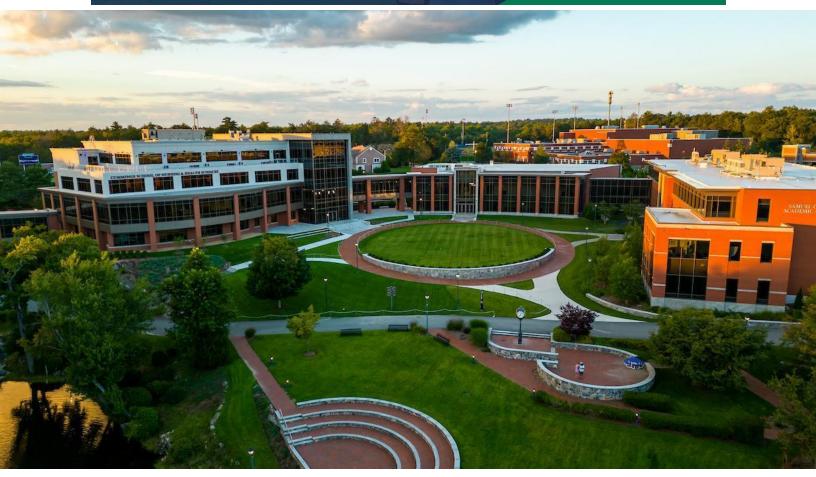
Gull Family News ENDICOTT COLLEGE





We made it to March! Hopefully, this very cold and snowy winter weather we have experienced the last few months will be over soon. After not having a typical New England winter for a few years, I was not ready for it. But we have some great early spring events in this month's newsletter that will be sure to warm our spirits as we head into longer days and Spring Break! Project Connect, The Frozen Flop, and Alternative Spring Break to name a few. There is always something to do on campus! This is a great time to check in with your students. If they are coming home to rest or work during break, touch base about housing for next semester and summer plans. If they go on a trip with friends, it's never a bad time to talk about safety and common sense when traveling. These conversations can be challenging but will ensure a safe and productive spring break and a good plan heading into the end of the semester. As always, if you want to know more about a program or event in our newsletter, let us know!

Go Gulls!

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Bursar's Office

We are preparing a system update that will bring all of our students into our Workday platform to support registration, financial aid, payments, and more. In an effort to prepare for the Workday implementation, Payment Plans for Fall 2025 will be limited to a five-month plan beginning in July 2025. Spring Payment Plans will be available in December 2025. Endicott will be a complete integration partner with Nelnet in this conversion to Workday Student.

You will be able to view your charges, financial aid, payments, and even provide your banking information for ACH refund payments through the portal. Get prepared now and give your Authorized user access to Nelnet.

Reminder: Registration for summer and fall is right around the corner. Remember to check your account statement, and be sure you do not have any holds that will prevent registration.

Institute for Applied Behavioral Science

The IABS' 13th Annual Conference for Parents and Caregivers of Autistic Individuals will be co-hosted by the **Institute for Applied Behavioral Science (IABS)** and **The Center for Belonging**. This event will be held on Saturday, May 3, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This free event is returning to campus after being held virtually for several years due to Covid, and we are excited to bring everyone together in person once again.

This conference is designed for parents and caregivers from the Endicott and greater communities. Additionally, undergraduate students can earn extra credit through SONA for attending the Keynote (9-10 a.m. in The Cleary Lecture Hall). Our keynote speaker is Dr. John Johnson, Assistant Professor of History at Saint Peter's University. Dr. Johnson's family was the focus of the 2024 Netflix documentary *Tell Them You Love Me*. It examines a complex case involving a former Rutgers professor and a nonverbal man with cerebral palsy, Derrick Johnson (Dr. Johnson's brother). This case sparked discussions about race, disability, and power, ultimately leading to a high-profile trial.

Dr. Johnson's family story highlights both the power of love and the vulnerability of marginalized individuals. His perspective offers invaluable insight as we strive to create more compassionate and equitable care for individuals with disabilities and their families. For your reference, I have included links to the documentary and related press:

Documentary: https://www.netflix.com/title/81783064, Related Press: https://www.netflix.com/title/81783064, Related Press: https://www.youtube.com/watch?velai VCc69NI, https://time.com/6989297/tell-them-you-love-me-netflix-explained/

We have a virtual Zoom option for those who cannot attend in person. Registration information for both online and in-person attendance can be found on our event website https://2025iabsasdparentconference.my.canva.site/

Residence Life

The Office of Residence Life has an exciting lineup of programs for students this semester! In mid-February, we hosted Wanna Flock: Let's Talk About Safe Sex, an engaging and informative program where students had the chance to discuss healthy relationships in a fun setting. In March, the department will host a Housing Selection Scavenger Hunt, providing students with all the essential information they need to navigate the housing selection process. These programs foster community, promote well-being, and support students in making good decisions! On April 3, we will host our annual Roommate Matching Social, offering residential students a unique opportunity to connect and engage in conversations to find future roommates.

Each month, our office celebrates RAs of the month. In February, we recognized the following as "Bulletin Board Boss:" Malone O'Sullivan from the Reynolds/Trexler/Brooks staff, and Ally Sweeney from the Stoneridge staff. These two RAs showed an incredible amount of thoughtfulness and creativity when designing their bulletin board for their Residence Hall.

Housing Selection:

Eligibility Requirements:

- -Registered as Full-Time student for the 2025-26 Academic Year
- -Cleared by the Bursar's Office (No Holds)
- -Completed the 2025-26 Housing Application

-Currently living in Endicott-provided housing, or are a current study abroad/temporary commuter student

Selection Dates:

Rising Senior Housing Selection - Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Rising Junior Housing Selection - Thursday, April 24, 2025 Rising Sophomore Housing Selection - Monday, April 28, 2025

Community Service

Alternative Spring Break (ASB): Endicott's ASB programs place teams of college students in communities around the continental United States to engage in direct community service and experiential learning.

This month, 14 students and two staff members will travel to Lake-Sumter, The Villages, Florida, to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity Lake Sumter, focusing on affordable housing and community development. The team will help construct new homes, repair existing structures, or assist with landscaping and painting.

Simultaneously, our ServeUp team of 14 students and two staff is preparing to travel to New Orleans, Louisiana to serve communities in need. The Lower Ninth Ward, one of the hardest-hit areas in 2005, is still in recovery. The natural environment is now where the replanting of native species and restoring local ecosystems alongside the continuation of rebuilding homes will occur.

If your student is interested in an immersion trip, please remind them that applications are available early in the fall semester and teams are chosen prior to holiday break.

Center for Belonging

Greetings from the Center for Belonging. We are a welcoming place for all students, all faith communities, all identities, all faculty, all staff. Our mission is to create a culture of belonging on our campus. Belonging is a sense all individuals have. When one senses that they belong, they perform better, operate more in alignment with their values, and are happier (less anxious, more alive). This is our intention for all the members of our campus community, and we accomplish this through mindful practice and gathering to communicate. Please encourage your students to join us.

Tea & Trainings: Bias and Microaggressions: March 11 | 2 p.m.

Dine & Dialogue: March 26 | Breakfast: 8 a.m. | Lunch: Noon | Dinner: 5 p.m.

Comfort, Clarity & Commitment: March 12 | 2-5 p.m.

Muffins & Meditation: Mondays | 10 a.m.

Bagels & Breathing: Fridays | 10 a.m.

Christian Fellowship: Mondays | 7 p.m.

Bible Study: Thursdays | 7 p.m. & Fridays | 3 p.m.

Catholic Ministry: Thursdays | 5 p.m.

Jewish Community: Monthly as advertised

Muslim Community: Every other Wednesday 5 p.m.

Spirituality Space: Wednesdays 7 p.m.

We hope your students can join us. Their participation helps strengthen the sense of belonging on our campus.

Internship & Career Center

Let's Get Your Soon-to-Be Graduates Career-Ready!

We are here to ensure a smooth transition for your graduate. Here's how they can make the most of this time:

Take the <u>Graduate Pulse Survey</u>: This quick survey helps us understand their post-graduation plans and how the Internship and Career Center can assist them! Plus, they'll be entered to win a YETI cooler.

Connect with Us: Schedule a career counseling appointment to define their goals and strategy.

Explore Resources: Visit <u>The Hub</u> for career prep tools, including the <u>Gull Guide</u> for resumes, interviews, and more.

We look forward to working with your students as they prepare for this next chapter!

Office of Sustainability

Endicott College is about halfway through our annual Campus Race to Zero Waste! Throughout the last few weeks, the Office of Sustainability has hosted a wide variety of events to engage the campus community and raise awareness of waste reduction behaviors. The most successful event was our fourth annual Freecycle Thrift Store, where the Endicott community shopped for donated items from our Mini College Cleanse. We diverted hundreds of pounds of clothing, decor, and household goods from the landfill while raising money for Endicott DECA. The remaining events for the Race to Zero Waste include a Zero Waste Business Panel on March 10 and a Sustainability Networking and Career Fair on March 27.

After our Race to Zero Waste concludes, we'll celebrate Earth Month throughout April! Gulls will get a chance to clean our campus trails, recycle their e-waste, learn how to combat climate anxiety, and visit the Change is Simple Climate and Sustainability Innovation Learning Lab on April 22. Stay tuned for an action-packed and eco-friendly month!

Student Transitions & Family Programs

Student Transitions & Family Programs is off to a great start for the Spring semester!

Orientation: We are excited to have our six-person Orientation Assistant and 60-person Orientation Leader teams in place for this summer. The first OL event will be assisting with Admitted Students Day.

First-Year Honor Society Invitations: Over 200 first year students were inducted into <u>Alpha Lambda Delta</u> (the honor society for first-year academic success) during our ceremony on March 5. We had 70% of eligible members join our chapter this year. This is a significant increase in membership and will lead to great community service projects and participation in various campus events sponsored by our chapter.

Academic Calendar: Please click here to access the Academic Calendar

Visual & Performing Arts

March into the arts with the Manninen Center for the Arts:

In the Heftler Visiting Artist Gallery, **Fran Forman Suspended Realities**; **A 20-year Journey through Whimsy to Noir** combines photography, digital painting, and AI, to carefully construct each image over time, drawing from her experiences in social work and activism. Fran creates imaginative scenes that blend reality with illusion, exploring themes of longing, disconnection, and hidden emotions. This exhibition will be available until Friday, March 14.

Beginning Monday, March 3, visit the Spencer Gallery to see **The Art of Information: Student Infographic Exhibition**. Celebrate our graphic arts students' incredible creativity and talent, featuring diverse artworks including digital designs, illustrations, typography, and more. This exhibition will be available until Friday, April 18.

In the Carol Grillo Gallery, the **Student Invitational 2025** showcases some of the finest works created by students in studio courses across various disciplines, including ceramics, drawing, digital design, film, painting, photography, and printmaking. The subjects range from abstractions and architectural plans to landscapes, nudes, portraiture, and typography. The

reception will be held on Thursday, March 27 from 4-6 p.m. Don't forget to stop by and vote for the Popular Choice Award! This exhibition will be available until Friday, April 11.

Natasha, Pierre & The Great Comet of 1812. From the celebrated and award-winning composer Dave Malloy, experience this electro-pop opera based on a scandalous slice of Leo Tolstoy's War and Peace. See the show on Wednesday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 5 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, April 6 at 2 p.m. All performances will be held in the Rose Theater. General admission is \$20; seniors and students of other institutions \$15; group tickets (10+ tickets) \$5; Gull card students are free. Be sure to reserve your ticket! tickets.endicott.edu

Accessibility Office

Housing Accommodations for the 2025-2026 School Year:

- If your student is looking to apply for housing accommodations for the 2025-2026 school year, the deadline is March 3, 2025. To apply for housing accommodations, your student must sign into their Endicott Google account to open and complete our <u>Accessibility Services Accommodation Request Form</u>. Please include our <u>Disability Verification Form Housing</u> to be filled out by your provider with your application. Our housing committee will review the application and determine if the requested accommodation is necessary for disability-related access.
- If your student currently has housing accommodations and is looking to **renew their current accommodations** for the 2025-2026 school year, their deadline to renew their accommodation is March 14, 2025. They will be emailed a form to complete by the Center of Accessibility to share their housing accommodation intentions.

If you have any questions, please review our website or email access@endicott.edu.

Student Employment

Each summer, Endicott offers the opportunity for students to live and work on campus. Many departments, including Facilities Management, Misselwood Events, the Office of Admission, and the Post Center, hire students from May to August.

If interested, students can attend the Student Summer Employment Job Fair at the Callahan Center on March 12 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.









