

Academic Advising Center

NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FALL 2009 Newsletter

For Parents of NIU Undeclared, Any College Students



Parents,
It is my pleasure to make available to you the Academic Advising Center's first electronic parent newsletter. Whether this is your first child to leave for college or your last, the first few weeks are always a time of adjustment. The staff at the Academic Advising Center wants to work in partnership with you to promote your student's academic success at Northern. If your student needs assistance, please encourage him/her to contact us. We are not only here to help with course schedule concerns, but also for major exploration, referrals to appropriate support services (such as tutoring), and help with other academic concerns. On this page, you will find information about three important events on campus during Fall Semester. When you talk with your student, you may want to encourage his/her participation in one or all of these opportunities. We look forward to an outstanding 2009-10 school year.

Dr. Julie Schaid

Academic Advising
Center
**For appointments -
students should call:
Phone: 815.753.2573**

Exploring Majors Fair:

- ◆ Are you looking for the major or minor that is right for you?
- ◆ Do you already have a major but would like to find out about other academic opportunities available to you?

THEN COME TO THE EXPLORING MAJORS FAIR!

Duke Ellington Ballroom
Holmes Student Center
October 8th, 11:00 am—3:00 pm



Mid-Semester Check:

**Looking for “Strategies for Academic Improvements”?
Come to our Midsemester Check!**

Workshop Sessions include:

- ◆ Bad at Math?
- ◆ Tips for Success in Large Lectures
- ◆ Surviving Test Anxiety
- ◆ Navigating the Academic Calendar
- ◆ Write like a Winner
- ◆ Financial planning
- ◆ Transfer Student Transition



Holmes Student Center

Carl Sandburg: Tuesday, October 6th, 4:00 pm—6:00 pm &
Carl Sandburg: Wednesday, October 7th, 6:00 pm—8:00 pm

Pre-Registration Workshops

Would you like to understand MyNIU better?

Then come to the Pre-Registration Workshop

At the Pre-Registration Workshop you can learn the following through hands-on instruction:

- ◆ How to check holds and how to resolve them.
- ◆ How to find your eligible date and time for registration
- ◆ How to create a “wish list” of classes
- ◆ How to read your degree progress report
- ◆ How to get the most out of your academic advising experience

October 19-23, 10:00 am—11:00 am
October 26-30, 1:00 pm—2:00 pm
Stevens Annex Computer Lab

