

NAIT NUGGET

Thursday, March 9, 2023
Volume 62, Issue 3

thenuggetonline.com
[@thenaitnugget](https://twitter.com/thenaitnugget)

THE MONEY ISSUE

ISSUE CONTENTS

5 DMIT BYOD

DMIT is transitioning to a “bring your own device” program starting Fall 2023, and for some students, the change isn’t a positive one.

7 STUDENTS TARGETED ON LINKEDIN

Multi-level marketing companies flock to students or new grads on professional networking sites. But are these opportunities legitimate?

9 STUDENT TAX GUIDE

Taxes don’t need to be scary! Accounting student Miroslava Silva breaks down how to file your taxes as a domestic or international student.

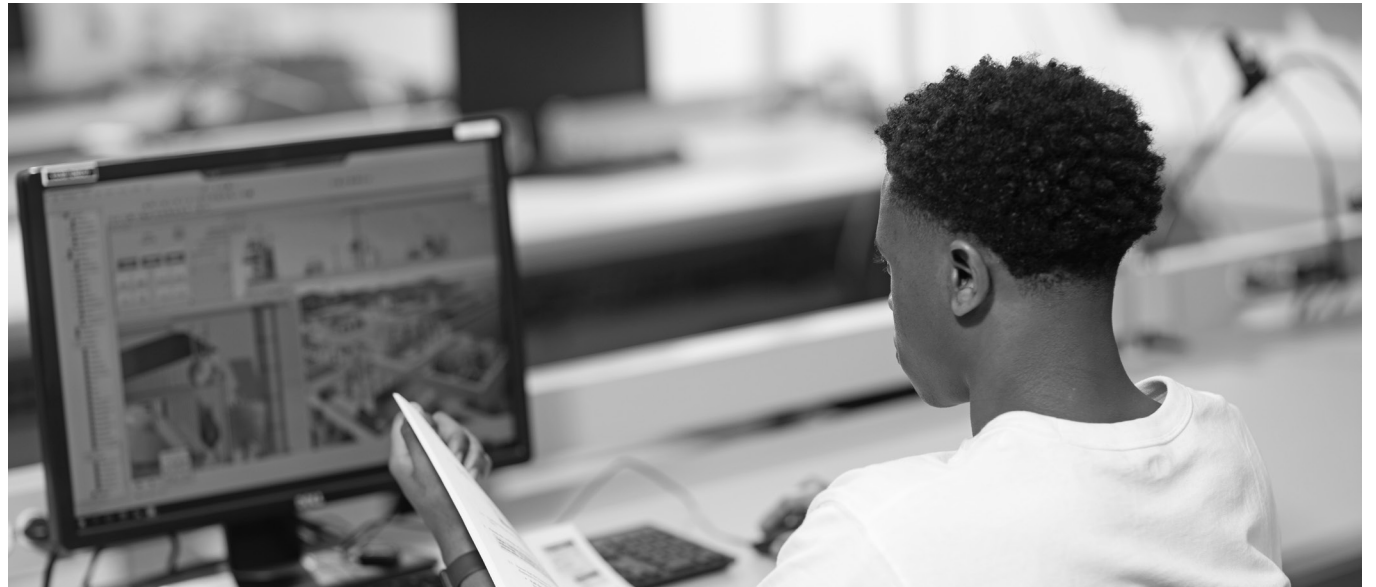
WHAT ELSE?

From player to coach to player again: The Josh Lazowski story— p. 11

Quiz: What fictional billionaire are you? — p. 15

Mindbending knowledge of Edmonton’s most premier attraction — p. 8

NAIT set to increase tuition fees for 2023-24



By Alyssa Conti

NAIT is increasing tuition fees for the 2023-24 academic year following the current provincial guidelines.

“The cost to deliver many NAIT programs continues to increase, and it’s important that our tuition rates reflect these realities while keeping our polytechnic education affordable and accessible,” said NAIT Senior Media Relations Specialist, Nicole Graham, in an emailed statement.

“Staff are finalizing the tuition proposal for 2023/24, which will go to the Board of Governors for approval on March 7, 2023. Any tuition increases proposed fall within the provincial Tuition and Fee Regulation.”

Giving the students a voice

“We cannot imagine a scenario where NAIT would raise tuition less than the maximum allowed,” said Renata Medeiros, NAITSA VP Academic.

According to NAIT’s 2021-22 Annual Report, the Alberta government reduced NAIT’s base operating funds by almost 20 per cent over the past four years as part of Alberta Budget 2019. Medeiros says that this cut put a lot of pressure on the institution, but NAIT is working closely with NAITSA as they make decisions regarding tuition and fees.

“Right now, we are currently working on the new consultation procedure to ensure that consultation is meaningful on tuition and not only informational,” said Medeiros.

The consultation procedure comes after a court decision made in September 2022. In a judicial review filed by NAITSA against NAIT’s Board of Governors, the court ruled that NAIT failed to consult the students’ association “in a meaningful way.” The judge concluded by letting both parties reach their own agreement on the issues of finance and procedural fairness.

“For the past decade at least, NAITSA [has been] part of a lobbying group called ASEC, Alberta Students Executive Council,” added Medeiros. “We have been lobbying the government and NAIT for predictable and affordable tuition, so we were very happy when the government announced this past week that they heard us.”

ASEC consists of student representatives from 17 post-secondary institutions across Alberta. Medeiros said that ASEC has been lobbying the government for predictable and affordable tuition within the past decade, so NAITSA was excited to hear that tuition will increase by “only” two per cent after the next year.

Rising costs across the province

Provincial tuition laws from 2020-23 state that a school’s average tuition can only increase by up to seven per cent and

no more than 10 per cent for an individual program, but the province recently announced a two per cent cap on future domestic tuition increases starting in the academic year 2024-25.

“For the 2023 to 2024 academic year, it’ll be by CPI which is 5.5, and then after that, it will be two per cent for the domestic tuition,” said Medeiros.

The CPI, or Consumer Price Index, is an economic measure of inflation that compares the cost of goods and services over time. It currently stands at about five per cent in Alberta. This means that on average, Albertans paid about five per cent more for resources such as food, shelter, transportation, etc. over the past year.

“High inflation has made life more expensive for all Albertans, including post-secondary students,” said Minister of Advanced Education, Demetrios Nicolaides, in a February news release. “These new measures will help all students deal with higher costs during these challenging times.”

The new measures from Alberta’s Budget 2023 include reduced interest rates and an extended grace period of 12 months for student loans. Low-income students will also receive up to \$475 per month with their Alberta Student Grant.

“Now, students will be able to know exactly how much tuition will increase by, so they will be able to save up that amount,” said Medeiros. “They will be more ready to afford their living here in the province by the announcement of the two per cent tuition increase, as well as the student loan announcement.”

No caps for international students

There are currently no caps or regulations around international student tuition across the province, so Medeiros says schools “can increase international tuition by as much as they’d like.”

“We are still lobbying the government to put a cap on international tuition because right now it is largely unregulated,” said Medeiros. “That is concerning because post-secondaries can use that to increase [their] revenues.”

NAIT international students paid up to \$36,000 for the 2022-23 year, nearly four times the tuition fees paid by domestic students. In 2021-22, NAIT welcomed about 2,600 international students. According to NAIT’s annual report, this made up roughly 14 per cent of the total student body while contributing eight per cent of NAIT’s total revenue.

Students needing additional financial support can visit the Student Award department for advice on other loans, grants and scholarships to apply for.



THE COST OF DRINKING – P. 6

NAIT NUGGET

Educating and entertaining the NAIT community since 1964.

Room O-105
 11762-106 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta
 T5G 2R1
 Media Operations (780) 471-7615
 @thenaitnugget
 www.thenuggetonline.com

News Editor

Caleb Perreux
 news@thenuggetonline.com

Sports Editor

Zachary Kubusch
 sports@thenuggetonline.com

Arts & Life Editor

Alleah Boisvert
 arts@thenuggetonline.com

Opinion Editor

Michayla Kirsch
 opinion@thenuggetonline.com

Media Editor

Roy Navarro
 media@thenuggetonline.com

Media Intern

Riley Neilson

Editor-in-Chief

Amy St. Amand
 astamand@nait.ca

Issue Contributors

Alyssa Conti
 Liesl Sham
 Miroslava Silva
 Fraser Sockett
 Aivree Irvine
 Vinson Trieu
 Mihiri Kamiss
 Alex "Lexi" McFarlane
 Marie Francisco
 Lorenzo Tamburino
 Sean Irwin
 Anders VanAmsterdam
 Yuliia Dolgireva

Cover Art

Mihiri Kamiss @jaymerist

The Nugget is an independent media source. The opinions within do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Nugget or NAITSA.

NAIT Alert: The campus safety app

By Michayla Kirsch and Liesl Sham

Campus safety is important, which is why NAIT Protective Services (NPS) encourages all students and staff to download the NAIT Alert app, available for Android and iOS users on the app store and Google Play. The Nugget had the opportunity to speak with Sam Darlington, a NAIT Peace Officer, who explained that the app is essential for NPS to reach students and staff during an emergency.

"Weather events, fires, active aggressors... That is how we will get in touch with the population on campus, so it's really, really important that we have a lot of people using it. Otherwise, that information doesn't get out as much as we'd like," said Darlington.

The app allows students to quickly receive emergency information. When users download the app and enable push notifications, they will receive notifications from NPS as soon as they are sent out from the communications desk.

There are various features within the app that are available for students and staff such as Virtual Safe Walk, Mobile BlueLight, reporting minor crimes and viewing campus maps.

Virtual Safe Walk

When travelling on campus, Virtual Safe Walk allows NPS to monitor students remotely to ensure they arrive safely at their destinations. The app uses location data to track your position; students who are concerned about their safety, especially during early morning or evening classes when campus isn't heavily populated, can use Virtual Safe Walk for an extra layer of protection. Officers can be dispatched to their exact location in case of an emergency. However, this

feature is limited to NAIT campus only, as NPS' authority and jurisdiction ends there.

Mobile BlueLight

Similar to the BlueLight kiosks around campus, NAIT Alert allows students to connect to NPS during an emergency simply by pressing a button. A peace officer will follow-up with the alert in real-time and provide assistance to the individual in need of help. Even in a situation where the BlueLight button may be pressed by accident, officers will still speak with students to ensure every alert is responded to.

"Everything gets treated as the same. We want to make sure that we keep that behaviour that everything is real, until it isn't," Darlington explained.

Report Minor Crimes

On NAIT Alert, the app allows a student or staff to report stolen items or other small incidents. NPS asks that students and staff report in-progress crime incidents to the Edmonton Police Service or 911 to receive quick and active action. After calling 911, call NPS at 780-471-7477.

Maps

The NAIT Alert provides detailed maps for the Main Campus, Patricia Campus, Souch Campus and the Spruce Grove Crane and Hoist Campus. The virtual tool option allows for visual aid when in each campus.

NAIT students must apply to attend Convocation

By Amy St. Amand

Starting this semester, NAIT students will now need to apply to attend Convocation. According to the NAIT website, those who "expect to meet all graduation requirements or complete your technical apprenticeship education before June 2, 2023" are invited to apply to attend Convocation. While the policy is new for NAIT, other Edmonton post-secondary institutions, such as the University of Alberta and MacEwan University, have a similar procedure.

In previous years, as long as students were on track to graduate, they would be invited to attend Convocation in early May. But with the change to requiring approval, Convocation will be moved to June to "allow the Office of the Registrar time to conduct a graduation audit and finalize the list of graduates eligible to attend Convocation," said Nicole Graham, NAIT Senior Media Relation Specialist. This year, Convocation will occur on June 26 and 27 at the Edmonton Expo Centre.

Students can apply on the NAIT website by filling out a short form. The form asks for the student's name, program, preferred email and preferred name to be used when they walk across the stage. There is also a reminder about purchasing a graduation gown and tickets for guests. The deadline to apply is May 19, 2023, but the convocation website encourages



Photo by NAIT Content Collective

students to apply early.

Once the application is submitted, it will be reviewed, and students need to be approved in order to attend. Approval will occur by the end of May. For programs that have later end dates but still finish before June 2, notifications will arrive in mid-June. If students complete their program requirements after June 2, 2023, they'll be invited to attend Convocation in 2024.

New couches, old money: NAIT makes campus more inviting with new furniture



Photo supplied

By Caleb Perreaux

Some students may have noticed new furniture, such as couches, tables and chairs, installed throughout NAIT's main campus this semester. This furniture was purchased using the NAITSA Student Enhancement Fund (SEF) with a goal of making hallways and lobbies more inviting. The first round of furniture was added to campus over the 2022 December break; students can find the new pieces in CAT and many of the main buildings on campus.

As Director of Campus Planning, Jacqueline McLeod oversees furniture anywhere from office spaces to common rooms. Jocelyn Yurkiw is also part of this team as a space planner. In collaboration with NAITSA, the team aimed for aesthetics and functionality. Some of the new pieces have electrical outlets built in to facilitate studying on the go. "We just wanted to create more dispersed pockets of study space for students. So students have an opportunity to take that 10 minutes between one class and another to either sit down for a little bit and pick up on their notes before they attend their next lecture or lab or just to have a quick opportunity to connect with one another in the corridor," said Yurkiw.

McLeod explained that the initiative was brought forth in 2019, and in 2020, they applied for the SEF to implement study spaces all over campus. However, with the pandemic, they decided to hold off on ordering and deploying the furniture until NAIT confirmed that students were coming back in person. Now over three years later, they are beginning phase one, all while keeping warranty in mind. "We just held off until we had a better idea of when we'd be back on campus so that we could take

advantage of those warranty periods ... we had a chance to make sure that there was no issue with it and that things would be covered by warranty if it was," McLeod said. They also say that this fund includes other deliverables, which can range from tables and desks to stationary bikes.

For Yurkiw, ensuring the furniture has been well-received is top of mind. "As far as we've heard it has been," said Yurkiw. "I've had the opportunity to bump into some students and staff while they're utilizing the furniture. I walk through campus a lot ... I do walk by a lot of the different spaces. And so they are getting a lot of use and it seems like people are comfortable."

In the future, McLeod and Yurkiw said they plan on introducing updated or new furniture in the next few years. However, with budget constraints at NAIT for the foreseeable future, they are ready for anything. "We have a budget that we're working towards. We'll have to make a few minor adjustments on some of the final plans, cause again, [the plans] are stretched over three years," McLeod said. She also explained that Yurkiw has been planning around the budget and has concept ideas in place. Students can soon expect new spaces all over the W building and some updates in the F, L and U buildings.

Both McLeod and Yurkiw explained that the most vital part of this process is feedback. They want to hear from all NAIT students about what they'd like to change, create or both all over campus. Students who are interested in sharing can email fmd.furniture@nait.ca.

DMIT students told to “bring your own device” in Fall 2023

By Mihiri Kamiss

At the start of the winter 2023 semester, students from NAIT’s Digital Media and IT (DMIT) program received an email informing them that their program was transitioning to “Bring Your Own Device” (BYOD). Starting in Fall 2023, DMIT students will now be required to purchase personal laptops instead of using computer labs provided by the school. For some DMIT students, this news of an unexpected expense was shocking, especially during a time of massive inflation and tuition hikes. Although many NAIT programs already employ BYOD, some DMIT students feel the decision doesn’t honor the financial hardships of current students, nor does it represent the current workforce trend.

In the fall, NAIT will remove all computer labs used by the DMIT program. Currently, these labs provide hardware suitable for the technology-heavy DMIT concentration streams—from virtual machine capabilities to animation and rendering software. After the Summer 2023 semester, students will be required to bring their own devices to class with the proper hardware capabilities needed to run the software specific to their stream.

According to an email sent to DMIT students by Steve Chattargoon, the program’s chair, NAIT based the decision on several factors. “In some cases, the students [have] more robust systems than what [is] already in the labs and [prefer] using their own devices,” read the email. The email also stated that “NAIT aligns itself with the direction our global workforce is headed ... media and IT employers are now transitioning their workforce to allow for more remote work.”

The email provided students with laptop specification information for each concentration. It listed an expected cost of anywhere between \$1,500 to \$3,500 to purchase a suitable laptop. For a device on the higher end of the range, students must pay a similar amount as one semester’s tuition. Twenty-one credits are offered a term in the DMIT program, each costing \$169 in 2022-23. That comes out to \$3549, only 49 dollars higher than the end range of a required laptop.

DMIT is not the first program at NAIT to switch to a BYOD model. “Many other programs have already gone there, as well as institutions around us have also gone down this road,” said Daryl Allenby, NAIT’s AVP IT and Chief Info Officer, in an interview with the Nugget. The School of Business already uses a BYOD program, as does Forestry, Alternative Energy, Interior Design and several others.

Although the initial email stated that “overall increasing or bettering our student experience does matter to NAIT,” some students feel the change isn’t reflective of the desires of the student body.

“NAIT’s thinly veiled cost-saving measure is made all the more insulting by their justification for doing so. They suggest that they [aim to] improve the student experience by accommodating the increasing number of people who bought portable devices over the past few years. However... nothing currently exists to prevent students from using their own devices,” said Yiannis Chroniaris, a DMIT Animation student.

Chroniaris doesn’t believe that the reasoning about following workplace trends makes sense.

“Using industry shifts as a justification for transitioning the program to BYOD is similarly flawed. Many employers will still provide the option to work using on-site computers, [and] near-universally provide laptops during their employment at the company,” Chroniaris explained.

Another DMIT Animation student, Sidney Wincott, expressed concern regarding device differences and troubleshooting.

“As someone who attended a high school with a similar model, it significantly stressed teachers and students,” Wincott recalled. “Every student will have differences with their device, and each can have issues with digital programs needed in classes; teachers will be unable to help fix multiple and various technical-based matters, which isn’t a problem with the current labs.”

Other common concerns revolve around NAIT’s poor network connectivity, even within its classrooms. Without ethernet cables, students are wary of the institution’s unstable Wi-Fi within the HP building and how it may affect class sessions.

“Doing homework on campus, [the Wi-Fi] is not very consistent,” a DMIT student who wished to remain anonymous said. “You’ll find yourself even like having to switch to data a few times, depending on where you sit, or all the good places that have better Wi-Fi are always taken really quickly just because there’s almost, like, just dead spots in certain places around campus.”

Allenby reassured the Nugget that programs already following a BYOD structure had implemented quality Wi-Fi connections in those specific parts of the buildings and that the DMIT program would be accommodated accordingly.

Allenby also provided another reason for the decision in the interview with the

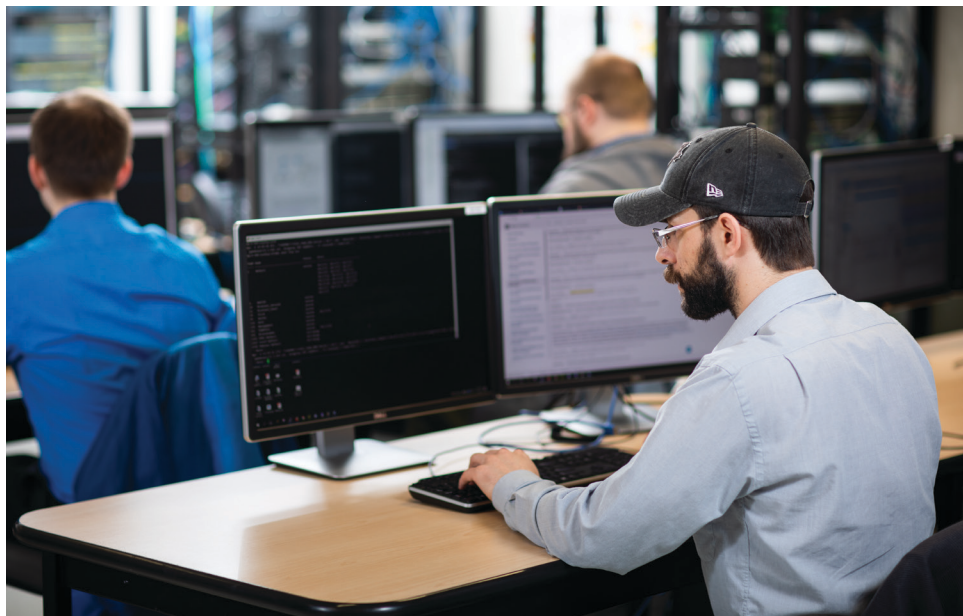


Photo by NAIT Content Collective

Nugget—one not given in the email to the student body.

“[There exists] unmet demand for the program. We knew that lots of students wanted to take the program but couldn’t get in because of physical constraints. The way that the program had previously been taught and deployed required the classroom and has a very specific configuration and a fixed number of seats,” Allenby stated.

He was also asked about student concerns regarding the high costs of DMIT-appropriate laptops and concerns from students who had invested in a home PC build. “The institute would not want this decision to be a serious impediment for anybody to progress through their current programming,” Allenby explained.

“Certainly, on a case-by-case basis, if there was undue hardship that fell outside of our normal accommodation processes, there would be something in place to assist those students.” Allenby did not have specific information on what such assistance would look like at the time of the interview as the details of the program have not been finalized. He did comment on students who already own a PC and how they strengthen the ability of a student to work more flexibly.

On behalf of NAIT, Allenby stated that “[NAIT] will always want to respond to student sentiments.” When asked why NAIT did not consult with the student body before making the decision, the program responded, “changes to program delivery do not require student consultation.” They echoed Allenby’s explanation of the reasoning behind the changes, citing “increasing enrolment pressure and demand to expand the program, and scheduling and space limitations of the computer labs” as motivating factors.

In a survey conducted by the Nugget, more than half of the 35 DMIT students who participated expressed that they could only afford a new laptop with additional student aid. Less than 35 percent of participants had purchased laptops for their stream, while many others opted to buy a PC. Roughly 30 percent of students expressed that they would not have enrolled in the program had they known about the BYOD program switch in advance, and another 25 percent say they most likely would not have applied at all.

“I have already invested a significant amount into a custom-built PC on which I do all my homework,” a student who wished to remain anonymous wrote. “Investing in a pricey laptop would put me into a financially uncomfortable situation, and with inflation impacting all aspects of life, it’s a situation I don’t want to be in.”

Another student, who already owns a laptop, sympathizes with those needing to purchase one for the fall. “I find it mind-blowing that a building and institution focused on teaching programs that need technology will include...no technology! I won’t personally have issues with this, but I know many people will.” Despite not needing to purchase additional hardware, knowing about the transition before attending NAIT would have affected their enrollment. “If I knew this was going to happen, I would’ve chosen to go somewhere else for my education.”

NAIT sees BYOD as an opportunity to allow a broader capacity of students to take the program by minimizing the costly constraints of physical computer lab classrooms. But for some DMIT students, the change is indicative of a much larger issue on campus that could affect the student body as a whole. As one student explained, “I think it says a lot when you talk to your instructors about a new program like this, and they’re also just as frustrated as you are.”

EDITORIAL

The cost of drinking: Sociable while drunk, introverted while sober



Photo supplied

By Vinson Trieu

The end of the week, a Friday! What else to do but go out to party with friends and drink till we yak?

Drinking alcohol was fun. My inhibitions became loose, my mind stopped thinking and I just did what felt in the moment. I became a more social creature. More talkative, more personable, a better dancer. At least in my mind, because all I did was imitate what other people were doing. It was a great time with friends when alcohol was a big part of my life.

There was a time where I would go out almost every week and get lit with friends at a rave or the club. Not only was it expensive for the admission to raves, but the drinks would burn a hole in my pocket. There were nights where sometimes I would spend a few hundred dollars on drinks alone.

I do not even like the taste of alcohol. I've tried gin, vodka, whiskey, Jägermeister, beer...It's just not for me. The only reason I would drink was to spend time with friends. It was something I could do with them that made me more social as a side effect. When intoxicated, I was a more sociable version of myself that everyone seemed to like.

The more I associated myself as a sociable person while drunk, the more I conditioned myself to drink alcohol to be more social. It was a negative feedback loop. I had to drink to be social, and to be social, I had to drink.

Then I started having blackouts.

Black outs are not fun experiences by any means. You lose memory of the whole night. Sometimes I woke up in strange places super dehydrated as my body tried to get rid of the toxin that is alcohol. My poor liver. I'd wake in a state of panic, rummaging through my pockets to see if I had everything: wallet, keys, dignity. Most of the time I was fine, but I do not recommend the walk of shame.

Alcohol has many negative side effects that outweigh the positive effects, such as reducing anxiety and increased confidence. Impaired judgement from drinking can lead to reckless decisions. Blurred vision, coupled with decreased fine motor movements, can result in the inability to walk in a straight line when too inebriated. Binge drinkers have an 39 per cent increased chance of stroke compared to non binge drinkers. Alcohol affects every part of the body, even when you are asleep.

Drinking alcohol disrupts your quality of sleep. It suppresses REM sleep, the deep

sleep humans need to feel well rested. Those nasty hangovers are the result of that. Alcohol even increases the frequency you need to pee, as it is a diuretic. I remember waiting in the slowest moving line for the washroom because I had "broken the seal." Was I even having fun?

I had to really think deep and reflect about whether what I was doing was enjoyable. Did I enjoy spending my weekends getting sloshed for the heck of it, simply because it was the weekend? In the moment, yes, but now that I am getting older and thinking about what I want in life, I question the decisions my younger self made. I was not building anything that my 80-year-old future self would be proud of. I was recklessly spending money on events and alcohol where I could have used the money on something more long-term utility, such as investments in the market or on further educating myself.

I had to redirect and focus on what I wanted in life. It is easier to not escape life by being inebriated when you have clear goals. I want kids, I want multiple businesses, I want to be known for accomplishments I can be proud of when I am on my deathbed. Alcohol has no part of that life I am working towards.

At first it was hard. I felt lonely. I wanted to be social with the friends I had at the time. Every time we would spend time together, they wanted to drink, making me wonder if I should drink because everyone else was? That pressure to drink to fit in with everyone was difficult for a while. The more time went on, I realized those friendships did not have much substance. We were party friends, nothing but a fun time while drunk. We did not have much going on outside of partying. Slowly but surely, I faded away from that friend group and made new friends in the new intentional life I am building.

It has been a little over four months since I fully abstained from that life. These days, I do not even entertain the taste of alcohol when I am out with friends. If you met me recently, I am a very sociable person, but I was not like this prior sober. I had difficulties talking to people and was quite shy with people I didn't know. I taught myself that I can have fun and talk to people without alcohol. I became who I wanted to be when drunk, sober. I do not need alcohol anymore to bring out my extroverted self.

‘It’s a huge issue’: MLMs target students on professional networking sites

By Alleah Boisvert

Multi-level marketing (MLM) companies have existed for decades, generating millions of dollars in revenue by claiming to provide people with financial independence and lucrative careers. While there has been an increase in investigative media highlighting the harmful practices behind MLMs, it’s not always easy to recognize these business models when faced with them in everyday life. Social media platforms like Facebook and Instagram are littered with MLM reps selling patterned leggings and essential oils. But one professional platform is the perfect breeding ground for recruiters offering something different to their targets—employment.

Over 46 million students and recent graduates use LinkedIn for networking and job searching. A 2020 article by Hootsuite claims students are LinkedIn’s fastest growing demographic. Connor Nichols, a recent NAIT BBA grad and the owner of CBN Marketing, has been using LinkedIn since 2019. He said he still gets messages from recruiters despite owning a full-service marketing company.

“It’s a huge issue ... I started my LinkedIn and I think that in my first two weeks of LinkedIn I probably got about 45 messages from people working for World Financial Group, Primerica, [Vector Marketing] and then there was a few other ones,” said Nichols.

Companies like World Financial Group (WFG) and Primerica use MLM business practices to sell investment, insurance and other financial services. According to their website, WFG associates earn commission when they help clients and “write new business,” earning a portion of overall commission from the newly licensed associates they’ve coached. The people recruited are part of the associate’s “downline,” an MLM term that describes a hierarchy where recruiters at the top make money off everyone below them.

“They’re the same pyramid method but just, you know, different names and they would always kind of say the same old thing, like, ‘Oh, I reached out to your LinkedIn profile, it seemed like a great fit, let’s have a coffee.’ Something like that,” said Nichols.

When he was a student, Nichols met for coffee with an associate from Primerica, whose business model is similar to WFG. He was skeptical of the company’s intentions.

“You could tell it was just a bunch of hot air,” he said. “Once they talked about the job, they said it was 100 per cent commission-based and it’s a great opportunity and yadda yadda, you’re selling insurance and it’s going to be great. But it’s like, I don’t see myself selling insurance as a marketer. And if you saw my profile, I literally don’t have those skills.”

Nichols said students should be wary of companies offering commission-based pay. “Sometimes these companies will even talk about the job, and they will have commission on there, but when they have commission on there that’s 100 per cent commission, [that] means that if you don’t get a sale, they don’t pay you anything.”

Primerica’s website states that cash flow to their Canadian sales representatives, including commissions, was paid at an average of \$7,479 from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2022—not exactly the lucrative numbers that lead students to a path of financial independence.

“These companies, they only have one method and that is to make business. And they don’t see you as a person, they see you as a number,” said Nichols. He explained that businesses who target marketing students give marketing professionals a bad reputation. “It’s frustrating because it puts my career [at risk] because I have to constantly explain to people, like, this is not what I do.”

J. Torre, an international student from the Philippines studying marketing, has similar frustrations. A month after she started her studies at NAIT, she found what she thought was a “too good to be true” marketing opportunity with Vector Marketing.

“It’s sad for us marketing students that were cornered to find jobs, especially with the MLMs saying that their job positions have marketing in them,” said Torre. “When I saw [the job posting], I was like, ‘I’m going to take this opportunity’ and I even went to the onboarding stage. But it [felt] ingenuine to me, so I had to research it myself.”

Vector Marketing is a direct sales company that targets students to sell products for their parent company, Cutco Corporation. The company argues against claims that they are an MLM but grow their profits by using other deceptive means. Due to the



company’s vague job descriptions, most of the students they target are unaware of what exactly Vector does in the first place.

Before the onboarding process, Torre was told she would get to talk to the recruiters and HR about the job position. She said she left the onboarding meeting after realizing what the job entailed.

“When I went and [checked in] for the onboarding it was just a recording of someone with instructions, like a pre-recorded video, so it didn’t feel genuine. And then and there I was like, ‘this is sketchy.’ So, I had to look it up while in the meeting, and there I found out that they’re basically marketing knives.”

Sales representatives who work for Vector, 85 per cent of which are students, are hired as independent contractors selling Cutco knives for commission. The company’s website states, “You get started by showing CUTCO to people you know to get good practice ... In training, we teach you how to ask those people for referrals, or leads, others who might be interested in taking a look at CUTCO.”

The company claims to be student-friendly and pays a base rate for every completed appointment, even if the rep doesn’t make a sale. Their website does not state how much students make for these appointments.

“I’m not really a fan of the quotas that you should reach [a] target for the day of selling stuff,” said Torre. “It’s not feasible, especially for a newcomer student.”

Torre said that someone who is good at direct sales might enjoy working for Vector, a sentiment that Nichols shared. Students with extroverted personalities have potential to thrive in the position, but more introverted students could find themselves limited to selling knives to their friends and family.

“The part that’s kind of misleading, I think in itself is a red flag that you have to mislead your potential employees just to get the job,” said Torre. “It’s good if you want it, but it’s bad if you’re just mislead.”

“It feels demoralizing at times that I’m just trying to look for a job and then stuff like this happens. It seems like on an emotional perspective, it is disheartening, but also looking at it in a positive way, it makes me more cautious of these jobs and it makes me actually tweak my resume more and make it better and improve my skills so I wouldn’t have to settle with these very inviting job descriptions ... I do hope they stop taking advantage of people, because it’s a waste of people’s time, like students.”

Torre said that she doesn’t want to dictate what NAIT students who are part of these groups do. Instead, she cautioned students looking for jobs to learn from experiences like hers and Nichols’.

“You can’t really tell them ‘Can you guys stop with the recruitment?’ because it’s their job, they’re part of the company,” said Torre. “It’s up to us to be cautious about it.”

Mind-bending knowledge of Edmonton's most premier attraction

The ins and outs of West Ed, as told by "Best Edmonton Mall" creator Matthew Dutczak

by Alex "Lexi" McFarlane

Many Edmontonians tend to become complacent with West Edmonton Mall's presence. With over 800 shops and various sources of entertainment, it's difficult to go too long without making a trip there for something. But for some residents, especially those living on the West End, the mall is essentially annexed into their community. Still, despite its familiarity, there are Edmontonians who love everything WEM has to offer.

These sentiments hold true for NAIT graduate Matthew Dutczak, a West End-born Edmontonian whose extensive memory and research of everything WEM has translated into a successful YouTube channel. With nearly 25,000 subscribers, "Best Edmonton Mall" provides viewers with news and history about the world-famous mall. One hint the Nugget was offered in an off-the-record question: Dutczak's NAIT studies are what's helped him create the eye-catching thumbnail graphics seen on his YouTube uploads.

The hot-button WEM topic of recent times, of course, was the sudden end to the life of the iconic Mindbender roller coaster at Galaxyland on Jan. 30, 2023. The roller coaster existed for 37 years inside the mall's indoor theme park and was a staple of WEM promotion—it was even included in world record books.

So, what could possibly replace the long-standing Mindbender? Naturally, Edmonton's best-known WEM historian has some insight.

"The mall's been very tight lipped, so we don't know what's coming," Dutczak explained. "The only hints we received from the mall was 'out of this world experience' and 'family thrills.' So that might lead you to think that it might be scaled back a bit and I would almost buy that, though I can't imagine that removing the Mindbender is going to be cheap."

Dutczak speculated that it would be an "expensive endeavor" to bring in a roller coaster comparable to the 145-foot tall Mindbender, which cost six million dollars to build in 1985. Given the massive footprint of the Mindbender's space within Galaxyland, Dutczak is unsure an attraction with the same size and scope is possible.

"I think they have a lot of flexibility in that space, and then they could easily fit in some more, I guess for lack of a better term, 'off-the-shelf' ride options ... there's some pretty extreme rides out there that would fit the bill, so they have a lot of flexibility. I'm not sure what to expect, but I wouldn't hold my breath for something the same size as the Mindbender to come back," he said.

It's worth noting that the Mindbender wasn't the only pre-millennium ride still hanging around in Galaxyland. Other older coasters, such as the Autosled, still exist—the opportunity would be right there for WEM to replace multiple roller coasters in one go.

"They also have the Galaxy Orbiter coaster as well," said Dutczak. "It might be easier to expand the tracks of both of those coasters [instead of building] a whole new coaster."

According to Dutczak, the Autosled already has a new theme. The mid-sized rollercoaster, which also opened in 1985, will be re-released as the Cootie Coaster, inspired by a Hasbro board game that features bug-like creatures called Cooties.

"Yeah, so the Autosled doesn't seem to be going anywhere, and I don't think the Galaxy Orbiter will either. But that's, you know, something to think about; they could just as easily expand one coaster, and fill that space."

It was interesting that toy brands were mentioned. Since December 2021, WEM had a Toys-R-Us store on the first floor. That, too, closed early in 2023. Describing the short-lived Toys "R" Us location on his channel as something that "felt like a pop-up store," Dutczak had some clues as to what could fill that void.



Matthew Dutczak, self-proclaimed "West Edmonton Mall enthusiast."

Photo via bestedmontonmall.com

"I've heard rumours about some new private attraction going in there," he said. "[Not quite retail], but rather you know, something similar to what we saw with Virtual Land, and we've seen in the past with [Reboot Racing] ... I'm not sure if that's true, so I'll put the caveat out there, but it's just a rumour that's flying right now."

A new attraction sounds refreshing, but the void where Toys-R-Us existed has a legacy to fulfill. The two-story space is remembered by a whole generation of mall-goers as the former home of HMV, which closed in 2017. "Everyone, every time there's a change in that space, the words HMV come out so ... funny, I'm one of those people, I echo those same sentiments, though," said Dutczak.

With Dutczak's Best Edmonton Mall channel covering everything WEM, it wouldn't have been appropriate to just keep it at what has left recently.

On more NAIT-related fronts, Dutczak gave the Nugget his thoughts on the recent Splash 'N' Bash event at World Waterpark. Splash 'N' Bash, along with the ongoing Soundwave concert series, both prove to be popular party events for students.

"These aren't new either, I mean, back in the '90s [and] 2000s, they had Rock 'n' Ride at Galaxyland, where it was for young adults and teens to go and dance to music all night from, I think it was from 6 p.m. to midnight or something along those lines. And yeah, you used to have dance parties. I think there was a Canadian boy band called VIP that [had their] 15 minutes of fame in the '90s or in the 2000s, and I saw them live there. So yeah, I mean, it's definitely a lot of fun. Those events, they're really popular, so they keep [hosting] them."

Another popular WEM event is the Edmonton Oilers appearances at the Ice Palace, which have returned as an annual occurrence since the Oilers' 40th anniversary season in 2018-2019.

"Back when the Ice Palace first opened, [the mall] had a long, more involved, or I guess more integrated, deal with the Edmonton Oilers," said Dutczak. The Ice Palace was known as the "second home" of the Oilers, who had regular practices there.

"They were scheduled; I'm not sure if there was a contract or an agreement or something, but it was quite often. And now, they're definitely more of a pop-up thing once in a while. It's cool to see it happen again. It went for quite a few years without [happening]."

Could the Oilers skate alongside the Oilers in West Edmonton Mall's Ice Palace someday?

"I'm sure anything's possible," said Dutczak.

Don't be scared of your taxes: A student survival guide

By Miroslava Silva

It's tax season, and students may be worried about completing their taxes by the April 30, 2023 deadline. The threat of monetary penalties for late submissions can be intimidating. Even if you had no income during the year, taxes must be completed so the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) can determine your eligibility for a tax refund or benefits. Filing taxes may seem stressful, but it is easier than you think—the Nugget is here to help!

What you'll need to file your taxes

Personal Information

To complete your taxes, you will need basic information such as your name, address, date of birth, social insurance number and marital status. However, marital status may be difficult to determine. For example, your marital status is “common law” if you have been living with a partner for at least 12 continuous months. The title of common law still applies if you live apart for less than 90 days during the 12 month period. The marital status of “single” is applicable if you are in a relationship but don't live with your partner, or have lived together for less than 12 continuous months.

Tax Slips

The most common tax slips students need include a T4 slip, a T2202 slip and a T4A slip. The T4 slip is obtained from employers; you should receive one from each job you were employed in throughout the year. The T2202 is received for paying tuition, and can be found in your MyNAIT Portal. Lastly, the T4A slip is applicable if you were awarded a scholarship, grants or other monetary awards related to your studies. These tax slips can be found on your CRA My Account online. Keep in mind that tax slips not mentioned above may apply to you—the best way to find which tax slips you need is to check your My Account on the CRA website.

Deductions and Credits

These are expenses you can claim to reduce the amount of taxes you need to pay. Additionally, deductions and credit expenses may increase the refund amount that you receive. However, only certain expenses can be claimed, and you need to show documented proof. Some examples include donations to registered charities, medical expenses, paid tuition fees and childcare expenses. Supporting documents for tax claim deductions, like receipts, must be kept for six years. The CRA can ask for these documents at any time, so it's important to keep the proof of your claims.

Where to file your taxes

Paper Filing

On the CRA website, you can print the necessary forms to complete your taxes. Once completed, these forms must be mailed to the CRA. It typically takes the CRA about 10 to 12 weeks to process your taxes.

Electronic Filing

There are many free or low cost software to help you complete your taxes. Software will guide you through the process and ensure you apply for applicable benefits and deduction expenses. Tax software can be found online or at retail stores. When looking for software, ensure it is NETFILE-certified so you can send the finished file directly to the CRA. Electronic filing is the fastest way to send in your taxes; the electronic file return is typically processed by the CRA in two weeks.



Representative

A representative, like an accountant or even a friend or family member, can help complete your taxes. Students can also go to a volunteer-run tax clinic where volunteers file taxes (for free) on your behalf. The Accounting Club of NAIT is hosting a free tax clinic on March 24 and March 31 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Taxes done by a representative normally take the CRA two weeks to process if they are done electronically.

Filing taxes as an international student

International students may also have to file a Canadian income tax return. Whether international students pay taxes or not depends on their residency status, which determines how international students will be taxed in Canada.

Residency status is based on a student's residential ties in Canada. There are two categories for residential ties: significant ties and secondary ties. Significant residential ties apply if you have a home, a spouse or common law partner or dependents in Canada. Examples of secondary residential ties include: Canadian health insurance, passport, driver's license, economic ties (Canadian bank or credit accounts) and personal property in Canada.

International students without significant residential ties in Canada who have lived in Canada for less than 183 days are not eligible to file an income tax return.

International students are typically considered temporary residents who obtain multiple residential ties throughout their stay in Canada. As a result, international students may be considered a resident of Canada for income tax purposes. Remember that immigration status is different from residency status for income tax purposes, and the information and deadline of April 30, 2023 previously mentioned also applies to international students.

NAIT students can refer to the CRA website for questions about residential status for income tax purposes and for any further information on taxes.

5 craziest things sports fans spent money on

By Zach Kubusch

1. Used jock strap

It’s one thing to buy someone’s stinky sports gear but to go out and buy someone’s crotch-dome, that’s when things get weird. For \$10,200 one “lucky” fan got their hands on the jockstrap of legendary boxer, Joe Frazier. The groin guard was worn by Frazier back on March 8, 1971 when the heavyweight fighter won against the all-time great Muhammad Ali. After the prolific duel, Frazier’s friend and corner man, David Wolf, asked him for the piece of equipment. When he received the undergarment, Wolf kept it in a carton hidden in his apartment. After Wolf passed, it was found in the same condition—maybe even stinker than before.

2. A signed urinal

When a sports venue closes, some go in to take the food menu from the wall, others take their favourite seat from the stands or maybe just a couple pictures to remember. But you probably haven’t heard of somebody buying a urinal from the bathroom. Back in 2014, a fan by the name of Mike Kozan bought a urinal from the Detroit Lions’ locker for 23 smack-a-roos. Kozan already had a signed jersey and hat from Barry Sanders, a hall-of-famer and Lions running back. To complete the collection, he jokingly tried to get Sanders to sign the urinal. After some thought, Sanders reluctantly signed the ceramic toiletry. A year later, Kozan sold the piece on eBay for 3 thousand bucks! In total the online auction received 46 bids from 17 different people.

3. A limited edition BBQ sauce

Someone bought an entire unopened gallon of McJordan BBQ Sauce. Back in the ‘90s, McDonalds and Michael Jordan had a partnership, having the NBA superstars

name on a limited edition burger and sauce. After the promotion in ‘92, a McDonald’s owner in North Dakota saved a jug of the sauce for 20 whole years before selling it for 10K on eBay in 2012.

4. Chewed bubble gum

Back in 2002, a baseball fan went to a game and decided to scoop up Luis Gonzalez’ soggy piece of chewed gum off the ground. Gonzalez, who played in Major League Baseball for over 19 seasons, was asked by collector Jason Gabbert to chew some gum, which Gabbert then sealed. He probably got a couple weird looks when collecting the chew, but Gabbert is laughing now after getting a neat 10 thousand dollars for his “one-of-a-kind” piece.

5. Actual dirt

After Tim Hudson, a San Francisco Giant retired in 2015, a fan went to where he played most on the field and took a bit of dirt and speckled it in a frame. Somehow, the fan got \$100 for his efforts of collecting the dirt. I guess you can say that you know a player is good when you can sell a piece of dirt from their home on the field.

6. “I’m sorry I shot JFK”

It’s always nice to get a personalized message when an athlete signs something for you, but former Cincinnati Reds Star Pete Rose had a different kind of message for one fan when signing a baseball. To one fan, he apologized for shooting John F. Kennedy. This is not the first time Rose has signed strange things for fans. He has also signed “Sorry for breaking up The Beatles,” and “Sorry for betting on baseball.” The odd-ball JFK baseball was eventually sold for \$107 in an auction.

✂

15% OFF

A REGULAR PRICED
FOOD MENU ITEM

Not valid on Midday Munchies or Daily Specials

Redeem at Nest Eatery, NAIT Main Campus S110. Limit one coupon per visit, no cash value, cannot be combined with other promotions or discounts. Nest Eatery reserves the right to void a coupon at management’s discretion.

n nest

✂

15% OFF

A REGULAR PRICED
BEVERAGE MENU ITEM

Not valid on Daily Specials

Redeem at Nest Eatery, NAIT Main Campus S110. Limit one coupon per visit, no cash value, cannot be combined with other promotions or discounts. Nest Eatery reserves the right to void a coupon at management’s discretion.

n nest

✂

From player to coach to player again: The story of Josh Lazowski



Photo by NAIT Athletics

By Zachary Kubusch

It's one thing to hang up the skates to sit behind the bench and coach, but to go from wearing a suit, to suiting up on the ice again is something spectacular.

Forward Josh Lazowski of the NAIT Oaks mens hockey team did just that. Lazowski played three seasons for the Oaks from 2012 to 2014 and won two ACAC championships during that period. The Oaks were the last team Lazowski had played for before stepping off the ice.

"I was pretty beat up by the end of my hockey career, multiple surgeries and life events kind of just forced my hand and I had to move on," Lazowski explained.

Lazowski reluctantly stepped away from the sport, only playing nine games in his final season with the Oaks. Like many Oaks before him, Lazowski hung up the skates to become a coach.

"I wasn't really quite ready to [retire], so now I've always had that itch, I never got it out of my system back then and always in the back of my mind, I was wishing that I could still be playing back out there."

Lazowski has now come full circle to gear back up for the Oaks under the coaching power of his old teammate Scott Fellnermayer.

"It's quite a funny situation because I originally played with Scott [Fellnermayer], back when I was here. Now, I was working and we just stayed friends after that. So he had got the job and he asked me if I wanted to do it and then I got back into it and now he's my coach again," said Lazowski.

Lazowski slotted in for the Oaks when they were desperate for players during the most recent transition of the fall and winter semesters at NAIT. Now being back in the lineup, Lazowski has reclaimed his former forward role. "Every team I've been on,

I've always been kind of expected to produce offensively. So coming back in, Scott kind of just threw me back into where I was."

Lazowski put in lots of work to get to where he is today, but it hasn't been an easy path.

"The best advice I could give anybody is learn how to deal with adversity as soon as you can, because no matter what ... you're going to come up against it and you can either crack and melt down or you can figure out how to get through it. In my experience, those are the people that succeed ... They decide in their mind this is what they want to do and they soldier through it."

"When I was younger, maybe I didn't handle it as well as I could have done and that had a big, big hindrance on how my career kind of panned out ... it's like the little tiny stuff that you think doesn't matter, but it all does add up in the end."

Despite his difficulties, Lazowski still aims to achieve his childhood dream.

"You got to have closure with it, so I don't know how that closure is going to look at the end of this but I'm kind of that's what I'm searching for right now," he explained.

"I would like to go play some professional hockey...that's kind of the idea right now but I got to be out there and playing and doing well to make that happen."

Lazowski may have a chance to crack a professional league team at the end of the season, but he is currently focused on the rest of the season. Lazowski's health was questionable for the last two games, the Oaks held strong, finishing their season with 10 losses, 13 wins and one tie.



18 BRE MARTIN

Forward Bre Martin is a fundamental piece of the NAIT women's hockey team. Martin uses her big size to get through defenders and find open space to capitalize on offense. Martin is in her fourth year of eligibility and has performed very well every year for NAIT. She has been piling up the points this season and is averaging nearly a point per game with nine points in 12 games. Her importance was shown during NAIT's game against the Lakeland Rustlers on January 27th, when Martin scored a clutch goal for her team to tie the game late in the third Period. NAIT lost the game in overtime but they would have never made it to overtime if it were not for Martin's huge goal.

"There definitely is a lot of pressure, but that is only going to drive us to continue to persevere and win those small battles we have every game. The competition is high, and we know that, so we must go into games with the mindset that nothing is handed to us," said Martin.

Martin isn't worried about the team's chances of success. "Our number one goal is, of course, to win the championship," she explained. "I'm very confident in the team that if we keep our efforts up and stay united through adversity that we will be able to succeed. There's no doubt in my mind that if we work hard and support each other on a day to day basis it will lead us to success."

Regardless of the outcome, Martin's desire to continue to grow. "Individually my goal is to grow as a leader both on and off the ice, to help lead our team to that ultimate goal, winning a ring."

29 KAITLYN SLATOR

Goaltender Kaitlyn Slator has been a massive part of the NAIT women's hockey team's fantastic season. With a .915 save percentage and 1.59 goals against, Slator has been one of the best goalies in the ACAC this season. Her total wins have been racking up throughout her career at NAIT, as she looks to capture the ACAC women's all time wins record. Slator has 42 career wins and is just four wins away from beating the ACAC record, currently held by Sandy Heim with 46 career wins. Unfortunately, Slator doesn't have much time to break this record; the end of the season is approaching and Slator is nearing the end of her fifth and final year. But Slator won't leave NAIT without breaking records—she's already broken NAIT's all-time win record with 36 career wins.

Graphic by Sean Irwin; Words by Anders VanAmsterdam

THE NUGGET IS LOOKING FOR STUDENT WRITERS

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED. EMAIL
[INFO@THENUGGETONLINE.COM](mailto:info@thenuggetonline.com) FOR MORE.





comic by Marie Francisco @zyrchas



comic by Yuliia Dolgireva



Want your art featured in the next issue? The Nugget is looking for artists, photographers and designers for paid opportunities. Email info@thenuggetonline.com for details!

MONTHLY HOROSCOPE

it's all about the money, honey

Readings by Aten, Disc of the Sun

Aquarius (January 20–February 18)

Aquariuses hate risk. You are safe with your financial decisions and protect your wealth. Don't be afraid to diversify your portfolio for bigger rewards.

Pisces (February 19–March 20)

Pisces are dreamers but can go on spending splurges from time to time. Automate your savings by allocating money every paycheck to your savings account. This way you save passively for that big purchase you have down the road.

Aries (March 21–April 19)

Aries are impulsive with their money but understand that more money means a better life. Choose wisely and invest in companies you have true conviction that will succeed in the years to come. This will pay off handsomely.

Taurus (April 20–May 20)

Tauruses understand the value exchange of money. Try to save a larger nest egg of emergency funds for six to nine months before doing anything risky. This way you can protect yourself against any unexpected costs.

Gemini (May 21–June 21)

Geminis have lots of passions in life. Money can be scarce as the many passions you have seem to drain your bank account. Limit your spending by budgeting amounts specific for each area of your life. Cash is your friend—you can only carry so much compared to your credit card.

Cancer (June 22–July 22)

Cancers need to be safe. Spread out your money risk by

varying your portfolio. Stay away from NFTs.

Leo (July 23–August 22)

Leos tend to overindulge and spend lavishly on the finer things in life. Limit your spending by reducing the daily limits your spending card can process. This way, you can shop till you drop...until your card declines. Responsible shopping!

Virgo (August 23–September 22)

Virgos can get lost in the details of finances. Automate everything to avoid decision fatigue—your savings, investing, paying bills. Automate it all!

Libra (September 23–October 22)

Libras understand the short-term rewards of money. For the long-term, invest in educating yourself to increase the value you can earn.

Scorpio (October 23–November 22)

Scorpios enjoy spending money but have trouble budgeting. Write everything out to physically see where money needs to go. This gives a clear visual of how your money should be spent.

Sagittarius (November 23–December 21)

Sagittarius hate looking at numbers as they pull you away from what you want to work on. Do your research so you can focus your attention on your main goal in life.

Capricorn (December 22–January 19)

Capricorns are well attuned with money. Put your money to work by investing or start a side hustle. It takes some risk to make money.



Which fictional billionaire are you?

By Fraser Sockett

1. You are about to go on vacation; what is your preferred way of getting there?

- a) Your own personal plane with a pilot on your payroll
- b) Rocket Boots
- c) A first-class plane ticket
- d) Skydiving from the aircraft as it passes overhead

2. You can choose to go swimming; where would you like to go?

- a) A wading pool full of gold coins
- b) Having a pool party with your friends
- c) A bathtub, while being cleaned with a sponge by your assistant
- d) A spring in the middle of the mountains, forgotten by time.

3. Who is your most likely nemesis?

- a) It's a tie between two ducks and an old dog
- b) Your buddy's brother
- c) A baby
- d) An old friend of yours

4. You wish to increase your wealth; how would you do that?

- a) A family adventure to find a lost relic worth millions
- b) Make some better investments
- c) Cut your employees' dental plan

d) You are not concerned about increasing your wealth, and you want to get that relic to the rightful owners

5. Your preferred meal of choice is:

- a) Quail, Scottish scones and nutmeg tea
- b) Shawarma
- c) A single slice of turkey from a feast your assistant made. You have the assistant toss out the rest of the feast
- d) Beans on toast

6. How do you prefer to listen to music?

- a) On the radio
- b) Streaming on your preferred streaming service
- c) On a phonograph with wax cylinder records
- d) You would rather travel to another country to hear music played in person that is not on any streaming service

7. You come across a stray dog; what do you do?

- a) Wonder if it's plotting to steal your wealth
- b) Ask if it knows a talking raccoon
- c) Burst out in song explaining what you will do with that dog
- d) Shoot it if it attacks.; otherwise, ignore it



Mostly A's

Bless me bagpipes! You are Scrooge McDuck. Smarter than the smarties, tougher than the toughies, sharper than the sharpies. When you are not swimming in your money bin, you are with your greatest treasure seeking more treasure, your family. Please expect to be visited by three ghosts in December, and they know how to party!



Mostly B's

I hope you like Ozzy Osbourne's songs because you are Iron Man, aka Tony Stark. When you are not fighting aliens, gods or A.I. you invented that went bad after 10 minutes on the internet, you are chilling on the beach, mentoring teens who got a bug bite or arguing with your dad's old war buddy.



Mostly C's

Excellent! You are Mr. Burns. You have a devoted assistant you don't appreciate. A baby once tried to murder you. Your preferred sunblock is SPF "block out the entire sun." You have a fashion sense that makes Cruella de Vil jealous. But you are not entirely evil—you care for hounds, you fought nazis, stole their artwork and stole a few dollars from the government.



Mostly D's

You are Lara Croft, one of the few women billionaires. Good job on breaking the glass ceiling. When you are not reading in your study, you are raiding ancient tombs, solving mysteries from lost civilizations to time. You take a lot less fall damage than the others. Seriously, how did you not break a leg yet?

