

Student Development & Services



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Mission

Student Development and Services (SDS) engage Lakers in holistic and individualized learning and development opportunities through a dynamic network of services to achieve personal and academic excellence.



Values

Respect

We are committed to empowering all members of the Laker community by treating them with dignity and celebrating individual experiences and contributions, while promoting a safe and positive environment for living and learning.

Collaborative Relationships

We develop collaborative relationships and effective partnerships both internally and externally, allowing us to explore broader skills and wider perspectives by combining the knowledge, creativity, and experience of others.

Continuous Improvement

We embody an attitude of ongoing improvement and development towards excellence.

Culture of Learning

We promote individual, personal and professional growth through integrated learning opportunities and the ongoing process of knowledge development and sharing.

Integrity

We respect honesty and confidentiality, and we are transparent in our decision making.

Excellence

We aim to exceed the expectations of our stakeholders through our commitment to high quality and excellence in all that we do.

Student Learning and Transitions

Student Learning and Transitions (SLT) enhances the student experience through learning and development opportunities that support students' academic and personal success from orientation to graduation. These services may be provided through one-on-one consultations, group workshops or tutorials, peer-to-peer support and tutoring, or referral services. SLT's transition programs seek to ease the multiple transitions that occur throughout a student's post-secondary experience, including those who have entered through non-traditional pathways, and include facilitated programs, campus activities, and events that promote academic and social integration into the Nipissing University Lakers' community.

Our services include:

- Academic Skills Programming
- Academic Success Program
- Career Development
- Peer Mentorship
- Mature and Transfer Orientation
- Lakers Orientation
- New Student Orientation
- Peer Tutoring
- Record of Student Development

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Residence Life

Residence Life at Nipissing University strives to build a sense of community that facilitates the personal growth and academic development of students. Professional and student staff members are trained to offer residents support and to lend a hand with anything from roommate issues to emergencies. Residence Life community student leaders work together to plan fun and educational activities that promote the interests and welfare of our students; there are hundreds of activities for students to get involved in!

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Student Counselling Services

Student Counselling Services supports students in achieving positive mental and emotional wellness. We provide a variety of short term individual and group therapy options designed to be effective, evidence-based, and professional. We endeavor to do all we can to help students succeed in their academic and personal lives.

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Student Accessibility Services

Student Accessibility Services assists full-time and part-time students with permanent or temporary disabilities. We prepare individualized academic accommodations and supports based on the specific information provided in an eligible student's disability-related documentation. Student Accessibility Services staff would be pleased to discuss programs and support services available to make your university education a productive and rewarding experience.

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Sexual Violence Prevention, Education and Support

Nipissing University is committed to creating and maintaining a safe environment for all students. Services for survivors include: navigation of services on and off campus, assistance with arranging academic accommodations, and help understanding reporting options. Additionally, there are free workshops on consent, gender education and bystander intervention for all students. The Sexual Violence Prevention and Education Coordinator can also be a resource for staff and faculty.

For education and awareness, email: consentbelongshere@nipissingu.ca
For survivors, email: svsupport@nipissingu.ca
www.nipissingu.ca/sexualviolence

Athletics

Nipissing University Athletics, located at the Robert J. Surtees (RJS) Student Athletic Centre, is the centre of all sports for Nipissing University. Whether you want to take a fitness class — spin, Zumba, kickboxing, or yoga — use the cardio room, play squash, or pump some iron in the weight room, it's the place to be. RJS is home to 14 Lakers teams competing in seven varsity sports in the Ontario University Athletics (OUA), and is also the home of Nipissing University Club Sports, which currently consist of a handful of sports, but continues to grow.

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Student Intervention Specialist

The Student Intervention Specialist (SIS) provides case management support to students with complex concerns — primarily mental health or minor conduct issues. The SIS is a resource for faculty and staff through education awareness and training on how to recognize, respond, and refer students in distress, and provides an important conduit between the University and the community.

This support is offered to students who may be experiencing difficulty accessing the appropriate services, require a referral to services, require further collaboration within their current support services, or need assistance transitioning to or from the University (e.g. returning after being admitted to the hospital, registering again after withdrawing for mental health reasons, etc.). The relationship between the SIS and the student is collaborative, goal-oriented, supportive, and voluntary.

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International Initiatives

International Initiatives provides opportunities for Nipissing University students to internationalize their degree through a variety of intercultural experiences. Offering International study exchanges and on-campus engagement opportunities, there is a program to suit the needs of every NU student.

We also provide support to international students who choose to study at Nipissing University. Whether you are here for an exchange or to obtain your degree, our programs and services will help you feel “right where you belong”.

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Student Retention & NU Success

NU Success is a collaborative initiative through Student Development and Services and offers a variety of programs and initiatives to support student learning, student success, and overall student persistence and retention. These programs and initiatives focus on community development between the University and its students, providing opportunities for timely access to services and supports through proactive outreach campaigns and coordinated early alert response and support. NU Success embodies Nipissing University’s vision to provide an exceptional and personalized student experience with an emphasis on excellence, innovation, and creativity in academics and student life.

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The Nipissing Promise

Nipissing invites you to return **TUITION FREE** for a year, if 6 months after graduating you can't find a job in your field.

NU Promise

The NU Promise is a multi-year program designed to enrich your experience at Nipissing University. With the aid of a Student Success Coordinator, you will be provided with the opportunity to explore your own self-development through academics, campus and community engagement and career preparedness opportunities. By participating in the NU Promise and completing yearly requirements, you'll choose to develop the skills and competencies unique to your successful transition throughout university and beyond into the workforce.

During your first year, you will:

- have three 1-on-1 appointments with a Student Success Coordinator
- be required to complete 1 academic pillar by attending a workshop, an appointment or other opportunities.
- be required to complete 1 engagement and self-development pillar by attending a workshop, an appointment or other opportunities.

During subsequent years, these requirements will continue, becoming more refined and unique to your career path; this will increase your opportunities for career success. If you, an NU Promise participant, do not successfully find career-related employment upon graduation, you are invited back, tuition-free, for up to 30 additional credits.

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Corporate Events & Summer Accommodations

The Corporate Events team supports external clients by providing event solutions ranging from standard classroom rentals, catering and audio-visual coordination to facilitation of multi-faceted international competitions. Corporate Events also works collaboratively with the Nipissing University community to organize internal events such as media announcements, grand openings and celebrations, Open Houses, and Convocation.

The Summer Accommodations team offers guests comfortable and affordable accommodations from mid-May to mid-August. Our Chancellors House and Governors House residence complexes can accommodate approximately 665 guests, ranging from large groups on campus for corporate events to small groups or individuals passing through or visiting North Bay.

Corporate Events

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Summer Accommodations

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Off Campus Living

Off Campus Living is an online program designed to assist students with sourcing housing off campus and is a point of contact for students who are in need of valuable resources related to everyday living in the community.

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Experiential Learning Program for Arts & Science

The Experiential Learning Program for Arts & Science (ELAS) focuses on providing students with hands-on learning experiences directly related to their academic interests and career goals. With a strong emphasis on learning competencies, the ELAS program immerses students in enriched learning opportunities that focus on developing professional skills resulting in confident, successful and highly employable graduates ready for the workforce.

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NU Gateway

The NU Gateway program works with incoming first-year students from the summer they are accepted through to second-year. All first-year students are assigned to an NU Gateway Community cohort. These cohorts are a group of roughly 30 students who connect with each other online. Each cohort will have an NU Gateway Community Leader to run activities and keep students engaged as Lakers. Cohorts also work with Gateway Coaches, whose roles provide personalized support based on the student's goals, interests, and needs.

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