Welcome to the Northern Arizona University family! Whether you are a parent, family member, or friend of a new NAU student, we know you play a critical role in their success. The NAU experience is truly a collaborative adventure, and we look forward to your involvement in this incredible journey. Your student is joining a dynamic community of people devoted to making a difference in a complex and demanding world. Our rigorous academic programs will challenge them and help them develop critical-thinking skills they will use for the rest of their lives. And that experience doesn’t stop in the classroom. Students are encouraged to participate in internships and field work experiences, join student organizations, attend athletic events and arts performances, participate in community service, and more. We offer the tools, resources, and extracurricular opportunities that will help them thrive during this exciting time in their lives.

Lives change at NAU, and it is our privilege to be part of the exhilarating transformation your student will realize over the next four years. I look forward to getting to know your student, and to sharing your pride in their many accomplishments as a Lumberjack.

Sincerely,
Rita Hartung Cheng
President

As you and your student begin this journey together, we hope you find this guidebook to be a valuable resource. Inside you will find information to assist with your student’s transition to college and help you stay informed and involved.

You’ll find an abundance of personal support from professional staff whose role is to help families navigate and engage in university life. Parent and Family Services will connect you with programs and services that ease the transition to NAU and boost student success.

STAY CONNECTED

Newsletters
Subscribe to our free e-newsletters and become a champion for your student’s progress, with timely information and relevant advice along the way.
nau.edu/parent-newsletters

THE BACKPACK is a weekly email geared toward families of freshmen and sophomores to help them understand the opportunities and challenges students face during their first two years.

THE BRIEFCASE, a monthly email for families of juniors and seniors, provides guidance about internship opportunities, career planning, and campus resources that help students make the most of their college experience.

Family Weekend
October 7 – 8
Packed with loads of fun and activities, Family Weekend is a great way to experience your student’s life as a Lumberjack.
nau.edu/familyweekend

Social Media and Emergency Notifications
Encourage your student to sign up for NAU Alert, which sends text messages in case of an emergency—including weather-related closures. Your student can add additional phone numbers, so you can get the same alerts on your cell phone.
nau.edu/alert

GET A PEEK INTO LIFE ON CAMPUS BY FOLLOWING THE UNIVERSITY ON SOCIAL MEDIA.
facebook.com/nauflagstaff
instagram.com/nauflagstaff
pinterest.com/nauflagstaff
rebelmouse.com/nau
twitter.com/nau

Care Packages
You can give your student a little boost during finals—or any time during the semester—with a care package that includes snacks and a personal message from you.
ncm.com/nzu/carepackages

Parent and Family Services
Academics
Support Services
A Commitment to Unity
Financing Your Future
Paying for College
Living on Campus
Safety and Health
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Flagstaff’s Natural Beauty

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ACADEMICS

COLLEGES AND MAJORS

Arts and Letters
With majors that focus on the humanities, arts, and modern languages, students can become part of an intellectually vibrant community of artists and scholars while developing professional skills.
- Art Education
- Comparative Cultural Studies: Art History, Asian Studies, Comparative Study of Religions, Public Humanities
- English
- History
- Interior Design
- Modern Languages: French, German
- Music Education
- Music Performance: Vocal, Instrumental
- Philosophy
- Philosophy, Politics, and Law
- Secondary Education: English, History and Social Studies, Music (Choral, Instrumental), Language: French, German, Spanish
- Spanish
- Studio Art
- Theatre

Education
The university is deeply grounded in its tradition of educational excellence. The College of Education prepares caring, committed teachers and scholars while developing professional skills.
- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Special and Elementary Education
- Secondary Education: Those who want to teach middle school or high school students will earn a degree through the college that offers their specialty.
- Bachelor of Applied Science*
- Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies*
*Does not lead to Arizona state certification

Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences
Through programs that emphasize innovation in science, technology, and engineering, this college helps the next generation solve environmental, technological, and scientific challenges.
- Applied Computer Science
- Astronomy
- Biology
- Biomedical Science
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Science
- Construction Management
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental and Sustainability Studies
- Environmental Sciences
- Exercise Science
- Forestry
- Geology
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Microbiology
- Physics
- Physics and Astronomy
- Secondary Education: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, General Science, Mathematics, Physics

Health and Human Services
Students with a passion for health sciences will be prepared to provide health and wellness services for individuals, families, and communities.
- Dental Hygiene
- Health Sciences: Fitness Wellness, Physical Education, Public Health
- Nursing
- Speech Language Sciences and Technology

Social and Behavioral Sciences
Whether interested in media, social problems, government, world cultures, justice, public policy, sustainability, or communication, students have one-of-a-kind opportunities to work with faculty who help them think critically.
- Anthropology
- Applied Indigenous Studies
- Communication Studies
- Creative Media and Film
- Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Geographic Science and Community Planning
- International Affairs
- Journalism
- Journalism and Political Science
- Parks and Recreation Management
- Photography
- Political Science
- Psychological Sciences
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Strategic Communication
- Visual Communication
- Women’s and Gender Studies

The W. A. Franke College of Business
With degrees that focus on management, finance, operations, and marketing, this college provides a rigorous professional environment where students receive preparation for a successful future.
- Accounting
- Business Economics
- Finance
- Hotel and Restaurant Management
- Information Systems
- Management
- Marketing

JACKS PLANNER provides a "road map" for students to navigate how courses might fit into their degree plan. It helps them explore classes and majors while keeping them on track to graduation.
nau.edu/JacksPlanner

Undecided? That’s Fine
Exploratory students have advisors and faculty support to help navigate all the options available to them.
We will help students unlock their interests and talents through small interactive First-Year Seminar courses that fulfill Liberal Studies requirements and ease the college transition. Our Making Major Decisions course (UC 199) helps students who are uncertain about what to study or are exploring their choices. One option might be a bachelor’s in University Studies—a personalized plan consisting of two minors instead of a major.
nau.edu/exploratory

ACCESS TO RECORDS
The federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requires student consent for disclosure of academic records—including to parents. We encourage families to discuss access to student records with FERPA in mind. Students can grant access to their records with a written release.
nau.edu/studentrecords

HOW CAN MY STUDENT STAY ON TRACK?
Jacks Planners are provided free of charge to students who wish to navigate their educational paths with ease.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
Most bachelor’s degrees require 120 credit hours/units
35 Units of Liberal Studies Requirements*
- 25 units ** – distribution requirements
  - Aesthetic and Humanistic Inquiry
  - Cultural Understanding
  - Science and Applied Science
  - Social and Political Worlds
- **What is Liberal Studies? Our general education requirements give students the opportunity to explore a broad range of subjects that complement the expertise they develop in their majors in order to become innovators and engaged citizens, ready for future challenges.
- *Some Liberal Studies courses might also fulfill the university’s Ethnic and Global Diversity requirements.
7 units – foundation requirements
- English Composition (minimum of 4 units)
- Mathematics (minimum of 3 units)
3 additional units from any Liberal Studies area
85 Units of Major, Minor, Certificate and Elective Courses
These will be courses in your student’s major and minor, as required. Electives also are taken as needed to bring the total to 120 units.

HOW CAN MY STUDENT STAY ON TRACK?
Our four-year progression plans help students stay on track to complete their degree on time.
nau.edu/progressionplan

In addition to making it easy to get the right books for your classes, the NAU Bookstore also sells computers, school supplies, art materials, room décor, gifts and accessories, NAU apparel, and graduation products.
nau.edu/bookstore

With careful planning and a team committed to the journey, your student will be challenged to learn, grow, and achieve. The faculty and staff at Northern Arizona University will work with you and your student to make the experience exciting, rewarding, and relevant, all the way to graduation.
ACADEMIC AND CAREER SUPPORT

Advising
Advisors at the Gateway Student Success Center help first-year students in their transition to college by guiding the selection of a major, understanding degree requirements, navigating campus resources, and staying on track. Students transition to being advised in their college upon the successful completion of their first year.

nau.edu/gateway

Career Development
Through Career Development, your student can get a career jump-start with resume reviews, job search strategies, career exploration, internship and student employment resources, and more. Students can participate in mock interviews and group workshops, as well as network with potential employers during on-campus recruitment events.

nau.edu/career

Academic Transition Programs
Academic Transition Programs offers student success courses and peer mentorship support designed to strengthen the first-year transition experience and orient a student toward a meaningful college career of personal relevance and rich value. ATP offers guidance on campus resources fundamental to first-year success and is committed to laying the foundation for academic achievement while encouraging the personal growth of lifelong learners.

nau.edu/atp

Student Learning Centers
With locations on central and south campus, your student can find free, convenient access to:

• One-on-one, drop-in, and online tutoring
• Supplemental Instruction (peer-led review sessions)
• Test and exam reviews
• Academic peer mentoring
• Workshops on time management, test preparation, and stress
• One-on-one study skills development with a Learning Specialist

nau.edu/slc

Cline Library
With a wide array of services, research materials, and study space, Cline Library is open until 2 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Students can reserve rooms, check out laptops, and get help with technology or writing. They can even fuel late-night study sessions with coffee from the Scholars’ Corner Cafe.

nau.edu/library

Student Support Services
Students who are first in their family to go to college, income-eligible, or have a disability can access layers of support to ensure a successful academic and social transition to college. Services include free individual and group mentoring, staff guidance on academic skills and financial aid, and workshops on time and money management.

nau.edu/sss

Student Technology Center
Students can receive 24/7 support from IT staff in person and by phone during the fall and spring semesters. This includes help with password changes, student email, LOUIE accounts, connecting to ResNet, and more.

nau.edu/stc

It’s never too late—or too early—to ask for help. Some students sign up for tutoring and review sessions in the first few weeks of class to set themselves up for academic success.

WHAT CAN STUDENTS DO TO KEEP THEIR GRADES UP

Mentoring Programs
Students utilize peer and professional staff to connect to resources and social networks, discover strengths, develop goals, and build academic skills. These programs cater to a variety of students—from Native Americans and Student Veterans, to those who simply want a connection outside of class. Mentors tailor support to assist with each student’s unique needs.

nau.edu/success

Student Service Center
It’s a one-stop shop for academic records, financial aid, and student account needs. Students can add or drop classes, make payments, manage forms, and more—all in one central location.

nau.edu/ssc
Northern Arizona University embraces academic excellence, learning, diversity, and inclusion, and provides a welcoming community for students from all backgrounds.

Inclusion and Multicultural Student Services
All students are invited to explore their academic and personal growth through mentoring, multicultural and LGBTQIA programs, and campus-wide initiatives designed to instill a respect for diversity.

nau.edu/ims

Native American Student Services
NAU enrolls nearly 2,000 Native American, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian students representing more than 122 nations and tribes, making NAU one of the leading universities serving indigenous people. Through individualized support and programs in a caring, professional environment that respects and values Native culture, your student can build a strong support network and find academic and social success.

nau.edu/nass

Military and Veterans’ Services
NAU’s commitment to military veterans and to those connected to military service has earned the university four straight years on the annual list of military-friendly schools. It also received a Military Times 2016 “Best for Vets” rating, and the Times ranks The W. A. Franke College of Business among the top 10 “Best for Vets” business schools.

nau.edu/veterans

Transfer and Commuter Connections (T&CC)
Transferring from another college or university has its challenges, and students often face academic, social, and personal adjustments. T&CC provides support services to new transfer and commuter students. Through mentoring and events, students are encouraged to get involved, connect with peers, and access campus resources.

nau.edu/tcc

First-Generation Programs and Initiatives
Nearly half of NAU freshmen on the Flagstaff campus identify as being the first in their families who will earn a four-year degree. Discover a range of specialized services to help your student receive the support needed to be successful in college.

nau.edu/firstgen

The Best of...
NAU ranked in the top 10 for graduating minority students by Diverse Issues in Higher Education magazine.

In 2016, NAU received the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award from INSIGHT into Diversity magazine.
You and your student have taken an important first step toward the future. We are your partners on this journey of a lifetime, and our financial aid and account services professionals will be with you every step of the way.

Scholarships and Financial Aid
A university education is a lasting investment that can lead to a bright future. The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid works hard to help you and your student chart a solid financial course. Scholarships, grants, and student employment can help pay for tuition and other expenses. Plan ahead and apply for scholarships early—you may qualify for more assistance than you think.

Get to know FAFSA
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid is used by colleges and the government to determine what types of financial assistance your student is eligible to receive—including grants, loans, and scholarships. It’s vital that your student submit the FAFSA each year as soon as possible after it becomes available Oct. 1. Filing by NAU’s Nov. 15 priority date allows for the most potential funding opportunities. fafsa.gov

Net Price Calculator
Our Net Price Calculator can give you estimates on your financial assistance options. nau.edu/calculator

Keeping Track
As we share the road ahead, remember that university email is the official method for communicating with students. Important messages about billing and financial aid will be sent to your student’s official university email account only. Your student can also check his or her LOUIE account for charges and financial aid information.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
FALL 2017

Aug. 15
First fall tuition plan payment due

Aug. 19
Financial aid disburses to student accounts

Aug. 21
Fall tuition/fees payment due in full

Aug. 24
First day of classes

Aug. 25
Residence halls open for check-in

Aug. 27
Welcome Week begins

Aug. 28
Labor Day: university closed

Sep. 4
Deadline to add/drop classes

Sep. 7
Last day to change Audit to Credit or Credit to Audit

Sep. 8
Withdraw from a class with a “W” in effect

Sept. 15
Second fall tuition plan payment due

Oct. 1
First fall housing and dining payment due

Oct. 1
FAFSA available

Oct. 7–8
Family Weekend

Oct. 15
Third fall tuition plan payment due

Oct. 15
Third fall housing and dining payment due

Oct. 28–29
Homecoming Weekend

Nov. 10
Veterans Day: university closed

Nov. 15
NAU FAFSA Priority Filing Date

Nov. 23–24
Thanksgiving Holiday: university closed

Dec. 11–14
Finals Week

Dec. 15
Residence halls close for Winter Break

Monitor important dates for future terms: nau.edu/dates

*The university reserves the right to make changes to the calendar.
Scholarships
Scholarships do not need to be repaid. Criteria may include academic achievement, enrollment in a particular degree program, or financial need. There are two applications that provide for many scholarship opportunities at NAU:
• The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid accepts applications in the early spring term for new and continuing NAU students:
  nau.academicworks.com
• The NAU Foundation also awards hundreds of scholarships each year. Encourage your student to apply beginning in December:
  nazufoundation.com
Be sure to keep track of the criteria for any scholarships your student receives—it is possible to lose a scholarship!

Grants
Grants are need-based and determined by the FAFSA. They do not have to be repaid as long as financial eligibility and enrollment requirements are met.
  nau.edu/finaid/grants

Loans
Federal loans accrue interest and must be repaid. Need-based (subsidized) loans are interest-free while your student is enrolled in school. These are based on your financial need, as determined by information from the FAFSA. Non-need-based (unsubsidized) loans accrue interest while your student is enrolled in school and do not consider family financial resources for eligibility.
  nau.edu/finaid/loans

Student Employment
Student employment can be a great way to earn income and gain valuable work experience. The Federal Work-Study program assists students who demonstrate financial need. Non-need-based jobs are also available.
  nau.edu/finaid/employment

The Student Service Center is a one-stop shop where students can add or drop classes, make payments, manage forms, and more!
  nau.edu/ssc

Student and Departmental Account Services
Tuition and all other fees are processed through Student and Departmental Account Services. Payments can be made online, by mail, in person, and via third-party billing. Information about tuition deadlines, direct deposit, refunds, and payment plans is available on the department website.
  nau.edu/sdas

Managing Payments
TUITION PAYMENT PLAN
To help with budgeting, NAU offers a payment plan that divides the tuition bill into four interest-free monthly payments—with no eligibility requirements or credit checks. The plan requires a $90 enrollment fee per semester. Tuition not paid by the deadline will incur a $135 deferment fee.

DIRECT DEPOSIT
Direct deposit is the quickest, most reliable way to receive financial aid, refunds, and campus paychecks. Students may sign up using the “Direct Deposit” link in LOUIE.
  nau.edu/louie

PAYMENTS
Charges on your student’s account can be paid through LOUIE by credit card or electronic check (eCheck). Just navigate to the “Make a Payment” page, or pay in person (by check or cash only).

AUTHORIZED USER ACCOUNT
Students can use the LOUIE system to authorize access to their accounts for a parent, guardian, or other selected individuals. The authorized user receives a separate user ID and password and can make payments on the student’s account.
Most students living on campus will be assigned a post office box in the university bookstore basement.

**What NOT to Bring**

- refrigerator (there is already one in each room)
- hot plate, skillet, toaster/toaster oven, George Foreman grills
- air conditioner, space heater, high-wattage appliances (over 700 watts)
- halogen lamps, candles, incense, scent burners
- lofts, cinder blocks, waterbed
- weapons, swords, paintball guns, BB and airsoft guns
- personal wireless router
- pets (except fish in tanks up to five gallons)

**Community Living**

Whether sharing a living space with a friend from home or with someone new, good communication is the foundation of every successful roommate relationship.

Students will create a Roommate Agreement with their roommate(s) to establish expectations about sharing a living space.

**Freshman Connections Residence Halls**

Living with other first-year students makes it fun and easy to meet new friends. Freshman Connections provides opportunities and resources to help your student transition to university life. Social activities will help your student get involved. To help residents succeed academically, Freshman Connections halls also feature:

- free in-hall tutoring for common freshman-level courses
- 24-hour computer labs
- workshops on study skills and time management

More than 90% of first-year students choose to live on campus, and for good reason. Living on campus isn’t just convenient—it sets students up to succeed by putting them in the center of everything they need. And you can help make your student’s home away from home as comfortable as possible.
Paying for Housing
Part of the first semester’s rent was paid with your $175 housing confirmation rent payment. Remaining rent charges will be placed on LOUIE before financial aid is disbursed. Your student may also pay rent in four automatic installments per semester.

Reapplying for Housing
In the spring semester, your student will have the opportunity to reapply for housing in upper-division residence halls for the following academic year.

Dining
Whether it’s a well-balanced meal at the end of a long day or a quick snack on the way to class, the university has many options to keep your student fed. Gluten-free, vegetarian, vegan, and other dietary needs are accommodated with tasty choices. And if it is comfort food your student seeks, we have that too.

Meal Plans
Most meal plans specify a certain number of weekly meals, but your student will choose when and where to eat. Options include all-you-care-to-eat dining at either the Hot Spot or the DüB, or a “transfer special”—similar to a combo meal—at retail locations such as Einstein Bros. Bagels, Pizza Hut, and Chick-fil-A. Unlimited plans allow your student to dine as often as they like at all-you-care-to-eat options but don’t include transfer specials. All meal plans also include Dining Dollars, which work like a debit account to buy snacks, convenience items, or meals. Dining Dollars are not taxable, so using them in place of cash or credit will save you more than 10 percent.

HOUSING

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In the spring semester, your student will have the opportunity to reapply for housing in upper-division residence halls for the following academic year.

nau.edu/reslife

Getting around campus
We’ve made getting around campus easy and convenient with a shuttle system, dedicated bike lanes, and access to free bike rentals and helmets. The League of American Bicyclists named NAU among the most bicycle-friendly campuses in the United States.

Shuttle Service
Campus shuttle service is available Monday through Friday throughout the academic year. A city bus route also follows the campus transit spine seven days a week, connecting the downtown business district, the university, and the southwest business district.

TransLoc
Why wait in the cold? Students can track bus arrivals in real time.

nau.transloc.com

Bicycles on Campus
We strongly encourage students to register their bikes to eliminate problems if lost or stolen or if the bike lock needs to be out. Registration is free at the Parking and Shuttle Services office; students can just bring their bike and JacksCard.

nau.edu/biking

Borrow a Bike
No bike? No problem. Your student can check out a Yellow Bike for free with a student ID at locations across campus.

nau.edu/yellowbike

Parking
Vehicles parked on campus must display a valid parking permit. Purchase annual and semester permits online through the Manage My Parking portal. Once your order is complete, the permit will be mailed and you can print a two-week temporary permit from home. Payments can be made by credit card or charged to your student’s LOUIE account.

nau.edu/parking

Motorist Assistance Program
This free, on-campus service is offered during business hours (subject to staff availability), providing jump starts, vehicle lock-out help, assistance for vehicles stuck in the snow, and air for flat tires. Call 928-523-9066
Maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment is a priority for Northern Arizona University. There are a number of dedicated resources and services that contribute to a safe learning environment. And when students need medical care or mental health services, you can trust they’re in good hands.

**CAMPUS HEALTH SERVICES**

Campus Health Services is your student’s “one-stop-shop” for all things health and wellness. Students can visit a medical provider, see a therapist, learn to lead a healthy lifestyle and get their prescriptions filled right on campus.

**Medical**

As a professional, primary care medical facility, CHS Medical Services provides a wide array of high-quality and affordable medical services, including pre-scheduled and same-day appointments. Our Board-Certified providers can order on-site laboratory or radiology studies, and can send prescriptions to the in-house pharmacy, all with convenient hours.

nau.edu/medical-services

**Counseling**

CHS Counseling Services enhances students’ psychological growth, emotional well-being, and learning potential. Services include counseling, crisis services and educational programming. Counseling Services can help students with topics such as adjustment to college, relationships, depression and anxiety. Campus Health Services does not bill insurance for counseling appointments. The first appointment is always free.

nau.edu/counseling-services

**Health Promotion**

Health Promotion provides free preventative programs and education to help students maintain and improve their health. Some topics covered include:

- Stress management
- Wellness workshops
- Nutrition
- Health screenings
- Healthy relationships
- Collegiate Recovery Program
- Sexual health
- Massage

nau.edu/healthpromotion

**Fees**

All students are eligible to receive healthcare services whether insured or private pay. CHS currently contracts with many insurance companies including Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Aetna, United Healthcare and Cigna plans (excluding State Medicaid Plans and most HMOs). We advise students to contact their insurance plans for coverage guidelines, including pharmacy services, while away from home.

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**SAFETY AND DISABILITY RESOURCES**

**On-Campus Police Department**

Our full-service and accredited campus agency is staffed by sworn police officers who patrol campus 24 hours daily.

nau.edu/police

**Emergency Blue Light Phones**

More than 150 blue emergency phones are located across campus, at all main residence hall entrances, and in all elevators. A one-touch button connects users directly to the NAUPD dispatch center.

**Mobile Resources**

NAU Alert is a free service that sends text messages from the university to your cell phone in case of emergencies and weather-related closures. Students may add family members to receive the alerts.

nau.edu/naualert

The emergency button in the NAU mobile app is like having an emergency blue phone on your smartphone, with pre-programmed numbers right at your fingertips. Remind your student to visit the App Store or the Android Market to download the app.

**JacksCard Access**

Students living on campus access their secured residence halls with their student ID card. Lost or stolen cards should be immediately reported to the JacksCard office.

nau.edu/jackscard

**Annual Security and Fire Safety Report**

The NAU Police Department releases an annual security report that covers NAU police authority, response, how to file a police report or request police assistance, crime prevention, safety escort service, building access and security, weapons, drugs and alcohol policies, and crime statistics for the past three years.

nau.edu/clery
We’ve made it easy to enjoy a healthy lifestyle with our recreational facilities, sport clubs, and outdoor adventures.

**CAMPUS RECREATION**

Our innovative facilities and programs offer students spaces to stay healthy, build community, and find adventure. Features include a fully equipped weight room, 38-foot climbing wall, gyms, a variety of group fitness classes, personal training, racquetball courts, and more. We offer a variety of cardio equipment, an Octagon multipurpose fitness rig, and even a poolside climbing wall.

[nau.edu/recreation](nau.edu/recreation)  
[nau.edu/fitness](nau.edu/fitness)

**Aquatic and Tennis Complex**

Olympic swimmers travel from all over the world for high altitude training at the Aquatic and Tennis Complex, but you don’t have to be an elite athlete to take a dip in the pool. Students can take advantage of open swim, aqua fitness, kayak and swim lessons, free tennis equipment rental, and more.

[nau.edu/wac](nau.edu/wac)

**Intramural and Sport Clubs**

Sports clubs include more than 35 teams who travel and compete at the intercollegiate level. Intramural sports are held on campus and include a blend of traditional sports as well as unique offerings such as Quidditch and Canoe Battleship.

[nau.edu/imsports](nau.edu/imsports)  
[nau.edu/sportclubs](nau.edu/sportclubs)

**Outdoor Adventures**

Freshman students can start their year off with a Wilderness Welcome trip, and continue with a wide variety of activities throughout their time at NAU. Mountain bike through Sedona red rocks, raft the Colorado River, learn new climbing techniques, conquer the Challenge Course, rent outdoor equipment, or become a certified Wilderness First Responder. Many of the adventure-based learning opportunities can be taken for college credit.

[nau.edu/outdoors](nau.edu/outdoors)
Northern Arizona University is a vibrant community that hosts a wide range of arts, cultural, and athletic events to enhance and enrich the learning environment. There are also more than 350 clubs and organizations that promote leadership, academic, athletic, and social connections. We hope you will encourage your student to take advantage of the many opportunities to engage with our campus and become immersed in the Lumberjack lifestyle.

GET INVOLVED

Did you know that participating in clubs and organizations increases your student’s chances for success? Studies have shown that students who are involved in campus activities are more likely to be academically successful—and it can provide a boost to the personal growth and learning that happens at college. Plus, it’s a great way to meet new people who share the same interests and goals. Remind your student to explore the hundreds of options available through the Office of Student Life.

nau.edu/trueblueconnects

GO GLOBAL

Your student can grow, discover, and learn while seeing the world through a different lens by participating in educational exchange programs offered through the Center for International Education. The center offers study abroad opportunities in more than 60 countries around the world for the same price as NAU tuition. Scholarships are available and financial aid can be applied. If your student would prefer to stay closer to home, consider an exchange at one of 200 institutions through the National Student Exchange.

edabroad.nau.edu

LET US ENTERTAIN YOU

NAU is considered a hub for arts and entertainment—not just in Flagstaff, but for the entire region. Dozens of performances are scheduled each year, and your student can experience live classical music, lectures, film screenings, and art exhibitions at venues across campus—often for free or at discounted prices.

nau.edu/calevents

The Student Union Network also puts on some of the biggest shows and events on campus. Known as SUN Entertainment, this team of student event-planners brings top-name musicians and comedians to the university, as well as late-night student entertainment events such as trivia and casino nights, movies, and more—all designed to keep your student engaged.

nau.edu/sun

BE ‘TRUE BLUE’

With 15 teams competing at the NCAA Division I level as part of the Big Sky Conference, athletics are a vital part of the university and Flagstaff communities. Students can be part of the excitement with free admission to all NAU Athletics home events. And you too, can show your Lumberjack spirit every Friday, when we wear our favorite NAU gear to be “True Blue” NAU.

NAUATHLETICS.COM

Visit the university bookstore to stock up on your True Blue gear: nau.edu/bookstore

Show your “LJs” and share your Lumberjack spirit!
Now that you're a member of our Lumberjack family, you know there are a million reasons to be bursting with pride that your student is at NAU. Here are a few more:

**LUMBERJACKS DOMINATE**
Our student-athletes captured the men’s Big Sky Conference All-Sports Trophy, which recognizes overall athletic success, for the third year in a row. It was the first three-peat for the trophy since NAU won the cup three straight times from 1985-87.

The Lumberjacks also claimed the 2016 NCAA Division-I Men's Cross Country Championship in November.

Our beautiful Flagstaff Campus is only the beginning: we provide excellent education online (ranked No. 1 on Best College Reviews' 2015-16 list of the 25 Best Online Colleges) and at locations across the state.

**WE'RE BEST FOR VETS**
NAU is consistently ranked among the Military Times’ top schools for military veterans, and has again been designated a "Military Friendly" School by Victoria Media.

The W. A. Franke College of Business ranks among the Top 10 "Best for Vets" business schools in the nation for the fourth year in a row.

The American Institute for Economic Research named Flagstaff the nation’s No. 3 college town in 2017.

Flagstaff is ranked 7th in Outside Magazine’s Best Places to Live in America: 2015 rankings.

95 Percent of Northern Arizona University alumni agreed or strongly agreed with the statement, “I received a high-quality education.”

**LUMBERJACKS GIVE BACK**
NAU students raise nearly $100,000 annually in the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life event—that’s more than both other Arizona state schools combined.

Our student-athletes gave more than 4,000 hours of their time to community service last year.

NAU contributes nearly $2 billion to the state’s economy and creates more than 20,000 ARIZONA JOBS ANNUALLY.

Northern Arizona University is a Carnegie-designated "HIGH RESEARCH" university, which places us among the top universities in the nation.

40 percent of our students GRADUATE WITH ZERO DEBT.
PONDEROSA PINE
Flagstaff’s location among the largest Ponderosa pine forest on the continent provides an ideal research and experiential learning environment. Ponderosa pines are one of the many species found in NAU’s 50,000-acre Centennial Forest, a joint venture between the university and the Arizona State Forestry Division. Forestry students gain hands-on experience working with professors such as Kristen Waring, who recently received a $4.1 million grant for an ecological and evolutionary study on pine trees in the Southwest.

NIGHT SKIES
As the world’s first International Dark Sky City, Flagstaff has ideal skies for stargazing. Pluto was even discovered right here at Lowell Observatory in 1930. Northern Arizona University astronomers such as David Trilling have kept the tradition alive, playing instrumental roles in NASA-funded projects and research. The university’s partnership with the observatory and the nearby Discovery Channel Telescope, the fifth-largest telescope in the world, provide powerful equipment for students and researchers to learn more about the universe.

ASPENS
In autumn, Flagstaff’s prolific aspen groves blanket the base of the San Francisco Peaks in their iconic yellow-orange flame. An entire grove of aspens can actually be a single organism, and can often be distinguished during the fall when foliage changes color. The proliferation of this colorful native species makes Flagstaff a living laboratory to research how recent drought years and warmer temperatures might play a role in making trees more vulnerable to pests and pathogens.

THE SAN FRANCISCO PEAKS
Much of the northern Arizona landscape is a volcanic chaos: frozen lava flows, sprawling deposits of black ash, basalt-walled canyons, and cinder cones by the hundreds. Its most arresting vertical feature—an eroded, extinct volcano that once topped out at 16,000 feet above sea level—dominates the skyline north of Flagstaff. English speakers call this island in the sky the San Francisco Peaks, and to many regional tribes, the peaks are sacred.

EAGLES
Newcomers to the university are often surprised to learn that the once-endangered bald eagle is a common local resident. More than 200 eagles visit Northern Arizona in winter, and several pairs nest just a few miles east of Flagstaff on the shores of Lower Lake Mary. It’s an area of wetland popular among forestry and earth sciences researchers for studying how ecosystems change over time and the long-term impacts those changes have on native plants and animals.

SUNFLOWERS
Late-summer monsoons bring vibrant color to Flagstaff’s landscape. Hundreds of thousands of prairie sunflowers carpet meadows in and around town, stopping photographers and onlookers alike in their tracks beside the roads. Other wildflowers such as purple mountain lupine and red Indian paintbrush add splashes of color to create the perfect picture.

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