Greetings,

On behalf of Military and Post-Traditional Student Services, I would like to welcome everyone back for the Spring 2019 semester! We look forward to seeing your faces in all of our places, such as our offices, the lounge and of course our programs throughout the semester. We are so excited about the continued growth of our Facts and Snacks programs. Our staff has worked hard to develop topics that will be helpful for your academic and personal success here at NIU. Our doors remain open to receive suggestions for topics you would like to see covered. As we continue to build on the success of the fall semester, let’s remember to take time for self-care. Always take a moment to embrace the experience of being a college student and the memories you are creating each day.

If you see any of the staff around campus, stop us and talk to us. We are looking forward to hearing your ideas!

In Huskie Pride,

Eric Armstrong, MBA

Director, Military and Post-Traditional Student Services
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Lounge Open House
MPTSS is kicking off the semester with the MPTSS Lounge Open House on Wednesday, January 23, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Come in, stay warm, and bring your appetite, as food and drinks will be provided!

FACTS AND SNACKS
Our first Facts and Snacks workshop, on Wednesday, January 23 at 3 p.m. in CLB 100, will cover how to apply for the “Gilman Scholarship” that can be used for Study Abroad.

Various staff members on campus will be joining us for our second workshop on Tuesday, February 12, at 12:30 p.m. in CLB 100, as we host a career panel.

All Facts and Snacks workshops are Business Passport approved!

Off-Campus Housing Fair
Are you looking for a place to live next year? Join us at the 10th annual Off-Campus Housing Fair February 27, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., in the HSC Capitol Room. Many DeKalb/Sycamore property management companies will be in attendance for you to communicate with and gather information as you decide your living arrangements for the 2019-2020 academic year.

THE FISH HOOK
Each month Associate Director Jeff Salmon shares insights and thoughts with Post-Trads.

Welcome back everyone for the spring semester! We hope you had a wonderful winter break. Once finals are finished, I always look to recharge and relax before coming back to campus in the new year and start planning ahead.

The highlight of my break was spending the week after finals at Disney World taking in Mickey’s Magical Christmas Celebration. My wife and I ate a lot of good food, took pictures with a bunch of characters and jumped on as many rides as we could. My favorites are still Star Tours and Splash Mountain. My wife’s favorite ride is Haunted Mansion. I also had my first VR experience at the Void in Disney Springs. I got to live out my dream of going on a Stars Wars rebel mission to defeat the empire.

I hope everyone had a good first week of classes. Don’t hesitate to contact our office at any time. We are excited to have all our Huskies back!
NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Throughout the spring semester, NIU will be offering multiple opportunities to network, prepare for interviews, work on your resume, and meet potential employers. Whether you’re in your first year at NIU, or your last, it’s never too late to start thinking about what you want your career path to look like.

This semester Career Services will be offering multiple workshops on different topics such as linked in, resume building, and how to network at the internship fair.

In addition to these future events, Career Services has also broadened their drop in services for students! You can go to their office, without an appointment, Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Their drop in services include: job research assistance, graduate school planning, resume development and interview preparation.

All of these services are a great way to prepare for this semester’s upcoming job/internship fair! It’s always important to invest in yourself by investing in your future!

FOR THE LOVE OF HUMANS: A HISTORY OF DOGS

NIU’s Pick Museum of Anthropology is unveiling a new exhibit beginning on January 14th and it will be open until May 10th! This spring the museum is hosting an exhibit that hits very close to home for the NIU community.

This museum will take visitors through the history of the relationship between dogs and humans. It will focus on how dogs were first domesticated, and historical evidence of a relationship between dogs and humans.

Not only does this museum delve into the history of dogs, but it also will explore the history of NIU. Visitors will learn how NIU became the huskies, and NIU’s various mascots will be featured throughout the museum.

The museum is free to all NIU students, and community members. It is open Tuesday-Thursday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m..

GA SPOTLIGHT

This month our GA spotlight will be our favorite movies and shows we binged over the break. In case you get stressed out with the beginning of the semester and you need some Netflix and chill.

- You
- The Chilling Adventures of Sabrina
- Bird Box
- Blindspot
- Beautiful Boy
- Spiderman
- Aquaman
- Loving Vincent
- Elder Millennial

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Breaking Barriers is a support group for first-generation college students. Our mission is to provide support and resources to first-generation college students in order to have a successful experience at NIU and be prepared for life after college.

[Request to register](#)