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## **CAMPUS RESOURCES AND SERVICES**

### **OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**

112 Armstrong Hall  
Phone: 507-389-2986 (V), 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY)

The Office of Affirmative Action is responsible for developing and monitoring the university's Affirmative Action Plan as well as monitoring the recruitment and employment process. The office also assists faculty, staff and students who believe they have been subject to harassment, discrimination or retaliation based on their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state and federal laws/regulations, and MnSCU/MSU's 1B.1 Nondiscrimination Policy and 1B.1.1 Report/Complaint Procedure. Contact the Office of Affirmative Action for more information.

### **CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

209 Wigley Administration Center  
Phone: 507-389-6061  
[www.mnsu.edu/cdc](http://www.mnsu.edu/cdc)

The Career Development Center (CDC) offers services to ALL Minnesota State Mankato students — no matter what stage of academic and career planning they are in. Major services include:

- The CDC Website.** The CDC web site is a comprehensive tool that students can use to access a wealth of career planning and job search information including:
- Detailed information on all of our services, including a calendar of career fairs and events.
  - Online workshops on exploring careers and searching for jobs
  - Online Minnesota State Mankato [Job Search Handbook](#) and [Handbook for Choosing or Changing your Major](#).
  - A list of books and other resources available in the CDC Career Resource Library
  - Access and information on our exclusive online system, [mavjobs.com](#)
  - An online Career Success Plan for Minnesota State Mankato students
  - Minnesota State Mankato's Graduate Follow-up Report information
  - Hundreds of links which connect students to career exploration and job search information, employers, events. Etc.

**Career Resource Library.** Career exploration and job search books are available for checkout from the CDC with your mavcard. The CDC Library also offers weekly "CDC Quick Stop Walk-in Hours" for quick career and job search questions, resume reviews, interview tips, graduate school planning, internship search help, a place to start with choosing your major, etc.

**Undeclared Majors Services.** Includes individual career planning appointments and tools which include use of the Strong Interest Inventory, Myers Briggs Type Indicator, and Focus online career exploration system.

**Job/Internship Search Advising & Assistance.** CDC staff and services are available to assist with part-time and seasonal jobs, internships, and degree-required employment. Assistance is provided through classroom and group presentations on topics such as resume writing, job interviewing and job searching; weekly CDC "Quick Stop Walk-in Hours" (see website for hours); and individual resume and job search strategy assistance. In addition, a number of special events are sponsored and co-sponsored by the CDC throughout the academic year. These include: the Fall Career and Internship Expo; Minnesota Education Job Fair; Minnesota State Mankato Summer Job Fair; Social & Behavioral Sciences Career Day; State Universities Job and Internship Fair; and others.

### **CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS**

125 Memorial Library  
Phone: 507-389-1791 - Fax: 507-389-2726  
[www.mnsu.edu/supersite/academics/success](http://www.mnsu.edu/supersite/academics/success)

The Center for Academic Success assists students in developing and strengthening academic skills. The main focus of the Center is to provide tutoring for general education and specific lower division courses. Tutoring is available on a walk-in basis for Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Writing/ESL. Tutoring in other disciplines is provided by appointment for regularly scheduled one-on-one or small group sessions. The Center also provides individualized academic skill development in areas such as reading comprehension, test taking, note taking, and time management, as well as workshops for PPST/GRE, Nursing Board, and other standardized test preparation. Services are free to all Minnesota State Mankato students.

### **COUNSELING CENTER**

245 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-1455

The Counseling Center provides short-term, confidential counseling to help students cope with personal, social, and educational concerns that may be interfering with their ability to succeed at the University. Services include short-term counseling, educational programming, crisis intervention, consultation, national testing, and referral to outside resources.

### **DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC**

3 Morris Hall (Lower Level)  
Phone: 507-389-2147, 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY)  
[www.mnsu.edu/dentalhygiene](http://www.mnsu.edu/dentalhygiene)

The dental hygiene clinic is a student training facility staffed by a dentist and faculty. Comprehensive dental hygiene services performed include prophylaxis, radiographs, sealants, tooth whitening, and mouth guards. The clinic is open to the public and most dental insurance is accepted. Day and evening appointments available September - December and February - May.

### **OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES**

132 Memorial Library  
Phone: 507-389-2825 (V, TTY), 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY)

The Office of Disability Services facilitates accommodations for individuals with disabilities which ensure equal access to programs, services and activities offered by Minnesota State Mankato. The office assists with advocacy; alternative format of printed materials; alternative testing services; assistive technology; early registration; note taking; sign language interpreters; and text on tape. The office also acts as a resource and referral agent for community contacts and disability-related information.

Emergency assistance is also available on a 24-hour basis through the Security Department. Grievances, questions or requests related to equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities should be presented to the Office of Disability Services Director at 507-389-2825 or the Affirmative Action Officer at 507-389-2986 (Voice) 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY).

### **COLLEGE OF EXTENDED LEARNING**

116 Alumni Foundation Center  
Phone: 507-389-2572 or 800-722-0544  
E-mail: [ext@mnsu.edu](mailto:ext@mnsu.edu)  
Website: [www.mnsu.edu/ext](http://www.mnsu.edu/ext)

Extended Learning serves the public and private sectors of our region by providing access to educational programs, professional and workplace and lifelong learning consistent with the mission of Minnesota State Mankato. Courses and several complete programs are offered on-line as well as face-to-face at many locations including Belle Plaine, Bloomington, Edina, Fairmont, Faribault, New Ulm, Twin Cities Metro, Owatonna, and Red Wing. The Associate of Arts degree may be earned at Fairmont, New Ulm, and Faribault and through Friday-Saturday College on the Minnesota State Mankato campus. Other selected programs and courses are available through Friday-Saturday College.

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Extending Learning offers concurrent enrollment through our Partnership for Academic Advancement. Concurrent enrollment is offered in area schools as provided in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 123D.09, Board Policy 3.5 and 3.5.1 of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. Further information is available at [www.mnsu.edu/ext](http://www.mnsu.edu/ext) or in high school counselor offices.

Continuing education short courses, workshops, and seminars for professionals who are seeking to update and/or improve their skills and knowledge and maintain their certifications are available through Extended Learning. Workshops, seminars, and courses can be designed to fit the needs and goals of any business or organization and delivered at the employer site, on campus, or another appropriate location.

Visit [www.mnsu.edu/ext](http://www.mnsu.edu/ext) for a current listing of courses offered through Extended Learning.

### **FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE**

First Year Experience  
10 Gage Complex  
Phone: 507-389-5498

Minnesota State Mankato recognizes the academic and personal challenges faced by first-year students. The First Year Experience (FYE) program is designed to enhance and support new students success.

**Orientation.** Extensive summer programs are designed to familiarize new students with the college environment, provide advising, and assistance with registration. Orientation programs are also available for students entering Spring term.

Special orientation programs are provided for international students. Many departments welcome students each year with informal orientation programs.

Invitations and information about the programs are sent to students. If you have any questions about orientation or entering the University, contact the Office of First Year Experience.

**Academic Success.** FYE provides academic advising for all undecided/pre-major students at Minnesota State Mankato, personal and academic transitional support for the first year students, and assistance with major selection.

FYE helps students address academic difficulties early through the midterm reporting system. Through this system FYE contacts professors of all students who have earned fewer than 24 semester credits, asking for a midterm progress review. A follow-up contact is made with students in academic difficulty. The follow-up is made by an Academic Advisor and is designed to offer academic support resources and the option to meet personally with an academic advisor.

**The First Year Seminar.** This one-credit general education course introduces first-year students to the academic community. The course focuses on enhancing communication skills, critical thinking, and examining the components of a successful first year transition, both personally and academically. Classes are small, giving students and professors an opportunity for lots of interaction. This course meets once a week for 50 minutes.

**Probation Advising Plan for First Year Experience Pre-Major Students.** FYE takes the following steps to notify and support students facing academic probation:

1. Within the first weeks of the semester, the First Year Experience Office will contact undecided students who are on a academic probation.
2. Undecided students on probation will be instructed to attend a group intake session offered by First Year Experience before the end of the first month of the academic term (dates will be sent to students).
3. Undecided students will complete a self-assessment form after the group intake process.
4. After the intake process, students set up an individual appointment to meet with their academic advisor.
5. At the meeting with the advisor, students will complete an Academic Improvement Plan.
6. Upon satisfactory completion of the plan the academic advisor makes the recommendation to the Assistant Director for Advising Support Services to have the student's hold lifted.

7. Undecided probationary students must demonstrate satisfactory completion of their Academic Improvement Plan. Failure to do so will delay priority registration, impact support for other academic actions, i.e. suspension and/or financial aid reinstatements.
8. After registration has occurred, the hold is reinstated.

**Learning Communities.** Learning Communities are groups of 15-25 students who take fall semester courses together and live on the same residence hall floor. Participants develop lasting friendships with students who share common interests and have the opportunity to interact with select faculty. Each learning community has a Learning Community Coordinator (LCC), an upper-class student dedicated to the academic success of every member as they transition to college life at Minnesota State Mankato. The Learning Community Coordinator assists each student in setting and achieving academic goals, develops study groups for the community, and plans community events.

### **HONORS PROGRAM**

WA228  
Phone: 507-389-5191  
Web site: [www.mnsu.edu/honors](http://www.mnsu.edu/honors)

**Mission Statement.** The mission of the Honors Program at Minnesota State Mankato is to encourage future leaders, researchers, and global citizens by providing high ability and motivated students with exceptional learning opportunities, mentoring relationships, and a community of scholars to pursue a variety of academic interests.

**Program Overview.** The newly designed Honors Program is dedicated to the development of three areas of competency: leadership, research, and global. The "Exploring Communication and Culture Learning Community" will enroll entering honors students in the 2009-2010 academic year. For an application and more information visit the website at [www.mnsu.edu/honors](http://www.mnsu.edu/honors).

### **INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)**

3010 Memorial Library  
Phone: 507-389-6651 - Fax: 507-389-6115  
[www.mnsu.edu/its](http://www.mnsu.edu/its)

Information and Technology Services (ITS) serves the faculty, staff and student members of the Minnesota State Mankato community in providing and supporting technology services. The Academic Computer Center and the Office of Instructional Technologies are areas within ITS.

**The Academic Computer Center (ACC).** Located at 121 Wissink Hall, telephone 507-389-5160. The Academic Computer Center has over 475 computers and printers for student use. Our computers are constantly being upgraded to keep current with technology. All computers have access to the Internet. Student workers are on duty at all times to maintain the lab, provide safety and security, and offer technical assistance. For students who need to develop their computer skills, free workshops are offered throughout the semester.

Surrounding the open lab are six classroom/labs for hands-on, interactive instruction. In addition, a services area houses printers black and white and color laser printers for the Macintosh and IBM microcomputers.

A multimedia area provides access to the latest technology in digitizing art, flatbed and 35mm scanning, MIDI, Video, and sound editing.

Students who have personal computers with modems in their rooms or at home can access the campus computer network via telephone, DSL, or cable lines.

Many satellite labs, with over 300 computers, are located around campus to provide specialized needs.

**Computer Help Desk.** Located at 3010 Memorial Library, 389-6654, Help Desk staff field questions about campus computers' hardware, software and related issues. They are also the contact for the Multimedia Presentation Systems in classrooms. Contact them via telephone at 507-389-3221 e-mail [HelpDesk@mnsu.edu](mailto:HelpDesk@mnsu.edu) or in person at 3010 Memorial Library.

**Computer Store.** Located at in the Centennial Student Union, 389-1907. Computers, printers, and software are available for purchase at low educational prices.

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**Interactive Television (ITV).** Interactive Television courses delivered via satellite to other communities as listed in semester course schedules. Contact individual departments about their course listings. Tech support: 507-389-5947, [www.intech.mnsu.edu/new/](http://www.intech.mnsu.edu/new/).

Student Technology Assistant Training Program are offered to student workers in administrative and academic departments at Minnesota State Mankato may participate in computer training related to their position responsibilities. Training subjects include MS Access, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, MS Word, MS Front-Page, Internet & Multimedia. Call 507-389-3205 for information.

#### **DIVISION OF INSTITUTIONAL DIVERSITY**

265 Morris Hall  
Phone: 507-389-6125

The Division of Institutional Diversity cooperates with existing student services and seeks to improve the socio-educational climate to make educational experiences more meaningful to students from diverse racial and cultural backgrounds. In addition to providing support services and cultural awareness activities, the program works with academic departments to increase diversity in curricula. See **Office of Multicultural Affairs** section. An extension of the program, the Intercultural Student Center, located at 269 Centennial Student Union, provides social and cultural opportunities.

#### **ELIZABETH & WYNN KEARNEY INTERNATIONAL CENTER**

250 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-1281  
[www.mnsu.edu/ic](http://www.mnsu.edu/ic)

The International Center (IC) is the information hub for all things international at MSU. In addition to meeting new friends from around the world and learning where students can study abroad, the International Center coordinates and implements international social and cultural activities to promote international awareness and understanding on campus.

The IC is made up of two divisions: Study Abroad and International Student and Scholar Services. IC study abroad advisors provide information and guidance to students and faculty about the many different academic opportunities abroad. Students receive help at every step to facilitate their study in a different culture. The office operates with proper procedures to comply with all legal requirements for the institution, sponsors and student participants. The office is responsible for publicizing and marketing various opportunities for study. It is also the designated overseer for all institutional agreements between Minnesota State Mankato and programs abroad.

The International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) staff assists international students with advice about academic, immigration, personal, social and financial issues. There are approximately 500 international students representing more than 60 countries at Minnesota State Mankato. The International Center serves as the official contact agent between the U.S. Department of Home Land Security, other government agencies, and the University community.

The ISSS also processes J-1 immigration documents for visiting faculty and scholars.

**Health Insurance.** Health and Accident insurance is REQUIRED for all international students and their dependents studying at Minnesota State Mankato on an F-1 or J-1 Visa. All newly arrived international students are required to subscribe to the University's designated health plan prior to enrollment. Health insurance is required for the entire period of study at Minnesota State Mankato – including the summer.

**In-State Tuition Cultural Contribution Scholarship.** International students can receive an In-State Tuition Scholarship which is renewable if the student maintains the required academic qualifications and cultural contributions. International students are granted in-state tuition their first semester at Minnesota State Mankato.

**New Student Orientation.** All new and transfer international students are required to attend the International New Student Orientation program before they receive authorization to register for classes. An orientation fee will be charged to each new International student who enrolls at Minnesota State Mankato.

**English Placement Test and ESL.** New and transfer students whose native language is not English are required to take the English Placement Examination prior to enrolling in classes. This applies to both undergraduate and graduate students, as well as to transfer students below the Modern Languages determined TOEFL minimum or appropriate transfer English course work. Based on performance, students may be required to enroll in English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, beginning their first semester on campus, until authorized by the ESL instructor as eligible to enroll in English Composition 101 or waived of further requirements in case of graduate students. If a student fails to meet this requirement, a hold will be placed on the student's records. ESL for undergraduate students is not a substitute for English Composition 101 for general education requirements. Questions concerning ESL can be referred to the Department of Modern Languages at 389-2116.

**International Students in U.S. Higher Education Course.** The University requires all new international students to register and complete the course: "International Students in Higher Education" during their first semester on campus. Students who have attended other U.S. institutions for more than one year are waived from this requirement. The course is offered through the K-12 and Secondary Program Department.

#### **JIM CHALGREN LGBT CENTER**

168 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-5131  
[www.mnsu.edu/lgbtc](http://www.mnsu.edu/lgbtc)  
[lgbtc@mnsu.edu](mailto:lgbtc@mnsu.edu)

Filling the need for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students and their allies, the LGBT Center at Minnesota State Mankato provides a safe place for students to build community. In addition, the center offers referrals, information, and LGBT specific programming. Educational resources include peer advocate panels, ally trainings, and a resource library of LGBT magazines, books, and videos.

#### **LIBRARY SERVICES**

[www.lib.mnsu.edu](http://www.lib.mnsu.edu)

Reference Services: 507-389-5958

The mission of Library Services is to support the University curriculum by providing students and faculty with information resources in traditional and electronic technologies. Assistance, guidance, and instruction in using information resources for class work and research are available through reference services, formal classes, Web access and individual consultations with faculty librarians. The library's resources contain approximately 1.2 million volumes including 3,200 print periodical subscriptions, 17,000 full-text electronic books and periodicals and over 125 electronic databases. Circulation services include check out from the print, audio, and video materials and media equipment collections. Interlibrary loan services complement the local collections by providing access and delivery of materials from other libraries.

Library Services is a depository for Minnesota state documents, federal government publications and U.S. Geological Survey maps. Specialized services and materials are part of the University Archives and the Southern Minnesota Historical Center. The Music Library in the Performing Arts Center provides a broad collection of scores and recordings.

Additional services include internet access from over 100 computer workstations, print and electronic reserve materials, study carrels, group study rooms, and a copy shop with paper and microform copiers. Wireless Internet access is provided for personal laptop computers in all study areas of Memorial Library.

#### **McNAIR SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

302 Wiecking Center  
Phone: 507-389-1188  
<http://www.mnau.edu/mcnair/>

The McNair Scholars Program is housed within the College of Graduate Studies and research. The purpose of the McNair Scholars Program is to provide low-income, first-generation and underrepresented students with research opportunities, access to technology, and concrete assistance in order to ensure their success in doctoral programs after completing bachelor degrees.

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### **OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS**

243 Centennial Student Union

Phone: 507-389-6300

Office of Multicultural Affairs staff members are skilled in understanding the background and culture of students of color and can identify and work effectively with the concerns of students from diverse backgrounds. The office maintains four Assistant Directors: African American, Asian American, Chicano-Mexicano-Latino American and American Indian. They assist students of color and serve the entire University community in creating and providing social cultural events and programs that help to bridge minority/majority relationships.

### **OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR**

132 Wigley Administration Center

Phone: 507-389-6266 or 1-800-722-0544 (option 6)

Registration Help Center Phone: 507-389-2252

[www.mnsu.edu/registrar/](http://www.mnsu.edu/registrar/)

The Office of the Registrar provides efficient registration, timely graduation evaluation, timely transfer evaluation, and accurate verification of enrollment to outside agencies. Our website explains many of our services.

The following are services we provide:

- Athletic eligibility
- Common Market
- DARS and CAS
- Grade changes and repeats
- Official transcripts
- Registration
- Student records management
- Student residency and reciprocity for tuition purposes
- Transfer evaluation
- Verification of enrollment and degrees
- Veterans' Benefits
- Undergraduate graduation evaluation

### **SECURITY**

222 Wiecking Center

Phone: 507-389-2111

[www.mnsu.edu/security](http://www.mnsu.edu/security)

Security is an integral part of the campus community - a positive presence on our campus. All members of the department strive to be sensitive to the needs of all, while protecting the rights and property of the University Community.

The Patrol Division provides 24-hour vehicle and foot patrol, visitor and new student assistance, investigation into campus crimes, and serves as a liaison with the Mankato Department of Public Safety and Gold Cross Ambulance Service.

EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) are available to respond to medical emergencies and are in direct radio contact with Gold Cross Ambulance Service.

The On-Campus **SafeWalk Service** is designed to make the Minnesota State, Mankato campus a safer, more enjoyable place for you. When you are on campus for any purpose, we will gladly walk with you to any other destination on campus and surrounding apartment complexes. You can reach the Campus Area SafeWalk Service by dialing Security at 2111 on any on-campus telephone. An officer will come to meet you at your location and walk you to your campus area destination 24-hours a day.

### **SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC**

103 Armstrong Hall

Phone: 507-389-1414

Audiology and speech therapy services are available for students with hearing and/or speech problems. Individual instruction for students with communication disorders is provided by advanced students majoring in communication disorders under the supervision of faculty members.

### **STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES**

Carkoski Commons

Phone: 507-389-6276

[www.mnsu.edu/shs](http://www.mnsu.edu/shs)

The Student Health Services provides medical care, pharmacy services, laboratory services, and health education services including care for illnesses and injuries, vaccinations, allergy shots, sports medicine, contraception, STD screening, psychiatric and physical exams. There is a small charge for seeing a physician or nurse practitioner, certain medical procedures, laboratory tests, and prescriptions. A health insurance plan is available to students. Information is available at the Student Health Services and The Hub or Cashier's Window in the Wigley Administration Center.

The Student Health Services emphasizes prevention through health education. Health educators provide sexuality/birth control information, drug and alcohol education and nutrition information, as well as information in a variety of other health-related areas.

### **STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

355 Wiecking Center

Phone: 507-389-2797

Student Support Services is a federally funded program that assists students in achieving their potential both personally and academically. It is the goal of the department to retain and graduate participants from Minnesota State Mankato. Eligibility is based on income level (as determined by the Department of Education), first generation student status (neither parent has a bachelor's degree), and/or disability. Services are free and include tutoring, academic advising, career planning, workshops, seminars, and cultural activities.

### **STUDENTS' ATTORNEY**

280 Centennial Student Union

Phone: 507-389-2611

[www.mnsu.edu/mssa/](http://www.mnsu.edu/mssa/)

A service provided by the Minnesota State Student Association, the students' attorney is available on a part-time basis to all currently enrolled students. Legal counseling is provided at no charge on issues such as traffic violations, landlord-tenant disagreements, and domestic matters.

### **VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER**

The Veterans Resource Center (VRC) provides veterans, current military members, and their families with information and assistance regarding educational benefits, resources, and policies. The VRC also provides information and referrals to a broad range of service providers such as service-connected disability claims, employment help, counseling resources, and more.

The Veterans Resource Center is located in room 192 of the Centennial Student Union. Contact David Schrader, Higher Education Coordinator with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs at 507-389-5726 or e-mail [david.schrader@mnsu.edu](mailto:david.schrader@mnsu.edu) for further information.



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**WOMEN'S CENTER**  
218 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-6146  
www.mnsu.edu/wcenter

The Women's Center. For anybody. Any time.

**Welcome to the Women's Center.** It's called the Women's Center because we just can't call it the "Come on in and Relax and Put Your Feet on the Chair Center." It doesn't fit on a sign and we only have so much furniture.

Plus, we really are a women's center. For starters, there are lots of women here. Very cool, friendly students and staff who know the campus and can help with any question about the university or getting through it. That's if you need help – you're also welcome to drop by for nothing more than to **meet some new people, talk about whatever's on your mind or just catch some easy time.**

Located on the second floor of the Centennial Student Union, The Women's Center is an ideal place to take a break, yet we're also a good resource for students who want to plug into issues on campus and beyond. Close to home, we're committed to making the campus community safe for women, and we're proud to house the office of Sexual Violence Education, available for all students, all the time.

We also serve as a place that can help you get your concerns heard, whether they're of a confidential nature or a public one. **Your secrets are safe here, and so is your lunch** (we have a nice fridge and a microwave).

It can be easy to feel lost in a large university – we're here to help you use your individual strengths, passions and confidence to help you succeed in your time here and afterward. We're like your personal cheerleaders – minus, of course, the pompons and coordination. **We don't care how you vote, where you're from or what you eat:** You're welcome here. Period.

Not a woman? All the better – come in and see what we're about. Chances are you know one, and if she finds herself with issues of self-confidence, alienation or a career crisis, you can be the enlightened friend who recommends a stop to the Women's Center. Our goal is to help more women on this large, busy and diverse campus feel confident, proud and welcome.

The Women's Center has a number of opportunities for involvement as well, like designing campus-wide programs to bring in great guest speakers and shaping how we celebrate Women's History Month. **Academic credit is available** for internships that involve research and leadership within the Center. Volunteer opportunities abound. We'd love to hear your ideas and suggestions. For more information, stop by the Women's Center in CSU 218. We're looking forward to meeting you.

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## ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

173 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-6076 - Fax: 507-389-5632  
[www.mnsu.edu/activities](http://www.mnsu.edu/activities)

Student Activities is the place to get involved on campus and to learn more about specialized resources and support. Studies show that students who get involved right away get better grades, stay in school, secure a job sooner after college, and make lifelong friends. Don't wait!

**Recognized Student Organizations.** At MSU, there are over 200 student organizations waiting for you. If you don't see one you like, we will help you create your own. Getting involved helps build leadership skills, enhances your resume, and offers the opportunity to build lasting friendships.

**Sororities & Fraternities.** Are you interested in creating life-long friendships and connections? Then Greek Life may be just what you are looking for. Greek members are campus leaders that provide a network of friendship and support. Be a friend, be a leader, be unique, be Greek!

**IMPACT Team.** IMPACT is the campus activities board that plans homecoming, concerts, lectures, movies, and other campus-wide special events. If you are interested in the arts, music, marketing, or just want to get involved on campus, there is a place for you on the IMPACT team.

**Nontraditional Students.** If you are a parent, married, widowed, divorced, over the age of 24, a veteran, or commute over 15 miles, then you are a nontraditional student. Enhance your college experience by utilizing the resources and support provided by the nontraditional center and leadership group, now including specialized support for military veterans and for students with children.

**Jim Chalgren Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Center.** The LGBT Center, recently renamed in honor of pioneering student advocate Jim Chalgren, provides support, advocacy, referral, and a sense of community for LGBTQQA students. Feel Safe. Be Proud. Find Community. Become a Leader.

**Community Engagement.** Learn more about your chosen field and about yourself while serving your community. The new office of Community Engagement helps connect students with businesses, service groups, and other community organizations. Through classes and service projects, students engage in active learning and develop leadership skills while making a positive impact on the community.

**Jumpstart.** Get involved in Jumpstart and serve as a mentor for a pre-school age child. Imagine the twinkle in their eyes when you help them build language, literacy, and social skills. As a Jumpstart Corps member you will receive an amazing experience, a \$1000 educational award, and the reward of knowing you made a difference in the life of a child.

**Campus Kitchen Project.** Campus Kitchen is a groundbreaking initiative that involves college students in cooking and delivering meals to families and individuals who are in need. Choose to make a difference in your community and help end the cycle of poverty.

### Blue Earth Review

151 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-2425

*Blue Earth Review* is a fine arts magazine published twice a year for and by students to showcase the students' work. Submissions of poetry, fiction, non-fiction and artwork are welcome at any time. Copies are available in the *Blue Earth Review* office which is located across from Barnes & Noble in the Student Union.

### CAMPUS RECREATION

Director: Todd Pfingsten  
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Phone: 507-389-6215 - Fax: 507-389-5393  
[www.mnsu.edu/campusrec](http://www.mnsu.edu/campusrec)

The mission of the Office of Campus Recreation is to promote long-term healthy lifestyle behavior through participation in multi-faceted recreational and leisure opportunities.

The Office of Campus Recreation encompasses four different program areas for University community members with varying skills and abilities.

Intramural Sports programs include: basketball, flag football, ice hockey, softball, volleyball, broomball, floor hockey, soccer, racquetball, tennis, triathlon, bowling, billiards, foosball, table tennis, darts, golf and more.

Open Recreation offers badminton, basketball, exercise, football, jogging, racquetball, softball, swimming, tennis, volleyball, walking, wallyball, weight lifting, soccer and other activities.

Fitness Activities offers group fitness classes and fitness equipment including cardiovascular machines (treadmills, elliptical machines, stair machines, and bikes) and variable resistant weight machines, personal training. Fitness assessment and more.

Sport Clubs including: judo, mixed martial arts, Shotokan karate, men's and women's volleyball, men's and women's rugby, men's soccer, Aikido, men's and women's lacrosse, men's hockey, handball, cricket, paintball, TaeKwonDo, badminton, cheer, ultimate frisbee, men's baseball.

### CENTENNIAL STUDENT UNION

220 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-2224  
<http://csu.mnsu.edu>

The Centennial Student Union (CSU) is the center of student life! From activities to food, games to art and performances, and a great variety of services, you'll "Find Your Place" in the CSU. It's the place to be any time you're not in class. Opened in the University's centennial year of 1968, the Centennial Student Union continues to grow and add more for students every year.

Services include bowling and billiards, art gallery, food court and other dining options, Student Activities, Hearth Lounge, computer lab with MavPrint station, the Campus Hub, Counseling Center, Campus Bookstore, Women's Center, a bank, a credit union, Kearney International Center, Multicultural Affairs, International Student Association, Intercultural Student Center, Campus Computer Store and Electronic Repair, Jim Chalgren LGBT Center, MSSA student government, TV Lounge, Reporter student newspaper, Veterans Service Center, café and more.

The CSU is financed by students for students, and the management of the CSU relies heavily on the advice and guidance of the Student Union Board. If you need a meeting space or are planning an event, come to CSU 219 first so that staff can walk you through the process. To find out more about tenants and services, employment opportunities, or anything else in your Student Union, stop by CSU 220, go to <http://csu.mnsu.edu> or call 507-389-2224.

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### **INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**

135 Myers Field House  
Phone: 507-389-6111  
[www.msumavericks.com](http://www.msumavericks.com)

Minnesota State Mankato currently offers 23 sports, 11 sports for men (football, cross country, golf, hockey, basketball, indoor track, outdoor track, swimming, wrestling, tennis, and baseball) and 12 sports for women (volleyball, soccer, cross country, golf, hockey, basketball indoor track, outdoor track, swimming, bowling, tennis, and softball).

Minnesota State Mankato, is an NCAA Division II institution that belongs to the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Men's and Women's ice hockey compete on the Division I level and are members of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

All undergraduate students who wish to participate in the intercollegiate athletics program can obtain more information by contacting the Office of Intercollegiate Athletics or specific coaches.

### **INTERCULTURAL STUDENT CENTER**

269 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-6207

The Intercultural Student Center is an extension of the Division of Institutional Diversity which provides a focal point for cross cultural programs and activities. A primary function of the center, which is operated by students, is to provide a place in which students of color and others at the University can exchange and reinforce their cultural existence. The center is a basic component of the diversity retention effort which helps to reduce social cultural isolation and connect students from diverse backgrounds to the University.

### **MINNESOTA STATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (MSSA)**

280 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-2611  
[www.mnsu.edu/mssa/](http://www.mnsu.edu/mssa/)

The agency for student participation in University governance is the Minnesota State Student Association. Its governing body is the Student Senate, and it is recognized by the MnSCU Board as the official voice of the student body.

Officers include the president, vice president, and speaker. Elections are held spring term for president and vice president and 29 senators. In the fall two undeclared major senator and the Maverick Hall Senator is elected. Senate committees work to represent student concerns on issues including financial aid, housing, parking, allocation of funds and changes in academic policy. Students can participate in the MSSA by seeking a senate position or joining one of its committees.

### **MUSIC ACTIVITIES**

202 Performing Arts Center  
Phone: 507-389-2118

The Department of Music offers a number of performance and educational opportunities for all students. Students can receive general education credit for participation in ensembles; some general education class offerings are designated as cultural diversity courses. Vocal/choral group opportunities include Chamber Singers, University Women's Chorale, Concert Choir, Opera, Maverick Men's Chorus, and Jazz Singers. Instrumental opportunities include Wind Ensemble, University Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, Symphonic Band, Athletic Band for football, basketball and hockey, Theatre Orchestra, and small Brass, String and Woodwind Ensembles.

The Department of Music sponsors many concerts and recitals throughout the year. Our annual Performance Series brings to campus some of the world's finest musicians in performance and in one-on-one master class settings. All students are encouraged to attend these musical offerings. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to introduce themselves to a wide array of musical and educational experiences. Concerts are presented in the 350-seat E. J. Halling Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center. Special student-priced tickets are available.

### **RADIO**

General Manager: Jim Gullickson  
Director of Operations: Karen Wright  
205 Alumni Foundation Center  
Phone: 507-389-5678 or 800-456-7810

Minnesota State Mankato is home to KMSU-FM (89.7 FM) and KMSK-FM (91.3 FM), members of Independent Public Radio. The stations offer students the opportunity to participate in radio work with such opportunities as the Southern Minnesota News Project where students learn how to create news broadcasts which are aired daily, station operation, public relations and news internships, and work study. The stations are run by professional staff, student workers, and volunteers.

With studios in the Alumni Foundation Center, KMSU and KMSK serve south central Minnesota with a wide variety of shows, many of which are volunteer run, and offer unique music and diverse programming to fit a variety of tastes. Call 389-5678 or 800-345-7810 for more information. KMSU can also be heard on-line at [www.kmsu.org](http://www.kmsu.org).

### **SPEECH TEAM (MAVERICK FORENSICS)**

This program is open to students interested in developing their speaking ability through competition. Participation provides the opportunity to attend forensic tournaments throughout the United States and to compete in major speech events, such as informative speaking, persuasive speaking, extemporaneous speaking, prose and poetry interpretation, and parliamentary debate. College credit may be obtained by participating on the speech team. Contact Dr. Leah White at 389-2213 for more information.

### **STUDENT PUBLICATIONS**

#### **The Reporter**

293 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-1776 - Fax: 507-389-5812  
[www.msreporter.com](http://www.msreporter.com)

The Reporter is a twice-weekly student-edited, student-written newspaper that focuses on campus, local, state and national issues. Student staff positions are open to all students in a variety of capacities which include positions for editors, reporters, writers, photographers, advertising salespeople, graphic artists and computer ad designers.

### **THEATRE AND DANCE**

201 Performing Arts Center  
Phone: 507-389-2118 - Fax: 507-389-2922  
[www.MSUTheatre.com](http://www.MSUTheatre.com)

The Department of Theatre and Dance presents an array of entertainment including: The Mainstage Season consisting of six productions in both the 529-seat traditional Ted Paul Theatre and the 250-seat black box Andreas Theatre; the Studio Season, with four highly varied shows in the Andreas Theatre; two major Dance Concerts in the Ted Paul Theatre; two annual theatre tours, one professional stock theatre, Highland Summer Theatre, which is now in its 43rd year. Recent Mainstage productions include: *Miss Saigon*, *Lysistrata*, *Harvey*, *The History Boys*, *Noises Off*, *Mame*. Recent Studio productions include: *Cloud Tectonics*, *See What I Wanna See*, *Tobacco Road*, *Rabbit Hole*.

Tryouts for each play are open to all students and community members. Construction and crew work is done by students. Credit hours may be earned by acting or working on sets, costumes, lights, sound or management. All interested parties are welcome.