SPRING IS HERE!

Ok so it certainly doesn't feel like spring out there, but the worst is certainly behind us at this point. Stay warm and dry and enjoy not having to shovel your driveway or scrape too much ice and snow off your vehicle. We will soon have sunlight later into the evenings which seems to have a way of making the day better!

Don’t forget to move your clocks ahead an hour. The time change will happen at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 11. Most of our clocks do this for us automatically now though, so you shouldn’t have any issues with not waking up on time.

I'M SO HAPPY SPRING IS HERE!

JUST LOOK AT ALL THE PRETTY FLOWERS

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LinkedIn Workshop for Vets

Come to this hands-on workshop on March 27, at 2:30 p.m., at the Campus Life Building Room 235, to learn how to create your LinkedIn profile. You’ll also learn strategies for optimizing your LinkedIn headline and profile summary as well as leave with ideas about how LinkedIn can support your career development and job search goals from Joyce Keller of NIU Career Services.

Participants must be able to log into LinkedIn during the workshop, so be sure to register with LinkedIn prior to the workshop! A laptop will be needed and can be rented from the University Libraries.

To preregister contact Jeffrey Salmon at jsalmon1@niu.edu.

Commercial Reality Workshop for Vets

Ever have an interest in the field of commercial realty? Military and Post-Traditional Student Services, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Alumni Association will be hosting Veteran and NIU alum Terry McCollom to discuss creating a private realty company. Both Terry and his wife are NIU alumni, and together run a successful commercial real estate business. He also has experience in government and developed the Seniors Bus Transportation bill and went before Congress to promote it. He ran and won the Supervisor position for Lyons Township at the age of 22. Terry is excited to meet NIU student veterans and discuss this career path. The workshop will be Monday, March 20, at 1 p.m. in Room 404 of the Holmes Student Center. Food will be provided.

Applying to Graduate School Workshop

Join us in a conversation about campus resources to assist undergraduate students considering applying to graduate school featuring current graduate students and staff. This workshop is part of NIU’s Breaking Barriers series. 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. This session in particular is open to the entire NIU student body.

Featured Employer: AT&T

AT&T is on a mission to hire the best talent. You can even search by Military Occupation Specialty Code or near military installations.

“Here, we see beyond just your service. We know that your skills are going to launch a civilian career that could change everything. And we want you to do that here. With our mission to hire 20,000 veterans by 2020, you’ve found a place where servicemembers make a difference.”

“It’s no secret – veterans and military spouses make great employees. Their commitment, adaptability, and sense of pride is unlike any other – which is why we have remained dedicated to supporting veterans and their families for more than 70 years. Between our Joining Forces veteran hiring initiative, Veteran Employee Resource Group (ERG) and top ratings on G.I. Job’s and DiversityInc’s military friendly company lists, we make it easy for veterans and their families to have successful careers.”
HABITS OF HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE

(Lo, 2018)

1) They look for and find opportunities where others see nothing.

2) They find a lesson while others only see a problem.

3) They are solution focused.

4) They are fearful like everyone else, but they are not controlled or limited by fear.

5) They rarely complain (waste of energy). All complaining does is put the complainer in a negative and unproductive state.

6) While they are not necessarily more talented than the majority, they always find a way to maximize their potential. They get more out of themselves. They use what they have more effectively.

FEATURED RESOURCE: AMERICAN CORPORATE PARTNERS (ACP)

American Corporate Partners (ACP) helps veterans achieve career goals through a free national mentorship program. Hundreds of student veterans have already benefited from the program — see some of their stories on ACP’s website.

What ACP offers:
A one-on-one, year-long mentorship with a corporate professional in the career field of your interest. ACP Mentors come from one of 60+ companies like Bloomberg, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Deloitte, HCA, Intel, Kaiser Permanente, Morgan Stanley, Partners Healthcare, UBS, Wells Fargo and many others.

What you can gain from an ACP Mentorship:
- Learn which career/internship opportunities have the most value
- Build a network of senior industry professionals
- Improve your resume and interviewing skills

Testimonies from Veteran Alumni:
- "My mentorship with Dave is just the exposure I was looking for. He has helped me identify areas that I can improve upon and has exposed me to some colleagues, concepts and ideas that will be beneficial to me."
  - Ricardo A., UTEP student and U.S. Army veteran, paired with ACP Mentor Dave (AECOM)

- "John and I have made great strides in my career development. We have revised my resume, finished my portfolio website, and now we’re working on getting a full ride scholarship for my Masters."
  - Aldo P., UTEP student and U.S. Air Force veteran, paired with ACP Mentor John
Laughter is the Best Medicine

Laughter is a powerful antidote to stress, pain, and conflict. Nothing works faster or more dependably to bring your mind and body back into balance than a good laugh. Humor lightens your burdens, inspires hope, connects you to others, and keeps you grounded, focused, and alert. It also helps you release anger and forgive sooner.

With so much power to heal and renew, the ability to laugh easily and frequently is a tremendous resource for surmounting problems, enhancing your relationships, and supporting both physical and emotional health. Best of all, this priceless medicine is fun, free, and easy to use.

Top Eight Comedy Clubs Near Dekalb

1. Zanies Comedy Club
2. The Comedy Shrine
3. Midwest Comedy Showcase
4. The Smoke Break Comedy Club
5. Westside Improv
6. The Improv Comedy Club
7. Laugh Out Loud Theater
8. Improv Playhouse

Don’t want to leave home? Check out these comedies you can stream straight from your couch.

60 Great Comedies You Can Stream on Netflix Right Now