Our Mission

We develop knowledge, talent, and skills for a lifetime of learning, service, and citizenship.
MSUM provides MnSCU’s access to Baccalaureate and Masters Degrees in West Central Minnesota.

- Initially MSUM was a Normal School with a limited number of academic programs. Returning veterans from WWII and the post WWII population changes created increasing demands for additional programs of study. The demand for Business, Science and Art programs, along with increasing demand for K-12 teachers, fueled rapid enrollment and construction growth in the 1960s and 1970s.

- MSUM is the second largest employer in the City of Moorhead. The University is a cultural center for the region and has produced over 9,000 alumni who are employed in the Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Area. Alumni are very prominent in education, accounting, financial institutions, and small businesses and are very active in social and community organizations.
Regional
Minnesota
Higher
Education
Institutions
Regional Cities with Higher Education Institutions
History

- Moorhead became the site for a new Normal School after State Senator Solomon Comstock introduced a bill to the Minnesota State Legislature in 1885.
- When the school opened in the fall of 1888, President Livingston Lord presided over five faculty members and a class of 29 students. President Lord's salary was $2,500; faculty salaries were $800. Tuition was free to all students promising to teach two years in Minnesota.
- The school's first graduating class of 20 students received their degrees in 1890.
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- By 1932 a new administration building named in honor of President Ray MacLean was opened with a model school and a gymnasium. From the ashes arose the "birth of the greater MSTC," and a new symbol for the campus, the fire-breathing Dragon. Enrollment was 652 students.
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Minnesota State University
Moorhead

• By 1975, the choice of programs and majors jumped to 90. The legislature permitted the institution to change its name to Moorhead State University.

• In 1990, Moorhead State University’s enrollment reached a record 9,151 and the school’s most popular majors were elementary education, business administration, mass communications and accounting.

• On July 1 2000, Moorhead State officially changed its name to Minnesota State University Moorhead.
Enrollments

1888  29 Students
1930  541 Students
      19 Graduates
1960  1,295 Students
      269 Graduates
1980  7,299 Students
      970 Graduates
2003  7,878 Students
      1,200 Graduates
Our Academic Programs

• 30 academic departments
• 135 majors, emphases and options
• 18 areas of pre-professional studies
• 32 areas of licensure preparation
• 13 graduate degree programs
Top 15 Baccalaureate Programs
Academic Partners

• Member of Tri-College for 35 years
• Over 260 2-plus-2 transfer programs with two-year colleges in Minnesota and North Dakota
• Developing a MSUM/MSCTC collaboration to provide Associate, Baccalaureate and Masters Degrees in Nursing.
77 Years of Head Count Enrollment

Enrollment Trends

Year

Headcount
Enrollment Trends
Head Count

![Chromatic bar graph showing enrollment trends from 1974-75 to 2003-04. The y-axis represents the head count, ranging from 0 to 10,000. The x-axis lists the years by decade from 1974-75 to 2003-04. The graph shows a fluctuation in head count with peaks and troughs across the years.](http://web.mnstate.edu/plans/campus/history/Exec Summary Pl...
Our Location/Demographics

• Located in the heart of the Red River Valley in West Central Minnesota
• Largest educational, medical, retail, distribution, media and manufacturing center between the Twin Cities and Seattle
• Unemployment is approximately 2.6%

• 32,177 – Moorhead population
• 51,229 – Clay County population
• 174,367 – Metropolitan statistical area
• 550,000 – Regional market
2003 High School Graduates by County
Fall 2003 State of Origin
New Students – Fall 2003
Where Our Alum Reside
City of Moorhead Long Range Plan
Camtown plan
A student-centered neighborhood with entertainment, dining and high-density rental housing is planned for the area between Concordia College and Minnesota State University Moorhead.
Critics say the development will not work in the neighborhood already strained by college renters.
Proposed Space Utilization

• Most departments prefer upgrading facilities rather than acquiring more space.

• However, the Departments of Art & Design and Anthropology & Earth Sciences need significant additional space.

• MSUM expects to assign space to those departments in King when Biology moves to the Science Lab.
• The Minnesota State Higher Education Center will provide space for the Nursing and Speech Language Hearing Science Department and Clinic.

• Grier Hall will possibly be available for the relocation of the Philosophy Department.

• MSUM has requested Capital Bonding funding to remove two older houses along 11th Street.

• Academic Affairs Council is involved in determining priorities of classroom upgrades.
Infrastructure Maintenance & Improvement and Energy Use

- The ISRS Facilities Condition Module was instrumental in prioritizing the upgrading of our facilities.
- The extreme amount of deferred maintenance requires that project upgrades be funded by Capital Bonding, HEAPR, R & R and private fund raising.
• The major infrastructure issue is the lack of appropriate water supply on the Northern half of the campus. A VA-HUD appropriation of $500,000 has been acquired to address the water supply deficiency.
• Our Heating and Electrical systems have been recipients of Minnesota Energy Management Programs.
• MSUM is the largest participant in the local wind turbine project.
Aesthetics and Accessibility

• Our major concerns are centered in the renovation of MacLean and Lommen Halls.
• Built in 1932, they have significant interior design infrastructure problems.
• Accessibility is a major concern in both buildings.
• MSUM will maintain the exterior architectural elements of both buildings.
• The University Physical Plant has developed standardized interior designs for the campus facilities.

• New and renovated buildings have similar casework, lighting, carpeting and signage.

• MSUM is known for its campus mall and the architectural design of the adjacent buildings. The University is preserving the historical integrity of those facilities.
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Academic Building Construction Dates
## Deferred Maintenance

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### Total
- **Total Completed:** $1,200,000
- **Total Bonded:** $1,500,000
- **Total Left:** $800,000
- **Total Remaining:** $2,500,000

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**Reviewed by:**

**Approved by:**

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**Notes:**

- Project status as of 7/16/14.
- Budget and funding details provided for deferred maintenance projects.
- Focus on critical infrastructure needs across various departments and buildings.

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**References:**

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Proposed Center

[Image of Health & Wellness Center]