



Dual Digest

NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME

Dear Dual Admission Students,
Welcome to the Fall 2019 semester!
We hope that it has been productive and enjoyable thus far and wish you the best the rest of the semester. The Dual Admission program at Nova Southeastern University provides our students with the amazing opportunity to complete an undergraduate education with the comfort of knowing they have a reserved spot in one of our outstanding graduate/professional programs. A reserved spot is a major advantage, but you still need to work hard to maintain your status and eligibility.



This is the second year of our newsletter and we hope to continue to provide you with valuable information and resources. Desiree Rivera, our Coordinator of Student Academic Services, serves as the editor of this newsletter, and we both look forward to your input and involvement along the way. We also have a graduate assistant assigned to the dual admission program this year, and you will hear from her in this issue as well.

Have a great semester!

Saul Sztam, Ed.D.

Assistant Dean, College of Undergraduate Studies

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WELCOME FROM THE EDITOR

Hello Dual Admission Students!

Can you believe mid-terms have already passed and November is right around the corner?! If I haven't had the chance to meet you, I hope to at some point throughout your time here at NSU.

A lot of effort is put into our newsletter with hopes of bringing awareness to various events, workshops, opportunities, and services that are available to you and relevant to your dual admission program. If there is one thing I want you to take away from this particular edition, it is the possibility of studying abroad. While it may not seem like it, your undergraduate time will fly by. Take advantage of every opportunity. Utilize the exceptional services available to you such as our Writing Center or Career Advising to name a few.

Lastly, I hope to see you at our exclusive Dual Admission workshops taking place this November on how to secure internships, shadowing, and volunteer opportunities. Have a Great Fall Semester!

Desiree Rivera, M.A.

Dual Admission Newsletter Editor and Dual Admission Ambassador Advisor



A FEW WORDS FROM OUR GRADUATE ASSISTANT

My name is Kristin Hawthorne, I am the Graduate Assistant for the Dual Admission program. I was just in your shoes not so long ago, as I am a recent graduate of NSU. I was involved in many different things during my undergraduate program that helped me grow and develop into the individual I am today. NSU has a plethora of resources and opportunities available for students. I highly recommend getting involved on campus in organizations that align with your interests. There are social organizations, preprofessional clubs, as well as athletic and service-oriented groups. There is something for everyone and you can even start your own organization if you do not find one that fits your interests. Additionally, there is almost always some event happening on campus if you are ever looking for something to do or a way to make more friends at NSU. But it is easy to get overwhelmed when you take on too much so do not take on too much.



You are a student first and foremost, so you need to make sure that you put your classes first. As a Dual Admission student, you must make sure you are doing well in your courses to ensure you maintain the GPA requirements for your program. If you ever feel like you need a little extra help do not be afraid to ask for help from your professors or go to the Tutoring and Testing Center. They are there to help you succeed as a student so take advantage of these resources sooner rather than later. Additionally, I am here as a resource to you all during your time in the Dual Admission program. If you ever need help getting engaged on campus or need to discuss your Dual Admission program, please reach out and schedule a meeting with me. Desiree Rivera and Dr. Sztam are always great resources as well. I hope that you have a wonderful rest of the semester and I look forward to meeting you!

Kristin Hawthorne

Graduate Assistant for the Dual Admission program

2019 EVENT AND WORKSHOP OPPORTUNITIES



Hosted by Career Development

If you have questions or need more information, please call (954) 262-7201 or email career@nova.edu. **RSVP on  iHandshake**

Trick to the Treat of a Research Opportunity or Internship

October 30, 2019 • 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Looking for a healthcare internship or research opportunity? Hear students present their Research, Medical and other Science related internships through round table discussions and learn from your peers how to obtain such opportunities.

NSU Mock Interview Night

November 13, 2019 • 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Are you looking to develop your interview skills and network with top employers? Want guidance on your interview approach? Practice Makes Perfect! Gain feedback from employers representing a variety of industries



Hosted by the Office of International Affairs

Study Abroad Information Session

Offered every Monday and Tuesday

9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Horvitz Administration Building, Room 253



Hosted by the Dual Admission Program in Collaboration with Career Development

Both workshops will help students apply strategically to internships and jobs and the process.

*** An email will be sent to all Dual Admission students with an RSVP link to sign up for one of the two sessions early November.*

Internship and Job Search Workshop

November 20, 2019 • Noon-1:00 p.m.

Knight Auditorium, Carl DeSantis Building

Geared towards students in Business, Law, Psychology, and any non-health program. Space is limited so RSVP asap.



Five Pillars of Success

November 21, 2019 • 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

Knight Auditorium, Carl DeSantis Building

Geared toward Pre-Health professions. Space is limited so RSVP asap!



Myth Busting on Study Abroad Opportunities

By: Jeannie Jaworski, Director of International Affairs

Studying Abroad as a Dual Admit Student is possible!

Studying abroad is an experience every student should consider at least once during their academic career.

It is an opportunity for students to grow personally, professionally, and academically in a culturally diverse atmosphere. Unfortunately, the Sharks Abroad team hears a lot of myths about studying abroad. Here are the top three we hear from Dual Admit students:

MYTH 1: IT DOESN'T APPLY TO MY MAJOR

Truth: Employers will be impressed to see study abroad on a resume. It shows a unique experience that other applicants may not have. While studying abroad, you could develop a new skill set, expand on your current knowledge from an international perspective, and even work in the field shadowing a doctor for clinical hours or a lawyer during a trial.

MYTH 2: I WON'T BE ABLE TO GET THE CREDITS I NEED

Truth: With the help of your academic advisor, you can find the right courses that fit your needs! There are different programs to choose from that offer a variety of subjects. You may even be able to take a major course requirement like Physics I and II. You can also get credit for internships or research abroad!

MYTH 3: I WON'T GRADUATE ON TIME

Truth: Program lengths vary from 1 week to a whole academic year! If you cannot commit to a full semester, you can go for a couple weeks or over the summer!

Programs perfect for dual students:

Spring Break Global Engagement Program

- Explore Cusco, Peru – including a trip to Machu Picchu!
- Engage in service learning and cultural activities
- February 29–March 8, 2020 (Spring Break 2020)
- Open to ALL NSU students!
- Application Deadline: October 27, 2019

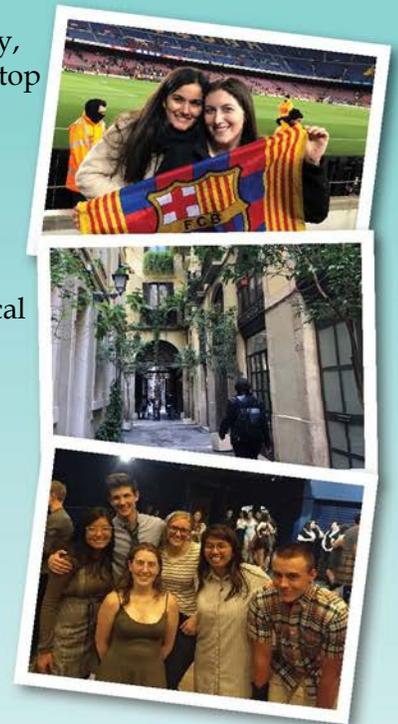
NSU Medical Fellowship in Spain

- Two 20-hour rotations (40 hours total) shadowing in a 500-bed European hospital
- Cultural excursions in and around Manresa, Spain
- Credit optional, ExEL unit optional
- May 15-29, 2020
- Ideal for students interested in pre-medicine and pre-health programs
- Application Deadline: October 31, 2019 (for credit) or December 1, 2019 (non-credit)

Business and Leadership in Singapore

- May 9-23, 2020
- Earn 3-credits (MGT 4966) in Fall I 2020
- Open to business majors and minors
- Lectures, company visits, and meetings with industry experts
- Application Deadline: December , 2019

Didn't see the right program for you? Don't worry. We have programs all over the world. Learn more by attending an Info Session, offered every Monday and Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Horvitz Administration Building, Room 253. You can also [Explore Programs](#) or [Contact Us](#) for more information!



CAMPUS RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

Career Advising

By: Zach Osborne, Associate Director Career Development

As a student with a reserved spot in one of NSU's outstanding graduate or professional programs, it's important to maintain requirements to keep your spot. There are many people and offices across campus that are ready to help you meet these requirements, and Career Development is one of them!

You will most likely need to write a personal statement on your graduate/professional application. We have a team of experts on writing and perfecting personal statements in Career Development! You are encouraged to work with a Career Advisor to develop and fine-tune your personal statement. Your personal statement gives the admissions team for your target graduate or professional program a better sense of who you are and provides context for the rest of your application, so it's important to get it right!

How do you feel about interviewing? You may need to interview to retain your reserved spot in the graduate or professional program you hope to enter. Career Development provides interview coaching and the opportunity to conduct mock interviews catered to your desired program to help you be successful during the interview process. Career Development is here to support you in all aspects of your career path and graduate school planning. For more professional development tips and information and to make an appointment with a Career Advisor, visit www.nova.edu/handshake.



Have you visited
the Dual Admissions
website lately?

nova.edu/undergraduate/academics/dual-admission

It's user friendly and serves a centralized location to find anything from resources on campus, previous newsletter editions, frequently asked questions, to pictures from events, and much more.



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WRITING AND COMMUNICATION CENTER



By: Kevin Dvorak, Executive Director NSU Writing and Communication Center

The NSU Writing and Communication Center (WCC) is an innovative workspace where students, consultants, and faculty come together, in person and online, to talk about writing and communication assignments. We offer individualized assistance to all NSU students, and we work with all types of academic writing and communication projects at any stage of the writing process, from brainstorming to editing. This includes academic projects (papers, theses dissertations), professional projects (resumes, cover letters, articles for publication), creative writing, and digital and oral projects (PowerPoints, posters, infographics, and speeches).

Our main location is on the fourth floor of the Alvin Sherman Library, Room 430. Our hours are Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Sunday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We also have satellite locations at the HPD Library, room 3152, and the Miami campus. For students that cannot make it in person, we also offer online consultations.

You can schedule an appointment by going to nova.myWOnline.com. If this is your first time making an appointment with the WCC, create a new account using your NSU email. To create an appointment, login with your NSU email and password. Also, be sure to select the correct schedule. For example, if you are an undergraduate seeking an in-person consultation at our main location, you would select “Undergrad – Sherman Library.” Once in, select the white time box next to the consultant you want that works best for you! We also take in walk-ins based on consultant availability.

We also hire undergraduate and graduate students to work as peer consultants in the NSU Write from the Start Writing and Communication Center. Each peer consultant is trained to conduct one-on-one consultations with students who need assistance at any point in the writing and communication process. Peer consultants work with students at their same academic level, which means if you are an undergraduate, you would only be working with undergraduate students. Peer consultants also receive professional development opportunities by working with the leadership team.

For more information, you can visit our main website: www.nova.edu/wcc. You can contact us by emailing wcc@nova.edu or giving us a call by phone at (954) 262-4644. Be sure to also follow us on social media @nsuwcc on Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

We look forward to working with you!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Hi everyone, my name is Ariana Sarkhail and I am a sophomore in the Dual Dental pathway. I am so excited to be returning as one of your Dual Ambassadors for this school year. I hope you all had a happy and relaxing summer break! This past summer I traveled to six cities in China and got to learn about the practice of eastern medicine. Also, I shadowed an oral surgeon, observing implant and extraction procedures.

The Dual program is very unique and sets NSU apart from many other universities because it has accumulated a community of passionate students. This is what makes NSU so special to me, and I am excited to see the many accomplishments of the Dual community. The inauguration of the Dual Ambassador Board was last year, and it has bridged a connection between the Dual students and NSU faculty/staff. Being an ambassador has allowed me to build strong relationships with fellow dual students in the different pathways as well as faculty members from different departments. Not only did I learn to collaborate with the students and faculty on the team, but I also learned to network with other clubs/organizations in the undergraduate and graduate programs. That being said, the Dual Ambassadors are striving to hold events/opportunities that will encourage you all to meet fellow Dual peers as well as engage in exciting experiences.

Congratulations to all the new Dual students! You should all be very proud of yourselves and make the most of your time in this amazing program. I hope you all enjoy your college experience but make sure you maintain your grades and standing. Also, I encourage you to utilize the many resources across campus, including tutoring, academic advising, career development, etc. To all the returning Dual students, keep up the good work! You are one step closer to your dream career.

To conclude, being a Dual student is an amazing accomplishment, however, it is important to find other clubs, organizations, activities, etc to make your time at NSU unforgettable. I have met so many people that share my passion for dentistry and I hope you all find a way to express yourself at NSU. Good luck to you all and have a great rest of the year. Hope to see you all around!



**Ariana
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Dual Admission
Dental Medicine

The Dual Admission Office
is located in the Carl
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Floor

**We'd like to feature YOU
in our next edition.**

Did you go somewhere this year representing NSU in any capacity? Whether it was for research, networking, presenting, study abroad, athletic event, community service, etc., we would love to share your experience with our dual admission community. If you'd like to share your experience and a relevant photo, please contact Desiree Rivera at drivera@nova.edu for more information.