

Office of Student Transitions & Family Programs Parent & Families Newsletter



November greetings! After a busy October we begin looking ahead to cooler temps and planning for the holidays. Thanksgiving break for our gulls is November 19–27. For those planning travel arrangements for December please [click here](#) for links to the Final Exam schedule and the Academic Calendar.

This month marks the first appearance of our Commencement Corner. This section will update you on important information for our graduating gulls.

Many of you are looking forward to having your student home during Thanksgiving break for the first extended stay since move-in day. It's important to know that the transition back to family rules and schedules can be challenging for students and family members. The independence that many students have had on campus runs into the routine that they have not been a part of since August. [Here](#) is an article that I think does a nice job of speaking about this particular transition.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Go Gulls!

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Academic Success

The Division of Academic Success is running skill-building workshops about college, study skills, and goal-setting. [Learn more!](#)

Athletics

Session two of intramurals is underway. Leagues are now Men's/Non-Binary and Women's/Non-Binary. We are planning a Multiversus Esport tournament on Nov. 10 from 6–8 p.m. We offer in-person sports, virtual esports, and pop-up events. Sign-up [online!](#)

Commencement Corner

Students completing degree requirements at the end of the Fall 2022, Winter 2023, or Spring 2023 semesters must complete graduation applications, including the intent to participate at the May 2023 Commencement, by **Nov. 30**. Graduation applications are on Etrieve and can be found [here](#). Students earning degrees after the Spring 2023 semester, and qualify to participate in the May 2023 Commencement, must submit a graduation application by Nov. 30.

Undergraduate and Master's students may participate in Commencement prior to completion of degree requirements if they meet the following criteria:

Minimum Credits: Students may be up to six credits short of the requirements for a degree in their major. Undergraduate students who are only missing the twelve-credit semester internship may participate upon approval by their dean.

Minimum GPA: A student entering their last semester with the minimum cumulative GPA required of their degree and major may participate in Commencement if they fall below that minimum in their last semester. Students will not receive diplomas until all requirements are complete. Students may not fall below both minimum credits and the minimum cumulative GPA.

Financial obligations to the College must be paid two weeks prior to Commencement. Students may only participate in one Commencement Ceremony per degree.

Community Service

Students traveled to New Hampshire in October for a community service trip. Another overnight service immersion trip is Feb. 11. Check Blue Buzz for additional information, space is limited.

Get your student a **Finals Care Package!** Endicott College Wishmakers is raising money for Make-A-Wish Massachusetts and Rhode Island. We have raised over \$20,000 and granted two wishes in our local community. Orders will begin on Nov. 28, and can be placed [here](#).

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Belonging (DEIB)

Gulls can [nominate](#) Endicott students, faculty, & staff as Bright Lights. We will be appreciating all nominees at the Festival of Lights on Dec. 1 at 5 p.m. in the Center for Belonging & Inclusion. Events this month include [a talk by Sean Ellis](#) on Nov. 9 at 4 p.m. We are celebrating Native American Heritage month with events, including wearing red for murdered and missing indigenous women on November 14. More information will be available in Blue Buzz.

Institutional Advancement

Join us for Spread Your Wings Day! [Register here!](#)

Internship & Career Center

The Alumni Speed Networking event is Nov. 8 from 4–6 p.m. in Lower Callahan. All majors and class years are welcome!

Students planning on completing their first or second internship in January must be registered for the appropriate internship class and have their proposal approved by internship faculty before starting their internship. Questions? Contact [Teresa McGrath](#).

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- November 15–LinkedIn Headshot Photo Shoot sponsored by First Year Experience (FYE)
- December 3–Second Annual FYE Ping Pong Tournament (Open to all students, and co-sponsored by Endicott Intramurals)
- December 5–FYE Reflection Dinner

Office of Sustainability

Throw an Eco-Friendly Thanksgiving! [200 million](#) pounds of food are thrown away each year. Tips to help you have a less wasteful Thanksgiving this year:

1. Coordinate with attendees to avoid bringing too much food.
2. Make things from scratch! [83%](#) of greenhouse gasses with food come from production.
3. Go meatless, or reduce the amount of meat in your feast. Animal products require [four to 40 times](#) the calories in crops to produce than they provide in nutrition.
4. Use washable or reusable service ware. It is more eco-friendly, and cheaper!

Residence Life

Halls close Friday, Nov. 18 at 6 p.m. and reopen: Sunday, Nov. 27 at 10 a.m. Residence Life will be sending out a Google form for students requesting to stay at any point during the break.

Student Engagement

Encourage students to join the Campus Activities Board at Endicott's traditional Gullabration events! View the [events calendar](#) for the full list of events!

Student organizations have put on over 25 events this semester! Students painted pumpkins and discussed voting at Pumpkins & Politics with Her Campus and Showing up for Racial Justice (SURJ). They tie-dyed shirts to raise awareness for Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women, honored Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and created Masquerade masks for Homecoming Ball!

Study Abroad

Applications for Cork, Ireland are open until Nov. 11. Munster Technological University offers classes for every major. With no language barrier and a \$5,000 scholarship incentive there is no reason not to go! [Learn more!](#)

Visual & Performing Arts

Visual Art: The Diane Arbus exhibit, 10 Years: Masterworks from the 1960s and 70s ends Nov. 11. What's Going On? Contemporary Paintings with Joan Hanley in the Spencer Presentation Gallery is up through Dec. 9. Starting Nov. 28, Women's Rights are Human Rights: International Posters on Gender-based Inequality, Violence, and Discrimination is in the Heftler Visiting Artist Gallery.

Performing Arts: [She Kills Monsters](#) is Nov. 3–5 in the Rose Theater. Learn Bharatanatyam with Manasa Jayanthi Nov. 9 in Tia's Theater. Hear the [Gulls Groove: Modern Band Project and Jazz/Rock Ensemble](#) Nov. 10 in Rose Theater. Attend Fridays in the Rose: Eleena Gelfgatt, Piano on Nov. 11. See [Shaking Up Shakespeare](#) with Paula Plum Nov. 11–12 in Rose Theater. Learn European Folk Dance with Andy Taylor Blenis Nov. 16 in Tia's Theater. View [Home Grown: Percussion, Chamber, and Endicott Singers in Concert](#) Nov. 17 in Rose Theater.

Wellness Center

[Short Term Counseling Groups](#) are offered through our Wellness Center. Students can email wellness@endicott.edu with their name and ID number to sign up.

First Year Experience Group—Thursdays, 5–6 p.m., 11/10 & 11/17
Addiction Awareness Group—Tuesdays, noon–1 p.m., 11/08 & 11/15
Stress Management Group—Wednesdays, 3:30–4:30 p.m., 11/09 & 11/16

Looking for more Endicott news?

You can find the most up-to-date stories and happenings on our [news page](#).



[View the schedule](#) of upcoming athletics events.