

# PURSUE

## Year at a Glance 2019-2020

| Fall Semester 2019                              |  |
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| Program & Events                                | Details  |
| <b>Start Date:</b><br>August 26                 | Students in PURSUE start their program one day sooner than the other program students. This allows the staff an opportunity to go over retreat information; do devotions and prayer with the students; and to give a tour of the city of Edmonton.   |
| <b>Frontier Lodge Retreat:</b><br>August 27– 30 | Students participate in a four day retreat, located in Nordegg, AB, that is geared towards and prepares them to meet the demands of their upcoming year. As such, they have the wonderful opportunity to experience some of the amazing activities that Frontier Lodge has to offer, including: mountain biking, hiking, repelling and more. |
| <b>All School Retreat:</b><br>September 3       | PURSUE students participate in the <i>All School Retreat</i> . This is a great event that helps PURSUE students connect to the larger Vanguard Community.  |
| <b>First Day of Class:</b> September 4          |  |
| <b>Weekend #1 Prep:</b><br>September 9          | Students meet with their Team Leader for their upcoming Ministry Weekend. The Team Lead explains the details of the weekend, including: required preparation and expectations of students.   |

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| <b>Hangout Night- Corn Maze:</b> September 11                   | To build community within the program, PURSUE will have <i>Hangout Nights</i> . The first event is the Corn Maze. This helps the students feel connected to their classmates and allows them to get to know the staff and their Program Director more. |
| <b>Hangout Night-Board Game Café:</b><br>September 25           | Held at Calvin and Hannah's house; students are encouraged to bring their favorite board game and teach others how to play.  |
| <b>Weekend #1:</b><br>September 27 – 29                         | Students go with their team leader to their designated city for ministry.  |
| <b>Hangout Night- Pizza &amp; Movie:</b><br>October 10          | Movie night at Calvin and Hannah's house! We decide together what movie to watch.  |
| <b>Pursue Thanksgiving:</b><br>October 13                       | For the PURSUE program students who do not have family in town or who are just looking to hangout, students are invited for Thanksgiving at Calvin and Hannah's house.   |
| <b>Vancouver:</b><br>October 18-26                              | PURSUE students go to Vancouver to help serve social agencies and learn more about street ministry.  |
| <b>Activate Retreat:</b><br>November 1-3                        | The entire first year class goes on a retreat to connect deeper with God and with one another.   |
| <b>Weekend #2 Prep:</b><br>November 4                           | Students prep for their 2 <sup>nd</sup> ministry weekend.  |
| <b>Weekend #2:</b><br>November 15-17                            | TBD.   |
| <b>Hangout Night – Laser Tag + Dinner:</b><br>November 22       | We will be going to a Laser Tag arena, and then out for supper to a local Edmonton restaurant.   |
| <b>Pursue Christmas Party / Last Day of Class</b><br>December 6 | Students are invited to Calvin and Hannah's house to celebrate Christmas together.   |
| <b>Exam Week:</b><br>December 9-13                              |  |

## Winter Semester 2020

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| <b>First Day of Class:</b><br>January 6                       |   |
| <b>Pursue Winter Retreat:</b><br>January 10-12                | Everyone going on the overseas' trip (PURSUE + Leadership Team) has spiritual prep + a trip prep retreat. The retreat has a guest speaker and worship. The retreat includes time for teams to pray and prep for their weeks overseas. |
| <b>Pursue Hangout- Sledding +Hot Chocolate:</b><br>January 30 | We will be going sledding together at one of the best hills in Edmonton, and bringing Hot Chocolate with us as well!  |
| <b>End of January</b>   | TBD Prep week/Prep Days   |
| <b>Mid-February</b>   | <b>Africa Trip</b>  |
| <b>Mid-March</b>  | <b>Africa Trip</b>  |
| <b>Grad Rehearsal:</b><br>April 24                            |   |
| <b>Commencement/Grad Banquet:</b><br>April 25                 |   |