



## Fall Commencement set for Dec. 14-15

Northwestern State University will hold Fall 2022 commencement exercises with four ceremonies over two days in December. Ceremonies will take place at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 and at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec 15, according to University Registrar Barbara Prescott. The ceremonies will take place in Prather Coliseum and will be streamed on the university's website, [www.nsula.edu](http://www.nsula.edu).

Graduates will enter the Coliseum on the west side facing the Kappa Sigma House. Guests for graduates with last names beginning A-L should use entrance and exits on the east of Prather Coliseum, which faces the tennis courts. Guests for graduates with last names beginning M-Z should use entrance and exits on the west side of Prather Coliseum, facing the Kappa Sigma House.

ADA accessibility entrance is located at the main entrance at the front of the Coliseum.

Faculty and stage party will enter on the east side

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## It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas



NSU Purple Jackets and the NSU Campus Women's Organization hosted a mix and mingle to decorate the President's Home for the holidays. The event was also an opportunity for the campus community to drop off toys to be distributed to children in Natchitoches Parish. On the front row from left are Megan Lowe, Jenna Pottmeyer, Natalee Cook, Grace Gosserand, Yonna Pasch, Addison Jackson and Taylor Carmago-Patron. On the back row are Jana Lucky, Stephanie Dyjack, Isabel Perregrino, Emily Posey, Reatha Cox, Ashlynn Stewart, Addison Duet, Sid Hall, Julie Powell, Jessica Mullican, Abigail Petermann and Hope Jones.



Northwestern State University's popular cookbook "In Good Taste" is available for holiday gift-giving. Proceeds from the cookbook go towards the Elise James Memorial Scholarship presented to students from the Campus Women's Organization. The cookbook was first introduced in 1989 with a cover and interior drawings by alumna Cheryl Gianforte. A second printing was completed in 2020 by then NSU First Lady Jennifer Maggio with an updated design and recipes from more recent first ladies. NSU Purple Jackets helping to promote the cookbooks are, from left, Ashlynn Stewart, Grace Gosserand, Isabel Perregrino, Natalee Cook, Jenna Pottmeyer and Addison Duet. The cookbook is available for purchase online at <http://www.northwesternstatealumni.com/ingoodtaste/> at a cost of \$25 with a \$3 shipping and handling fee.

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of Prather Coliseum, the side facing the tennis courts.

Detailed information and a list of Frequently Asked Questions can be found at [www.nsula.edu/graduation](http://www.nsula.edu/graduation).

The Fall 2022 commencement schedule is as follows.

**Wednesday, December 14, 2022**

*10 a.m. Ceremony*

College of Nursing and School of Allied Health (Bachelor and Associate Degrees)

- BAS – Allied Health
- BS – Radiologic Sciences
- BSN – Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- ASN – Associate of Science in Nursing

*2 p.m. Ceremony*

Graduate School (Graduate Degrees)

College of Arts and Sciences

- MA – Art, English
- MM – Music
- MS – Homeland Security

College of Business and Technology

- MS – Computer Information System

College of Nursing and School of Allied Health

- DNP – Doctor of Nursing Practice
- MS – Radiologic Sciences
- MSN – Master of Science in Nursing

Gallaspy Family College of Education & Human Development

- EDD – Adult Learning and Development
- EDS – Educational Leadership and Instruction
- MA – Adult Learning & Development, Counseling, Student Affairs in Higher Education
- MAT – Early Childhood Education-Grades PK-3, Elementary Education-Grades 1-5, Elementary Education and Special Education Mild/Moderate-Grades 1-5, Middle School Education-Grades 4-8, Middle School Education and Special Education Mild/Moderate-Grades 4-8, Secondary Education-Grades 6-12, Secondary Education and Special

- Education Mild/Moderate-Grades 6-12
- MED – Curriculum and Instruction, Early Childhood Education, Educational Leadership, Educational Technology Leadership, Special Education
- MS – Health and Human Performance, Psychology-Clinical

College of Business and Technology (Bachelor Degrees)

- BS – Accounting, Business Administration, Computer Information Systems, Hospitality Management & Tourism

**Thursday, December 15, 2022**

*10 a.m. Ceremony*

College of Arts and Sciences (Bachelor and Associate Degrees)

- BA – Communication, Criminal Justice, English, History, Liberal Arts
- BFA – Dance, Fine and Graphic Arts, Production and Design
- BGS – General Studies
- BM – Music
- BS – Applied Microbiology, Biology, Electronics Engineering Technology, Industrial Engineering Technology, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Theatre, Unified Public Safety Administration
- AD – Veterinary Technology
- AGS – Associate of General Studies
- AS – Engineering Technology

Louisiana Scholars' College (Bachelor Degrees)

- BA – Communication, Criminal Justice, English, History, Liberal Arts
- BFA – Dance, Fine & Graphic Arts, Production and Design
- BM – Music
- BME – Music Education-Instrumental-Grades K-12, Music Education-Vocal-Grades K-12
- BS – Accounting, Applied Microbiology, Biology, Business Administration, Computer Information Systems,

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## NSU doctoral students get Research-In-Progress Awards



Five doctoral students from Northwestern State University’s Adult Learning and Development program were selected to speak at the Mid-South Educational Research Association (MSERA), a regional conference held in Little Rock, Arkansas, attended by about 350 educators. Ten individuals were chosen to receive a Research-In-Progress award to recognize their outstanding research. Three of those individuals represented NSU. They are, from left, doctoral candidates Bob Jordan, Tanya Wasmer and Jessica Lemoine. They were accompanied to the conference by Dr. Katrina Jordan, director of NSU’s School of Education, left, and their dissertation chair Dr. Cristy Hornsby, right.

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Electronic Engineering Technology,  
Elementary  
Education-Grades 1-5, Health  
and Exercise Science, Hospitality  
Management and  
Tourism, Industrial Engineering  
Technology, Mathematics, Physical  
Sciences,  
Psychology, Secondary Education and  
Teaching, Theatre, Unified Public Safety  
Administration  
BSW – Social Work

#### Development (Bachelor Degrees)

BME – Music Education-Instrumental-  
Grades K-12, Music Education-Vocal-  
Grades K-12, Music Education-Vocal/  
Instrumental -Grades K-12  
BS – Addiction Studies, Child and  
Family Studies, Early Childhood  
Education-  
Grades Pre-K-3, Elementary Education-  
Grades 1-5, Health and Exercise Science,  
Health and Physical Education-Grades  
K-12, Psychology, Secondary Education  
and Teaching  
BSW – Social Work

2 p.m. Ceremony

Gallaspy Family College of Education & Human

# Food Pantry continues to help students in need

The Pantry, located in the Trisler Power Plant, provides NSU students with access to free food assistance and personal care items, helping students stretch their food budgets. Services are available to all students, five days a week. Hours are 9 a.m-4 p.m. Monday – Thursday and 9-11 a.m. Friday.

The NSU Pantry is funded through

generous donors. We greatly appreciate your support for the health and well-being of our students. All financial donations will be used to purchase food and other necessary items for students. Donations are tax deductible.

If you are interested in making a monetary donation, visit <https://northwesternstatealumni.com/the-pantry/>.

## NSU Food Pantry Shopping List

Help the NSU Food Pantry provide nutritious, nonperishable food items and supplies like the ones listed below for students in need.

### Snacks

Nuts/Crackers/Snack Mix (2pts)  
Salsa or Dip (2pts)  
Microwave Popcorn (2pts/box)  
Pudding Boxes/Fruit Bars (2pts/5)  
Granola Bars (3pts/box)

### Drinks

Coffee (3pts)  
Bottled Water (3pts/24)  
Bottled Juice (3pts/3)  
Lemonade Mix (3pts)  
Powdered/Canned Milk (3pts)

### Rice, Pasta & Other Pantry Staples

Instant Potatoes (3pts/box or 3 bags)  
Boxed Pasta (Hamburger/Tuna Helper) (3pts)  
Flour/Sugar (3pts/bag)  
Cooking Oils (Olive or Canola Oil) (3pts)  
Boxed Cake Mixes, Brownies, Frosting (3pts)  
Chicken, Beef, or Vegetable Broth (3pts)

### Condiments & Seasonings

Pasta/Pizza/Spaghetti Sauce (2pts)  
Mustard/Mayonnaise (2pts/full bottle)  
Jelly/Jam (2pts)  
Seasoning Packets (Taco, Chili, Gravy, Ranch, etc.)  
Salad Dressing (2pts)  
Pickles (2pts/jar)  
Spices - Salt, Pepper, Other Seasonings (2pts)

### Breakfast Items

PopTarts/BFast Bars (3pts/box)  
Cereal (3pts/box)

### Meal Essentials

Tortillas (1pt)  
Pizza Crust (1pt)  
Pie Shells/Pie Filling (1pt)

Taco Shells (1pt)

### Canned Meats & Ready to Eat Meals

Canned Tuna & Chicken (3pts)  
Peanut Butter (3pts)  
Chili, Ravioli, etc. (3pts)  
Chunky Soups (3pts)  
Rice Dishes (3pts)

### Toiletry Items (full size items)

Body Wash/Soap (4pts)  
Antiperspirant/Deodorant (4pts)  
Shaving Cream (2pts)  
Toothpaste (2pts)  
Feminine Hygiene Products (4pts)  
Shampoo and Conditioner (4pts)

### Full Size Household Items

Cleaning Supplies (5pts/item)  
Laundry Detergent Pods (5pts/pack)  
Dish Detergent (5pts/2)  
Paper Towels (5pts/3 rolls)  
Toilet Paper (5pts/4 rolls)  
Trash Bags (5pts/box)

### Miscellaneous Items

Can Openers (5pts/5)  
Cooking Utensils (5pts/5)  
Food Storage Containers (5pts/3)  
Ziplock Bags (5pts/full box)

### International Cuisine

Any item donated that is designated as international cuisine will count as double points. Items that are listed in other categories will not count as double points. Items will be designated at the coordinator's discretion.

### Monetary Donations

# Non-Credit Classes

## Driver Education

### **Registration Deadline-Friday, December 9**

This course will consist of 30 hours of classroom instruction and a minimum of 8 hours of practice driving (behind-the-wheel instruction). You will receive a certificate verifying successful completion of the course. Must provide proof of age. Must be 15 years old on or before April 2 to be eligible to enroll in this class. **NOTE: MANDATORY PARENT MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 14 AT 6:00PM**

Date: January 2-January 5, Monday-Thursday  
(Driving Schedules will be set once class begins.)  
Time: 7:30 am-4:00 pm  
Fee: Contact the Office of Electronic and Continuing Education for more details or visit [checkout.nsula.edu](http://checkout.nsula.edu) to register  
Location: 2nd Floor South Hall  
Instructor: Sherry Helms & Jay D. Oliphant

## Pick Up your Brush-Painting Classes

In these classes, you will learn the art of painting using step-by-step instructions to create a masterpiece of your own. No special or prior skill required. Just relax and enjoy each class. Students will take home a completed painting at the end of every class. Children ages 7 – 12 years old are allowed to enroll, but a parent MUST accompany the child the entire class. Parent does not have to enroll unless they participate. All supplies included.

Date: December 8, Thursday  
Holiday lamb  
December 15, Thursday  
Winter snowman  
Time: 5:30 - 8:30 pm, Thursday  
Fee: \$45 per session  
Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor South Hall  
Instructor: Shanna Dees Gaspard

## Notary Public Exam Prep

In partnership with Louisiana State University-Shreveport, this 52-hour course is an introduction to notary public fundamentals. The instructor, attorney and notary, Jennifer Brown, distributes significant

course study guides and materials to assist in your preparation for the exam. This course will be delivered via online video conferencing.

**The instructor will provide you with a conferencing link to join the class on the first day of class, Tuesday, February 14.**

### **Requirements for the course:**

- ☐ Participants must have broadband access, a camera, and sound.
- ☐ The test is based on the Louisiana Secretary of State’s newest edition of “**The Fundamentals of Louisiana Notarial Law and Practice,**” only available at [www.sos.la.gov](http://www.sos.la.gov) or call (225) 922-0507 for further information. **You must have this book on the first day of class.**

**NOTE:** Please visit the Louisiana Secretary of State’s Website’s Notary and Certifications for qualifications at [www.sos.la.gov](http://www.sos.la.gov) or call (225) 922-0507.

**Out-of-state residents:** In order to take the Louisiana State Notary Exam, students must be Louisiana residents and registered to vote in Louisiana.

**Register by 02/08/23 to get the early bird price of \$430. After that date, the cost will increase to \$450.**

Date: February 14 – May 18, Tuesday and Thursday  
(No class 05/09 & 05/11)  
Time: 6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Fee: \$430 (Early Bird Fee)  
\$450 (After February 8, 2023)  
Location: Online  
Instructor: Jennifer Brown

**For more information or to register for classes, go to [checkout.nsula.edu](http://checkout.nsula.edu) or call (800)376-2422 or (318)357-6355.**