The newsletter includes information like important academic deadlines as well as relevant postings on how you can explore, engage, experience and excel as a University and College of Health Sciences’ student.

**Important Dates to Keep in Mind:**

Check out our [Google calendar](#) on the Undergraduate Student Services website that includes up-to-date information about important academic deadlines, college events, walk-in hours, and office closures.

**Friday, December 8:** Last day of classes

**Saturday & Sunday, December 9-10:** Reading Days

**Monday, December 11 to Saturday, December 16:** Final Exams

**Wednesday, December 20:** Faculty deadline to post final grades to UDSIS

**Friday, December 22:** Final grades print on official transcripts

**Monday, December 25 to Monday, January 1:** Christmas and New Year’s Holidays (University closed)

**ANNOUNCEMENT: Change to Walk-In Service**

Effective with the start of Winter Session (January 3, 2018), the office of Undergraduate Student Services’ walk-in hours will change. Walk-in service will be available only on Wednesdays from 1:00-4:00 PM.

Walk-In service for current students is designed to last 10-15 minutes on a first-come/first-served basis to answer simple questions, and make referrals to campus resources or other University offices.

The schedule for walk-in service will be updated each semester and any changes to the schedule will be noted on the Undergraduate Student Services website. Scheduling is subject to change based on staff availability and other college or university events. You can come to the office any time during regular business hours to drop off documentation.

**ACADEMICS (definition: the scholarly activities of a school or university):**

- **New Course: BHAN 467-011 Seminar: Worksite Health Promotion**
  - Spring Semester 2018: Mon/Wed; 8:40-9:55 AM; 3 credits
  - Explore first-hand an orientation to worksite well-being and health promotion. Under the supervision of a field supervisor, provides hands on experience and emphasis on skills needed to create healthy, happy, highly productive employees and work settings. Key topic areas: employee fitness center management, health education, program planning, marketing and communication, data collection, and evaluation of health promotion programs. Open to Health Behavior Science and Applied Nutrition majors (juniors and seniors).

**EXPLORE & ENGAGE (definition: to look into closely; scrutinize; examine; to occupy oneself; become involved):**

- **Winter Wonderland Workshop**
  - Saturday, December 2, 10:00 AM-4:45 PM, STAR HSC Atrium
  - Come volunteer at our Winter Wonderland Workshop! We’ll be modifying and giving away cars to a few awesome kids! You can come late, leave early, or stay the whole time - whatever works for you! Plus, there will be free food!
**Lunchtime Learning: Disability Cinema**
Tuesday, December 5, 12:00-1:15 PM, Center for Disability Studies, Room 132A&B (461 Wyoming Road)
CDS will feature four short films about challenging people’s perceptions of disability. This special Lunchtime Learning showcase includes narrative and documentary films, and a music video. Megan Pell of CDS will lead audience members in a brief discussion of each film immediately after its screening. The event is free, but registration is required. See the event flyer here: [http://www.udel.edu/004336](http://www.udel.edu/004336)
Accommodations: All films will be open captioned. Please request any needed accommodations.

**STAR Health: Conversations on Healthcare, Wellbeing and Prevention**
Tuesday, December 5, 5:00-6:30 PM, STAR HSC Atrium
Introduction: The most important person in a healthcare team is the patient. This discussion will focus on the patient as the core of a comprehensive approach to healthcare.
Learn how crucial communication is for driving excellence in care and how essential it is to interactions with your healthcare team. Register at: [www.udel.edu/004156](http://www.udel.edu/004156)

**Crime Against Persons with Disabilities**
Wednesday, December 6, 12:00-1:00 PM, STAR HSC Atrium
The Special Topics in Biostatistics Seminar Series in conjunction with the College of Health Sciences Associate Dean for Diversity presents “Crime against Persons with Disabilities”. The event features guest speaker Erika Harrell of the United States Department of Justice. [Please register in advance.](http://www.udel.edu/004156)

About the topic
The Bureau of Justice Statistic’s National Crime Victimization Survey defines a disability as the product of interactions among an individual’s body — including their physical, emotional, and mental health — and the physical and social environment in which they live, work, or play. A disability exists when this interaction results in limitations of activities and with restrictions to full participation at school, work home, or in the community. Disabilities are classified according to six limitations:

- Hearing (deafness or serious difficulty hearing);
- Vision (blindness or serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses);
- Cognitive (serious difficulty concentrating, remembering or making decisions because of a physical, mental or emotional condition);
- Ambulatory (difficulty walking or climbing stairs);
- Self-care (a condition that causes difficulty dressing or bathing);
- Independent living (physical, mental or emotional condition that impedes doing errands alone, such as visiting a doctor or shopping).

The presentation will provide a brief overview of methodology and then report on victimization across the United States in the presence of these disabilities and moderating effects of sex, race and ethnicity.

**“Happiness and Cheer”: A Holiday Concert featuring the Neuro Notes**
Sunday, December 10, 5:00 PM, Roselle Center for the Arts/Pugisli Orchestra Hall
The Neuro Notes are Delaware’s first choir for people with Parkinson’s disease. The choir was created by a team of University of Delaware Communication sciences and Disorders graduate students, community SLPs, and members of the UD Music Department. Admission is free and there will be refreshments after the concert.

SERVICES ([definition: an act of assistance](http://www.udel.edu/004156)):

- **Morris Library Hours** ([December 2017](http://www.udel.edu/004156))
**UD Helpline – 302.831.1001**
Offered through the University of Delaware’s Division of Student Life, this number will provide live counseling assistance over the phone. Mental health professionals are available at this number 24 hours per day, seven days per week, 365 days per year. Students are encouraged to call for help when in distress, feeling overwhelmed, or needing the assistance of a mental health professional.

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**USS Office Closures:**
Friday, December 1 (1:00-4:30 PM) – Staff attending CHS All-College Meeting (STAR HSC Atrium)

Walk-in Hours (no appointment needed): M 1:00-4:00 PM; F 8:30-11:30 AM
NOTE: Last walk-in service for Fall 2017 is on Friday, December 15, 8:30-11:30 AM

Effective January 3, 2018, Walk-in Hours: Wednesdays, 1:00-4:00 PM only