Tuesday, October 5
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Division of Student Affairs

FALL BREAKFAST

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NEW STAFF

Derek Nettingham
Assistant Director, Multicultural Student Affairs
Campus Inclusion and Community

Margaret Smith
Assistant Director Career Management
Career Advancement

Jessica Smith
Assistant Director, Career Management
Career Advancement
NEW STAFF

Shenay Bridges-Carter  
Director, Clinical Services  
Counseling and Psychological Services

Nicholas Gensmer  
Psychology Intern,  
Counseling and Psychological Services

Kent Crick  
Psychology Intern  
Counseling and Psychological Services
Staff Shout Out

Keith Garcia

“In the last year Fraternity and Sorority Life went from an office of three full-time professionals and two grads to an office of one professional and two grads as folks transitioned to new promotions at other schools. All of this happened in the context of being in the middle of a Task Force report, several chapters being held accountable, and shifting patterns in joining. Keith Garcia has seamlessly transitioned into the Interim Director role, created a new vision for chapter coaching, and executed on strong, clear communication as we welcomed folks back into chapters. He and the FSL Grads Patrick and Abby are supporting chapters through a lot of change while still challenging them to create a new vision of what this community can be.”

- Heather Cohen
Staff Shout Out

Sarah Beatty

“A big shout out to the Access Team at CAPS, and Sarah Beatty in particular, for their efforts and collaboration toward meeting a tight deadline for a complicated project!”
Renee Cherubin

“Renee Cherubin and the COVID-19 Testing Support team has done a significant amount of work to make sure that testing on campus is a well-run and efficient operation as we welcome our students back to campus. This team has been outside with students welcoming them and ensuring they have the most updated information possible all week in addition to preparing for their return throughout the summer. We appreciate you!”
NEW STAFF

John Walsh
Psychology Intern
Counseling and Psychological Services

Haley Braun
Postdoctoral Scholar
Counseling and Psychological Services

Maya Oyarbide-Sanchez
Staff Therapist, Liaison to Latinx Students
Counseling and Psychological Services
NEW STAFF

Kendra Oyer
Director Human Resources & Administration
Division Resources

Danika Kmetz
Director Marketing & Communications
Division Services

Patrick Martin
Technical Support Specialist
Division Services
Staff Shout Out

Anne VanOsdol

“Anne has helped us make the SAM offices so fun to work in, coordinating the move, Facilities, getting furniture moved around, ideas for all of our needs, Anne consistently makes our spaces places where we want to come to every day and a place our students will feel like their own.”

-Jill Norton
Staff Shout Out

Val Buchanan

“Shout out to Val Buchanan for her steady and thoughtful work to maintain meaningful connections between our students and community partners during such a tumultuous year.”
Staff Shout Out

Jessie Payne

“While only being with Northwestern since late February, Jessie Payne has already emerged as a leader by taking on significant parts of the coordination of testing compliance. She, in concert with Lucas Christain and Renee Cherubin and those teams have built a large-scale system to make coming back onto campus as smooth and healthy as possible.”

-Heather Cohen
NEW STAFF

Matt Nerrie
Senior Athletic Trainer TBI Specialist
Health Service

Chiquita Dotson
Medical Assistant
Health Service

Jan Cauinian
Pharmacy Technician, Certified
Health Service
NEW STAFF

Thomas Meister
AV Technical Specialist
Norris University Center

Devin Hinkle
Program Assistant
Residential Services Engelhart

Evan Williams
Residence Director
Residential Services
Staff Shout Out

Ron Alexander

“Ron Alexander successfully navigated being one of the few Res Life leadership team members for most of the summer, has helped with multiple searches, several Sanctioning Panels, and training a number of new RDs. Any of one of these things could fill up a summer, but Ron managed all of them with aplomb.”

- Heather Cohen
Staff Shout Out

Jeremy Cohen

“Shout out to Jeremy Cohen for his tremendous help and leadership in the initial CAPS Return to Campus Plan which included constructing, compiling, and disseminating updated policies and procedures for CAPS staff during the pandemic. This included in-office procedures for providing best clinical care while maintaining appropriate health and safety guidelines. More recently, he has contributed to the Campus Re-Immersion Plan.”

-Fabiola Montiel
Staff Shout Out

Briana Rodriguez

“Briana Rodriguez was exceptionally fabulous in moving the Black House from 1856 Orrington to the renovated house. They ordered, received, and transported countless items needed for the facility to run. From 7 am moves to picking up lamps at Target, Briana helped with it all. I can say without hesitation that it would have been impossible without them. Thanks, Briana!!”

-Ann VanOsdol
NEW STAFF

Kenisha Walker
Medical Assistant
Health Service

Egypt Clark
Lead Medical Assistant
Health Service

Katie Luedcke
Nurse
Health Service
NEW STAFF

Sarah Loeffler
Residence Director
Residential Services

Mark Tracz
Residence Director
Residential Services

Kristen Beck
Residence Director
Residential Services
Staff Shout Out

Irene Armas

“Irene Armas epitomizes the life of the working mom. During the pandemic, she's had to deal with a very sick child and parent but she somehow managed to keep on task at work--even with all the changes in Human Resources' processes.

Shout Out to Irene.”
Staff Shout Out

Kelly Schaefer

"Shout out to Kelly Schaefer for creating space for us to express our needs."
Staff Shout Out

Bianca Bradshaw-Castillo

"Shout out to Kelly Bianca for always being so on top of hiring paperwork so our students and GAs can get up and running seamlessly!"
NEW STAFF

Steven Clark
Residence Director
Residential Services

John Jaso
Residence Director
Residential Services

Sabeeha Al sultani
Maintenance Technician
Residential Services
NEW STAFF

Victoria Tomasello
Graphic Designer
Division Services

Jorge Saldana
Maintenance Supervisor
Residential Services

Magdalena Gracia
Assistant Director, Wellbeing & Inclusion
Residential Services
Staff Shout Out

Jill Norton

"Shout out to Jill for her beautiful and responsive work on the new LDCE website!"
Staff Shout Out

Resti Miranda

"Shout out to Resti Miranda for his expert coordination of our technology and finances!"
Staff Shout Out

Brent Turner

"Shout out to Brent for his flexibility and energetic presence."
STAFF PROMOTIONS

Daviree Velázquez Phillip
Executive Director
Campus Inclusion & Community

Briana Rodriguez
Administrative Assistant
Vice President for Student Affairs

Keith Garcia
Director Fraternity & Sorority Life
Campus Life
NEW STAFF

Clint Swanson
Health Information Technician
Health Service
STAFF PROMOTIONS

Courtney Albinson
Director Sport Psychology Services
Counseling and Psychological Services

Mona Dugo
Assistant Vice President for Wellness
and Dean of Students
Dean of Students

Linda Luk
Norris Programs Manager
Norris University Center
Staff Shout Out

Val Buchanan

"Shout out to Val for an excellent Civic Engagement 101 program and for always being ready to jump in when people need support."
“I would like to Shout out Fernando Anteliz, the Assistant Director of Operations and Services and the whole Maintenance Technician team! Fernando led a team of Supervisors, LEADs and MT’s collaborating with Student & Conference Services, Residential Life, Contractors, and Vendors to adjust to the challenges and new demands that the pandemic brought. Making sure all buildings were cleaned and sanitized for those residents that remained on campus his leadership, compassion, and empathy were vital in helping all of us through the unprecedented time.”
Staff Shout Out

"Shout out to Marquise for jumping in immediately after his interview to start learning and contributing!"
STAFF PROMOTIONS

Alejandro Domínguez  
Program Coordinator  
Residential Services

Jeremy Schenk  
Associate Vice President for Operations & Services  
Vice President for Student Affairs

Colleen McMahon  
Testing Coordinator  
AccessibleNU
STAFF PROMOTIONS

Lehua McAllister
Assistant Director, Student Support
Dean of Students

Valerie Buchanan
Associate Director
Leadership Development
and Community Engagement
Staff Shout Out

Johnathan Winters

“We can't appreciate Johnathan enough. Leading us through one of the toughest periods in Residential Services Operations and Services history he was able to be a support and advocate for the whole team. Shout out to Johnathan for all your hard work!”
Joe Lattal
Associate Director
Campus Life
JOB CHANGE

Amanda Mueller
Assistant Director, Office of Residential Academic Initiatives
Residential Services
Courtney Albinson

“I want to shout out Courtney Albinson for her tireless work in directing the sport psychology team in a period of challenge and change, as well as advocating for both student and staff well-being!”
Staff Shout Out

Matthew Bonaccorso

“Congrats on a delightful summer from supervising student staff to (still) managing storage and deliveries!”
Staff Shout Out

“Shout out to Chelsea O’Neil Karcher and Alejandro Magaña for rocking their Interim Director positions in CIC!”
Staff Shout Out

“Kyle Rodriguez totally nailed his first opening in graduate housing - from preparing check-in packets to processing packages the students had a great experience because of his attention to detail!”
Staff Shout Out

Alejandro Domínguez

“Alejandro Domínguez's leadership has improved the safety and security of residential facilities. From pouring over spreadsheets to standardize processes to collaborating with partners to improve the student experience - we are in such a great place!”
Staff Shout Out

Maggie Lupton

“Maggie Lupton has been incredible as she has managed 1300+ requests from students in just a week and a half. We don't know how she does it!”
Staff Shout Out

Courtney Albinson

“Courtney for more than a year worked two jobs: she was the Interim Clinical Director for Evanston CAPS and the Associate Director of Sport Psychology. She worked incredibly hard, made sure that everything went smoothly and still remained her calm, supportive and level-headed self. She has high integrity and has an unbelievable work ethic and sense of responsibility. She put in incredible hours and fulfilled this dual role more than twice as long than initially anticipated. In that time we went through many changes and Courtney is a big part why we were able to provide services to our students and had some continuity as a unit. We all were wondering "How can she manage to do this?" She is a super star!!!!”

-Bettina Bohle-Frankel
Staff Shout Out

Jill Norton

“Thank you, Jill, for being so responsive and helpful with website updates! I have learned a lot from you in this area, and I truly appreciate your patience and support!”

-Christine DePilla
Staff Shout Out

“The Maintenance Technician team keeps things moving! They have ensured that spaces are clean & sanitized while setting up for indoor & outdoor events to support students' transitions to Northwestern. Thank you for all that you continue to do!”
Staff Shout Out

“My shout out is to the incredible SAIT team for helping make the new SAM office space come together and ready for our students to be ready to go for Fall. Every request we have had has been handled within a day and have just made themselves available while navigating their own move.

In particular, Scott Spyrisson, Steve DeDominico, Vivi Matthews, Vijay Rochwani, Jacob Wade, Allie Hoffman have all been an integral part of our excitement for having our students back in person in their new home.”

-Jill Norton
Staff Shout Out

“Fernando Anteliz, Dan Barker, & Johnathan Winters made miracles happen this summer. From refreshing/renovating 6 small houses for residents to supporting a 24/7 staff these three are amazing!”
Staff Shout Out

“Martha Sancen & Eric Vargas are incredible leaders & contributors. They are a dynamic duo with excellent communication and care for the student experience!”
“Devin Hinkle, Daniel Li, Mario Soto, & Elle Walker have done an outstanding job at the undergraduate desks & beyond! Their presence on the HOME Phone Line has increased our level of service to students & families and helped to establish Desk Clerks as forces to be reckoned with!”
Staff Shout Out

“The entire sports medicine staff deserves a shoutout for the incredible, selfless, and tireless work they have done during the pandemic. The staff went above and beyond in all ways, and they effectively managed the almost impossible task of keeping students and staff safe and performing at optimal levels!”
"Mark D'Arienzo, Katie Denny, Vina BonDurant, and Eileen Porter made miracles happen as we have 98.5% occupancy in undergraduate halls & colleges this fall! It is not easy to balance providing a high level of care to student & families with the detail-oriented nature of occupancy but they're doing it well!"
Staff Shout Out

“Thomas Roberts, Curtis Smith & Nikki Dzierzbicki have been doing an outstanding job processing 18,000 packages for residential students in just 20 days!”
Staff Shout Out

“Shout out to the entire Campus Inclusion & Community team as we continue to experience change, expansion, and possibility!”
“Shout out to my colleagues at Norris for their hard work over the last year. We've been here maintaining an in-person presence when many others were still remote. You all do great work, thank you!”
“Shout out to Kristen Glass Perez, Stephen Alltop, Eric Budzynski, and Kent Brooks.”
Staff Shout Out

Jeff Jenkins

“Jeff Jenkins for onboarding our intern, Lunden Gregory! Jeff had to modify the training and internship schedule for a hybrid work experience. He did so quickly, allowing our intern to quickly learn about NCA and our students.”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
Mary Madormo

"Mary Madormo led us through two fantastic career fair days with over 180 organizations and 3000 registered students. What a great way to start the year!"

- NCA Staff
Staff Shout Out

Tracie Thomas

“Congratulations to Tracie Thomas for being selected to teach the Internship Class at DePaul!”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
Staff Shout Out

Kim Corbin

“Kim Corbin for reopening ‘Cats Closet providing new and gently used professional attire for Northwestern students”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
Staff Shout Out

Melissa Goethals

“Melissa Goethals for leading the NCA Career Ambassador program this fall. ”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
Staff Shout Out

“Shelia Driscoll, Irene A. Armas, and Vadal Redmond for all your support of NCA and our programs including Job Location and Development, and SIGP.”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
Staff Shout Out

Jose Santos

“Jose Santos for holding evening appointment hours to increase accessibility to international, Athletes, and FGLI students.”
“Kamilah Allen, Geni Harclerode, and Tracie Thomas redesigning all of NCA’s services this fall to accommodate in-person, hybrid, and virtual modalities.”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
“NCA Staff for all of your student and employer centered work ensuring the success of Northwestern students. I am truly honored to call you colleagues.”

- Mark Presnell, Executive Director, NCA
Staff Shout Out

Elysse Longiotti

“Elysse Longiotti for her collaborative and strategic approach to working with campus partners to develop impactful career programming.”
“NCA Career Advisers and Career Counselors for prioritizing safety and wellness as we relaunched in-person appointments for students this fall.”
Staff Shout Out

Val Schoonover

“Val Schoonover for leading Northwestern’s launch of a first-ever DEI Career Fair in partnership with The Big Ten and the Midwest Association of Colleges and Employers.”
Staff Shout Out

Jess Smith Soto

“Jess Smith Soto for her amazing work on the smiles behind the mask campaign on Instagram. Thanks for jumping right in!”
“Brett Boettcher, Rachel Taylor and Laura Droste
for developing innovative programs and resources
to support the career needs of international
students during the pandemic.”
Staff Shout Out

Laura Myers
“Laura Myers for helping students in the performing arts and entertainment navigate the job and internship search in a very challenging year for those fields.”
Staff Shout Out

Lynn Page

“Lynn Page for providing guidance to so many students during a dramatic spike in law school applications last year.”
Staff Shout Out

“Beth Tucker and Brenda White for successfully managing NCA operations across hybrid, in person and virtual settings! They are an integral part of making sure everything runs smoothly for our students and employers.”
Staff Shout Out

Eleni Vartelas

“Eleni Vartelas her continued commitment to the career development of FGLI students at Northwestern.”
Staff Shout Out

Jeremy Hopkins

“Jeremy Hopkins for his continued commitment to making Handshake the best platform for our students and our employers.”
Staff Shout Out

Kendra Oyer

“Kendra has been an amazing addition to our Student Affairs team. From her very first days her she has helped me navigate complex HR processes with patience and impressive expertise. While I know she is supporting all areas of Student Affairs simultaneously with equally complex needs, I have never felt that I or my department are less of a priority. I am so grateful for her consultation and support!”
Staff Shout Out

Brent Turner

“As a newcomer to Northwestern, Brent has gone out of his way to include both me and my partner in aspects of Northwestern traditions. His hospitality has helped us transition to this community and begin to feel part of it. Thanks Brent!”
Maya Oyarbide-Sanchez

Maya is relatively new to CAPS but has already made such positive contributions here. I love how willing she is to speak up and to jump in when there is a need. She is quickly establishing herself as a social justice leader in our department and a valued partner across campus. So glad she is here!!
CAPS Program Assistants

“The program assistants in CAPS (Eugenia Ortiz, Motolani Alimi, and Magda Fong) are an amazing group of people. Their care and concern for our students as well as our clinical staff is never ending. Their hard work and dedication truly keep our offices humming. They can be counted on to center students in their decision making and advocacy, and this has helped prevent the escalation of countless student crises. It’s a privilege to work alongside them.”
"Over the past year, Fabiola Montiel, Courtney Albinson, and Steve Andrews took on interim leadership roles in CAPS while continuing to manage the responsibilities of their permanent positions. Thanks to their willingness to serve in these roles, CAPS was able to continue caring for the mental health needs of our students. This service reflects a deep commitment to both CAPS and Northwestern students. Stepping into these roles impacted each of them personally and professionally at times, and I want to thank them for their dedication."
Staff Shout Out

CAPS Psychiatrists

“Pam Hazard and Bettina Frankel have been managing the psychiatric needs of students using CAPS, which is usually a three-person job. They have demonstrated a high level of commitment and creativity in making this work. They have extended themselves to serve students that are not sustainable without complaint. In fact, they continue to step up when other colleagues in CAPS need assistance or to be part of special projects. We are so grateful to have them as part of our team in CAPS!!”
“Wildcat Welcome Back Staff: You all were amazing in putting together Wildcat Welcome Back for our second-year students. So great! Thank you for your hustle and drive to give students experiences they missed out on. And Rock the Lake was incredible.”
Staff Shout Out

“To the Fraternity and Sorority Life team for all of the thoughtful work and guidance for our students. You are making a difference today and everyday. The university is fortunate to have you all on the team.”
Staff Shout Out

“Leadership Development and Community Engagement... So grateful for your partnership in welcoming students back to campus and your expertise in program development, like Civic Love (with RSL) and a second-year cohort for community engagement!”
Staff Shout Out

“New Student Engagement Rocks! Your connections with our first-year students are legendary and the way you welcomed out class of 2025 to Northwestern was incredibly impressive!”
“Student Affairs Leadership Team – Thank you for your guidance and leadership in bringing together the division to craft a strategic plan.”
“Student Organizations and Activities – Woot!!
Your expertise in getting student involved – helping them BELONG – is utterly stellar. Thank you for hosting everyone at the Organizations Fair!”
“Campus Life – Your support of the staff in the Campus Life areas is unwavering, and your work is thoughtful and considerate of people’s needs in the SOURCE. Bravo!”
Staff Shout Out

“Religious and Spiritual Life – The new energy springing forth from your area is so welcomed in these times where we are grappling with so many things. Thank you for holding space, devising new programs, and being a listening ear for student concerns and questions.”
“Shout out to Jim for being a great boss, a great listener, and for always being genuine. Thanks boss!”
Staff Shout Out

“Shout out to **SAIT** - for your dedication and hard work in supporting all the staff of Student Affairs, before the pandemic, during the pandemic, and (hopefully soon) AFTER the pandemic! I am grateful for each and every one of you!”

- Scott Spyrison
“SAIT kept all of us going during this very difficult year when so many of us learned to use tech tools that we never utilized before. I, and many of my colleagues (I am sure,), could not have kept working without the timely and competent help from Vijay, Nillie, Allie, and Natalie. There were so many times when they rescued me from yet another tech glitch that was just routine for them to fix. I am so grateful for their work and service. They are amazing! And they are always friendly, kind and calm. What a great group of people! I do not work so much with anyone else in their department (Harry left) but my guess would be that they are just as competent and helpful.”

- Bettina Bohle-Frankel