

A weekly newsletter with news and information for SUNY Niagara Students. It can also be found on the web <https://www.niagaracc.suny.edu/studentlife/weeklywolf/>



For Week of September 22, 2025

Take SUNY Branding Survey to win a \$100 gift card!

The State University of New York (SUNY) is conducting a comprehensive research on their branding and marketing, and would like you to share your perceptions on SUNY.

During this week--September 22nd--randomly selected members of SUNY Niagara students will receive an email inviting them to take a 10 -12 minute survey. The invitation will come from SimpsonScarborough, who is partnering with SUNY for this project. If you are randomly selected, you will also receive a pre-notification email including a few more details from me (ayanagi@niagaracc.suny.edu) next week.

You will have the chance to enter a drawing for a \$100 gift card (five winners) upon successful completion of the survey!

Thank you in advance for participating in the survey and helping shape the future vision of SUNY.

Akie Yanagi, PhD, Director of Planning, Research & Institutional Assessment

Diverse Dialogue: Belonging on Campus: Do you Feel at Home?

Finding your place on campus isn't always easy, but belonging starts with connection. The JEDI (Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion) committee invites you to join us for our first Diverse Dialogue event of the Fall semester.

Date: September 25th at **Time:** 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Location: G211 **Special Guest:** Ellie the Therapy Dog

Snacks: Popcorn & Apple Cider

Theme: *Belonging on Campus – Do You Feel at Home?*

This informal, one-hour session is a chance to: Share your experiences and ideas about what makes SUNY Niagara feel welcoming. Connect with fellow students, faculty, and staff in a supportive, relaxed setting. Discuss practical changes or traditions that can strengthen our community bonds. Enjoy some snacks and meet Ellie the therapy dog

Your voice matters, and your perspective can help shape the future of belonging at SUNY Niagara. Whether you're a first-year student or a longtime member of our campus community, you are an important part of this conversation.

Let's come together to ensure SUNY Niagara feels like home for everyone. We hope to see you there!

Jonathan Bellomo, SPHR, Director of Human Resources, Equity and Organizational Development

Fall 2025 - Drop/Delete Course Deadline:

The deadline to drop/delete Fall 2025 courses is Tuesday, September 23. Courses dropped on or before this date will not appear on your transcript/schedule. However, please be aware that you may incur financial liabilities. Click [here](#) for more details.

To drop a class yourself by logging into [Banner Web](#):

- Click on "Registration"
- Click on "Register for Classes" and select the term
- On the Registration menu, click on "Register for Classes" and select the term
- Click on "Panels" in the bottom left corner.
- A list of registered courses will appear in the Summary section. To drop a course, choose "Web Drop" or "Web drop during Penalty Period" from the drop-down next to the course you want to drop.
- Click "Submit Changes"

To request a course be dropped by the Records Office:

- Log into [Banner Web](#), click on Registration, Drop/Withdraw from Course or College (All Classes), or
- Contact the Records Office via TWolves email at records@niagaracc.suny.edu.

If you choose to drop a course after the deadline listed above, the course will remain on your transcript and a "W" grade will be assigned.

If you have questions about dropping a course, please contact the **Student Success Center** at 716-614-6290 or email studentsuccess@niagaracc.suny.edu.

Modular courses differ in deadlines. Please go to the [Student Calendar](#) and scroll down to click the link for 'Fall 2025 Modular Course Dates'.

Need to Order an Official Transcript?

Place your order online through [Banner Web](#):

- Click on Student Records
- Click on Academic Transcript - Order Official

You can also go to the [Records Office webpage](#) and click on the "Order Official Transcripts" button.

The fee is \$10 plus tax for each official transcript ordered.

Please note: Unofficial transcripts are free of charge and may be obtained by logging into Banner Web; click on the Student Records tab; choose Academic Transcripts – View Unofficial. Questions? Email records@niagaracc.suny.edu, call (716) 614-6250, or stop by the Records Office (A-161) for assistance.

Use Myhub for FREE Enrollment Verifications

Myhub is a free and secure online application provided by the National Student Clearinghouse. Myhub provides you with access to your verified education record from SUNY Niagara and all other colleges and universities that participate in Myhub where you also have an academic record.

Myhub offers many convenient self-service features, such as:

- Download and print enrollment, advanced registration, and “good student discount” certificates
- Order transcripts
- Add digital credentials hosted on Credly to your Myhub learner record

Through Myhub, you have lifetime access to your complete academic record of enrollment and degrees earned from participating institutions. You’ll also benefit from immediate access to new capabilities and resources, which will serve you throughout your professional life, as they are added to Myhub. Visit <https://www.myhub.org> today to create your account or log into Banner Web, click on Student Records, and choose “Enrollment Verification – National Student Clearinghouse”.

Guide to Online Services:

Many student services are offered online via Banner Web. For more information, please see the [Guide to Online Services](#). Records Office

CAREER AND TRANSFER SERVICES week of September 22:

September 22:

McGuire Group - 11:30am-3:30pm at Niagara Falls Culinary Institute

Niagara University- 11:00am -1:30pm in the Learning Commons

Kaleida Health- 10:00am -2:00pm in the Learning Commons

September 23:

Niagara University- 10:00pm-2:00pm in C-Building *Nursing wing

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SUNY Empire - 10:00am-2:00pm in the Learning Commons

University at Buffalo- 10:00am -2:00pm in the Student Success Center

September 24:

CSL Plasma- 11:30am-3:30pm at Niagara Falls Culinary Institute

September 25:

Buffalo State - 10:00am-2:00pm in the Learning Commons

US Navy - 10:00am -2:00pm in the Learning Commons

Niagara Falls Boys and Girls Club - 10:00am-2:00pm in the Learning Commons

September 26:

Niagara University- 11:00am-1:00pm at Niagara Falls Culinary Institute

Community Missions - 10:00am-2:00pm in the Learning Commons

Kate Murphy, Career & Transfer Services Program Administrator, Student Success Center, kmurphy@niagaracc.suny.edu

Emergency Alerts:

All students should make sure that their contact information is up-to-date in order to receive emergency/closing alerts from Public Safety. All SUNY Niagara students can view/update their information on [Banner Web](#) through the College’s main website with your SUNY Niagara T-Wolves Credentials. Once logged in, go to Personal Information tab, and you will see SUNY Niagara Emergency Alert Registration (Everbridge).

For assistance with login issues, or if you are unable to access Banner web, please contact the Twelves Assistance line at 716-210-2505 or stop by A-131 in the Notar Administration Building.

Additional information regarding emergency alerts can be found on the Public Safety campus website:

<https://sunyniagara.edu/security/emergency-alerts-everbridge/>

Thank you!

SUNY Niagara Public Safety and SUNY Niagara Office of Information Technology

Important Update: All Online Payments Moving to Nelnet

Starting September 29, 2025, SUNY Niagara will use Nelnet for all online payments. With Nelnet, you can make no-fee one-time payments, enroll in a payment plan and sign up for direct deposit refunds. If you do not already have a Nelnet account, go to the Tuition & Fees page on the SUNY Niagara website and follow the link.

Any questions? Reach out to the Cashier’s Office — we are here to help.

John P. Eichner, CPA Director of Business Services/

College Association & Student Housing Village Executive Director

The College wants **YOUR** feedback on the new Strategic Plan!

The College is currently developing a new strategic plan, and would like to get your feedback on it through a quick survey. You will receive a survey invite via email from ayanagi@niagaracc.suny.edu, beginning **Tuesday, September 23rd**.

The survey is very short and will only take you about 4 minutes! Please participate in the survey.

Your feedback is very valuable to us, and we are excited to hear from you!

Thank you,

Akie Yanagi, PhD, Director of Planning, Research & Institutional Assessment

Lewis Library Offers New Collection of Popular Magazines through Overdrive

The Lewis Library is happy to announce its latest addition to our digital collection. [Overdrive Magazines](#) makes available over four thousand popular magazines for your reading pleasure. The magazine titles are full-color images with up to three years of back issues and have unlimited simultaneous use.

You can access all our the library's magazine and ebook content from Overdrive online in our [Libby by Overdrive](#) collection or use the Libby app on your mobile device or tablet to add SUNY Niagara library (part of the Northern New York Library Network) using your college email and password to borrow items. If you need more help accessing these ebooks and magazines, please check out our [Overdrive/Libby Libguide](#) or contact the library.

Andrew Aquino

MINDFUL MONDAY

In Lewis Library and the Academic Center for Excellence
Monday September 22



THERAPY DOG 🐾
Let Lola melt your worries away
11 AM-Noon
3rd Floor by Children's Literature

Unwind Creatively
10 AM—4 PM



BUDDHA BOARDS
Draw with water, then watch your art slowly disappear as it evaporates.

TEA & PASTRIES
Start your week with some free little treats!
10 AM-1 PM
in A.C.E.



COLORING PAGES & BOOKMARKS
Relieve stress and boost brain function



Brought to you by Student Life, ACE, and the Lewis Library

Chess in the Honors Lounge

Every Thursday

1:00 pm

E225

Join Honors scholar **Artem**,
a 2nd Division Chess Player,
in a game of chess

Email him for more information:
adenisenko443@mynccc.niagaracc.suny.edu



- Come and learn how to play the game
- See how certain moves are executed

Health & Wellness News:

FLU SHOT CLINIC

FLU SHOTS on campus

Wednesday, September 24th
Learning Commons
12:00pm - 2:00pm

Open to all Students, Faculty, Staff and the Public
Please Bring your Insurance Card

If No Insurance, Cost = \$49
Age ≥ 65 years, Cost = \$69
(Cash Only)

No Appointment Necessary!

For Further Information, Contact the Health & Wellness Center: C122, Ext 6275



BEAT THE BUG!

Calling all student crafters and makers: We will have our first informational meeting on Wednesday, Sep. 24, from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Learning Commons. Bring your calendar, your current project, and a friend to learn more about this new club. For more info, email the faculty advisor at S.V. Buffamanti at sbuffama@niagaracc.suny.edu



SUNY NIAGARA

COMMUNITY SERVICE FAIR

9.24.2025 | 11 AM - 2 PM
LEARNING COMMONS

PARTICIPANT LIST

211 WNY

Buffalo Federation of Neighborhood Centers
Catholic Health - Mount St. Mary's Hospital and Health Center
Center for Elder Law and Justice
Cornell Cooperative Extension of Niagara County
Cornerstone Community FCU
Fallon Health Weinberg-PACE
Girl Scouts of Western New York
GuildCare
Haven of Hope Pregnancy Services
Independent Living of Niagara County
Iroquois Job Corps
Kenan Center
LCTV
Lockport YMCA

Native American Community Services
Niagara Area Habitat for Humanity
Niagara County Employment & Training
Niagara County Sheriff's Office
Niagara Hospice
Niagara PATH
Pinnacle Community Services
Save The Michaels of the World, Inc.
The Dale Association
United Way of Greater Niagara
Western New York Independent Living
Western New York Problem Gambling Resource Center
Youth Mentoring Services
YWCA of the Niagara Frontier

Why Volunteer?

LEARN NEW SKILLS Leadership, teamwork, communication, and problem-solving
BOOST YOUR RESUME Stand out to employers, transfer schools, or scholarship committees.
MEET NEW PEOPLE Connect with friends, mentors, and community leaders.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE See the real impact you can have in your community.
EXPLORE YOUR INTERESTS Try out causes or careers you might want to pursue.
DO GOOD, FEEL GOOD Volunteering can reduce stress, build confidence, & bring a sense of purpose.

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FIRST FALL 2025 OAC HIKE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

**11AM AT DEVIL'S HOLE STATE PARK
MEET IN THE PARKING LOT
(NIAGARA SCENIC PKWY, NIAGARA FALLS, NY)**

EMAIL jldsito@niagaracc.suny.edu WITH ANY QUESTIONS

COFFEE WITH A TUTOR

WEDNESDAY, 9/24, THURSDAY, 10/2, WEDNESDAY 10/8

IN ACADEMIC CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE (LOCATED INSIDE OF LEWIS LIBRARY)

10:00AM-1:00PM



Meet your tutors at ACE over coffee! Chat, connect, and get to know the support available this semester.

BROUGHT TO YOU BY YOUR STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE

SUNY Niagara students please join us for a **FREE** campus screening of the original 1940 animated classic ...

WALT DISNEY'S Pinocchio

brought to you by The SUNY Niagara Cinephiles and presented by Animation Instructor, Bill Blenk

Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at 5pm in E-142

Snacks will be served!

Celebrated for its meticulous hand-drawn character animation and effects, Disney's Pinocchio continues to impress modern audiences despite its content involving depictions of substance abuse, violence against children, and race that would not appear in a family film made today. Join us for the art and to learn from the controversies!!

**Made possible by the Student Life Office*



JOIN US FOR UNPLUGGED GAMING CLUB

SEPTEMBER 24TH @ 3:30PM IN THE STUDENT HUB

Unplugged Gaming is a tabletop gaming club where member/students meet to learn and play tabletop games. Whether you're a seasoned player or just curious, there's always a seat at the table for you!

CONTACT
JFOGLIA637@MYNCCC.NIAGARACC.SUNY.EDU
WITH ANY QUESTIONS



Connect Life Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 30, 2025
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

SUNY Niagara
3111 Saunders Settlement Rd., Sanborn, NY 14132
In the Student Center Community Room #G211

September donors will receive a Life phone wallet, **AND** each week, be entered into a raffle for a chance to win one of three pairs of tickets to a regular season Buffalo Bills home game in the all-inclusive M&T Bank Club.



To make an appointment:



Scan QR code, call ConnectLife at 716.529.4270 OR visit ConnectLifeGiveBlood.org & enter sponsor code: 002022

Scan Me

When you have questions, go to the SUNY Niagara web and ASK TRIPP!

Alliance Niagara Federal Credit Union:

We, the staff of Alliance Niagara Federal Credit Union welcome you all to join.

The benefits of membership are plenty! We are located on campus Room G-146!

Need to cash a check – if you have an account – no worries!

Need an ATM – even if you don't have an account – no worries!

Need to get change for a \$20 – no worries!

Need to see your account on line – no worries!

Need to get a check to pay a bill – no worries!

Just need someone to explain banking to you – no worries! Join the credit union today for all your banking needs.

Nancy E Sweeney, Business Manager, Alliance Niagara FCU

SO, WHAT IS HAZING?

Definition of Hazing: Any activity expected of someone joining or participating in a group that humiliates, degrades, abuses, or endangers them regardless of a person's willingness to participate.^{1, 2, 3}

It includes three key components:

1. It occurs in a group context.
2. Humiliating, degrading, or endangering behavior.
3. It can happen regardless of an individual's willingness to participate, regardless of consent.

55% of students experienced hazing
BUT ONLY 9%

identified they were hazed or considered themselves to have been when asked directly.



HAZING CAN TAKE MANY FORMS



Humiliation, roast nights, or wearing embarrassing clothing



Being taken to & left at an unknown location



Sleep deprivation and being woken up in the night



Greeting others in a specific manner

Expecting items to always be in one's possession



Threats, implied threats, verbal abuse, & assigning demerits



Water intoxication or forced ingestion of substances



Making prank calls or harassing others



WHERE CAN IT HAPPEN?

Hazing happens at colleges and universities AND middle and high schools. Some common places are:

- Varsity Athletic Team
- Social Fraternity or Sorority
- Club Sports
- Performing Arts Organization
- Academic Club
- Honor Society
- Service Fraternity or Sorority
- Intramural Team
- Recreation Club



STATE LAWS & HAZING POLICY

Although 44 of the 50 states have anti-hazing laws in place, the strength and breadth of the laws vary significantly. Familiarize yourself with the law in your state and your campus policy.



Scan here to see your state's laws



IS HAZING EFFECTIVE FOR GROUP BONDING?

NO!

- 82% of students agreed that "Hazing is not an effective way to create bonding."⁴
- 86% of students agreed that "Hazing is not an effective way to initiate new members."⁵
- 96.6% of students agreed that "I do not need to be hazed to feel like I belong to a group."⁶

WAYS TO BUILD HEALTHY GROUPS & TEAMS

- Participate in community service projects together
- Identify common times for new and returning members to hang out (e.g., group meals, studying, working out)
- Visit a challenge course led by professionals to work on communication and leadership skills
- Utilize campus resources to promote scholarship
- Strengthen problem solving skills through team building activities
- Work on personal development through activities like vision boards, goal setting, etc.⁷



CAMPUS RESOURCES:

Hazing Prevention:



How to Report:



Campus Hazing Policy:



FOOTNOTES

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WANT MORE INFO?
GO TO STOPHAZING.ORG

