

STUDENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Alumni Relations and Services

The Office of Alumni Relations & Services coordinates opportunities for alumni and friends of the University to visit the campus and share in the growth and development of the campus community. The office coordinates annual events such as Homecoming, reunion weekends, and alumni gatherings, and is instrumental in the production of the North Parker, the University's alumni magazine. The North Park University Alumni Board assists in the planning and execution of various alumni events throughout the year.

Athletics

Intercollegiate Athletics

North Park University is a member of Division III of the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) and adheres to the philosophy and regulations of those bodies. North Park teams regularly produce All-American and all-conference athletes and compete in post-season play. The University has won five NCAA Division III national championships in men's basketball. Intercollegiate athletics fulfill several important functions at North Park. It enables individuals to develop a personal self-discipline toward the physical, mental, and emotional aspects of training. It emphasizes the value of teamwork in working toward common goals. In this light, it is becoming more evident that the experiences of team sports are considered an important training area for the teamwork required in the business and professional world.

On the personal level, varsity athletics give individuals the chance to realize their own athletic potential within the framework of a competitive athletics program. On the campus-wide level, intercollegiate athletics have been a major focal point for unifying the campus community.

Men compete in baseball, basketball, cross-country, indoor track and field, football, golf, outdoor track and field, and soccer. Women compete in basketball, crew, cross-country, indoor track and field, golf, outdoor track and field, soccer, softball, and volleyball.

The men's power volleyball team is a student-coached, student-operated organization open to any male student. Its aim is to teach volleyball skills and to provide opportunities for competitive volleyball. The team, which operates at the club level, belongs to the Chicago Intercollegiate Volleyball Association and is funded by the participants and the Student Association.

Intramural Sports

Competition in intramural sports is open to the entire University community. Competition in basketball, flag football, and indoor soccer is available to both men's and women's teams. The coed volleyball program is one of the most popular activities on campus.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

The Athletics Department, along with University Ministries, formed this group to minister to all the undergraduate athletic programs. FCA strives to present to athletes and coaches, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church.

Auxiliary Services

Business Office

Located on the third floor of Old Main, the Business Office handles the financial transactions of the institution, including all accounting and the payment of institutional bills. The Business Office can direct students to local banks to set up accounts.

Campus Bookstore

The Campus Bookstore is operated for North Park University by Follett Corporation. The store sells a complete line of textbooks and school supplies, souvenirs, and sportswear. The store also buys used texts at the end of each term. It is located in the lower level of the gymnasium.

Campus Security

The Office of Security at North Park employs off-duty law enforcement personnel from local and state police agencies to promote safety on the North Park campus. North Park security officers patrol the campus 24 hours a day and have the authority to stop, detain, and question anyone who may have committed or is suspected of committing a criminal offense on campus. Because they are law enforcement personnel, our security officers have the power of arrest. Security officers enforce all rules and regulations of the institution.

Due to their law enforcement training and background, North Park security officers have a close working relationship with state and local law enforcement agencies. These agencies are responsive to North Park's security needs and readily provide additional support when requested.

In addition, the North Park Security Office encourages the campus community to report criminal incidents and provides education through crime awareness programs. Campus security also notifies the campus community of any crime patterns that may be occurring, thereby emphasizing prevention.

Computer Services

Computer Services oversees administrative and academic computing, the student computer lab, the campus network, and the campus telephone systems. The Student Computer Lab is available for student use and is equipped with Apple Macintosh and IBM-compatible computers, laser printers, and a scanner. The student lab is staffed by student lab assistants who have been trained on the machines and are able to respond to users' questions.

Fiber optic cable connects campus buildings, including residence halls, to the campus computer network. Students with internet-ready computers may connect from various locations on campus. All residence hall rooms are equipped with network connections.

Each residence hall room is equipped with telephone jacks.

Human Resources

Human Resources is responsible for recruiting and hiring university staff and for employment policies and regulations. Students may contact this position to learn about on-campus employment opportunities.

Library Services

Library Services support and extend the academic instruction of the University, helping students develop skills for lifelong learning. With a current ID card, North Park students can access approximately 235,000 volumes and 1,050 periodicals housed in the Brandel Library, as well as several other university and special library collections in the metropolitan area. The library collection is accessible electronically through our catalog, which links our holdings to those of 65 other academic libraries in Illinois. Specialized and general full-text databases enable students to conduct research from home as well as on campus. The library itself includes individualized and group study spaces, a computer lab, curriculum lab, and media services department. The F. M. Johnson Archives and Special Collections contain the records of the Evangelical Covenant Church, the University, and the Swedish American Archives of Greater Chicago. Students of church history, Scandinavian studies, and urban studies can enrich their understanding of local history by exposure to this rich collection.

Magnuson Campus Center

Magnuson Campus Center is one of the hubs of student activities. There are several classrooms, seminar rooms, and the campus dining facility. Resident students eat their meals in this dining facility.

Campus Center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, allowing student access to the on-campus Automatic Teller Machine.

Payroll Office

The Payroll Office is responsible for processing student time cards and generating student paychecks. Students must fill out the required forms and provide proper identification to the Payroll Office to receive student payroll checks.

Physical Plant

The Physical Plant is responsible for the management of property alterations and repairs, cleaning, and maintenance in campus buildings.

Postal Center

All resident and commuter students are assigned mailboxes which are centralized in the Postal Center. All off-campus and inter-campus mail is placed in student boxes. Students should notify their family and friends of their mail box numbers.

Student Administrative Services

This one-stop center assists students with all of their administrative needs. With knowledgeable counselors fielding students' specific concerns, this office includes financial aid, student accounts, and records and registration. Here students can find information regarding registration, grades, course information, changes of program, transfer rules, student identification cards, veteran's counseling, graduation requirements, withdrawals, transcripts, and permanent records.

In addition, all student billing and collection of tuition, fees, and room and board charges takes place here. Financial aid counselors can help students identify financing options available for funding their education including year-long payment plan options, as well as resources such as scholarships, grants, loans, and college work study positions.

Office of Diversity and Intercultural Programs

The Office of Diversity and Intercultural Programs oversees the Callaboratory for Urban and Intercultural Learning and the International Office. The Office, located on the first floor of Caroline Hall, seeks to sustain a campus community that appreciates diversity and embraces our differences as well as our similarities. We intentionally try to create and maintain a climate that values diversity through programming, outreach, and support for all members. In an effort to strengthen cultural awareness and diversity, the office supports activities and events on such topics as gender, race, religion, ethnicity, age, and socio-economic status.

The office sponsors numerous events including speakers, workshops and exhibits that address the value of diversity in the context of building community and intercultural competency. In addition, the Office of Diversity and Intercultural Programs is committed to providing quality events to promote diversity beyond food, fashion, and festivals. The office meets this objective by focusing on the critical components of diversity through campus dialogue forums, academic presentations, and diversity-related workshops and seminars. These events are designed to complement and support the academic mission of the University.

Callaboratory for Urban and Intercultural Learning

The Callaboratory for Urban and Intercultural Learning collaborates and consults with various academic schools and divisions as well as with individual faculty and staff to develop curricular and co-curricular opportunities designed to support and encourage greater integration of students' in-class and out-of-class experiences.

The primary focus of the Callaboratory is on the contemporary multicultural and intercultural American urban context, with a concerted commitment to questions of justice, and with a distinctive orientation toward the city of Chicago as the focal laboratory. The Callaboratory fosters attention to the various cultures of color in the American city. Attention is given to a variety of groups including the Africana, Latino-American, Asian-American, and Middle Eastern-American cultures as well as selective other immigrant cultures represented in Chicago. The Callaboratory addresses faith-based commitments to justice which are important to the well-being of the various communities of color, adopting the contemporary American urban context as the primary laboratory for learning.

International Office

North Park University enrolls approximately 175 international students from more than 45 countries. Because adapting to and studying in a new academic culture can bring particular challenges, North Park has made a commitment to provide needed services for international students in English as a Second Language, exchange, and degree programs at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

The International Office is located on the first floor of Caroline Hall. The Director of the International Office and the International Student Advisor prepare documents for international student visa applications, interface with the U.S. government on all visa-related issues, and maintain student visa records. In addition, International Office personnel provide new international student orientation at the beginning of each semester and act as a source of information for all international students on matters of visa, academic, campus and cultural interest.

Center for Scandinavian Studies

The Center for Scandinavian Studies sponsors cultural events, including public lectures, exhibits, and musical performances; hosts guest professors from Scandinavia; and assists researchers. The center supports the recruitment of students from Scandinavia to pursue degrees at North Park University. The center assists with the administration of student and faculty exchange programs between North Park University and the following schools in Scandinavia: Södra Vätterbygdens Folkhögskola, The University of Jönköping (School of Health Sciences, Jönköping International Business School, and the School of Education and Communication), The University of Tampere (Finland), the University of Bergen (Norway), the University of Iceland (Reykjavik) and Akureyri University (Iceland). The Center for Scandinavian Studies cooperates with Scandinavian-American organizations in Chicago and the United States to bring the resources of contemporary Scandinavia to the campus. In cooperation with the other cultural studies centers and the various departments of the university, the Center for Scandinavian Studies contributes a Scandinavian and Scandinavian-American element to our multicultural learning community.

Musical Groups and Ensembles

Jazz Ensemble (MUS 0700)

A select group of wind, rhythm, and percussion players determined by audition. Repertoire includes music for large jazz groups from the big band era to the present. An on-campus concert is presented each term, with occasional outside performances.

Concert Band (MUS 0725)

Open to all wind and percussion players, performance of wind ensemble music, both original music and transcriptions. Performances include on-campus concerts each term.

University Orchestra (MUS 0750)

Devoted to the study and preparation of orchestral literature from the Baroque era to the present through regular rehearsal and performance. Periodically collaborates with vocalists to present choral and operatic literature and to tour. By audition.

University Choir (MUS 0800)

A select group of experienced choristers, performing in one of two choirs, determined by audition. Emphasis is placed on performance, with major appearances annually on and off campus, with periodic national and foreign tours. The University Choir performs a varied repertoire of sacred and secular music.

Gospel Choir (MUS 0850)

Open to all singers, the Gospel Choir performs contemporary sacred music from the spiritual and gospel genres. This select ensemble of singers is drawn from the choir by audition for special off-campus performances. Performance opportunities include concerts, chapel services, and worship services at local churches.

Brass Ensemble (MUS 3700)

Open to qualified performers, the Brass Ensemble explores original and transcribed music for brass from all periods. Performances include concerts, chapel services, etc.

Jazz Combo (MUS 3710)

A select group of musicians determined by audition. Jazz music of all eras is studied, with an emphasis on individual improvisation.

Woodwind Ensemble (MUS 3725)

The ensemble provides experience in small groups of mixed and/or similar woodwinds, depending on enrollment. Repertoire will be selected according to available instrumentation. Emphasis on developing chamber music skills including intonation, ensemble, style, and interpretation.

Chamber Music/Strings (MUS 3750)

Small performing groups with two or more participants pursue the study and performance of literature for duos, trios, quartets, etc., with weekly faculty coaching. By audition.

Chamber Singers (MUS 3890)

The Chamber Singers are a small, select group of singers, chosen by audition and performing music from many and diverse styles and periods. Winter and spring concerts are presented both on and off-campus. Major tours every second or third year.

Pep Band

A student-operated group that provides music for athletic events and rallies. The pep band is open to all students by permission of the director.

Student Ministry Teams

Teams consisting of students provide leadership for Chapel, College Life, and off-campus University Ministries Coordinator and Forum Team. By audition.

Student Development

The Dean of Student Development oversees those campus departments and functions that are most integrally involved in the servicing and retention of students: Academic Services, Career Planning Services, Counseling and Health Services, Residence Life and Housing, International and Multicultural Student Services, the Student Association, Student Involvement and Activities, and Student Care.

Academic Services

Academic Advising

North Park University places emphasis on the role that academic advising plays in the educational mission of the institution and in its contribution to the growth and development of each student. Academic advising at North Park involves much more than course selection. The advisor facilitates communication between the student and the University, serving as a coordinator of the learning experience through course/educational planning and academic progress review, and as a referral agent to other campus support services.

Upon enrollment at North Park, every new student is assigned an advisor by the Center for Academic Services, which is located on the second floor of the Student Services Center. Advisors assist students with their adjustment to college life through careful planning of an educational program that is consistent with their interests and abilities. Advisors help students plan strategies for achieving academic success and work closely with students who encounter academic difficulty.

At the end of the first year, advisors assist students in selecting and declaring a major field of study. A student is then assigned a major advisor by the Center for Academic Services respective of the department's faculty. If the student is not ready to choose a major, they will be assigned a status of undeclared and be advised through the Center for Academic Services until the end of the second year. At that point they will declare a major and be assigned to an advisor in the appropriate department. This major advisor assists in the further planning of the student's program and is

available to provide information regarding career and graduate study opportunities in the major field.

Disability Resources

North Park University seeks to provide an environment and community where each person may develop academically, socially, and spiritually. North Park University is committed to full inclusion and participation of people with disabilities in all aspects of university life. As a result, the University is willing to relocate programs, services, and activities to make the event accessible. Please allow at least four business days for accommodations. Depending on the nature of the program, service, or activity, accommodations may take longer or be able to be coordinated in less time.

If you have questions about accommodations or accessibility to programs, services, or activities offered on campus please contact: The Director of Academic Services; North Park University; 3225 W. Foster Ave.; Box 24; Chicago, IL 60625; (773) 244-8500; advising@northpark.edu.

Orientation Program

Entering North Park University is a threshold experience. It is a time of transition, growth, and excitement. At North Park we are committed to helping the new student find the way to the other side of the threshold. Thus we have created THRESHOLD, a program designed with the new student in mind. THRESHOLD includes summer advising opportunities and four days of orientation activities and events prior to the start of school which will familiarize the student with the campus, faculty and staff, the academic programs, and various services.

Writing and Tutoring Services

The Tutoring Center, located on the second floor of the library, was established to provide students with the resources needed to assist them in their academic courses. Students may receive two hours of free tutorial assistance per week in lower-level subjects and general education required courses. The tutors available through the Tutoring Center are peers who have been approved by the department for which they are tutoring.

The Writing Center, also located on the second floor of the library, operates on the principle that every writer needs at least one good reader. Staffed by trained student Writing Advisors, the Writing Center features a flexible program of writing support serving all undergraduate students. Every student in NPD 1000 and NPD 2000 confers with a Writing Advisor on drafts of formal writing assignments before revising and submitting their papers. This arrangement gives students intense, individualized writing advice and helps to streamline the processes of revision and editing.

Testing

The Center coordinates and provides information on the Credit-by-Examination, Advanced Placement, and CLEP programs. These programs are discussed in more detail in the next section of the catalog. Information and registration materials for graduate school examinations are available upon request in the Center.

Career Planning Services

The Center for Career Planning Services, located on the garden level of the Student Services Center, offers a range of services to assist students and graduates in making appropriate world-of-work decisions. Employment counseling, interest inventories, a career planning course, and an extensive Alumni Network are available to students beginning in the first year of

study. Information regarding part-time, off-campus employment is also available. In addition, the Director of Career Planning Services is the campus coordinator of internships. (See the appropriate section of the catalog for additional information on internships.)

The Center assists all graduating students in the preparation of credentials, provides workshops on resume writing and interviewing techniques, arranges for interviews with prospective employers, and offers its services in the placement of graduates.

Counseling Support and Health Services

The Center for Counseling Support and Health Services, located at 3317 West Foster Avenue, provides professional counseling and medical/health services to students who are experiencing a variety of concerns and problems. Counseling services are provided by a professional therapist on a short-term basis for full-time students. Counseling can help students clarify problems, achieve a better understanding of themselves, and provide an opportunity for desired change. Students needing more intensive long-term therapy typically are referred to a professional outside of North Park University.

Acute medical/health services are available for all full-time students. The Center is staffed by a registered nurse and is linked with the Family Practice Center at Swedish Covenant Hospital for physician care. Services are provided on a drop-in basis. Emergency medical services are available at Swedish Covenant Hospital, which is located a half-mile east of campus. Costs incurred through the use of emergency medical services are not covered by the health services department and should be addressed through the student's insurance provider. Students are to check in at Health Services before going to Swedish Covenant Family Practice (SCFP) except in the event of a follow up appointment.

Every student registered for six or more semester hours must complete a medical history form when entering school. Every student is required by state law to turn in an updated record of his/her immunizations (measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, and tetanus) that is certified by a licensed physician or public health official. Exceptions are granted for medical or religious reasons only. The University requires that all full-time students be covered by health and accident insurance. This charge is reflected on the student statement accounts. If proof of other adequate insurance is submitted, students may be excused from taking the health and accident insurance through the University and the charge will be waived. If the student must take the insurance through the University, he or she needs to sign the required documentation in order to be insured.

Parent and Family Relations

The mission of the Parent and Family Relations Office is to act as a resource for North Park parents and families. The purpose of the office is to facilitate communication and develop and nurture meaningful, lasting relationships between families and the University. Our office provides helpful information and resources to assist in your role as parent, mentor, and coach for your college-age student. The Parent and Family Relations Office focuses on the complex role of parenting a college-age student, as it may be different from the one you have been practicing. In preparation for the next step in your student's educational path, we acknowledge the challenge of letting go of your student as they take a big leap toward adulthood. We hope to be partners with you as you focus on the important journey ahead.

Residence Life and Housing

North Park maintains residence halls and other facilities on the campus that accommodate about 60 percent of the undergraduate student body. All first-year, second-year, and third-year students who are not living with their parents or guardian are required to live on the North Park campus. Residents requesting University housing must complete a North Park University housing application and contract. The contract implies that unless the University is advised differently, the student plans to be a resident for his/her first, second, and third academic years until he/she is released from the housing contract based on the Housing Terms and Conditions. Termination of the contract must be in writing prior to the term in question. Please see the room and board refund schedule for adjustments made to housing charges after the semester is under way.

All student housing is under the direction of the Director of Housing and Residence Life. The small size of our on-campus population is ideal for building relationships and receiving personalized attention from an experienced residence life live-in staff. North Park has seven full-time resident directors (RD). Each director resides in the residence hall and is assisted by trained student resident assistants (RA). The goal for residence life is to create an environment that allows for personal growth and an atmosphere that enhances the learning process. The residence life staff utilizes educational and social programs to achieve these goals.

All residence halls provide on-site laundry facilities and security, including 24-hour front desk service. Furnishings in the residence halls include beds, desks, chairs, dressers, and mini blinds. Visitation hours are maintained in each living area. All visitors must sign in and out at the front reception desk of each hall. University apartments do not have a desk staff, but are monitored by security. University apartments are furnished with a bed and kitchen appliances.

North Park offers several residence hall and apartment choices for our students, and three different meal plans. Fourth-year students have the first option for University apartments. The housing office coordinates all meal plan requests and housing applications and contracts.

Student Association

All students enrolled in the traditional undergraduate program who carry 10 or more semester hours of credit are members of the Student Association. The duties of the Association are carried out by the executive committee, the Senate, four Standing Committees, and the Judiciary.

The Executive Committee

The officers of the Student Association — president, vice president, secretary, chief justice/parliamentarian and treasurer — constitute the membership of the executive committee. It is the responsibility of the executive committee to serve as a liaison between students, administrators, and faculty members. The executive committee acts on the Senate's behalf in guiding the operations of the student government.

The Senate

The Senate is the representative governing body made up of four members of each class and led by the executive committee. The Senate exists to contribute to and improve the campus life for undergraduate students.

The Student Life Board

The Student Life Board is composed of the directors of each of the following SA organizations:

Social Events

Social Events is responsible for planning dances, concerts, game days, picnics and many other social activities for the entire student body.

Academics and Education

A&E exists to enlighten and to raise awareness and involvement of the entire campus community about various academic issues, including leadership development. They also support a myriad of academic clubs.

Association of Representative Council

ARC is the umbrella organization under which all North Park cultural associations function. ARC works to maintain and strengthen bridges between the many cultures represented on campus by programming multi-association events. ARC seeks to be intentional in educating the student body on social, cultural, and justice issues in order to facilitate a diverse community, ready to respond to the needs of the world.

Operations and Publication

The North Park Press

The North Park Press, published weekly, is a student-run newspaper that seeks to stimulate discussion among members of the University community on a variety of issues and attempts to provide comprehensive coverage of happenings in and around North Park. Its cost is covered by the Student Association fee paid by each student.

Java Haus

Java Haus is North Park's student-run coffee shop. Numerous organizations hold movie nights, discussions, free concerts, and other events in Java Haus. Students can go for a midnight snack, to caffeinate themselves for late-night homework, to meet up with friends to play Monopoly, or to see local bands perform.

Cupola

North Park's yearbook, the Cupola, is published annually in the fall, and is paid for through the Student Association fee.

The North Branch

The North Branch, North Park's annual literary magazine, is published each spring. It is composed of original short stories, essays, poetry, artwork, and photography. Any student may submit work for publication.

Student Care

The Office of Student Care, located on the garden level of the Student Services Center, offers a range of services to assist students with the many challenges (e.g., academic, interpersonal, family, work, financial) that are presented in college life. Student Care is a safe haven where students can go to seek guidance and support. Staff is available to students whether they are feeling overwhelmed and need assistance or simply have a personal concern they wish to discuss. Student Care is dedicated to the spiritual, intellectual and emotional growth of North Park students and devoted to advancing the mission of the University by nurturing students in the areas of transition anxiety, conflict resolution and crisis intervention. This is not meant to be a comprehensive list. The staff is available and will assist all students in dealing with a variety of concerns. Throughout the school year Student Care strives to provide a number of opportunities to help facilitate a positive student experience.

Student Organizations and Clubs

African Student Club

The African Student Club seeks to unite students who are from and are interested in Africa. Students are provided with opportunities to experience authentic African culture through campus events, educational opportunities, social events, workshops and meetings. This club seeks to be a cross cultural bridge that joins the North Park community to other Chicago based institutions and schools that are interested in and work positively for change in Africa.

American Humanics Association

The objectives of the American Humanics Association shall be 1) to educate students and the greater campus community about the nonprofit sector; 2) to provide students with networking and service-learning opportunities in nonprofit organizations; and 3) to partner with nonprofit organizations in the community. Active membership in the American Humanics Association is open to all students on campus. Students must also be in good academic standing. General members of the association must have a GPA of 2.0 or better. Officers must maintain a GPA of 2.5. All members must earn and document (utilizing a service-learning activity log) a minimum of 10 service learning hours per semester and attend all business meetings.

Athletic Trainers Student Association (ATSA)

The ATSA is a society established to assist in the development of each member's working knowledge of injuries, illness and conditions common to physical activities. This is accomplished by sharing ideas, goals and experiences through meetings, clinics and other casual events.

Beta Beta Beta (Tri-Beta)

The Theta Mu Chapter of the national honorary biological society, Tri-Beta, was organized on the North Park campus in 1963. Its three primary goals are the stimulation of scholarship, the dissemination of scientific knowledge, and the promotion of biological research. Membership is open to students interested in biology. To be eligible for active membership, a student must have completed at least three semester courses in biological science, of which at least one is not an introductory course, with an average grade of B or its equivalent, and have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of not less than 2.30. Associate membership is granted to those students whose interests include the life sciences in some significant way but who are ineligible for active membership. Chapter activities include monthly meetings that feature lectures on current topics by guest speakers, research talks by members, vocational presentations by invited guests, and field trips to nature preserves and parks.

Black Student Association (BSA)

The Black Student Association was established to provide support and assistance for the African-American population attending North Park University, and seeks to be a unified voice to the Student Association and administration. BSA members work together to provide opportunities for all students to understand and appreciate the differences and similarities among individuals and cultures.

Business Club

The North Park Business Club exists to "promote service, education and networking opportunities among undergraduate students to better prepare them for successful careers in business." The North Park Business Club is a student run organization that offers students an opportunity to

supplement their academic growth with practical business experience. The Business Club strives to build on the tradition of excellence at North Park University. By participating in on campus events, off campus excursions and a variety of service projects members are able to engage with other business students outside the classroom and experience the life of business first hand. Students who would like to be a part of the Business Club need to be in good academic standing with an overall GPA of 2.8 or higher. They also must have previously taken business class, be currently enrolled in one or have a major or minor in Business. Exceptions will be decided by the Executive Council.

Commuter Student Association (CSA)

The goal of CSA is to unite the student body and have a good time together while bridging the gap between commuters and residents. We deal with special concerns and questions of commuter students and hopefully enrich their time spent here at North Park.

Delta Mu Delta

Delta Mu Delta is a national honor society in business administration. Alpha Mu is North Park's Chapter and is open to qualified business administration and accounting students. Contact the School of Business and Nonprofit Management for details.

French and Francophone Cine-Club

The French and Francophone Cine-Club exists to provide entertainment and social networking opportunities to students primarily through on-campus film-viewing and discussion; intellectual stimulation, enhance French language skills, foster multicultural perspectives, provide academic and professional development opportunities to students who share deep interest in French and Francophone language, culture and film by means of campus events (namely, weekly film viewings and discussions), newsletters, city events (such as film festivals), and meetings.

Kappa Mu Epsilon

Illinois Epsilon is the North Park Chapter of Kappa Mu Epsilon, a national mathematics honorary society. Membership is open to students with a 2.60 overall GPA and 3.00 GPA in mathematics classes, which must include at least one term of calculus. Meetings are held monthly with student, faculty, and guest lectures. Members also receive a periodical, The Pentagon, published by the national organization.

Latino American Student Organization (LASO)

LASO is dedicated to the discussion of issues, shared perspectives, and raised awareness of the Latino culture for the purpose of creating unity and fellowship among students of North Park. LASO strives to expand the influence of the Latino culture to establish a stronger presence of Latinos at North Park. It strives to establish initiatives that support the educational, cultural, and personal needs of the Latino student community.

Middle Eastern Student Association (MESA)

MESA strives to create a home for all students on campus whether ethnically Middle Eastern or just interested in the Middle East. This association's goal is to celebrate the cultures and religions of the region with all students.

Phi Sigma Tau

Phi Sigma Tau is a national honor society in philosophy organized to develop and honor academic excellence and philosophic interest. The

Illinois Gamma Chapter was installed at North Park in the Fall of 1967. Membership is open to students beyond the fifth term with at least a 2.70 GPA and a 3.00 GPA in philosophy courses. Phi Sigma Tau sponsors philosophy discussions and lectures during the school year. Nominations for membership are made each spring.

Psi Chi

The purpose of Psi Chi is to encourage, stimulate, and maintain scholarship of the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology. The Chapter's programs are designed to augment and enhance the regular curriculum, to afford opportunities for members to use their talents in roles that are meaningful, and to promote interaction among fellow members, faculty, and other psychologists.

Scandinavian Student Association (SSA)

The SSA promotes awareness of each of the five Scandinavian cultures through different events. Furthermore, SSA is for all students both in Chicago and abroad.

Sigma Delta Pi

The Pi Mu Chapter of this national honor society in Spanish was initiated in 1986. In addition to recognizing outstanding achievement in Spanish language and literature, the group sponsors activities with the Spanish Club to expose the University community to Hispanic issues and culture. Membership entitles students to apply for scholarships to study in Spain and Mexico. To become a member, one must be of second-year standing and be near the completion of three advanced courses in Spanish. A "B" average must be maintained in Spanish with a minimum University grade point of 2.75. For more information, contact the Spanish Department.

Sigma Theta Tau

The Kappa Nu Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society of Nursing, was chartered at North Park University in 1988. This society recognizes scholarship and leadership in nursing. Nursing research and publication are promoted through chapter activities. Membership is open to students who have completed their third year of nursing, are in the upper third of their nursing class, and have a minimum GPA of 3.00. Meetings are held quarterly. Members receive chapter newsletters, subscriptions to Reflections, the international newsletter, and Image, the journal of nursing scholarship, and access to scholarship and research funds.

Society of Physics Students

The purpose of the North Park Chapter of the Society of Physics Students is the advancement and diffusion of knowledge of the science of physics and the encouragement of student interest in physics. Meetings are held monthly. All members receive a subscription to Physics Today, a national journal of physics. The Society of Physics Students also contains within it Sigma Pi Sigma, a national physics honor society. Membership in Sigma Pi Sigma is open to students in physics or related fields; members must be nominated by current Sigma Pi Sigma members. Eligible students will have completed three semesters of physics with at least a 3.00 GPA, both in physics and cumulatively.

Student Nurses Association

The Student Nurses Association is an organization for nursing majors that is associated with the National Student Nurses Association, the

national professional organization. The purposes of the association include: assuming responsibility for contributing to nursing education in order to provide the highest quality in nursing care; providing programs representative of fundamental and/or current professional interests and concerns; and aiding in the development of the whole person, one's professional role, and one's responsibility for the healthcare of people in all walks of life. The Student Nurses Association sponsors a variety of health-related programs for the campus community. Professional and social events for nursing and pre-nursing students are also held.

Theatre Program

In addition to the theatre courses offered through the Communication Arts Department, North Park offers a vigorous extracurricular program in theatre production. This includes one major production each semester and the annual student-directed One Act Festival. All students are invited to audition for acting roles and to apply for lighting, costume, set construction, and stage managing experience. Students work with resident playwrights, directors, and designers as well as professional directors and designers from the Chicago area. In recent years, the program has staged outstanding productions of *The Longing* (World Premiere); *We Won't Pay, We Won't Pay*; *The Masses/ Man Tour* (World premiere rock opera); *CHESSE* (musical); *Kiwi Black*; and *Shakespeare's King Lear*. In addition to the extracurricular program, students have exciting internship possibilities as a result of the faculty's deep connections to the Chicago theatre scene. Most recently, students have interned with *The Lookingglass Theatre Company*, *The Goodman Theatre*, *MPAACT*, *Lucky Pierre*, and *Barrel of Monkeys*.

University Ministries

As an educational partner in the North Park community, the department exists to help students integrate their faith in God with the way they learn and live. University Ministries intends to help foster relationships and shared experiences to help transform students' lives so they might impact the world for God. The staff of University Ministries works to create environments and experiences that are conducive to this transformation: personal yet shared, relevant while counter-cultural, meaningful but challenging. Through communal worship and urban service opportunities, small groups and social justice initiatives, global partnerships and racial reconciliation, University Ministries seeks to live out the Kingdom mission of Jesus: becoming all we were created to be and making a difference in this world. All students in the North Park community are invited to join the opportunities in University Ministries.

Chapel

Students, faculty and staff are invited once a week to attend these campus worship services that include music, prayer and teaching. The campus pastor, members of the community and speakers from across the country engage our hearts and minds with the truth of Scripture and challenge us to live it out in practical ways. A variety of worship styles, which draw from various traditions, from contemporary to classical, African American to Hispanic, liturgical to free make each service something unique. Chapel takes place every Wednesday morning at 10:30 in Anderson Chapel.

collegelife

Not just another service, *collegelife* is a communal worship experience designed to help all of us learn and live out what it means to follow Jesus. Through the arts, practical teachings, and the opportunity to respond, our desire is to bring a Christian perspective to the real life issues students face today.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

The goal of this area of University Ministries is to minister to all the undergraduate Athletic programs. FCA strives to present to athletes and coaches, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church.

Global Partnerships

Global Partnerships provides students with opportunities for cross-cultural experiences that expand their faith, their views of the world and their commitment to a lifestyle of justice. Through partnership trips that go out over winter, spring and summer breaks, students travel all over the world learning, building relationships and serving. These trips are open to students from all backgrounds, religious traditions and levels of experience. University Ministries currently has 7 partner organizations around the globe, in Appalachia, Bolivia, Chile, Mexico, Thailand, Zambia and the Gulf Coast (hurricane relief). By focusing on our three values of education, relationships and collaboration we seek to encourage global citizenship in our students. In addition to specific partnership opportunities, this program also sponsors various campus initiatives around global social justice. By raising awareness, encouraging advocacy and hosting events around such issues as AIDS and the environment, this program helps students to learn to pursue a lifestyle of justice.

HandsOn

Hands On is designed to educate, motivate, and empower our generation to be advocates for social action. We work to interface the University's outreach programs with real issues affecting our local, national, and global community. Check us out online at www.handsonmag.org.

Prayer

The Prayer Team consists of a group of students dedicated to weekly prayer for this campus. The team sponsors many opportunities during the year for students on campus to pray. As well, students can be prayed for in person by a member of the prayer team after collegelife. Prayer requests can be submitted to prayerrequest@northpark.edu.

Sankofa

Sankofa brings together readings, films, class lectures, and conversations with a pilgrimage to major civil rights sites in the southern part of the U.S. focusing on black/white relations. We explore the biblical theological, sociological, political, cultural, and psychological dimensions of the struggle for racial justice during the Civil Rights era and its contemporary implications. We also seek to provide experiences that lead to personal transformation on the difficult questions of race and justice. Sankofa can also be taken as a 2 credit class (AS-2540) during the Spring semester pending successful completion of an application and interview process.

Small Groups

We all need places where we can be ourselves, study God's word, serve others, and see where God is at work... one of those places is in a small group. You can join a group based on your interests and on what you would like to study. Our goal for these groups are that they become places where students will grow spiritually and be loved just as they are.

Urban Outreach

North Park's long standing student led service program is comprised of seven different issue-focused teams dedicated to providing meaningful

service and volunteer opportunities for the University Community. Our Disability & Elderly, Homelessness & Hunger, Independent, International, and Youth & Child Teams partner with over 20 different social service agencies, schools, and churches to address community needs. Through Urban Outreach, students have an impact on our local community by tutoring at-risk youth, and providing assistance to the elderly, feeding the hungry and homeless, working with refugees, and much more.

In addition to on-going volunteer opportunities at Urban Outreach sites, we work with faculty on service learning initiatives, host a summer youth day camp, and sponsor various campus-wide projects including the Great Gift Giveaway, neighborhood clean-ups and other activities that engage the campus in serving our city.