytime you leave your car.
* Do not leave valuables in plain view.

RESIDENCE HALLS/APARTMENTS/HOUSES
* Lock your door and carry your key with you at all times.
* Always know who is at your door and the reason for their visit before opening your door.
* Do not leave doors propped open.

GENERAL SAFETY TIPS
* Engrave valuables with serial numbers through the Norfolk State University Police Department.
* Keep emergency telephone numbers in your telephone.
* Make sure there is verbal and sober consent before engaging in any sexual activity.
* Use the LiveSafe App. (Please see the following page for more details.)

For a compete list of safety tips, please visit https://www.nsu.edu/publicsafety/campus-safety.
USE THE LIVESAFE APP

Here’s how your student can get the app:

Open Google Play or the Apple App Store on your phone.

Search for "LiveSafe" and download the option with the blue shield.

Tap "Sign up." Fill in your profile information and create a password.

Norfolk State University may pop-up if you are close to the campus. If so, tap "Yes." Otherwise tap "Change" to select Norfolk State University.

Remember, safety and security are everyone’s business.
Through its Financial Aid Office, Norfolk State University provides assistance to qualified students who, without such aid, would be unable to attend the University. Aid is awarded on the basis of need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

SAP Standards:
Norfolk State University is required by federal regulations to adhere to minimum standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) that relate to a student's eligibility for federal financial aid programs, state and institutional grants, scholarships, employment, and loan programs.

SAP Eligibility:
Students must meet minimum satisfactory academic progress standards in order to initially receive and to maintain eligibility for Title IV funds. The satisfactory academic progress standards apply to all students in degree-seeking programs of study who wish to be considered for financial assistance.

SAP Measurements (Quantitative):
Students must complete at least 67% of all courses attempted (for example, 11 credit hours out of 15 credit hours attempted must be passed); and courses that are not considered as "completed", but still count in this measurement are failed (F) courses, incomplete courses (I), dropped courses, and withdrawn courses (W). Students must not exceed 150% of attempted credit hours required to complete the program of study.

SAP Measurements (Qualitative):
Students must attain at least the minimum cumulative grade point average required for the number of credits earned for the academic classifications level and must make satisfactory progress towards degree completion by advancing to the next academic classification level. Failure to maintain or meet the minimum cumulative grade point average will result in the cancellation or denial of financial assistance.

It is the student's responsibility to notify the Financial Aid Office of an advanced cumulative grade point average that meets the minimum satisfactory academic progress requirement within the allotted time frame for awarding aid for the upcoming term. SAP is reviewed on an annual basis. A student may regain eligibility by attending summer school; however, payment would be the student's responsibility.

The minimum grade point average for each classification is indicated below.

Freshman: Less than 30 credit hours - GPA: 1.7 or higher
Sophomore: 30-59 credit hours - GPA: 1.8 or higher
Junior: 60-89 credit hours - GPA: 2.0 or higher
Senior: 90 credit hours - GPA: 2.0 or higher
Graduate: GPA: 3.0 or higher
Each year, thousands of students embark on their college journey on campuses across this nation with the mindset of graduating. Our goal is to provide our Spartans with the ultimate and most respectful customer care experience. We are committed to addressing comments, questions, and concerns related to your student's experience with Norfolk State University. We value feedback and seek to enhance your student's level of satisfaction. We want to exceed all expectations, for our students and their family members are valued, appreciated, and important to us.

ASSISTANCE
May we help your student resolve a matter? Simply complete the online form by visiting our website: https://surveys.nsu.edu/index.php/844158/lang-en. We will investigate your student's concern and will provide follow-up results within 48 – 72 hours, three business days. Additional time for resolution may be needed, based on the complexity of the concern, and during Registration and New Student Orientation. We welcome all suggestions and accolades.

Need Immediate Assistance? Call: 757-823-8673. Or you may visit us at the Student Services Center Suite 319.

*Note: For academic matters, please follow the academic protocol located at: Student Conduct Process, under the heading ACADEMIC MATTERS.
SAVE THESE DATES

October 4-6
Family Weekend
NSU vs. North Carolina A&T on Saturday, October 5th @ 2:00 p.m.

November 2
Homecoming
NSU vs. Morgan State @ 2:00 p.m.

Be sure to check the NSU website for more details.