

# PURSUIT

INSIDE: MAPPING OUT YOUR COLLEGE SEARCH // YOUR FIRST YEAR // FINANCIAL AID HACKS

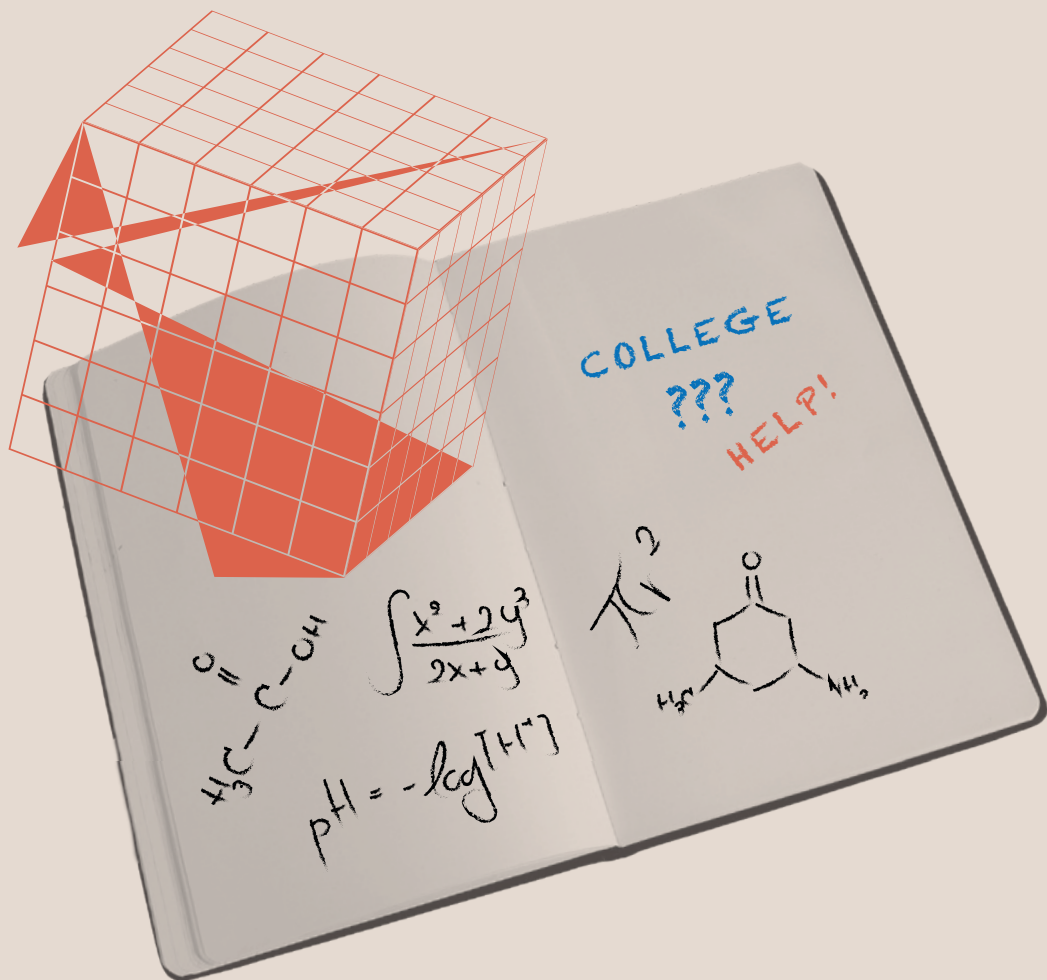


**This Way To College**



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# *THE JOURNEY OF YOUR LIFETIME.*

Planning for college is one of the most exciting times in your life. There's so much to look forward to! But the journey can also be a bit overwhelming. (Even a little intimidating.) In fact, you may be experiencing something similar to this:

## **WHEN I THINK ABOUT COLLEGE, I FEEL:**

- Energized.
- Unsure.
- Optimistic.
- Anxious.
- Hangry (*you should eat*).
- All of the above.

At Northwest University, we understand and have dedicated this issue to helping you map out your destination to a new life at college. Equipped with a little knowledge, your confidence will build. Your excitement will grow. And before you know it, you'll be sitting in a university classroom surrounded by new friends, new experiences, and a new life you may not have thought possible.

**It will happen.** We've seen it thousands of times.

*Here is our prayer for you.*

That God will lead you in your search.

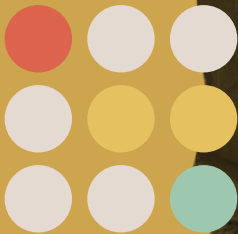
That God will fill you with insight and understanding.

And that you will experience the blessings of a Christ-centered university.

We may be a bit biased, but we hope that university is us.



# 3 THINGS ON YOUR NEXT COLLEGE VISIT:



**Jorine Johnson, director of Admissions for Northwest University, has led countless college visits during his career. In this article, he shares what is often overlooked and what you should definitely be looking for during your next visit.**





The fall tends to be quite busy for students who plan to attend college the following year. In addition to school assignments and extracurricular activities, students find themselves in the midst of college preparation, filling out college applications, writing essays, applying for scholarships, and visiting campuses.

Often, students and families will visit campus over the summer or on weekends to save time during the busy fall. While it's helpful to know each college geographically and stylistically, the most important benefit is to experience each college relationally. And that happens when campus is in full session.

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## VISIT WHEN CAMPUS LIFE IS IN SESSION

Current students are usually home for the summer, so it can be challenging to experience college relationally. By visiting college in session, prospective students can meet not only their student tour guide but also other current students and members of the college community who can authentically answer the following questions:

- Will I actually get to know my professors?
- What are current students saying about their college experience?
- How will my relationship with Jesus grow?
- Are these the people who will genuinely care for me while I'm away from home?

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## EXPLORE THE COMMUNITY, NOT JUST THE AMENITIES

Amenities are a critical component of the campus experience, but it's not the whole story. The heart and soul of any university experience is seen best from within the community you will be joining.

The relationships you make in college often stay with you long after graduation. These relationships are not just transactional. They run deep. College should be a place where you find friends that encourage your faith, stand with you through difficulties, and celebrate your successes. As it says in Proverbs 18:24, "There is a friend who sticks closer than a brother" (NIV). So, as you explore the community, I would ask: Is this the community where I'll build lifelong, meaningful friendships?

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## GET TO KNOW YOUR ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR

When I was seventeen and looking at colleges, I felt intimidated meeting my admissions counselor and didn't realize how helpful they could be. True to their name, admissions counselors provide a wealth of information and knowledge of campus life, the application process, resources like scholarship opportunities, and can help narrow your search in finding the right college experience for you.

**Take a look at the Admissions spread (page 24) on questions your admissions counselor wished they would have asked when they were in your shoes. I hope you'll make time in your schedule to visit every college you're seriously considering. I would love to see you here at Northwest University for a college visit.**

**Find out more about our visit options at [northwestu.edu/visit](http://northwestu.edu/visit).**

# WHAT SURPRISED ME MOST ABOUT COLLEGE

You come to college with certain expectations about what the experience will be like. And while those expectations are often met, there are always surprises along the way. Sometimes it's what you don't expect that can have the greatest impact on your college journey and your life.





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The thing that surprised me the most about college was how much I would change between my freshman and senior year. When I first arrived at college, I thought I knew what I wanted to do for the rest of my life. However, with much prayer and guidance from my professors and pastors, **I realized God had placed me at Northwest for a completely different reason.** I decided to pursue cultural psychology and found myself in classes I never expected to be in. I wish I would have known that the next two years would be the most rewarding while also being the most challenging. I wish I would have listened when people said “it goes by fast, so take it all in.” There truly is nothing like being in a place you love and growing to be the person you were made to be.

### Eavan Gilhuly

**Hometown:** Bermuda Dunes, California

**Major:** Cultural Psychology, Senior



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Coming into my first year of college, I had many expectations about NU. As each month passed, I began to see each expectation being met or exceeded—from the spirit-led classes and chapel services to the community and campus life here. **However, one thing that took me by surprise was how deeply people at NU genuinely cared about my personal life.** During the first semester, a group of friends would continuously pray and check up on me through one of the most challenging seasons of my life. Even professors would take time to genuinely ask us how we were doing and offered their assistance in any way they could. The close relationships between students and professors are possible because of the smaller student population and spiritual vitality on campus. These types of experiences create the beauty of Northwest University.

### Jonathan Miyasato

**Hometown:** Kaneohe, Hawaii

**Major:** User Experience Design, Sophomore

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What surprised me most about college was the fact that I could earn my bachelor's degree and my MBA at the same time. NU offers a five-year BA to MBA program, which I first learned about at a campus visit event. Getting to start my MBA classes during my senior year of undergrad was hugely appealing to me. **I was able to complete two degrees in five years instead of six and saved thousands of dollars on tuition.** This fit my needs, goals, and finances really well.

### Ellie Calquhoun

**Hometown:** Rochester, Washington

**Undergrad Major:** Digital Marketing

**Current Program:** MBA, Five-year program student



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WELCOME BACK BASH!



TRIVIA NIGHTS



DODGEBALL



RES HALL LIFE



NU THEATRE: "THE PHANTOM TOLLBOOTH"



MULTICULTURAL EVENTS: LUNAR NEW YEAR





# THE BIG TRANSITION: HOME TO UNIVERSITY LIFE

**ADVICE FROM:** **Makenna Kahler** | Interim Community Life Coordinator, **STUDENT DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

There's nothing like the excitement of your first days at college. But for many students coming to Northwest University for the **FIRST TIME**, it can also be a little overwhelming. We understand and have developed programs and resources to orient new students that make those first few days and weeks at NU not only successful, but fun!

**Transitioning from home to a university is a big change, but living on campus gives students an amazing community within their residence hall floor.** There are a lot of events centered around these communities, such as **intramural sports**, where floors compete against each other in football, volleyball, and basketball. **Screaming Eagles Week** is our week-long competition where students don their craziest spirit gear and compete for the Stump trophy!

**Beyond the fun of residence life is the amazing resource of your resident assistant,** a student leader who is there to help and mentor those on the floor, as well as your area coordinator, who supervises each building. These individuals and all the staff in the Student Development department are

here to help you adjust and thrive in your new life at college, whether you live on campus or not.

**For students looking for something fun to do in their free time, the Student Activities Board regularly hosts fun events,** especially during the first six weeks. These events are designed specifically to help students make new friends and get involved on campus. Some examples include **Fall Fest**, with a petting zoo and bouncy houses, and the epic annual **Lip Sync Battle!**

**College is also a time to broaden your perspectives about the world. Multicultural Organization of Students Active in Christ (MOSAIC)** engages students in courageous conversations about diversity and multicultural life. The MOSAIC team also offers support to students who may be facing a cultural adjustment at their new school, helping each student find a way to make Northwest feel like home. These are just a few examples of the great work that MOSAIC does to help us love each other better as Christians.

**As a Christ-centered university, there are many opportunities for spiritual growth at Northwest.** One of the simplest ways is to attend chapel on Monday, Wednesday, and

Friday. **Campus Ministries** also hosts prayer meetings and Pursuit worship nights every Monday. Between **prayer teams, Life Groups,** and Campus Ministries activities, NU offers lots of opportunities to link arms with students and support them in their spiritual growth.

**College can be a big adjustment, and our Wellness Center is here to support students through this transition.** In addition to offering medical care, the Wellness Center also offers low-cost nutrition and counseling services. This is a wonderful way for students to get support through this new time in their life.

**There are so many ways to get involved on campus and so many resources available to help students find their place at Northwest.** We are excited for new Eagles to experience the fullness of this beautiful community at NU!



**NU'S MOSAIC TEAM!**

# DISCOVERING YOUR PLACE



With so many different options for getting involved on campus, you might be wondering where you'll belong. Which clubs or activities should you choose in order to make the most of your campus experience? Here are some firsthand stories from current student leaders Sanoah Smith and Tanner Bailey on how they found their place at NU.



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Deciding to attend Northwest University has been one of the greatest decisions of my life. I have had so many amazing opportunities to learn and grow alongside other like-minded, Christian people.

There are many ways to get involved in the community, including different clubs and student activities. **You can even start a new club if the clubs that already exist don't fit your interests. I started my own club called the Northwest University Nerf Society (NUNS). I have had the joy of leading this club with the help of my area coordinator and resident assistant.**

When I began my freshman year at NU, I was nervous about how I'd fit in, but my RA helped me find my place. He made sure he got to know all the guys on my floor and became a great, godly mentor to us. He spoke words of wisdom and kindness to all the guys on the floor. He is one of my best friends now, and seeing his leadership on our floor inspired me to become an RA this year. I am excited for this next season and how it will challenge and shape me. I'm passionate about helping others grow and am excited to use the gifts God has blessed me with to make a difference at NU.

## Sanoah Smith

**Hometown:** Waycross, Georgia

**Major:** History and Politics with a concentration in American Public Policy, Sophomore







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As a student leader at Northwest University, I have had the opportunity to get involved in so many different areas of campus life with some of the best people. **One of my favorite areas of involvement has been Campus Ministries, where I have served as a student leader in charge of coordinating the tech for all our worship services and maintaining the equipment in the chapel.** As a Creatio student who is studying music and audio engineering, being a part of Campus Ministries has given me firsthand experience in the vocation I have been called to. This includes mixing audio for services and events, performing upgrades and maintenance on equipment, training people to operate our equipment, leading a team through a chapel service, troubleshooting problems on the fly, and so much more.

The thing that I have enjoyed the most every year, though, has been getting to tour with some of our worship teams. This is where I have had the most practical experience and made some of my favorite memories with fellow students.

**Every summer, Campus Ministries sends out worship teams to serve at different summer camps around the U.S. I travel with the teams as their audio engineer, and this year, I traveled with three different teams to Colorado, Idaho, Montana, and Eastern Washington.** At each camp, we got to work with kids of all ages, playing alongside them in games, eating meals with them, praying with them, and helping lead them in worship—all in the hopes of them having a personal encounter with the Lord. Going on these tours and seeing the impact that we can make for the Kingdom of God has been the highlight of my time at NU so far, and every year, I look forward to going on tour again because watching young students go after the Lord unabashedly brings me such a feeling of joy and increases my faith.

### **Tanner Bailey**

**Hometown:** Duvall, Washington

**Major:** Contemporary Music Industry with the Recording Arts Track, Senior





# HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF FINANCIAL AID

When it comes to financial aid, there's a wealth of information out there. Trying to understand it all can feel a bit overwhelming, and you might be asking yourself: *Can I really afford a private Christian university?*

Thanks to our financial aid and scholarships, there's a very good chance you can. There are a variety of steps you can take to make NU an affordable option for you. We asked **Roger Wilson, Director of Student Financial Services**, for his advice on how to maximize your financial aid. Here's what he recommends:

**1**

**START WITH THE FAFSA.** The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a form that helps the federal government and the Financial Aid Office determine what aid you qualify for, including academic and need-based scholarships, federal, state, and institutional grants. Submitting your FAFSA ensures that you receive your maximum financial aid offer.

**2**

**PAY ATTENTION TO DEADLINES AND APPLY EARLY.** Even if you haven't decided exactly which school you plan to attend, it's a good idea to apply early since institutional deadlines vary. Submit your FAFSA early, too, so you receive your financial aid offer right away. The FAFSA deadline is February 15.

**3**

**DON'T FORGET TO APPLY FOR OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS.** It's easy to assume that scholarships can only come from the college you plan to attend. However, there are tons of outside scholarships you can also apply for. Some are based on your academic qualifications; others on your racial or socio-economic background, your intended major, even the town you grew up in. Check out websites like College Board, Fastweb, and Peterson's for national scholarship opportunities. But don't forget to search locally as well. Often, local scholarships are easier to acquire because their applicant pools are smaller. Your high school, church, or local Rotary Club may offer scholarships along with local businesses and nonprofit organizations.

**4**

**REVIEW YOUR LOAN OFFERS CAREFULLY.** Not all loans are the same—or even remotely similar. Federal loans typically offer the best interest rates (another reason it's important to fill out your FAFSA!), and subsidized loans don't accrue interest until after you've graduated. Many have a grace period for repayment as well. Private personal loans, on the other hand, may have higher interest rates and more restrictive repayment structures. You certainly have options when it comes to student loans, but make sure you learn the differences before accepting them. Another tip: only borrow what you need.

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**TALK TO A FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR.** Your financial aid counselor is ready and excited to help you navigate all things related to your award package. Whether you have questions about the FAFSA or need help understanding your financial aid offer once you receive it, your designated financial aid counselor can answer your questions and help you make informed decisions.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Northwest University is among the

### “Top 20 Best Value Schools”

– U.S. News & World Report



## THE GIFT OF GRACE

Before I visited NU, the Lord put Galatians 3:3 on my heart: “Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh?” (NIV). As a result, I felt led to pursue a Christian school where I could walk by the Spirit. But even after applying to NU, I couldn’t really envision myself attending.

In February, I was unexpectedly invited to NU’s Presidential Scholarship Competition, which allowed me to attend a student-led worship service, Pursuit, and stay in the dorms for a night. The worship was very sincere, and people were praying for one another in the service. That really stuck with me! One of the girls I was staying with said, **“I don’t know if this can be said about other schools, but the Spirit of God is moving at NU.”** During my stay, I met so many kind current students, professors, and prospective students. I started to believe God was nudging me toward NU, but I still had concerns about finances.

**Then, one sunny day in March, I got a call from my admissions counselor telling me that I had won the President’s Scholarship. That gift altered my course; it gave me and my family confidence that God was indeed directing me to NU and made it possible for me to afford my tuition and even live on campus. Without this scholarship, there is no way I would have had the chance to live in the dorms, make such deep friendships, and get involved on campus.**

During my time at NU, I’ve had the privilege of participating in the honors program, debate team, Welcome Weekend, Embargo, Black Student Fellowship, Sigma Tau Delta (our English honors society), and the AEI Executive Council. These groups have challenged me academically and personally. I’ve even had the opportunity to work in the Office of the President! This scholarship has truly deepened my college experience.

### Grace Seyoum

**Hometown:** Seattle, Washington

**Major:** Double major in Political Science and English, Senior





# Your Complete **ROADMAP** to Northwest University

The college admissions process can feel a bit daunting—like you're navigating uncharted territory. This roadmap gives you step-by-step guidance and makes it easier to understand.



**CHOOSE NU**  
*(For admitted students only.)*



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To see all that Kirkland and NU have to offer, **schedule a visit**. We'd love to show you around.

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# HOW TO PACK A WHOLE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY INSIDE YOUR LAPTOP.



An on-campus experience doesn't fit all students. Some prefer the convenience of 100% online classes. At NU, here's the good news: The same private Christian education we offer on campus is also available online from anywhere you happen to be.

You'll study the same courses. You'll learn from many of the same professors. You'll earn the same degree. You can even walk in the same commencement ceremony.

Here's the biggest difference: Unlike other large online universities, your faith is welcome at NU. We've designed each course with a faith component so it's integrated into your learning. And at NU you won't get lost or overlooked. Here, your learning experience is more personal and tailored to your needs.

See what a difference a private Christian university can make to your online experience.

To find out more, visit [northwestu.edu](http://northwestu.edu).

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# They Will Graduate With A Degree In Science And A Heart for Jesus.

**Northwest University provides an exceptional academic experience.**

Most recently, *Niche.com* chose us as one of the top 50 Christian universities in America and *U.S. News & World Report* selected NU as a top 20 Best Value school in the West.

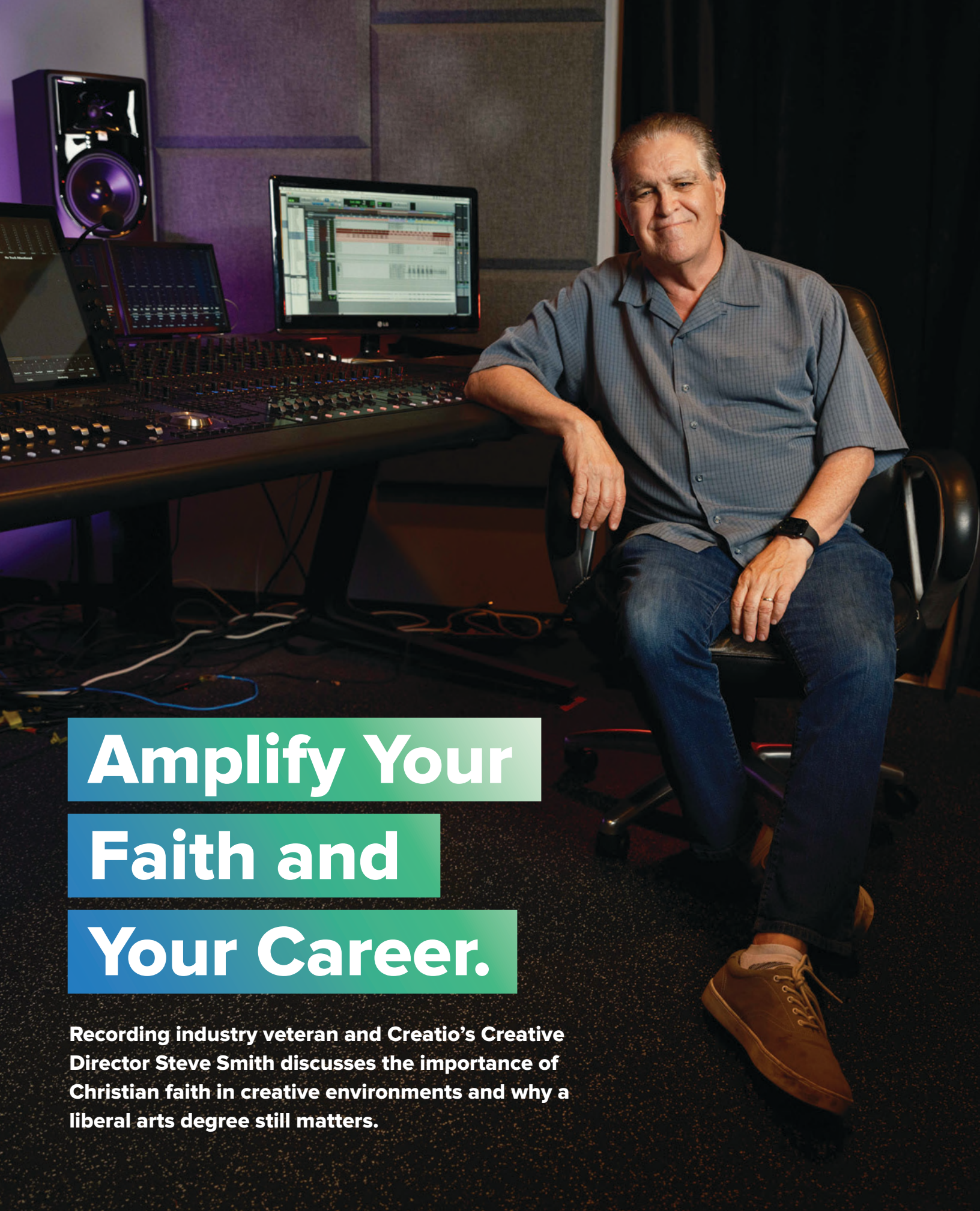
These accolades are nice, but nothing brings us greater joy than this: Jesus Christ is still central to everything we do. His presence is very real in our classrooms, in our dorms, in our professors, and in the praise of students in Chapel.

**At NU, you won't just find a highly awarded education that leads to great careers. You'll find a place where Jesus is first and your faith will flourish. In today's culture, that is a rare and precious combination.**

**Fast Fact: 90% of NU graduates report growing in their faith.**







# Amplify Your Faith and Your Career.

**Recording industry veteran and Creatio's Creative Director Steve Smith discusses the importance of Christian faith in creative environments and why a liberal arts degree still matters.**

In a quiet corner of campus, below the towering Pacific Northwest evergreens, is one of NU's greatest gems: the Creatio Center for Technology, Media, and Design. Here, students learn how to unleash their fullest creative potential in fields like audio production, music production, video production, computer science, and user experience (UX) design—all while keeping Christ at the center of their learning.

These days, with the existence of countless YouTube tutorials, coding boot camps, and self-paced DIY audio or video production courses, it's easy to wonder if a formal liberal arts degree in one of these fields really matters. After all, it's a significant investment both in terms of time and money.

Creatio's Creative Director, Steve Smith—a recording arts veteran who has nearly 50 years of industry experience and two Grammys under his belt—confidently says “yes.”

“Anyone can become a bedroom producer with a bit of self-motivation and some budget-friendly recording equipment,” he says. But at Creatio, the consoles, microphones, and mixing boards you'll use are state-of-the-art—the same kind of gear you'll find in some of the most prestigious recording studios in Los Angeles or Nashville.

Creatio programs, whether Computer Science or Audio Engineering, are specifically designed to give students a hands-on, large-scale experience under the instruction of professors who have incredible accolades and have worked with some of the best artists and most innovative creators in the industry. And best of all? They all love Jesus.

When asked if faith matters in spaces like the recording arts industry, Steve says “yes, absolutely.” The entertainment business can be a chaotic, cutthroat environment that's driven by egos, but at the end of the day, Steve says: “No one wants to work with someone who is self-serving.”



He and the other faculty members in Creatio train their students not only to have the highest proficiency when it comes to their technical skills but to also value and demonstrate the utmost professionalism, humility, compassion, and integrity.

“Your Christian witness happens by life example. How you are and how you act almost always generates curiosity. And when you're in a control room, it's essential to create a calm and steady environment where people feel comfortable and safe enough to be at their creative best,” he says. “In other words, making sure the room has the right vibe—which is easy to do when Jesus' peace radiates from you.”

**At Northwest University, we believe students should excel in industries like design, computer science, and the creative arts. And thanks to people like Steve Smith, they do.**



[northwestu.edu/creatio](http://northwestu.edu/creatio)

Bachelor of Arts in **Audio Production**

Bachelor of Arts in **User Experience Design**

Bachelor of Arts in **Music Production**

Bachelor of Arts in **Computer Science**

Bachelor of Science in **Computer Science**

Bachelor of Arts in **Music Industry Business**

Bachelor of Arts in **Video Production**



# THERE ISN'T A MAP BIG ENOUGH

## The hard part is deciding what to do...

If we were to create a map of all there is to do within an hour's drive of NU's campus, it would not fit on these pages. The Pacific Northwest is teeming with beauty, music venues, coffee houses, world-class exhibits, and recreational activities. Some are so close you can walk to them. Others are just across the water in Seattle or up the pass in the mountains. At NU, there's so much you can do!

## TO-DO'S

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Coffee

Ferry  
Ride

Kraken  
Community  
Iceplex

Music  
Venues

Museum  
of Pop  
Culture

BJ's \$4  
Tuesday Night  
Pizookies

BobaLust  
(bubble  
tea)

Sounders  
Soccer  
Game

The  
Arboretum

Bellevue  
Square  
Mall

Kubota and  
Bellevue  
Botanical  
Gardens

El  
Rinconcito  
(tacos!)

Dick's  
Drive-In

Snowboarding  
and Skiing at  
Stevens Pass

The  
Museum  
of Flight

Seattle Art  
Museum



Gas  
Works  
Park

Houghton  
Beach  
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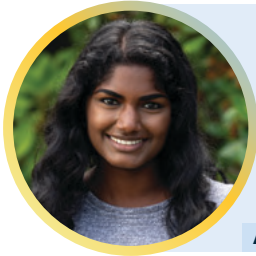




# YOUR GUIDE

## MEET YOUR ADMISSIONS COUNSELORS!

They will help you through each step of the admissions process.



**TERRITORY:** Serving all nursing transfers and students in Alaska and Hawaii.

**HOMETOWN:** Gig Harbor, Washington

**FUN FACT:** I absolutely love dogs, and I will never say no to seeing cute puppy pictures!

**ONE QUESTION I WISH I'D ASKED MY ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR:** "What are some ways I can meet friends and get involved in campus life as a freshman?"

**ALIYA SHEPARD** // [aliya.shepard@northwestu.edu](mailto:aliya.shepard@northwestu.edu)

**HOMETOWN:** Snohomish, Washington

**FUN FACT:** I was part of 4-H archery for five years as a recurve archer. Just call me Robin Hood!

**ONE QUESTION I WISH I'D ASKED MY ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR:** "When is the best time to start my application for NU?"

**TYLER PERRON** // [tyler.perron@northwestu.edu](mailto:tyler.perron@northwestu.edu)



**TERRITORY:** Serving all students in Eastside King County, Southwest Washington, Oregon, and all states from the Mountain time zone.



**TERRITORY:** Serving all students in Snohomish County, Northwest Washington, California, all states from the Central and Eastern time zones, and U.S. citizens living abroad.

**HOMETOWN:** Snohomish, Washington

**FUN FACT:** I love national parks. My family has spent every summer going to at least one national park since I was ten years old. I have been to over fifty national parks, historic sites, and monuments.

**ONE QUESTION I WISH I'D ASKED MY ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR:** "What internships and travel abroad opportunities does NU have?"

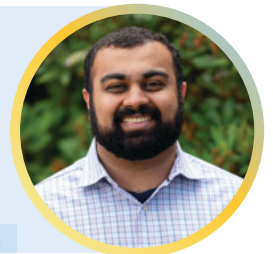
**OLIVIA RAGLAND** // [olivia.ragland@northwestu.edu](mailto:olivia.ragland@northwestu.edu)

**HOMETOWN:** Beaverton, Oregon

**FUN FACT:** I love watching Marvel movies. My top three favorites are *Thor: Ragnarok*, *Winter Soldier*, and *Infinity War*!

**ONE QUESTION I WISH I'D ASKED MY ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR:** "What scholarships can I apply for?"

**JORINE JOHNSON** // [jorine.johnson@northwestu.edu](mailto:jorine.johnson@northwestu.edu)



**TERRITORY:** Serving students in South King County.



**TERRITORY:** Serving all students in Pierce County, Seattle, Eastern Washington, the Olympic Peninsula, and Idaho.

**HOMETOWN:** Kennewick, Washington

**FUN FACT:** I am a first generation Mexican-American, I love national parks, and I have never broken a bone (knock on wood).

**ONE QUESTION I WISH I'D ASKED MY ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR:** "How does the transfer process work? Will NU accept all of my credits, or is there a way to see which credits will transfer?"

**OSCAR ORNELAS** // [oscar.ornelas@northwestu.edu](mailto:oscar.ornelas@northwestu.edu)



# TO NU

## ADMISSIONS AMBASSADORS

**Admissions Ambassadors are NU students.** They are community focused—live in the residence halls, participate in student leadership, and engage in fun whether that’s Screaming Eagles Week or NU’s orchestra. They are committed to Christ and attend worship nights, lead life groups, and actively disciple each other in spiritual formation. They are career empowered through learning opportunities in their major, tutors for classes, and building career-ready skills. They represent the authentic Northwest University experience.

**Schedule a campus visit and meet the Ambassadors on a campus tour: [northwestu.edu/visit](http://northwestu.edu/visit).**

## MEET THEM!



### MARTINA PRESTON

**Hometown:** Sumner, Washington  
**Major:** English and Communication Studies



### BRIANNA CORPUZ

**Hometown:** Honolulu, Hawaii  
**Major:** Educational Studies



### HILLARIE MARKFORT

**Hometown:** Sauk Rapids, Minnesota  
**Major:** Pastoral Ministries



### MATTHEW HADDICK

**Hometown:** Pasco, Washington  
**Major:** Business Administration



### JOSEPH ZIESING

**Hometown:** Hailey, Idaho  
**Major:** Secondary Education with a concentration in ELA

# APPLY

## HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

**STEP 1** // Apply online at [northwestu.edu/apply](http://northwestu.edu/apply).

**STEP 2** // Using NU’s school code, 003783, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov).

**STEP 3** // Complete the NU Financial Aid application at [northwestu.edu/financialaid](http://northwestu.edu/financialaid).

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Application.
- Biographical essay.
- Official high school transcript.
- Official SAT or ACT scores. (SAT Code: 4541 ACT Code: 4466)\*  
\*SAT and ACT scores are optional. They are not required for admission.
- Transcripts from all colleges attended.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- November 15**—Early Action.
- January 15**—Early Action II.
- February 15**—Priority Financial Aid.
- May 1**—Priority Confirmation.



### VANESSA TERCERO

**Hometown:** Edgewood, Washington  
**Major:** Business Management



### KELLY MALCOLM

**Hometown:** Mission Viejo, California  
**Major:** Communication Studies with a concentration in Media and Society



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**Hometown:** Caldwell, Idaho  
**Major:** Business Management





# NU QUICK FACTS

60%	<b>KIRKLAND CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS</b>
30+	<b>COFFEE SHOPS NEARBY</b>
753	<b>KIRKLAND CAMPUS UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT*</b>
2,398	<b>TOTAL ENROLLMENT* ACROSS TWO CAMPUSES AND ONLINE</b>
95%	<b>STUDENTS RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS</b>
11	<b>VARSITY SPORTS</b>
1934	<b>YEAR FOUNDED</b>
94%	<b>GRADUATES WHO FOUND JOBS WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF GRADUATION</b>
93%	<b>GRADUATES WHO SAY THEY WERE PREPARED FOR THEIR CAREER</b>
70+	<b>MAJORS AND PROGRAMS</b>
10:1	<b>STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO</b>
100%	<b>ACADEMIC PROGRAMS WITH INTEGRATED INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES</b>

*\*AS OF FALL 2021 ENROLLMENT*



# MAJORS AND PROGRAMS

## BUSINESS DEGREES

### Accounting

### Business Administration

### Finance\*

### Information Technology\*

### Management

### Marketing

- Digital Marketing
- General Marketing
- Professional Sales\*

## COMMUNICATION, ENGLISH, AND HUMANITIES DEGREES

### Communication Studies

- Dramatic Studies\*
- Human Communication
- Media and Society
- Strategic Communications

### English

- Creative Writing\*
- Literature\*
- TESOL\*
- Writing\*

### History and Politics

- American Studies
- History
- Pre-Law Studies

### Interdisciplinary Studies

### Philosophy\*

## EDUCATION DEGREES

### Educational Studies

- Community Planning
- Elementary Education
- Instructional Design
- International Education

### Elementary Education\*

### Secondary Education\*

## MINISTRY DEGREES

### Biblical Languages\*

### Biblical Literature

### Biblical Studies

### Church and Ministry Leadership

### Communication and Preaching\*

### General Ministries

### Global Development\*

### Intercultural Studies

- Domestic
- International

### Media Ministry\*

### Pastoral Care\*

### Pastoral Ministries

### University Ministry\*

### Worship and Music Studies

### Youth, Children, and Family Ministries

## MUSIC DEGREES

### Music

### Music Education Preparatory

### Music Industry Business

### Music Production

- Producer
- Recording Arts Technology

### Music Technology

## PSYCHOLOGY DEGREES

### Psychology

- Counseling Studies
- Cultural Psychology
- General Psychology
- Marriage and Family Studies
- Organizational Psychology
- Research
- School Psychology

### Sociology\*

## SCIENCE, HEALTH, AND MATH DEGREES

### Applied Mathematics\*\*

- Computer Science
- Education
- Finance

### Biology\*\*

- Animal Biology
- General Science
- Pre-Health
- Pre-Medicine

### Chemistry\*

### Environmental Science\*\*

- Environmental Education
- Environmental Policy
- Natural Science

### Exercise Science BA\*

### Exercise Science BS\*

### Health Science AA

### Nursing

## TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA, AND DESIGN DEGREES

### Art\*

### Audio Production

### Audio Production Technology\*

### Computer Science BA\*

### Computer Science BS\*

### Music Production

### Music Technology

### User Experience Design\*

### Video Production

- Animation and Motion Video
- Live and Live-Action Video
- Virtual Production

\*Minor

\*\*STEM Majors

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SHOULD I  
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EARLY?**  
YES!

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Applying early will put you in the first group of students to receive financial aid, housing placement, class registration, and more.

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