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Minnesota State University Moorhead

Commencement Program

Class of 2015



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015

Alex Nemzek Fieldhouse



Our Mission

Minnesota State University Moorhead is a caring community promising all students the opportunity to discover their passions, the rigor to develop intellectually and the versatility to shape a changing world.

Our Purpose

In the simplest and most idealistic terms, our purpose at Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM) is to transform the world by transforming lives. Nowhere is this purpose more evident than at Commencement, as our newest graduates prepare to make their marks on the world. They join thousands of MSUM alumni who have experienced the transformative power of higher education and used their education to make our world a better place.

Our Core Values

As members of the MSUM community, our graduates embody the core values that define MSUM:

GRIT:

- ▶ We are “scrappy” and resourceful.
- ▶ We have big goals and the tenacity to achieve them.
- ▶ We have the courage to do what’s right.

HUMILITY:

- ▶ We’re all on the same team and everyone’s role is important.
- ▶ We seek the best ideas and know they can come from anywhere and anyone in our campus community.
- ▶ We don’t take ourselves too seriously.

HEART:

- ▶ We go the extra mile for our students and each other.
- ▶ We are passionate about our purpose.
- ▶ We are fiercely loyal to MSUM.



MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
MOORHEAD.

Minnesota State University Moorhead is one of seven comprehensive Minnesota state universities established to provide the citizens of Minnesota access to quality educational programs at moderate cost. Minnesota State University Moorhead’s primary responsibility is to provide baccalaureate programs to residents of northwest and west central Minnesota. Through tuition reciprocity agreements, the University also provides educational services to residents of several regional states and one Canadian province.

FALL 2015 COMMENCEMENT GUEST SPEAKERS



Vincent Williams '03 & '11

Assistant Principal, Lincoln Elementary School, Fargo, N.D.

Vincent Williams is the assistant principal intern at Lincoln Elementary School in Fargo, ND. Williams is an integral part to the district's technology initiative, and has served on several committees including the Fargo North High School Leadership Team, the Fargo Public Schools Social Studies Committee, and the Fargo Public Schools Summer School Task Force.

Previously, Williams taught economics and world cultures at Fargo North High School. In addition, he served as the football assistant coach at North for two seasons and as the football head coach at Ben Franklin for seven years.

Williams earned his Bachelor of Science in social studies from Minnesota State University Moorhead in 2003, and his Master of Science in curriculum and instruction in 2011.



Trustee Erma Vizenor

*Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees
& Office of the Chancellor*

Erma J. Vizenor was elected as Chairwoman of the White Earth Reservation in 2004 and is the first woman to lead the largest tribe in Minnesota. Previously, she was appointed Secretary/Treasurer in 1996 and then elected to the position in 1997. As Chairwoman she represents all districts both on and off the White Earth Reservation.

Erma has worked her entire career in education on the White Earth Reservation. She holds an undergraduate degree in elementary education, a master's degree in guidance and counseling, and a specialist degree in Education Administration from Minnesota State University Moorhead. A Bush Leadership fellowship gave Erma the opportunity to earn a master's degree in community decision-making and lifelong learning and a doctoral degree in administration, planning, and social policy from Harvard University. Erma is committed to building a strong infrastructure within the White Earth Reservation, which is necessary in order to exercise sovereignty, self-governance, and service to the tribal citizens.

Erma has two daughters: Jody, a tribal coordinator for Minnesota State University Moorhead and Kristi, a pharmacist in Duluth. She is the proud grandmother of Addie, Bethany, Marina, and Cedar.

Gov. Mark Dayton appointed Vizenor to the Board of Trustees in 2014 for a six-year term, expiring June 30, 2020.

FALL 2015 COMMENCEMENT

WELCOME Mr. Lawrence Schwartz
Master of Ceremonies

PROCESSIONAL..... "Fanfare and Processional-Pomp and Circumstance"
Composed by Edward Elgar
MSUM Wind Ensemble
Directed by Dr. Monte Gris , Assistant Professor of Music

STAFF BEARER Dr. Magdalene Chalikia
Faculty Association President

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS Tri-College Army ROTC

NATIONAL ANTHEM MSUM Jazz Vocal Ensemble
Directed by Dr. Sherrine Mostin
Assistant Professor of Music

INTRODUCTION Dr. Anne E. Blackhurst
President of Minnesota State University Moorhead

GREETING The Honorable Erma J. Vizenor
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
Board of Trustees & Office of the Chancellor

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Mr. Vincent Williams
B.S. Social Studies, Class of 2003
M.S. Curriculum & Instruction, Class of 2011

STUDENT SPEAKER Cera Swiftwater
B.A. Criminal Justice, Class of 2015

**CONFERRING OF DEGREES AND
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS** Dr. Anne E. Blackhurst
President of Minnesota State University Moorhead

Dr. Joseph D. Bessie
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES
Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science;
Bachelor of Social Work..... Dr. Boyd L. Bradbury
Acting Dean of the College of Education and Human Services

COLLEGE OF ARTS, MEDIA & COMMUNICATION
Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Fine Arts;
Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Science..... Denise M. Gorsline
Interim Dean of the College of Arts, Media, and Communication

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, HEALTH & THE ENVIRONMENT
Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science;
Bachelor of Science in Nursing..... Dr. Michelle L. Malott
Dean of the College of Science, Health, and the Environment

MUSICAL SELECTION "The Road Not Taken"
Composed by Randall Thompson
MSUM Chamber Singers
Directed by Dr. Erynn Millard, Assistant Professor of Music
Accompanied by Julie Adams

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & INNOVATION
Bachelor of Science Dr. Marsha L. Weber
Dean of the College of Business and Innovation

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES
Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science..... Dr. Randy L. Cagle
Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences

GRADUATE STUDIES
Master of Arts; Master of Business Administration;
Master of Fine Arts; Master of Healthcare Administration;
Master of Science; Specialist Dr. Lisa I. Karch
Director of Graduate Studies

THE ALMA MATER..... MSUM Wind Ensemble & MSUM Chamber Singers

RECESSIONAL "Fanfare and Recessional"
Composed by James D. Ployar
MSUM Wind Ensemble
Directed by Dr. Monte Gris , Assistant Professor of Music

When taking pictures in the designated photo area, please be respectful of others wishing to see the program. The audience is asked to stand for the Processional and Recessional.

College of Education & Human Services

Dr. Boyd L. Bradbury, *Acting Dean*

College Marshal: Dr. Shawn Ginther, *Professor of Social Work*

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Erickson, Emily Claire, Moorhead, MN, Early Childhood Education Non-Licensure

Tyson, Jessica Michelle, Fargo, ND, Early Childhood Education Non-Licensure;
Special Education

Williams, Kristie Jill, Fergus Falls, MN, Early Childhood Education Non-Licensure

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Andersen, Rachel Marie, Moorhead, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Anderson, Hannah Elaine, Thief River Falls, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education;
Special Education

Anderson, Stephanie Raye, Frazee, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science

Backlund, Matthew James, Moorhead, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*

Behrends, Nicholas Mark, Buffalo, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Bengtson, Kylie Nicole, New London, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Boerger, Crystal Lynn, Horace, ND, University Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*

Booth, Megan, Moorhead, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science

Boutiette, Samantha Lynn, Perham, MN, Early Childhood Education, *Cum Laude*

Bowman, Angela Marie, Osakis, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science, *Summa Cum Laude*

Budke, Taylor Jean, Little Falls, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Cable, Stacey Kay, Marshall, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*

Carlson, Meghan Marie, New London, MN, Early Childhood Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Christianson, Halle Rennae, Glenwood, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education;
Coaching, *Magna Cum Laude*

Cloud, Celeste Elizabeth, Bagley, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Coalwell Escobedo, Brittany Nicole, Sabin, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education;
Spanish, *Cum Laude*

Cofe, Melissa Sarah, Spicer, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Day, Mollie McGuire, Apple Valley, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

DeMarais, Terae Ann, Monticello, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Eisenzimmer, Nicole Rae, West Fargo, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education; Special
Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Elizondo, Elizabeth Louise Petty, Fargo, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education,
Summa Cum Laude

Ellingson, Kristi Kay, Moorhead, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Evink, Kayla Rae, Morris, MN, Early Childhood Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Goetsch, Hallie Marie, Isle, MN, Early Childhood Education

Grados, Dakota Arielle, New York, NY, Elementary Inclusive Education

Greer, Alexis Ann, West Fargo, ND, Early Childhood Education; Special Education

Grotluschen, Elizabeth Louise, Breckenridge, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education,
Early Childhood Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Guhlke, Amanda Jo, Moorhead, MN, Early Childhood Education

Huck, Kristen Renae Rose, Little Falls, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science

Huck, Rachael Lynne, Little Falls, MN, University Studies

Hutchinson, Derek Alan, Sturgis, MI, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Jacobson, Kelsey, Hendrum, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Johnson, Janaya Marie, Little Falls, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Kissner, Jessica Ann, Apple Valley, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Kolness, Michaela Krystine, Hendrum, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Korsgaden, Kayla Nikole, Twin Valley, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Kosak, Karlee Jean, Fergus Falls, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*

Kosloski, Brooke Eileen, Ramsey, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Kugler, Krista Joy, Erhard, MN, Early Childhood Education; Special Education,
Summa Cum Laude

Kujava, Taylor Dawn, Ada, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science, *Cum Laude*

Larson, Elizabeth Helen, Benson, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Lepp, Camille, Wahpeton, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education; Special Education,
Summa Cum Laude

Lilleodden, Whitney Ann, New Ulm, MN, Early Childhood Education

Lysne, Michaela Elizabeth, Minot, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Mattson, Erin Joann, Carrington, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education

Mattson, Jean Marie, Mora, MN, Special Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

McCall, Evan James, Wahpeton, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education

McKenna, Bernadette, Excelsior, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education

Mickelson, Brooke Lauren, Perham, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science,
Summa Cum Laude

Milander, Nicole Marie, Hancock, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science

Mowry, Sara Marie, Owatonna, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Odland, Ellen Rose, Velva, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education, Teaching English
as a Second Language, *Summa Cum Laude*

Olson, Amy Marie, Moorhead, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*

Olson, Kara Lynn, Thompson, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Pytlik, Michaela Mae, West Fargo, ND, Early Childhood Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Qazi, Allyssah Salimah, Battle Lake, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science

Rasmussen, Tessa Marie, Jamestown, ND, Speech/Language/Hearing Science
 Reule, Heather Dawn, West Fargo, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education,
 Psychology, *Cum Laude*
 Sadlemyer, Calista Ann, Osakis, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*
 Saville, Hannah Marie, Fargo, ND, Speech/Language/Hearing Science, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Schaible, Amy Lynn, Mott, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*
 Schiller, Paige Jaeden, Wadena, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Schreiner, Toni Michelle, Fargo, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Sederquist, Savannah Jean, Bismarck, ND, Elementary Inclusive Education;
 Spanish, *Cum Laude*
 Shang, Mohan, Guangzhou, China, Early Childhood Education, Elementary
 Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Skavlem, Kristi Ann, Grand Forks, ND, Speech/Language/Hearing Science
 Stanley, Danyel Marie, Byron, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Cum Laude*
 Stein, Gregory William, Sauk Centre, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education
 Swift, Ali Nadine, Wimbledon, ND, Speech/Language/Hearing Science; Special
 Education, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Thedens, Sarah Ruth, Elk River, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science
 Thorstad, Taryn Renee, Fargo, ND, Speech/Language/Hearing Science, *Magna Cum Laude*
 True, Bailey Elizabeth, Lakeville, MN, Special Education, *Cum Laude*
 Turmire, Karen Marie, Eagan, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education
 Ulferts, Courtney Beth, Prinsburg, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science,
Summa Cum Laude
 Ulven, Jill Catherine, Hawley, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Wabbe, Emma Jean, Waconia, MN, Elementary Inclusive Education, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Wanner, Jessica Sherilyn, Willmar, MN, Early Childhood Education

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Akason, Nicole Lynn, West Fargo, ND, Social Work; Special Education, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Anderson, Samantha Joanne, Wheaton, MN, Social Work
 Boelz, Amanda Ashley, Foley, MN, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Boyce, Megan MeeSun, East Grand Forks, MN, Social Work
 Buhaug, Lindsey Marie, Moorhead, MN, Social Work
 Dixon, Alexa Danielle, Enderlin, ND, Social Work; Coaching
 Erickson, Hannah Solvie, Fargo, ND, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Gabel, Cassandra, West Fargo, ND, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Gray, Michaela Ann, Pelican Rapids, MN, Social Work
 Hahn, Rebecca Ann, Fargo, ND, Social Work, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Harsch, Marcy Renae, West Fargo, ND, Social Work

Hewitt, Bailey Louise, Fargo, ND, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Jacobsen, Kaitlyn, West Fargo, ND, Social Work; Sociology
 Johnson, Crystal Nicolle, Moorhead, MN, Social Work; Psychology, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Jurgens, Breanna Lynn, West Fargo, ND, Social Work
 Klefstad, Meagan Jean Ann, Fargo, ND, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Kolb, Jessica Mae, West Fargo, ND, Social Work
 Kosidowski, Kari Lynn, Moorhead, MN, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Lake, Courtney Jean, Side Lake, MN, Social Work
 Larson, Danielle Ann, Stone Mountain, GA, Social Work
 Larson, Meghan Renae, Wheaton, MN, Social Work; Special Education
 Lemon, Stephanie Marie, New York Mills, MN, Social Work
 Majhi, Nilisha, Sunsari, Nepal, Social Work
 Monson, Cameron Richard, Waconia, MN, Social Work; Psychology, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Mutalipassi, Amber Nicole, Fargo, ND, Social Work
 Olson, Ashley Marie, Battle Lake, MN, Social Work
 Owens, Colby James, New Folden, MN, Social Work
 Peou, Amanda Kay, Fargo, ND, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Petersen, Nicole Leigh, West Fargo, ND, Social Work
 Schiavo, Anna Catherine, Marshall, MN, Social Work
 Shonblom, Jason Robert, Moorhead, MN, Social Work, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Spooner, Jordan Marie, Casselton, ND, Social Work, *Cum Laude*
 Starkey, Austin Gene, Detroit Lakes, MN, Social Work
 Stein, Tyler John, Sauk Rapids, MN, Social Work
 Webster, Cassandra Ann, Wahpeton, ND, Social Work, *Summa Cum Laude*
 White, Alyssa Ann, Fergus Falls, MN, Social Work; Psychology, *Magna Cum Laude*

College of Arts, Media & Communication

Denise M. Gorsline, *Interim Dean*

College Marshal: Daniel Johnson, *Professor of Communication & Journalism*

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Belile, Taylor Ann, Carrington, ND, Art

Folkerts, Dillan Matthew, Hazen, ND, Film Production

Gylling, Krista Stephanie, Brookings, SD, Communication Studies; Political Science, Public Relations

Hargreaves, Meagan Carol, Bagley, MN, Art

Helmbrecht, Austin Jon, Hutchinson, MN, Communication Studies; Leadership Studies

Kauk, Brady N., Dickinson, ND, Communication Studies; Leadership Studies

Larson, Jennifer Joyce, Breckenridge, MN, Communication Studies; Leadership Studies

Micheletti, Lindsey, Eagan, MN, Communication Studies; Leadership Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*

Nelson, Benjamin Kent, Chanhassen, MN, Art

Pedersen, Maranda Nicole, Fargo, ND, Art

Rutherford, Kayla Renee, Bismarck, ND, Art

Safely, Luke Lyle, Mandan, ND, Film Production; Philosophy

Sheldon, Ann Brittany, Brainerd, MN, Theatre Arts; Theatre Arts Dance, *Magna Cum Laude*

Soto, Michelle Renee, McIntosh, MN, Theatre Arts, *Summa Cum Laude*

Suckerman, Zachary Harlan, Hopkins, MN, Film Production

Thammavongsa, Alex, Glencoe, MN, Music

Yusuf, Scar, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Art

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Belile, Taylor Ann, Carrington, ND, Art Education

Clark, Grace Ann, Lake Park, MN, Art; Art History, *Summa Cum Laude*

Gilbertson, Sarah Ann, Moorhead, MN, Art Education

Hashbarger, Katelyn Jarvis, Ulen, MN, Graphic Design, *Magna Cum Laude*

Murnion, Madeline June, Moorhead, MN, Art; Art History

Nicholson, Lydia Catherine, Pettibone, ND, Graphic Design, *Magna Cum Laude*

Poppe, Brianna Elaine, Cannon Falls, MN, Graphic Design

Schaaf, Alison Marie, Mandan, ND, Art Education; Art

Vang, Chai, St. Paul, MN, Art

Yu, Seungju Ju, KwangMyong Si City, Korea, Graphic Design, *Summa Cum Laude*

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Berggren, Jonathan Charles, Edmore, ND, Music Industry

Boewood, Lucas Leonard, Harwood, ND, Music Industry; History, Sociology, English Writing, *Cum Laude*

Gilitiuk, Timothy Allan, Apple Valley, MN, Music Industry

Gummeringer, Cory Dean, West Fargo, ND, Music Industry; Advertising

Kingsley, Joel Adam, Baxter, MN, Music Industry, *Magna Cum Laude*

Lee, Conor Min, Fergus Falls, MN, Jazz Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*

Severson, Jacob Ingamar, Fargo, ND, Music Industry

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Adcock, Emily Jane, Sioux Falls, SD, Graphic Communications; Media Arts

Babcock, Ariana Kay, Forest Lake, MN, Broadcast Journalism; Public Relations, *Summa Cum Laude*

Bangasser, Cassandra Lee, Spicer, MN, Graphic Communications

Cody, Randa Marie, Williston, ND, Photojournalism

Gordon, Chad William, Moorhead, MN, Graphic Communications

Johnson, Haily Quinn, Fergus Falls, MN, Public Relations

Jyring, Benjamin Alexander, Bismarck, ND, Graphic Communications

Kruger, Joshua Anthony, Corpus Christi, TX, Graphic Communications

Madalosso de AndradeSilva, Laura, Sau Paulo, Brazil, Graphic Communications; Advertising, *Cum Laude*

Michaelson, Ethan Caleb, Moorhead, MN, Graphic Communications; Business Administration

Mitlyng, Katy Lynn, Marshall, MN, Music Education, *Magna Cum Laude*

Munsch, Katherine Inez, Arden Hills, MN, Mass Communications; Music Business and Entertainment, Media Analysis

Neumiller, Rachel Marie, Bismarck, ND, Mass Communications, *Summa Cum Laude*

Norby, Julian Andrew, Montevideo, MN, Graphic Communications

Ohikere, Onize Felicia, Abuja, Nigeria, Mass Communications, Documentary Journalism; Public Relations, *Summa Cum Laude*

Prince, Preston Jabari, Compton, CA, Mass Communications

Puhalla, Corin Elizabeth, Hawley, MN, Mass Communications; Leadership Studies, Advertising, *Magna Cum Laude*

Runberg, Elise Marie, Pequot Lakes, MN, Mass Communications; Advertising, *Cum Laude*

Story, Nicholas Allen, Ashby, MN, University Studies

Thompson, Thor Clayton, West Fargo, ND, Mass Communications; Sports Communication

Tuccitto, Mario Richard, North St. Paul, MN, Advertising and Public Relations

Walsh, Sean Patrick, Fargo, ND, Graphic Communications

Wold, Tiffanie Rae, West Fargo, ND, Public Relations

Wolf, Tyler Shawn, Lisbon, ND, Graphic Communications

Wurdinger, Madeline Ann, Mankato, MN, Mass Communications

Yonts, Michael Christopher, Sidney, MT, Graphic Communications

College of Science, Health & the Environment

Dr. Michelle L. Malott, *Dean*

College Marshal: Dr. Dawn Hammerschmidt, *Associate Professor of Health & Physical Education*

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Aune, Robyn Olivia, Gatzke, MN, Biology
Burt, Christopher Lyle, Detroit Lakes, MN, Psychology
Campbell, Richard Cecil, Freetown, Sierra Leone, Biology, *Magna Cum Laude*
Carlson, Shawn, Willmar, MN, Psychology, Criminal Justice; Juvenile Justice, *Summa Cum Laude*
Chapagain, Grishma, Ghorahi, Nepal, Biology
Cissokho, Zeinabou, Lome, Togo, Biology
Dahlen, Joshua John, Fargo, ND, Biology
Dahlquist, Linnea Elizabeth, St. Paul, MN, Anthropology; Art History
Dammunugahakubura, Asha Niyam, Kandy, Sri Lanka, Biology, *Cum Laude*
Davis, Paige Delanthy, Hawley, MN, Psychology
Densmore, Brittany Ghislaine, Madison, WI, Psychology
Divine, Gloria Afie, Buea, Cameroon, Chemistry
Goroski, Julia Rose, Warren, MN, Biology; Chemistry, Entrepreneurship, *Summa Cum Laude*
Grant, Diana Jo, West Fargo, ND, Biology
Hagen, Travis Richard, Fargo, ND, Psychology, Philosophy, *Magna Cum Laude*
Haile, Jacob John, Omaha, NE, Psychology
Herath, Upeksha Iresha, Kandy, Sri Lanka, Biology
Ihringer, Kelsey May, West Fargo, ND, Psychology, *Cum Laude*
Johnson, Adrianna Maria, Callaway, MN, Anthropology
Lake, Courtney Jean, Side Lake, MN, Psychology
Lamm, Jesse Albert, Osakis, MN, Psychology, *Magna Cum Laude*
McDermid, Jake, Biwabik, MN, Psychology; Political Science, *Magna Cum Laude*
Mills, Kayla Marie, Ramsey, MN, Chemistry
Moorhouse, Natalie Jean, Fargo, ND, Anthropology; Speech Language Hearing Sciences, American Multicultural Studies
Morris, Katherine Elizabeth, Fairmont, MN, Psychology
North, Heather Ann, Fargo, ND, Biology
Park, Chan Yang, Gyeonggido, Korea, Biology
Parker, Elena Lorayne, Silver Bay, MN, Psychology, *Magna Cum Laude*
Patel, Chandni Mahendra, Melrose, MN, Biology; Chemistry, *Summa Cum Laude*
Sannes, Allie Marie, Hawley, MN, Psychology, *Cum Laude*
Schleeter, Jeff Paul, Fargo, ND, Biology; Chemistry
Spanier, Kayla Joan, Pipestone, MN, Psychology; Spanish, *Summa Cum Laude*
Strader, Carra Allana, Wheaton, MN, Anthropology
Sudo, Yuta, Kahagawa, Japan, Anthropology
Terping, Jonathan David, Litchfield, MN, Biology, *Cum Laude*
Thompson, Jennifer Lynn, Barrett, MN, Psychology; Marketing
Warren, Eloise Marie, Parkers Prairie, MN, Psychology, Art, *Magna Cum Laude*

Wolfgram, Jennifer Kaye, Stillwater, MN, Anthropology
Wontor, Nicolette Jo, Pelican Rapids, MN, Psychology
Zehnacker, Geoffrey Joseph, Bear, DE, Psychology

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Anderson, Nicholas Tonn, Redwood Falls, MN, Geosciences
Bauer, Daniel John, Cottage Grove, MN, Mathematics Education, *Cum Laude*
Boe, Nicholas Andrew, Fargo, ND, Physical Education, Health Education, *Magna Cum Laude*
Bucklin, Brandi Joy, Sisseton, SD, Exercise Science; Coaching
Chen, Shaochun, Taipei, Taiwan, Mathematics
Demus, Jonathan Akeem, San Diego, CA, Exercise Science
Eli, Laurie Jean, Moorhead, MN, Geosciences
Gaida, Jeana Elizabeth, Holdingford, MN, Health Education; Community Health
Gurung, Doma Tshering, Kathmandu, Nepal, Health Services Administration; Business Administration
Henrich, Jackson Dean, Morris, MN, Earth Science Education; Coaching, Biology, Special Education, *Cum Laude*
Hudrlik, Matthew Ernest, Ironton, MN, Exercise Science; Coaching, Strength and Conditioning
Johnson, Corey Joseph, Fargo, ND, Chemistry Education
Lambert, Jon Thomas, Medford, MN, Exercise Science; Coaching
Lehman, Jake Henry, Fargo, ND, Exercise Science; Coaching, Strength and Conditioning
Liu, Yiren, Zhanjiang, China, Health Services Administration; Business Administration, *Summa Cum Laude*
Maharjan, Rajita, Kathmandu, Nepal, Health Services Administration; Management
Materi, Casey Gerald, Breckenridge, MN, Exercise Science; Coaching, Strength and Conditioning
Montplaisir, Myles Nelson, Fargo, ND, Exercise Science; Coaching, Strength and Conditioning, Entrepreneurship
Negussie, Eyakem Amsalu, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Biochemistry and Biotechnology; Biology, Chemistry
Nordick, Jamie Micheal, Moorhead, MN, Physical Education; Coaching
Oduah, Mary Tiffany Adannia, Abuja, Nigeria, Biochemistry and Biotechnology; Vaccinology, Health and Medical Sciences, Chemistry, *Summa Cum Laude*
O'Keefe, Conor William, White Bear Lake, MN, Chemistry; Mathematics
Peterson, John Richard, Mounds View, MN, Physical Education
Rahimi, AliReza, Herat, Afghanistan, Chemistry, *Summa Cum Laude*
Rognlien, Andrea Lyn, Fargo, ND, Exercise Science
Rumreich, Joseph Anthony, Elk River, MN, Chemistry
Salazar Santiago, Felicitia, Naples, FL, Exercise Science; Coaching
Schmiess, Emily Joy, Baker, MN, Community Health, *Magna Cum Laude*
Stemper, Alisha Rae, Foley, MN, Health Services Administration; Management, *Summa Cum Laude*
Tollefson, Paige Christina, Moorhead, MN, Exercise Science; Strength and Conditioning

VanderLinden, Kayla Jo, Ada, MN, Health Services Administration; Management, *Magna Cum Laude*

Wagar, Sarah Jewel, Valley City, ND, Physical Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Wallace, Rebecca Marie, St. Paul, MN, Geosciences; Anthropology

Wiethoff, Crystal Anna, Fairfax, MN, Exercise Science; Strength and Conditioning

Wonokay, Sei Daa, Mehnpa, Liberia, Exercise Science; Strength and Conditioning

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Bruggeman, Lana R., Thief River Falls, MN, Nursing

Canevello, Jessica Ann, Breckenridge, MN, Nursing

Carwell, Nicole Barbara, Pierz, MN, Nursing

Curtis, Amber, Zimmerman, MN, Nursing

Dacera-Ross, Diana Semic, Minneapolis, MN, Nursing

Felt, Nicole, Lambertville, MI, Nursing

Frakes, Jennifer, Minneapolis, MN, Nursing

Furzland, Anna Emma, Cold Spring, MN, Nursing

Ganje, Jonna Leigh, Eagle Butte, SD, Nursing

Hall, Alayna Renae, Glenville, MN, Nursing

Hansen, Rebecca Ann, Bemidji, MN, Nursing

Hesse, Andrea Leigh, Spicer, MN, Nursing

Johnson, Lacy Jo, Waseca, MN, Nursing

Lang, Jennifer Jean, Eden Valley, MN, Nursing

Meyman, Anita Lynn, Coon Rapids, MN, Nursing

Mokongu, Chris M., Grand Forks, ND, Nursing

Morales, Domenica, Minneapolis, MN, Nursing

Pappenfus, Rachel Lee, Osakis, MN, Nursing

Racek, Kimberly Joy, Cottage Grove, MN, Nursing

Retzlaff, Tamara Jeanette, Morris, MN, Nursing

Riedberger, Casey Christina, Hawley, MN, Nursing

Schroeder, Georgia Lee, New London, MN, Nursing

Snyder, Ashlee Elaine, Deer River, MN, Nursing

Stock, Elly Clark, Willmar, MN, Nursing

Stradinger, Stephanie Kay, Fisher, MN, Nursing

Sullivan, Kacie Lynn, Parkers Prairie, MN, Nursing

Williams, Katie Anne, Cambridge, MN, Nursing

College of Business & Innovation

Dr. Marsha L. Weber, Dean

College Marshal: Dr. Rhonda Ficek, Professor of Computer Science & Information Systems

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Agbonma, Destiny Osa, Andover, MN, Operations Management

Akason, Shayden Brody, Fargo, ND, Business Administration

Anderson, Marissa Noralou, Fargo, ND, Business Administration

Appiah Kubi, Mavis, St. Paul, MN, Construction Management

Barker, Devin Robert, Fergus Falls, MN, Operations Management

Batsaikhan, Ochir, Erdenet, Mongolia, Finance

Batsuuri, Tumurkhuyag, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, Finance

Biss, Isaac Scott, Milnor, ND, Finance, *Cum Laude*

Boatey, Chelsea, Kyebi, Ghana, Business Administration; Public Relations, *Cum Laude*

Brogaard, Jeffrey James, Savage, MN, Operations Management

Carroll, John Patrick, Eden Prairie, MN, Business Administration

Cowan, Kelsey Marie, West Fargo, ND, Operations Management

Dang, Nhi Kieu, Hanoi, Vietnam, Finance

Ferrian, Jessica Rae, Hutchinson, MN, Business Administration; Accounting

Gjestvang, Allison Marie, Rogers, MN, Accounting

Goehner, McCall Chlene, Jamestown, ND, Business Administration

Guck, Lacey Jean-Clare, New York Mills, MN, Business Administration, *Magna Cum Laude*

Hauschild, Dylan James, Breckenridge, MN, Computer Information Technology

Hohnstadt, Samantha Denise, Shelby Township, MI, Business Administration;

Spanish, French (Concordia), *Magna Cum Laude*

Honrud, Brittany LaCole, Pelican Rapids, MN, Business Administration

Hoque, MD Risalatul, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Computer Information Systems;

Management, *Summa Cum Laude*

Hume, Daniel Nathan, Henning, MN, Accounting

Hustad, Karlie Rae, Battle Lake, MN, Business Administration

Johnson, Hunter Joseph, Lonsdale, MN, University Studies

Johnson, Trevor Roy, Vining, MN, Accounting

Julson, Adam Lucas, Flandreau, SD, Accounting, *Summa Cum Laude*

Kelson, Shannon Marie, Eveleth, MN, Business Administration

Keranen, Brian John, Wolf Lake, MN, Construction Management, *Summa Cum Laude*

Krause, Jade Nicole, Fairmount, ND, Accounting; Film Production

Kruse, Kalissa Jean-Nichole, Grand Forks, ND, Business Administration

Leshovsky, John Mark, Champlin, MN, Operations Management

Li, Hechen, Zhanjiang, China, Business Administration, *Magna Cum Laude*

Lorentz, Hannah Annette, Dent, MN, Business Administration

Maas, Seth Aaron, Ortonville, MN, Accounting; Coaching

Majkozak, John Michael, Brooklyn Park, MN, Operations Management

Mani, Dhurim, West Fargo, ND, Business Administration
 McDonald, Alex Scott, Brooklyn Park, MN, Construction Management
 McIntyre, Alexandra Lee, Moorhead, MN, Accounting; Music, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Monson, Reid Jordan, Jamestown, ND, Construction Management
 Munkhjargal, Munkhgerel, Erdenet, Mongolia, Finance
 Nah Jr., Gabriel S., Blaine, MN, Construction Management
 Pauling, Victoria Rebecca, Marshall, MN, Business Administration, *Cum Laude*
 Pederson, Jordan Chase, Nimrod, MN, Business Administration; Leadership
 Studies
 Pelowski, Matthew John, International Falls, MN, Construction Management
 Qian, Pengyu, Nanchang, China, Finance; Business Administration
 Rocheleau, Kenneth Leo, Rugby, ND, Project Management
 Roehrich, Kaitlin Paige, Bismarck, ND, Business Administration; Spanish, *Cum
 Laude*
 Sannes, Allie Marie, Hawley, MN, Business Administration, *Cum Laude*
 Saurdiff, Jake Frederick, Grygla, MN, Finance, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Schultz, Madeline Sophia, Fargo, ND, Business Administration; Communication
 Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Seibold, Devin Thomas, New Rockford, ND, Operations Management
 Sirovy, Kaylee Nicole, Minnetonka, MN, Operations Management
 Sobanski, Shawn Steven, North St. Paul, MN, Construction Management
 Sorenson, Mindy Rose, Ada, MN, Accounting, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Sprouls, Kayla Ann, Frazee, MN, Accounting
 Strand, Jason Allen, Moorhead, MN, Business Administration; Music Technology
 Strauss, David Maurice, St. Louis Park, MN, Operations Management
 Waltman, Amber Marie, Moorhead, MN, Accounting
 Wesley, Matthew B., Oakdale, MN, Business Administration
 Williams, Sara Marie, Maplewood, MN, Finance
 Yliniemi, Shauna Jane, Pelican Rapids, MN, Business Administration

College of Humanities & Social Sciences

Dr. Randy L. Cagle, *Dean*

College Marshal: Elizabeth Severn, *Professor of English*

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Albers, Samantha Carol, Wahpeton, ND, English
 Askew, Nicole Marie, Cavalier, ND, Criminal Justice, Political Science, *Cum Laude*
 Barnick, Amber Maree, Blue Earth, MN, Spanish
 Bellefeuille, Amy Jean, Naytahwaush, MN, Criminal Justice
 Binford Jr., Anthony Cortez, Long Beach, CA, Political Science; Psychology
 Bodrero, Shaelynn Nicole, North Logan, UT, Gerontology, *Cum Laude*
 Breth, Ryan John, Melrose, MN, Criminal Justice; Sociology, Juvenile Justice
 Buffalo-Beaulieu, Lakota Lee, Red Lake, MN, English
 Cameron, Madeline Nicole, Rugby, ND, English/Mass Communications
 Carlsrud, Macklin Dane, Moorhead, MN, Criminal Justice
 Carter, Casandra Lynn, East Grand Forks, MN, Criminal Justice
 Craig, Nathaniel Tyler, Castle Rock, CO, English; American Multicultural Studies,
 Communication Studies
 Eke, Mercedes Elizabeth, Sauk Centre, MN, Gerontology, *Cum Laude*
 Ellis, Alexander Franklin, Roseau, MN, Criminal Justice
 Evink, Mitchell Alan, Alexandria, MN, Criminal Justice, Communication Studies
 Friedrichs, Jordan Marie, Sauk Centre, MN, Criminal Justice, *Summa Cum Laude*,
 Honors Program
 Gabel, Cassandra, West Fargo, ND, Criminal Justice; Juvenile Justice, *Cum Laude*
 Gonzalez, Melissa Marie, Wyndmere, ND, Spanish, Women's and Gender Studies;
 Art
 Hieserich, Rachel Louise, Breckenridge, MN, English, *Cum Laude*
 Hoverson, Kellie Marsha, Fargo, ND, Political Science
 Hruza, Sara Marie, Fargo, ND, English
 Kim, Yongsoo, HanYang, Korea, Economics; Business Administration
 Kisongo, Furaha Joyce, Minneapolis, MN, Political Science
 Kotte, Clark Lindy, Pelican Rapids, MN, History; Anthropology
 Leftridge, Holly Ann, Dickinson, ND, English; Film History/Criticism
 Lorsung, Nicole Rose, West Fargo, ND, Philosophy; Political Science, Chinese
 (Concordia), *Cum Laude*
 Lotz, Aubrey Leigh, Manitowoc, WI, East Asian Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Malone, Jordan Jayne, Hutchinson, MN, Criminal Justice; Sociology, Psychology
 Massmann, Coty Steven, Villard, MN, Philosophy; Psychology
 McCorquodale, Brianna Mary, Detroit Lakes, MN, Criminal Justice; Juvenile Justice,
 Sociology, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Monson, Cameron Richard, Waconia, MN, Criminal Justice; Psychology, *Magna
 Cum Laude*
 Palm, Zeena Rebecca, Abercrombie, ND, Criminal Justice
 Palmer, Briana Rae, Harvard, IL, East Asian Studies
 Prudhomme, Josee Deidra, Woodbury, MN, Criminal Justice, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Rangel II, Alonzo Casas, Falfurrias, TX, American Multicultural Studies

Rich, Sarah Marie, Sioux Falls, SD, East Asian Studies; Theatre Arts
 Rohr, Lesley B., Granite Falls, MN, Criminal Justice
 Schares, Justin Joseph, Fargo, ND, Spanish
 Schlee, Alexander James, Zimmerman, MN, Criminal Justice
 Schroeder, Violet Anna, South St. Paul, MN, Gerontology, Sociology
 Siffoi, Catherine Mulbah, Fargo, ND, Sociology
 Swiftwater, Cera Ajonnita Jean, Oglala, SD, Criminal Justice
 Switajewski, Sary Anne, Brainerd, MN, English/Mass Communications
 Veillette, Marie Ruth, Little Falls, MN, English/Mass Communications; Economics,
Summa Cum Laude, Honors Program
 Verdoes, Matthew Lawrence, Redwood Falls, MN, Criminal Justice
 Wendinger, Brittany Jean, Franklin, MN, English
 Werk, Andrew Norman, Alexandria, MN, Criminal Justice
 Williams, Frank Prescott, Akron, OH, Political Science
 Willits, Mackenzie, Hawley, MN, Sociology
 Zimmer, Jessica Lynn, Lakeville, MN, Criminal Justice

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Anderson, Clay James, Rosholt, SD, Paralegal
 Arens, Nathan Paul, Osakis, MN, Social Studies, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Bloch, Katie Marie, Wilmar, MN, Spanish Education, Teaching English as a Second
 Language
 Boe, Brandon James, Moreno Valley, ND, International Studies; Geosciences
 Honomichl, Stephanie Marian, Tea, SD, Social Studies; Coaching, Special
 Education
 Houghton, David Robert, Redwood Falls, MN, Social Studies; Leadership Studies
 Ihringer, Kelsey May, Fargo, ND, Communication Arts and Literature Teacher
 Education, *Cum Laude*
 Morris, Katherine Elizabeth, Fairmont, MN, Social Studies
 Nettell, Maxwell Scott, Devils Lake, ND, Social Studies, *Cum Laude*
 O'Connor, Melanie Elizabeth, Ada, MN, Paralegal
 Pettersen, Jamie Ryan, Moorhead, MN, Social Studies, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Richard, Patrick Charles, West Fargo, ND, Social Studies
 Scheu, Johannah Grace, Golden Valley, MN, Teaching English as a Second
 Language, Communication Arts and Literature Teacher Education, *Summa Cum
 Laude*
 Schmitt, Courtney Mae, Glenwood, MN, Paralegal
 Werner, Karlee Michelle, Perham, MN, Communication Arts and Literature
 Teacher Education; Special Education, *Summa Cum Laude*

Graduate Studies

Dr. Lisa I. Karch, *Director of Graduate Studies*
 College Marshal: Dr. Andrew Conteh, *Graduate Council Member*

MASTER OF ARTS

Anderson, Heidi, Moorhead, MN, Teaching English as a Second Language
 "Preparing English Language Learners for College English: Finding the Path to
 Success in Second Language Writing"
 Dr. Linda Houts-Smith, Advisor

Beckman, Sarah, Glencoe, MN, Teaching English as a Second Language
 "Using WIDA ACCESS for ELLs in the Classroom"
 Dr. Linda Houts-Smith, Advisor

Urlacher, James, Philip, New England, ND, Teaching English as a Second Language
 "English as a Second Language Training for Mainstream Classroom Teachers"
 Dr. Linda Houts-Smith, Advisor

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Blum, Eric, Brainerd, MN, Business Administration
 "A Review of Family Healthcare's Patient Population by Geographic Area and Unmet
 Community Needs to Include a Break-Even Analysis, Proposed Location, and
 Demand for Services"
 Dr. Sheri Erickson, Advisor

Jones, Courtney B., East Grand Forks, MN, Business Administration
 "How Social Enterprise Models are Changing the Landscape of Modern Day
 Business"
 Dr. Tonya Hansen, Advisor

MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Mohagen, Dustin, Grafton, ND, Creative Writing
 "Our Common Heaven: A True Tale of One Lovebomber's Quest for Peace"
 Dr. Al Davis, Dr. Thom Tammara, Advisors

MASTER OF HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION

Bosch, Ryan, Fargo, ND, Healthcare Administration
 "Reducing Healthcare Associated Infections Through Culture and Compliance"
 Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Collins, Max Jeffrey, North Pole, AK, Healthcare Administration
 "Integrus Southwest Medical Center: Emergency Department Patient Entry Work Flow"
 Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Green, Nira Askia, Minneapolis, MN, Healthcare Administration
 "Going From Good to Great-Increasing Patient Satisfaction Scores"
 Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Highness, April, Dilworth, MN, Healthcare Administration

"Developing a Retention and Recruitment Program"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Larson, Melissa, Moorhead, MN, Healthcare Administration

"Data Collection for Improving Patient Outcomes, Research, and Future Coverage for the Adult Weight Loss Management Program"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Meyer, Tabitha C., Fargo, ND, Healthcare Administration

"Implementation of a Feeding Disorders Clinic"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Piche, Julie, Thief River Falls, MN, Healthcare Administration

"My Sanford Chart Bedside"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Rein, Jennifer L., Moorhead, MN, Healthcare Administration

"Analyzing and Optimizing Access to Screening Colonoscopies and Colorectal Cancer Screening"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Saarinen, Jessica June, Worthington, MN, Healthcare Administration

"Administrator Engagement: An Action Plan to Success"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

Weekley, Jason V., Fargo, ND, Healthcare Administration

"iPad Initiative in Skilled Nursing Facility"

Dr. Brandi Sillerud, Advisor

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Baldock, Chelsey, Portland, ND, Curriculum and Instruction

"How Students of Divorced Parents are Affected Emotionally and Academically"

Dr. Michael Coquyt, Advisor

Bebeau, Sara, South St. Paul, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"Increasing PLC Proficiency Through Data Collection and Collaboration"

Shannon Dahlberg, Advisor

Bernhagen, Tara, Willmar, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"Mathematics Recall of Basic Facts Correlating to Problem Solving"

Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Boomer, Kristen E., Frankfort, MI, School Psychology

"Touch Money as a Third Grade Math Intervention"

Dr. Lisa Stewart, Advisor

Braukmann, Amy K., Perham, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"The Effects of Weekly Non-Academic Activities/Exercises and a Weekly Non-Academic Socialization Period on Classroom Relationships, Perspective and Academic Achievement"

Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Brunner, Ellie, Farmington, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"Improving Math Comprehension Through Journal Writing"

Dr. Michael Coquyt, Advisor

Burkland, Andrew S., St. Cloud, MN, Educational Leadership

"Educational Leadership eFolio"

Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Christensen, Laura M. Haugen, Moorhead, MN, Educational Leadership

"Educational Leadership eFolio"

Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Coquyt, Denise M., Woodbury, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"Increasing Math Achievement Through Formative Assessment and Guided Instruction"

Troy Haugen, Advisor

Corey-Semo, Shelby, Gilbert, MN, Special Education

"Caregivers Experience With Early Intervention Services"

Jennifer Hendrickson, Advisor

Danielson, Amy S., New London, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"Use of Ramp-Up to Readiness to Improve Students Self-Efficacy"

Dr. David Tack, Advisor

Deutsch, Shannon M., Apple Valley, MN, Accounting and Finance

"What it Takes to Be a Forensic Accountant"

Dr. Sheri Erickson, Advisor

Dosh, Alannah, Brainerd, MN, School Psychology

"Using Word Building With an Incremental Rehearsal Component to Increase Decoding and Fluency Skills of a Fifth Grader"

Dr. Mary Dosch, Advisor

Drew, Carly R., LaGrange Park, IL, School Psychology

"Effects of a Class-Wide Token Economy on Fourth Grade Below the Line Reports"

Dr. Lisa Stewart, Advisor

Ellingson, Erin Anne, Hawley, MN, Special Education

"Reading Instructional Time: Does More Time Increase Test Scores?"

Dr. Boyd Bradbury, Advisor

Fagerlie, Mindi, Willmar, MN, Curriculum and Instruction

"Use of Ramp-Up to Readiness to Improve Students' Self-Efficacy"

Dr. David Tack, Advisor

Grindall, Carrie, Perham, MN, Special Education

"MCA Testing in Comparison of Regular Education Students and Special Education Students"

Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Eberhardt, Laura L., Moorhead, MN, Special Education

"Special Education Transition: What's Missing in the Middle Phases?"

Troy Haugen, Advisor

Emerson, Sharon, Park Rapids, MN, Special Education

"The Effect of Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) Involving Students With Intellectual Disabilities"

Shannon Dahlberg, Advisor

Gravalin, Whitney Anne, Pelican Rapids, MN, Special Education
"Do Extra-Curricular Activities Increase Academic Achievement in Participants That Receive Special Education"
Jennifer Hendrickson, Advisor

Green, Noelle Hiedeman, Wahpeton, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effect of Vocabulary Instruction in Science on Reading Comprehension"
Dr. Michael Coquyt, Advisor

Groves, Alyson J., Devils Lake, ND, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Hanson, Jennifer H., Albert Lea, MN, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Hase, Angela, West Fargo, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"The Effects of Close Reading Strategy on Reading Comprehension"
Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Iitzen, Bria Catherine, Wheaton, MN, School Psychology
"The Use of Great Leaps K-2 Reading Program to Boost Word Recognition Skills in a First Grade Student"
Dr. Lisa Stewart, Advisor

Jensen, Adam, Willmar, MN, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Johnson, Brittany E., Perham, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Impact of Social Media on Student Engagement in the Classroom"
Jennifer Hendrickson, Advisor

Kiser, Pamela, Moorhead, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"The Effects of Co-Teaching on At-Risk Literacy Learners in First Grade"
Dr. David Tack, Advisor

Keeler-Johnson, Vanessa J., Sioux Falls, SD, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Klemz, Sandy J., West Fargo, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Improving Reading Comprehension of At-Risk Students Through Direct Vocabulary Instruction"
Shannon Dahlberg, Advisor

Knutson, Lauren Larson, Detroit Lakes, MN, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Lachowitz, Craig, Fargo, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effect of Positive Student-Teacher Relationships, Student Collaboration, and Student Choice on Student Motivation"
Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Lacina, Richard J., Lisbon, ND, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Lager, Brandt, Onalaska, WI, Curriculum and Instruction
"Improving Math Comprehension Through Journal Writing"
Dr. Leah Pigatti, Advisor

Langlois, Anne Kathleen, Wausau, WI, School Psychology
"Behavior Specific Praise and a Token Economy; Effects on Second Graders in a Tier II Social Skills Intervention"
Dr. Mary Dosch, Advisor

McCarthy, Meghan, West Fargo, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Advantage Math Recovery Through Small-Group Instruction"
Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

McDonough, Alyssa M., Inver Grove Heights, MN, School Psychology
"An Analysis of Zoo and Aquarium Education for Students with Disabilities"
Dr. Lisa Stewart, Advisor

Michelson, Kari, Willmar, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effects of the Response to Intervention Model on Oral Reading Fluency in English Language Students"
Troy Haugen, Advisor

Miller, Julie M., Aitkin, MN, Special Education
"The Importance of Social Emotional Competence for All Children"
Troy Haugen, Advisor

Mitzel, Lynn Roemmich, West Fargo, ND, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Monson, Denae, Bismarck, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Advantage Math Recovery Through Small Group Instruction"
Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Omanson, Brian S., Moorhead, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effects of Videos on Student Achievement in Mathematics"
Dr. Leah Pigatti, Advisor

Paszkievicz, Emily, Moorhead, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"A Study of the Effect Pre-Teaching Vocabulary and Previewing Text Has on Reading Comprehension"
Dr. Michael Coquyt, Advisor

Peterson, Emily, Willmar, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effects of Two Strategies on Fluency, Reading Comprehension, and Student Attitude"
Dr. Leah Pigatti, Advisor

Pohl, Sarah, Hankinson, ND, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Reagan, Sandy A., Wahpeton, ND, Nursing
"North Dakota Long-Term Care Registered Nurse Surgery: Description of Job Satisfaction and Job Retention"
Dr. Barbara Matthees, Advisor

Reed, Amber L., Fergus Falls, MN, Nursing
"Clinical Practice-Setting Registered Nurses' Views on Graduate Nursing Education, Academic Nurse Faculty Roles, and Clinical Practice Nursing Roles"
Dr. Tracy Wright, Advisor

Roth, Carol, Harwood, ND, Nursing
"Registered Nurses' Job Satisfaction and Intent to Stay Following Participation in or Completion of a Nurse Residence Program at an Urban Eastern North Dakota Acute Care Setting"
Dr. Tracy Wright, Advisor

Sanders, Cassandra, White Bear Lake, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"The Impact of Vocabulary Instruction on the Reading Comprehension of English Language Learners"
Jennifer Hendrickson, Advisor

Saunders, Kendra, Willmar, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effects of the Response to Intervention Model on Oral Reading Fluency in English Language Students"
Troy Haugen, Advisor

Sawatzky, Jeffrey T., Paynesville, MN, Educational Leadership
"Classroom Study Time Using Vocabulary Flashcards"
Dr. Leah Pigatti, Advisor

Schroeder, Lori, Moorhead, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"The Effects of Co-Teaching on At-Risk Literacy Learners in First Grade"
Dr. David Tack, Advisor

Sheeley, Boe James, Fargo, ND, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Sheeley, Bret, Wahpeton, ND, Accounting and Finance
"Accounting for Intellectual Capital"
Dr. Leonard Sliwoski, Advisor

Shreck, Sarah M., Aitkin, MN, Special Education
"The Influence of Social Competence on Academic Competence in Early Childhood"
Dr. Lynn Mahlum, Advisor

Shol, Addie K., Fergus Falls, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Using Literature Circles to Increase Student's Performance Within the Alternative Program"
Dr. Michael Coquyt, Advisor

Spude, Jessica L., Green Bay, WI, Special Education
"Effect of Video Modeling on Social Skills in Preschool"
Dr. David Tack, Advisor

St. Arnold, Jennifer A., Superior, WI, Nursing
"An Analysis of First Time NCLEX-RN Exam Pass Rates of Associate Degree Nursing Students at a Northeastern Minnesota Community College: Comparison Between a Group Participating in an Optional NCLEX-RN Review Course and a Group that Did Not"
Dr. Tracy Wright, Advisor

Steinle, Emily Mae, Osage, MN, School Psychology
"Use of Class Dojo: Positive Reinforcement in a Third Grade Classroom"
Dr. Lisa Stewart, Advisor

Tamm, Katelyn, Albany, MN, Educational Leadership
"The Goal is to Enroll: Admissions Strategies"
Dr. Michael Coquyt, Advisor

Teisinger, Gregory A., Atwater, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Increase Reading Scores With the Use of Literature Circles"
Troy Haugen, Advisor

Varholdt, Jameson Steven, Fargo, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Benefits and Impacts of Project Based Learning With a STEM Emphasis"
Jennifer Hendrickson, Advisor

Weisenberger, Betsy, Fargo, ND, Curriculum and Instruction
"Effective Engagement Strategies in Elementary Mathematics"
Jennifer Hendrickson, Advisor

Williams, Matthew, Willmar, MN, Curriculum and Instruction
"Use of Ramp-Up to Readiness to Improve Student's Self-Efficacy"
Dr. David Tack, Advisor

Wilson, Trent L., Fergus Falls, MN, Accounting and Finance
"The Culture of Busy Season in Public Accounting"
Kim Mollberg, Advisor

SPECIALIST

Flowers, Tahnee, Baxter, MN, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Greywind, Tonya, Fargo, ND, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Pedersen, Benjamin, Detroit Lakes, MN, Educational Leadership
"Educational Leadership eFolio"
Dr. Julie Swaggert, Advisor

Majors and Minors

The Commencement Program lists all majors and minors which have been completed. If a student has completed two majors, the majors are separated by a comma (English, History); if a student has completed a major and a minor, the major and minor are separated by a semi-colon (English; History). If a student has earned a minor via the Tri-College University, the home institution is listed after the minor and placed in parentheses, i.e. French (Concordia).

Graduate Candidates

Candidates receiving graduate degrees are listed in the program. The listing also contains the title of their thesis or project and their faculty advisor. Each candidate that participates in the ceremony is wearing the appropriate master's or specialist hood. The color of the velvet edging on the hood represents the academic discipline and the silk lining (red and white) represents Minnesota State University Moorhead.

Academic Honors

Students who complete at least 60 credits at MSU Moorhead as candidates for baccalaureate degrees may graduate with the following honors:

CUM LAUDE	representing a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher
MAGNA CUM LAUDE	representing a cumulative grade point average of 3.60 or higher
SUMMA CUM LAUDE	representing a cumulative grade point average of 3.80 or higher

Such honors are computed from the cumulative grade point average earned in all courses at MSU Moorhead. The graduates who have earned these honors will have the achievement listed on their academic transcripts. The CUM LAUDE graduates wear white honor cords. The MAGNA CUM LAUDE graduates wear red honor cords. The SUMMA CUM LAUDE graduates wear red and white honor cords.

Honors Program Graduates

The MSU Moorhead Honors Program exists to award and encourage superior academic performance. Students who have earned a 3.50 grade point average during their freshman year are invited to participate in the Honors Program. Those who complete the rigorous Honors Program curricular requirements are listed in the Commencement Program and have the achievement listed on their academic transcripts.

Honor Societies

Alpha Kappa Delta, the National Sociology Honor Society, seeks to acknowledge and promote excellence in the study of sociology, the research of social problems, and other social and intellectual activities to help improve the human condition. Membership is open to undergraduates who are sociology majors, at least juniors, rank in the top 35% of their class or have at least a 3.5 overall GPA, have at least a 3.0 GPA in sociology courses prior to initiation, and have completed at least four sociology courses.

Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, recognizes academic excellence of undergraduate criminal justice majors who maintain a GPA of 3.5 or above, are nominated by faculty, and are in the top 35% of their class. The goals of Alpha Phi Sigma are to honor and promote academic excellence, community service, educational leadership, and unity.

Alpha Upsilon Alpha, the honor society of the International Reading Association, was created in 1985 to recognize and encourage scholarship, the development of personal and professional leadership, and service to the field of reading at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The Greek letters chosen for this honor society are significant: They come from the words *Anagnosis* (reading), *Upotrophia* (scholarship) and *Archon* (leadership). The society motto, which is attributed to Horace, says it all: "*Legere sapere aude*," or "Read, dare to be wise."

Membership in Alpha Upsilon Alpha brings a sense of scholarly accomplishment in the field of reading and language arts. Members are acknowledged for having excelled in their chosen field of study, and are recognized as professionals committed to the importance of reading and language arts in education.

Beta Beta Beta (βββ) National Biology Society is an academic society for students who major in Biology. The requirements for membership in the Omega Mu chapter of Beta Beta Beta are (1) at least three biology courses in the biology major, and (2) a minimum GPA of 3.0 in those courses. The honor pin displays three Greek letters, Beta Beta Beta, and a coiled serpent. The first Beta stands for the Greek word BALANNOS, which means acorn; it represents life in and on the ground. The second Beta stands for the Greek word BOUDETASE, which means little bird; it represents life in the air. The third Beta stands for the Greek word BOAX, which means fish; it represents life in the water. All three words may be summed up in one word BIOS, meaning life. The coiled serpent in the center of the pin is an ancient symbol of wisdom. Graduating students who are members of Beta Beta Beta may wear the red and green cords symbolic of the Society.

Beta Gamma Sigma (ΒΓΣ) honor society was founded in 1913 as an academic society for students who major in Business or Accounting. Students ranking in the top 10 percent of the baccalaureate program at schools accredited by AACSB International – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business – are eligible for this invitation. AACSB Accreditation is known, worldwide, as the longest standing, most recognized form of accreditation a business program can earn. The blue and gold honor cord worn by Beta Gamma Sigma members features a gold (metal) key charm attached to the knot above the tassel on one end of the blue cord.

Chi Sigma Alpha is a member of Chi Sigma Iota, which is an international honor society that values academic and professional excellence in counseling. We promote a strong professional identity through members (professional counselors, counselor educators, and students) who contribute to the realization of a healthy society by fostering wellness and human dignity. The membership requirements include, “Those who have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better on a scale of 4.0 and are deemed promising for endorsement as a professional counselor whose ethical judgment and behavior will be exemplary” (CSI Bylaws, Article 4.1). Members of Chi Sigma Alpha wear blue and white honor cords and/or a white stole that displays the Chi Sigma Iota emblem and Greek Letters.

Lambda Epsilon Chi “LEX” is a national honor society recognizing academic excellence for Paralegal students. Invitations for membership are extended to those students who are declared majors in MSUM’s Paralegal Department and who have met the following criteria: (1) completion of at least two-thirds of the course requirements for the major, and (2) cumulative GPA of 3.5 in Paralegal courses.

Lambda Pi Eta is the official honor society for communication studies students. It is sponsored by the National Communication Association (NCA). Students must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and a 3.25 GPA for communication studies courses. The pin features the Greek words lambda, pi, and eta which stand for Aristotle’s three forms of proof: logos, pathos, and ethos.

Phi Alpha is a national social work honor society which was established in 1960. The purpose of Phi Alpha is to promote humanitarian goals and ideals and to provide a closer bond among students of social work. The membership requirements include excellence in scholarship, with a minimum GPA of 3.25 and achievement in social work.

Pi Kappa Lambda, the national honor society in music, was established in 1918 at Northwestern University in Illinois to provide an organization dedicated to the furtherance of music in education and education in music in colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher learning which offer music degree programs. Election to the Epsilon Iota chapter (established at MSUM in 1982) requires that students be outstanding in scholarship and musicianship, and that candidates in

their junior year be in the top 10% of their class, that seniors be in the top 20%, and that graduate students have satisfactorily completed the requirements of their degrees. The insignia pin of Pi Kappa Lambda is a gold Grecian lyre with symbols of music and drama (panpipes and mask with foils) on each side of the three strings of the lyre.

Pi Sigma Alpha is a national honor society for political science majors. The requirements for membership in the Alpha Eta Mu chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha are (1) completion of ten semester credits in political science including one 300-level class, (2) a minimum of 3.0 GPA in political science courses, and (3) a cumulative GPA of 3.0. The honor pin is a small gold pin with the honor society’s Greek letters on the front and the honor cords are red and white.

Psi Chi is an honorary society founded in 1929 for psychology majors. Psi Chi is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and an affiliate of the American Psychological Association and the Association for Psychological Science. The MSUM Chapter of Psi Chi was established in the Psychology Department in 1984. In addition to the national membership requirements of a 3.0 GPA, class rank in the top 35%, completion of three semesters of college, and nine semester hours of psychology courses, the MSUM chapter requires a minimum GPA of 3.25 in psychology courses. Members of Psi Chi wear a medallion that displays the Psi Chi emblem of the Greek letters Psi and Chi.

Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society (*La Sociedad Nacional Honoraria Hispánica*), is devoted exclusively to students of Spanish in four-year colleges and universities. It was established on November 14, 1919, at the University of California in Berkeley. Upsilon Sigma, the local chapter of SDP was organized at MSUM in the fall of 2000. Requirements for membership are (1) completing at least three years or the equivalent of college Spanish, including at least three semester hours of a third-year course in Hispanic literature or Hispanic culture and civilization, (2) a minimum GPA of 3.0 in Spanish, and (3) student rank in the upper 35% of their class. The Greek expression, *Spanias Didagei Proagomen*, stand for the motto, “Let us follow after Spain’s inspiration.” The honor pin and cord harken back to the colors on the Spanish national flag and the coat of arms of Castilla y León, both which depict lions and castles in the checkered corners of the crest.

Sigma Lambda Chi is an international and academic honor society for students majoring in construction management. It is known for being a society of leaders in construction. Chapters are located throughout the United States and Australia. It was founded as an honorary society on April 30, 1949 at Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan. In 1991, Sigma Lambda Chi became a member of the Association of College Honor Societies, Inc. Requirements for membership are (1) complete two academic years of study toward a degree in Construction, (2) obtain an overall scholastic average in the upper 20% of his or her incoming class, (3) study at the present institution for the preceding six months, (4) demonstrate lead-

ership, character, and personality traits which will give promise of reflecting credit upon Sigma Lambda Chi, (5) participate in one or more extracurricular activities, and (6) work in some phase of the construction industry.

Sigma Phi Omega, the National Gerontology Honor Society, recognizes academic excellence of those who study gerontology and aging. Local chapters serve as links within their respective communities to promote interaction between gerontology educators, students, alumni, and local professionals. Membership is open to undergraduates who are gerontology majors and who are in at least their second term of enrollment with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5.

Sigma Pi Sigma (ΣΠΣ) is the physics honor society and was founded in 1921. Election to ΣΠΣ is earned by a minimum GPA of 3.0 and demonstrated excellence in at least two of four categories; research work, outreach participation, Society of Physics Students involvement or outstanding academic achievement in physics. ΣΠΣ exists to honor and encourage physics scholarship, to be of service to the various communities it may influence, and to be a fellowship of persons who have shared in the traditions and culture of physics. The name ΣΠΣ comes from the first letters that compose the society motto Σκεψιζ Προσοταηζ Συνσεωζ which translated from Greek is "investigation, the forerunner of knowledge". The official insignia and key consists of a voltmeter, lamp and dynamo. The voltmeter symbolizes the high accuracy which is the hallmark of careful experiments, the lamp is the symbol of knowledge (Σοφια in Greek) and the dynamo represents the creative energy that is so necessary to productive research. The MSUM Sigma Pi Sigma chapter was founded in 1974.

Sigma Theta Tau International is an honorary society for nursing majors, and was founded in 1922. The mission of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International, is advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service. Founded in 1922, the name Sigma Theta Tau comes from the Greek words storgé, thárros, and timé, meaning "love," "courage," and "honor." STTI became incorporated in 1985 as Sigma Theta Tau International Inc. STTI membership is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship and to nurse leaders exhibiting exceptional achievements in nursing. With more than 135,000 active members in more than 85 countries, Xi Kappa Chapter at Large includes MSU Moorhead, North Dakota State University, Jamestown University and Concordia College.

Academic Attire

The caps and gowns worn at formal academic events in American colleges are the direct descendants of the everyday costumes worn in the universities of Medieval England when each school had its peculiar dress so that an Oxford student could be distinguished from a Cambridge student. Because of the tremendous growth of American colleges, and the confusion that would result if each were to adopt a distinctive costume, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was organized. The Bureau has established a uniform code that over 700 institutions have adopted.

There are three types of gowns and three types of hoods for bachelors, masters, and doctors. The bachelors gown has a long pointed sleeve, whereas the masters gown has a long closed sleeve, square at the end. The doctors gown is characterized by a voluminous bell-shaped sleeve with three velvet bars.

The hoods for all degrees are lined with silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree and have an edging or trim of velvet, the color of which indicates the academic discipline or faculty to which the degree pertains. The bachelors hood is not worn by candidates for the baccalaureate degree but only by those upon whom this degree has been previously conferred. The masters hood is considerably longer, has a wider velvet edging, and exposes more of the lining. The doctors hood has wide panels at the side. It has the widest velvet edging, greatest length, and fullest exposure of the lining.

The black mortarboard cap with tassel is worn with each type of gown. Those holding a doctor's degree are privileged to wear a gold tassel. Masters and bachelors wear tassels that are either black or of the color appropriate to the academic discipline in which they are graduating.

Some of the colors which may be observed at this commencement and which symbolize various faculties are as follows:

Arts and Humanities	White
Business Administration	Light Brown
Education	Light Blue
Fine Arts	Dark Brown
Law	Purple
Music.....	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Philosophy.....	Dark Blue
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work.....	Citron



Anne Blackhurst 2014-present



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Ray MacLean 1923-1941



Oliver M. Dickerson 1920-1923



Frank Weld 1899-1919



Livingston Lord 1888-1899

Academic Marks

University Seal

Minnesota State University Moorhead's Seal represents its history, mission, and distinctive characteristics. It is reserved for official and ceremonial use. In the University's early history, Old Main was the largest and most impressive building in the area. A fire in 1930 destroyed most of the school's main building, except the arches of Old Main. Those arches became a significant symbol of the school's ability to survive and were incorporated into the University Seal.



University Mace

The University President or her designee carries this staff in ceremonial processions to symbolize the University's authority. Lyle Laske, Professor of Art Emeritus, crafted the staff for the University. The staff is sculpted from Brazilian rosewood, rubbed and polished to a deep luster. Its tips are cast in bronze and gold plated. The top piece on the staff, also in rosewood, is shaped in a universal form that symbolizes the medieval northern world. The staff rests in a base that is a solid, circular piece of rosewood. The staff was presented to President Roland Dille in 1978.



Presidential Medallion

The Presidential Medallion serves as a sign of the educational mission of Minnesota State University Moorhead. The President's commitment to the University's purposes is renewed in each solemn academic function, when it is appropriate to wear the medallion and be recharged by its symbols.



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Minnesota State University Moorhead is extremely proud to recognize the following State and U.S. Professors of the Year

Minnesota State Professors of the Year

Kyja Kristjansson-Nelson (2014)

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Martin Grindelund (2008)

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Mark Wallert (2005)

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Andrew Conteh (1999)

David Mason (1994)

Evelyn Lynch (1992)

Delmar Hansen (1987)

Administered by CASE (The Council for Advancement and Support of Education) and sponsored by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, the Minnesota State Professor of the Year award recognizes professors for their influence on teaching and their commitment to undergraduate students.

U.S. Professor of the Year

Russell Colson (2010)

The U.S. Professor of the Year awards program, created in 1981, celebrates outstanding instructors across the country. Also, sponsored by CASE and the Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Teaching, it is the only national initiative specifically designed to recognize excellence in undergraduate teaching and mentoring. Only four national winners are recognized each year.

Criteria

Extraordinary dedication to undergraduate teaching, which is demonstrated by excellence in the following areas: impact on and involvement with undergraduate students; scholarly approach to teaching and learning; contribution to undergraduate education in the institution, community and profession; and support from colleagues and current and former undergraduate students.

Congratulations!

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Senior Exit Survey

All seniors have been invited to take the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE). This important feedback helps MSUM understand more about the experience of our students and helps identify areas that may need improvement. We value your insight as our newest alumni.

Please check your email for the link that takes you directly to the NSSE survey. If you cannot find that email, there is another way to take it. **Go to nsse.org, then click on "Don't know your login ID?" just below the blue LOGIN button, and you will be sent a new link.**

Thank you for your participating in making MSUM a better place to live and learn.

Minnesota State University Moorhead

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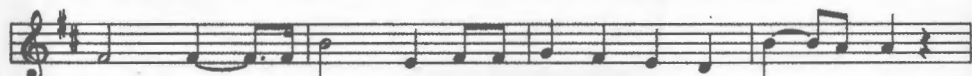
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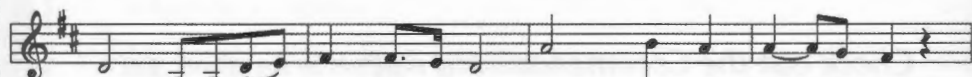
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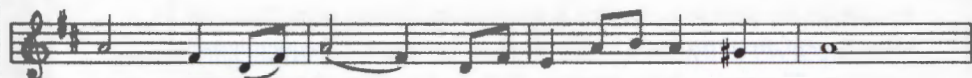
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Through - out the na - tion till the truth be spread that sets us free.



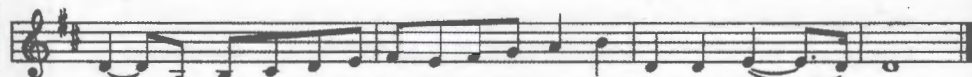
Hail, M S U Moor - head to Thee. With love and loy - al - ty.



We pass the torch from the past to the fu - ture bright.



Hail, hail, Al - ma Ma - ter Ans - w - ring e - ver to our coun - try's call,



E - ver chang - ing, e - ver con - stant, e - ver true, our Al - ma Ma - ter.



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