### **Parent & Family Webinar** Student Mental Health & Involvement Resources



Northwestern DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE Family Engagement

# Agenda

- Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)
- Student Assistance & Support
- Services (SASS)
- Religious & Spiritual Life (RSL)
- Involvement Opportunities within Residential Services
- Office of Campus Life Involvement Opportunities



Q & A

### Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)



Garrett Gilmer, PhD Executive Director

### Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)

- Pattern of depression that occurs during specific seasons of the year (commonly winter)
- Symptoms
  - Oversleeping
  - Carbohydrate cravings
  - Weight gain
  - Social withdrawal

### **Suspected Causes**

- Changes in brain chemistry deficits in vitamin D related to less exposure to the sun
- Negative thoughts and feelings about winter and lack of access to enjoyable outdoor activities
- Northwestern can experience harsh and long winters
- Much of the main academic year overlaps with these winter months adding additional stress to already rigorous academic demands

### What to Do

- Increase sun/light exposure
- Seek treatment
- Focus on developing solid sleep/wake patterns year round
- Be intentional about social plans
- Plan experiences to look forward to
- Identify and embrace what there is to love about winter

### How Families Can Help

- Normalize, but avoid minimizing, the impact of seasons on our mood – consider speaking openly about your own experiences
- Recognize signs that the impact on your student is going beyond normal
- Familiarize yourself with resources and help direct your student to them

### Comprehensive Services



Initial Consultation & Assessment Individual & Group Therapy

Psychiatric Services

Referral Support



Mental Health Training



Crisis Response/ Management Mental Health Consultation



Community-Based

Intervention

### **Access to Services**

- Same Day Access
- Expedited Therapist Assignments
- Timely Care



### **Client Care Coordinators**

- Referral support
- Follow up and case management
- Student advocacy and coaching

## Staffing

- Nearing full capacity
- Diverse and highly skilled team



### **Contact Information**

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# Student Assistance & Support Services (SASS)

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### THE DEAN OF STUDENTS (DOS) OFFICE

- Accessible NU
- Center for Awareness Response & Education (CARE)
- Health Promotion and Wellness
- Family Engagement
- Off-Campus Life
- Office of Community Standards (OCS)
- On-Call / Crisis and Emergency Response
- Student Assistance & Support Services (SASS)

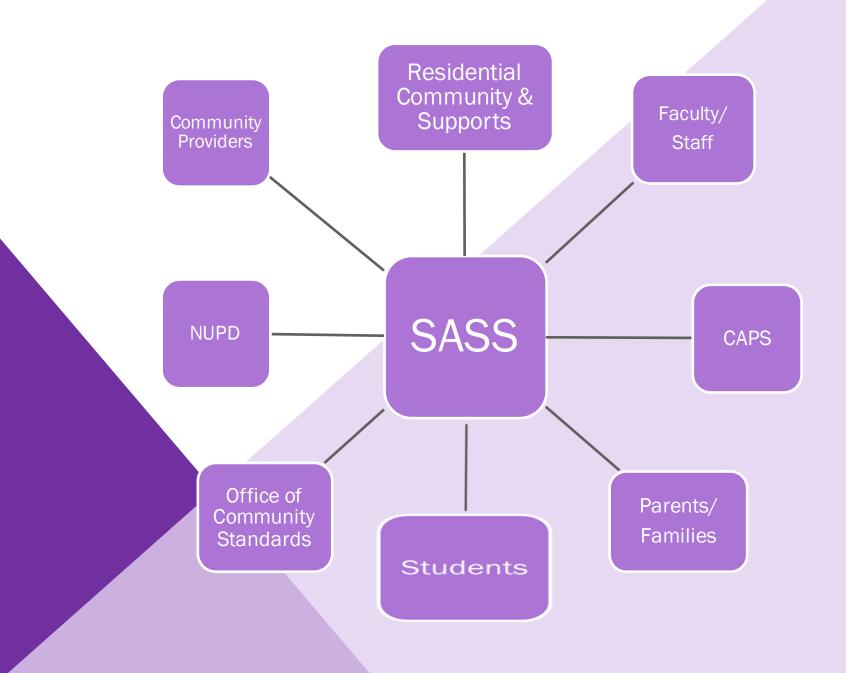
In collaboration with our partners, the Dean of Students Office serves, supports, and empowers students and other members of the Northwestern community to promote student success.

#### Student Assistance and Support Services (SASS)

Life events can interfere with a student's ability to be successful at Northwestern. When a challenging situation arises, a student or family may find it difficult to navigate the many resources and services that are available at NU. Our goal is to remove obstacles by creating a well-coordinated network of services that allow students to close the gap on any potential barriers to academic, co-curricular and social well-being.



Student Assistance and Support Services (SASS) works to assist students though any number of challenges they may face at Northwestern.



### **MEET THE STAFF**



Nicole Eggleston Watkins Associate Dean & Director



Nadim Rana Assistant Dean



Mary Goldenberg Assistant Dean



Kylie Hutchins Program Assistant



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# RELIGIOUS & SPIRITUAL LIFE

### Religious & Spiritual Life

Religious and Spiritual Life provides programs, staff, and spaces to help students explore meaning and purpose, grow in their religious or spiritual traditions, practice social justice, and create community.

We welcome all people, regardless of religious, spiritual, or secular background. We are here for you if are seeking resources in a particular faith tradition, craving more depth in your daily life, or needing a caring presence in a difficult moment.





FEBRUARY 1 TO MARCH 12 SOMETHING NEW TO DO EVERY DAY!



### Connect



you with peers who share your spiritual, religious, or non-religious identity

you with peers from different spiritual, religious, and non-religious backgrounds

you with peers who share your love of music and performance

you with other resources on campus for different aspects of well-being including mindfulness and meditation

## Support & Develop



your wellbeing through individual and confidential appointments with a staff member

your spiritual exploration and specific religious practices and holidays

your use of Alice Millar Chapel, Vail Chapel, Parkes Hall (Muslim Prayer Space, Multi-Belief and Meditation Space), and other gathering spaces on campus

your desire to engage in social justice and advocacy work

#### Partners

- Over 40 Student Religiously Affiliated Organizations
- Student Affairs Partners

#### **Campus Religious Centers**

- Canterbury House
- Northwestern Hillel
- Lutheran Campus Ministry
- Sheil Catholic Center
- University Christian Ministry

### Join the Sheil Catholic community for Mardi Gras!

Sheil Catholic Center at Northwestern University

Saturday, February 18th with in-person and online options available! Tickets & more at: sheilcatholiccenter.org/mardi





Deepening Faith - Expanding Community Celebrating 75 Years!



5:00PM Check-in opens on Norris 2 5:15PM-6:15PM Orthodox, Conservative, & Reform Services 6:15PM-6:45PM Mocktail Moment in Louis Room 7:00PM Dinner



#### WORSHIP (DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR)

Sunday Worship with Holy Communion 11:00am Supper Worship on Wednesdays 6:00pm–6:45pm (a meal and evening prayer at the table) 21theo on Wednesdays 7:00pm–8:00pm (weekly theological education hour) WITHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

### REST & RENEW february 2023

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
REST	29 11 am Welcome Back Brunch 12:15 pm Rest & Renew Retreat	30 6-7:30 pm Guided Community Labyrinth Walk 9am-10pm Open Labyrinth Walk	31 Journal Prompt: I feel peaceful when	1 Create a peaceful morning or bedtime routine	2 3:30 pm Suite Spot Takeover feat. AAIV	3 1 pm Jumu'ah 3 pm Spirituality Reading Series 4 pm Meditation	4 Create a peaceful morning or t bedtime routine
DREAM	5 Spm Alice Millar Birthday Concert 7 pm Satsang	6 6-8 pm Hosted Labyrinth Walk 9am-10pm Open Labyrinth Walk	7 Journal Prompt: Write down 5 dreams you have for yourself - big or small	8 Create a vision board	9 3:30 pm Suite Spot Takeover feat. Impact	10 (1 pm Jumu'ah) 3 pm Spirituality Reading Series 4 pm Sound Meditation 5 pm Mega Shabbat	11 Create a vision board
RESIST	12 7 pm Satsang Get some rest – go to bed early tonight	13 6-8 pm Hosted Labyrinth Walk 9am-10pm Open Labyrinth Walk	14 Write out 3 positive affirmations to repeat to yourself today	15 Take time to exercise and move your body today	16 3:30 pm Suite Spot Takeover feat. OM & YUVA	17 1 pm Jumu'ah 3 pm Spirituality Reading Series 4 pm Meditation	18 Take time to exercise and move your body today
IMAGINE	19 History Month Worship Service 7 pm Satsang	20 6-8 pm Hosted Labyrinth Walk 9am-10pm Open Labyrinth Walk	21 Start reading a new book - one that speaks to your imagination	22 12:15 pm Ash Wednesday RSL Service & Lunch 12 pm, 5 pm, 8 pm Sheil Ash Wednesday Mass	23 3:30 pm Suite Spot Takeover feat. MENA & PSA	24 1 pm Jumu'ah 3 pm Spirituality Reading Series 4 pm Meditation 4:30 pm Eestatic Dance Party	25 Visit a peaceful space and imagine how life would feel if you consistently prioritized rest

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For more information, visit: www.bit.ly/RestAndRenewNU \*full list of events and locations on second page

#### **REST DREAM RESIST IMAGINE**

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### Rest & Renew

- Spirituality Reading Series: Rest is Resistance, each Friday at 3pm at the Black House
- Labryinth Walk each Monday, Parkes Hall
- Sound Meditation: Friday, Feb. 10 at 4pm, Alice Millar Chapel
- Mega Shabbat: Friday, Feb. 10, Norris University Center-services at 5pm, meal at 7pm

## **University Chaplains**

### IN NEED OF A LISTENING EAR?



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SET UP AN APPOINTMENT WITH ONE OF OUR UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINS 847 491 7256

The University Chaplains are available to talk confidentially with anyone who would benefit from a listening ear. You do not need to belong to a religious tradition to speak with a Chaplain.

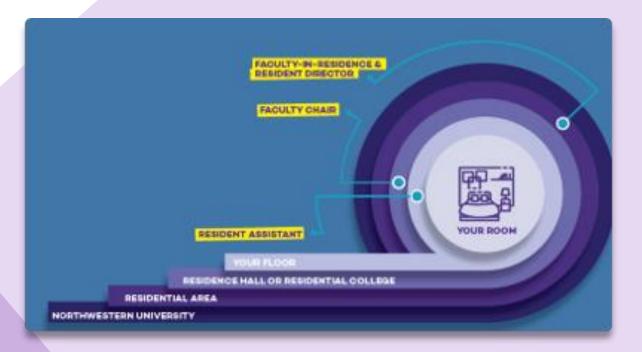
> If there is a crisis, an appointment is not necessary during office hours as you may stop by the Chapel Office (Parkes Hall 139) to visit with a Chaplain.

### Northwestern | STUDENT AFFAIRS Residential Services Office of Residential Experience



# **Getting Involved**

- Multiple levels of engagement
- Small scale events & getting to know neighbors
- Residential Colleges Resident & Non-Resident members
- Area Programming
- Student Leadership















### **Residential Areas**

## **Student Leadership**

- Area Council
- Residential College Executive Boards
- Resident Assistant







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# Northwestern STUDENT AFFAIRS

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Northwestern STUDENT AFFAIRS Student Organizations & Activities

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Q & A



### Family Ambassador Application Now Open! Due 2/17



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# **Additional questions?**

Please e-mail <u>family@northwestern.edu</u>

Webinar recording & PDF of slides will be available 2/10 at

Family Communication or bit.ly/NU-Family

# Thank you for joining us, Take Care!



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