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A NEWSLETTER FOR EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS OF MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY

MSU reports spring enrollment

Minot State University is reporting a head count of 3,386 students, a 3.6 percent decrease from last spring's official count of 3,512. Enrollment figures became official Jan. 30 after the 15th day of classes.

"I'm not surprised," said MSU President David Fuller. "The economy and the job market are good and when that is the case, enrollment in higher education typically declines."

That conclusion was supported by a drop of 258 or 21 percent in the total number of students aged 25 and older. MSU counted 1,201 older-than-average students compared to last year's 1,459.

"It's encouraging that we saw an increase in the number of traditional students below age 25," said Fuller. Students under age 25 are up 132, from 2,053 to 2,185.

Fuller said other bright spots in Minot State's enrollment report include areas where the university has been investing recruitment resources and efforts, namely graduate students, Native American students, and Canadian students.

Other highlights of MSU spring 2007 enrollment include:

- The number of Native American students grew from 115 to 137, an increase of 16 percent.
- The number of Canadian students grew from 222 last year to 242 this year, an increase of 9 percent. It is the fourth year in a row that this population has seen an increase since a decline that started in 1994.
- Enrollment from most of the contiguous states and provinces improved. Most notably, students from Montana increased from 96 to 121 and students from Manitoba increased from 35 to 43. These gains were offset by a loss of 14 students from Minnesota.
- The total number of graduate students increased from 276 to 297, a growth of 7 percent.
- Enrollment in e-learning delivery, including online and N.D. Interactive Video Network (IVN) courses, increased 6 percent, from 1,299 last year to 1,380 this year.

Enrollment figures become official after the third week of classes when they are reported to the North Dakota University System office.

Three candidates interviewing for MSU advancement vice president

Three candidates from Minot are interviewing this week for the position of vice president for advancement at Minot State. The pool includes Shelly Weppler, Marv Semrau and Nancy Heskin-Rakness. The campus is invited to attend open forums for and presentations by each of the candidates on the topic "What would be your approach to the first year in this job?" Semrau's presentation is today at 2:30 p.m. in the Missouri Room, located in the MSU Conference Center. Heskin-Rakness will present tomorrow

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Wagner discusses fly fishing in Brown Bag Book Talk

Jonathan Wagner, professor of history, will discuss the book "Fly Fishing through the Midlife Crisis," by Howell Raines, Feb. 15. Raines, a Pulitzer winner and editor of the New York Times, writes of his boyhood, adulthood, and, ultimately, midlife crisis, using his passion for fly fishing as the central theme of the book.

You need not read the featured book ahead of time and are encouraged to bring a sack lunch; dessert will be provided. The book talks, sponsored by the Gordon B. Olson Library, begin at noon and conclude in time for 1 p.m. classes. All are held in the lower level of the library in Group Study Room 2.

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Semrau is the sales manager for Lowe's Printing in Minot, a position he has held since 1988. Prior to that, he worked for Young America retail stores for 20 years. From 1982 to 1988, he was director of operations and regional sales manager. Semrau earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from North Dakota State University. He is currently the chairman of the Minot Planning Commission.

Heskin-Rakness has been the chief executive officer of Girl Scouts of Northwest North Dakota since 1985. She has earned national certification as an executive director by Girl Scouts of the USA. Heskin-Rakness earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from MSU.

Weppler has been the executive director of St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation since 1998. From 1995 to 1998, she was the director of annual fund at MSU. Weppler completed a bachelor's degree in business administration at Minot State University. Weppler has nearly 15 years experience in the banking industry.

The search profile for the vice president for advancement identifies the following qualifications: a results-oriented leader, an individual who collaborates effectively with faculty, students, staff and key volunteers, a person who focuses on excellence and growth, and a strategic thinker and planner.

The chair of the search process is Dick Jenkins, vice president for student affairs. He is being assisted by an advisory committee comprised of members of the MSU foundation, regents and alumni boards and representatives from the student, faculty and staff senates, advancement office, athletics and administration.

MSU College of Business launches specialized master in management with intercultural component

The College of Business at Minot State University is seeking students for a specialized on-campus version of its Master of Science degree in management (MSM) that will begin in August. Students enrolled in the accelerated 12-month format will not only learn management principles but will also be exposed to the Chinese culture.

The intercultural program will team local students with students from SIAS International University in Zhengzhou, People's Republic of China. The SIAS students will reside on the MSU campus for one year. A cohort is a group of students who go through a program together; in this case, they will take a sequence of 10 courses as a group.

"Completing a program as a cohort has some real advantages," explained Gary Ross, director of the MSM and the intercultural program. "The participants form strong relationships and that can serve as a motivation to stick with the program and see it through."

Students will complete the entire program in approximately 12 months, beginning in mid-August 2007 and finishing in July 2008. The program consists of five eight-week terms; students will take two courses per term. Classes will be taught in the evenings and/or on weekends.

In addition to completing the objectives of the Master of Science in management program to develop leadership, management, and communication skills in an applied context, students will team up on work-related projects. Each domestic student will bring a business problem from her or his workplace to be analyzed throughout the program's duration. In turn, each Chinese student will partner with a domestic student to collaborate on solutions for identified problems. The projects will provide opportunities for students to apply their learning from the MSM courses. Each project will be supervised by an MSU faculty member.

Students will also participate in weekly dinners with guests who are business practitioners. These dinners will engage students with persons currently in business in discussions about "best practices." In addition, arrangements will be made for students to attend several business and cultural events.

"I'm certain that the intercultural component of this program will provide a rich, colorful, and deep learning experience," said Ross. "By learning about Chinese business practices, American students will become more sensitized and aware of other cultures. It also promotes awareness of our own business culture. We come to appreciate that what we perceive as normal practice may appear much differently to a person of another culture. I think the discussions will spark creative thinking."

The cohort's launch will mark the first formal exchange of SIAS students and hosting by MSU. Minot State University and SIAS International University signed an articulation agreement nearly one year ago. SIAS is a private institution with more than 13,000 students. It has about 200 international instructors and classes are taught in English.

Developing and supporting a diverse, multicultural, and inclusive campus community is also one of the strategies for achieving the university's strategic plan "Vision 2013."

"This program supports several of the strategies in President Fuller's Vision 2013," said College of Business Dean JoAnn Linrud. "It engages students in active learning and it grounds them in appreciating the opportunities in and the uniqueness of North Dakota, as well as fostering a multicultural learning environment."

Besides this specialized MSM format, the College of Business offers the MSM degree and the Master of Science in Information Systems (MSIS) through online delivery. The COB also offers a Master of Education in business and a Graduate Certificate in knowledge management.

The Master of Science in Management program has initial accreditation by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education. Minot State University is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.

For more information, contact Gary Ross by telephone at 858-3291 or by e-mail to (gary.ross@minotstateu.edu). Details may also be obtained at the Web site (http://www.minotstateu.edu/msm/).

Graduate School to host host informational sessions

Minot State University's Graduate School is hosting two informational sessions to promote all graduate programs at MSU. The Graduate School will provide information regarding the application process, financial aid, scholarships and tuition rates. Each graduate program will provide detailed information about curriculum, application deadlines and delivery options.

The two sessions will be:

- Feb. 26—McFarland Gallery, Main, second floor, 4:30-7 p.m.
- March 1—Beaver Dam corridor, Student Union, second floor, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

'Be in the Know' sessions start Feb. 14

Have you ever thought "I wish I had known that," or "I really need to know more about that department, its procedures and what it offers?" New "Be in the Know" sessions are designed to answer those questions for all of us. Beginning Feb. 14 and each Wednesday afterward, from 2 to 2:30 p.m., representatives of degree programs and student services will present short, sweet and concise information. All sessions will be held in Aleshire Theater in Hartnett Hall. This activity aligns with "Vision 2013" strategy three: valuing faculty and staff within an engaged community. Look for the flier distributed through campus mail, help empower the entire campus community to be better marketers for Minot Sate University, and be in the know!

Olson secures student internship grant for NDAGA

Linda Olson, chair of humanities, applied for and received a \$4,000 Partners Internship Program (PIP) grant under the auspices of the North Dakota Art Gallery Association. Funds from the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs will be used for a 10-week summer internship for a student to curate a traveling exhibition by regional artists tentatively titled "New Bohemia, North Dakota."

New Bohemia in North Dakota was featured in an earlier issue of North Dakota Living magazine, where writer Patricia Stockdill explained that the concept is a takeoff from Bohemian Paris, France, in the 1920s – an actual, physical location where artists would gather, sharing ideas and inspiration. Likewise the purpose of the North Dakota version is to help artists learn how

to better market themselves, not just within their local area or region, but nationally and internationally.

Membership of New Bohemia in North Dakota is reported to be about 70 members, the size of a small town in the state, by secretary Rose Reis-Jackson. The group hosted its first symposium in Rugby in 2005.

The PIP grants were established through the Otto Bremer Foundation to allow nonprofits to engage college students in their work and to educate students about community needs and nonprofit initiatives.

Students wishing to apply for the internship should send a resume and cover letter directly to the North Dakota Art Gallery Association, 412 19 Ave. S.W., Minot, N.D. 58701 by March 1. More information and the eligibility criteria are available from Olson at 858-3836.

The North Dakota Art Gallery Association was founded in 1975 to sponsor fine arts exhibits and cultural performances, organize a support network for rural and urban art communities, provide technical support to organizations engaged in cultural activities, and foster the public's appreciation and understanding of the arts.

Chancellor finalist withdraws

Warren Halsey Fox, one of the three finalists for chancellor of North Dakota's university system has withdrawn, citing personal reasons.

Fox is director of the higher education policy and planning office of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. He is a former director of the California Postsecondary Education Commission.

The remaining finalists are William Goetz, chief of staff to Gov. John Hoeven, and Paul Keys, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Governors State University, University Park, Ill. Keys is also a professor of social work and public administration.

—partially excerpted from the Associated Press

UND President Kupchella announces retirement, effective in 2008

University of North Dakota President Charles E. Kupchella announced Jan. 25 his intent to retire as UND's tenth president as early as January 2008.

In a letter to the chancellor of the North Dakota University System and to the State Board of Higher Education, Kupchella set a target date of Jan. 25, 2008, for his retirement, but he also left the door open to continue several months after that date at the request of the Board.

"Because the Board has three searches ongoing at the current time, I indicated that I could be somewhat flexible as to the

exact date and would be willing to extend my term through June of 2008. By announcing my intent to retire now, I wish to give the Board of Higher Education at least one full year to conduct a search for my successor. I have a deep and abiding interest in making sure that the transition from my presidency to that of my successor is seamless and smooth," said Kupchella.

Kupchella began his official duties as UND's president July 1, 1999.

—partially excerpted from a UND news release

MSU's peer institutions listed

At the Compensation Task Force's Jan. 19 presentation, a list of Minot State University's 15 peer institutions was requested. The new peers were selected by the campuses in consultation with MGT of America, a firm hired by the North Dakota University System, with some later modification. MGT's work was reported to the NDUS in the March 2006 "Funding and Accountability Report."

The peer institutions are: Western Connecticut State University, Danbury, Conn.; Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, Conn.; Southern Arkansas University-Main Campus, Magnolia, Ark.; Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus, Ga.; North Georgia College and State University, Dahlonega, Ga.; Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville, Ga.; Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Ky.; Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minn.; Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, Mo.; Chadron State College, Chadron, Neb.; New Jersey City University, New Jersey City, N.J.; Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, N.M.; Western New Mexico University, Silver City, N.M.; New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas, N.M.; and Cheyney University of Pennsylvania, Cheyney, Pa.

Markovic discusses 'Cosmology without Cosmetics' tomorrow evening

Draza Markovic, assistant professor of physics, will present "Cosmology without Cosmetics: Why a Blemish on the Face of the Universe need not be a Bad Thing" tomorrow (Feb. 8) as part of the 2006-2007 Northwest Art Center Lecture Series.

According to Markovic, of all the branches of natural science, cosmology concerns itself with the biggest picture: the nature, size, and origin of the universe. Recent observations of cosmic microwave background radiation, clusters of galaxies, and the earliest assemblies of stars have led to a detailed understanding of the evolution of the universe. Ironically, these achievements have, at the same time, opened a mystery: more than 95 percent of the content of the universe is made up of dark matter and dark energy, whose natures are utterly unknown, and, presently, subjects of fierce controversy. Markovic's lecture will describe

the current struggles of cosmologists and speculate on possible resolutions of this puzzle.

All lectures are held at 7 p.m. in the Aleshire Theater. Admission is free and open to the public; refreshments are served afterward. The remainder of the spring schedule is:

- "Teaching in Thailand," by Margaret Sherve, humanities, March 8.
- "A Naturalist in the Age of Genomics," by Chris Beachy, biology, March 22.
- "Premodern Lesbians and the Lesbian Premodern: Woman-Woman Eroticism before 1700 CE," by Michelle Sauer, English, March 29.
- "Ho Chi Minh's Rhetorical Strategies for Toppling the French Colonial Enterprise in Vietnam, circa 1920," by Robert Kibler, English, April 12.

Symphony celebrates winter's passing at spring concert

The end of winter is always something to celebrate! Nothing could be more fitting for a March concert than the beautiful "Winter's Passing," featuring oboist Dan Ross and the MSO Strings. To celebrate his fifth season, Conductor Dennis Simons performs solo violin with Ross on Bach's Concerto in C Minor.

MSU faculty, staff and students are admitted free with a current ID. Additional tickets for adults are \$15 per concert or \$50 for a season ticket. The price for senior citizens is \$13 single, \$45 season; students 12-18, \$8 single, \$24 season; children, under 12, \$4 single, \$12 season. All concerts are held in the Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The last of "Five of Our Finest" is the "Pops Concert," April 14.

Life skills workshops open to all MSU students

Faculty and staff are encouraged to recommend the Life Skills workshops sponsored by Career Services to all Minot State University students. While the workshops are a product of the MSU Mentor Program, all students are welcome to attend. The remainder of the spring schedule follows:

- Feb. 8—This Book is Worthless (study skills), Moore 16, 11 a.m.-noon.
- Feb. 13—Show Me the Money ... Financial Aid 101, Administration 359, 2-3 p.m.
- Feb. 21—How Well Do You Play With Others? (personality traits, part 1), Main 106, noon-1 p.m.
- Feb 22—Money Management Workshop, Westlie Room, noon-1 p.m.
- Feb. 28—How Well Do You Play With Others? (personality traits, part 2), Main 106, noon-1 p.m.
- March 1—Stop the Insanity ... How to Manage Your Stress, Main 106, 1-2 p.m.

- March 7—Job or No Job ... How to Land the Perfect Summer Job, Main 106, 1-2 p.m.
- March 21—Resume Magic, Missouri Room, 11 a.m.-noon Descriptions of the workshops are available at www. minotstateu.edu/mentoring and questions may be directed to Debra Chandler, student services advisor, at 858-3144 or

(debra.chandler@minotstateu.edu). Registration is requested.

Announcements

MSU offers condolences to MSU community members

The Minot State University community has been saddened by the deaths of Margaret "Peggy" Brooks, wife of retired faculty member Fred Brooks, and Clarence Laber, father of Deanna Klein, a faculty member in the College of Business. They both passed away Jan. 27. Please join MSU in extending sincere condolences and support to their families during this difficult time.

Faculty and staff achievement awards nominations are due Monday

Nominations for Minot State University Board of Regents faculty and staff achievement awards are due in the President's Office by Monday (Feb. 12). There are separate forms and criteria for each award. In brief:

- Faculty—nominations may be made by any MSU faculty member or Student Senate member. Nominations must be specific for the area of teaching, scholarship or service and must include a one-page supporting narrative.
- Staff—nominations may be made by anyone knowledgeable about the staff member. A description of the personal characteristics and accomplishments of the nominee must be provided.

More specific details are contained on the nomination forms. Additional forms are available from Deb Wentz in the President's Office, call 858-3301 or e-mail (deb.wentz@minotstateu.edu).

The awards will be presented at the MSU Employee Appreciation Banquet, March 22.

Important textbooks deadlines listed

Faculty and staff: Please inform your students that starting Monday (Feb. 12), the bookstore will be sending all of the textbooks back to the publishers. If your students need to purchase a textbook for your class, they will need to do so before this date. We realize that it is early in the semester to send textbooks back, but with the upcoming change to Barnes & Noble, the textbook process is being done a little differently this semester.

It is also time to get your summer and fall textbook adoptions in to the bookstore. with Barnes & Noble taking over the MSU Bookstore, the deadline they assigned for orders was moved up by a month. The deadline for summer and fall textbook adoptions is March 15.

We will begin sending textbooks back to the publishers on Feb. 12 per Barnes & Noble's request. If we do not have an order for your textbooks and you are using the same books as this spring semester, they will have to be sent back and reordered. It would really help us if you let us know as soon as possible which books you will be using for your classes.

When filling out your forms, please use a separate form for your on-campus, online, correspondence, Minot Air Force Base, and Minot State University-Bottineau classes. Please do not say that you want books that were used in prior semesters or by a different professor. We will no longer have our system with that information. Please fill out your book orders and send them to me by campus mail, e-mail, or in person. Do not send your orders by phone.

Please remember that out-of-print and old editions are difficult to obtain, which may cause delays. Any delinquent orders will be processed as they are received. Any orders not received by the deadline of March 15 will be assumed "no text" classes unless informed otherwise.

If you have any question or concerns, please contact me by phone at 858-3220 or e-mail at (abbie.balenko@minotstateu.edu).

—Abbie Baklenko, textbook manager

I's roll to F's Feb. 21

Faculty: Please mark your calendars since incompletes will roll to failures on Feb. 21. If you need to issue an extension for a student, please contact the Registrar's Office.

—Tania Balas, Registrar

Etiquette dinner to be held

Minot State University Career Services and the Graduate School are sponsoring an etiquette dinner Feb. 22 in the Conference Center, 5:30-8 p.m. The event is designed for participants to polish their dining and interviewing etiquette.

The cost is \$10 for students and \$20 for faculty and staff. RSVP and payment are due by Feb. 16 in Career Services, Student Union second floor. Seating is limited, and business attire is required.

Preschool to be initiated on MSU campus

This summer, a preschool, open to children ages 3-4, will be launched at Minot State University. Contact Margi Coxwell at 858-3125 to register your child.

Chamber of Commerce sponsors legislative forums

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee is once again hosting Saturday Legislative Forums.

These forums give those attending a chance to meet with Minot legislators and ask questions. The format includes a moderator who asks questions submitted in writing by the audience. Each session will be held at the Minot Auditorium, 9-11 a.m.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

- Feb. 10—Room 201
- Feb. 24—Room 108
- March 10, 24—Room 108

To learn where and when a bill will be heard, the Web site (http://www.legis.nd.gov/assembly/60-2007/leginfo/index.html) is available.

Spring and summer graduation application deadline is near

Spring and summer semester applications for graduation are due to the Registrar's Office by Friday.

—Tania Balas, registrar

The Writing Center is available to assist students

For spring 2007, the Writing Center will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., except for Thursday, 10-10:30 a.m. Other times are available by appointment. To make an appointment, call 858-3060 or e-mail (writing@minotstateu.edu).

Please let your students know about this useful resource. Our tutors are eager, friendly, trained and ready to help students with any paper, in any subject. Our service is free to all Minot State University students, staff and faculty.

Students need to be present for the session and bring their paper or their assignment handout. We are not a "drop off and pick it up later" editing service. We try to work with students to make them better writers.

We also offer email tutoring. See our Web site, (http://www.minotstateu.edu/writingcenter/) for more details.

—Patti Kurtz, assistant professor of English

Flu shots are currently available

The Student Health Center still has flu vaccine available for faculty, staff and students with a current ID. We are open from 8 a.m.—noon and 1–4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. You can stop by the Student Health Center in the lower level of Lura Manor during these hours and receive your flu shot. The administration fee is \$15 for students and \$25 for faculty and staff. We look forward to seeing you.

—Caren Barnett, director of the Student Health Center

In the galleries

Jan. 16-Feb. 23 — Americas 2000: Paper Works, national juried show, Hartnett Hall Gallery.

Jan. 16-Feb. 23 — "Adjustment," drawings by Jennifer Nelson of Grand Forks, best of show winner in the 2006 paper works competition, Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery.

Faculty/staff acknowledgements from the Jan. 24 University Cabinet meeting include:

Jared Edwards, Leon Perzinski, and **Jerry Smith** for their assistance in creating a warm, clean, and welcoming environment for over 800 public school teachers and administrators of the Mid-Dakota Educational Council (MDEC), Jan. 15. A special recognition goes to **Brad Damm** for answering the pleas for caffeine by opening Starbucks for the afternoon.

Lori Willoughby, Laurie Geller, Bob Crackel, Lori Garnes, and Doug Pfliger for spending their day off promoting their graduate programs to the attendees of the MDEC.

Terry Eckmann, Margi Coxwell, Deb Jensen, Lisa Borden-King, Elaine Larson, Dave Rochholz, Dennis Simons, and Robert Kibler for spending their day off sharing their wisdom and experience with the attendees of the MDEC.

David Fuller for braving the -22 degree temperature to welcome and briefly inspire the MDEC participants at 7:45 a.m.

Thomas Linares and **Lisle Kaufman** for traveling to Towner also on Jan. 15 to share information on graduate programs with another education cooperative, the North Central group, on our behalf.

Kris Warmoth presented "Today's Student and Technology" to the Velva Women's Club on Jan.11.

Jessica McIntyre is involved in the Junior Achievement Program teaching first graders at Northern Plains Elementary. She is also volunteering in the soup kitchen at the First Presbyterian Church in Minot.

Sue Krebsbach participated in the Right Start briefing given by the Chamber to all newcomers at Minot AFB. She also volunteered at the clothing KIOSK at Dakota Square over Christmas.

Mark Timbrook and Christine Campbell have been included in the PaleoCultural Research Group's (PCRG) annual organization report for their role in the PCRG's archaeological excavation at Beacon Island this past summer.

Mark Timbrook, in coordination with the MSU nursing department and the First District Health Unit (FDHU), is integrating PowerPoint and audio files on food handling procedures for the nursing department library and the FDHU Web site and library.

Wojciech Cebulak produced the following publications:

"Paper Entrepreneurialism"—entry in Encyclopedia of White Collar Crime, was in press by Greenwood Press in 2006. "Crimes of Omission: An Underestimated Challenge" The Law Enforcement Executive Forum by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Institute, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL Vol. 6, Issue 2, 2006

"Prostitution in the United States and Poland: A Cross-Cultural Criminological Study From A Religious Perspective"—book (152 pages) co-authored with Professor Emil Plywaczewski of Bialystok University, Poland, and published by Temida 2, Poland, 2007

Joseph Jastrzembski has completed his book manuscript, The Final Resistance: The Apache Wars in the West. This book is forthcoming from Chelsea House Publishers of New York.

Calendar

Feb. 7-March 21, 2007

- 8 N.D. Tech Expo, Holiday Inn, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- 8 Life Skills Workshop: "This Book is Worthless" (study skills), Moore 16, 11 a.m.-noon.
- NAC lecture: "Cosmology without Cosmetics: Why a Blemish on the Face of the Universe need not be a Bad Thing," by Draza Markovic, physics, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 9 Spring and summer semester applications for graduation due in Registrar's Office.
- 9 Beaver Boosters luncheon, Grand International Inn, noon.
- 9 Women's & Men's Basketball vs. South Dakota Mines, Dome, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m.
- 9 Concert: Minot High School Jazz Festival, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 9 Men's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State U., All Seasons Arena, 7:30 p.m.
- Super Saturday open house for high school students, Conference Center, 1 p.m.
- Women's Club Hockey vs. South Dakota State U., All Seasons Arena, 3 p.m.
- Women's & Men's Basketball vs. Black Hills State U., Dome, 4 & 6 p.m.
- 10 Men's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State U., All Seasons Arena, 8 p.m.
- 10 Indoor Track & Field at St. Cloud State U.
- Women's Club Hockey vs. South Dakota State U., All Seasons Arena, 11 a.m.
- 11 Faculty recital: Grant Linsell, Dianna and Erik Anderson, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- 12 Student Association, Westlie Room, 6 p.m.
- 13 Life Skills Workshop: "Financial Aid 101...Show Me the Money," Administration 359, 2-3 p.m.

- SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- Be in the Know: communication disorders and special education, student activities, school psychology, Aleshire Theater, 2-2:30 p.m.
- 15 Brown Bag Book Talk: Jonathan Wagner, history, on "Fly Fishing through the Midlife Crisis," by Howell Raines, Olson Library lower level, noon.
- SAC: Battle of the Bands, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
- 15 Women's & Men's Basketball at Dickinson State U.
- 15-17 Men's Club Hockey at U. of Oklahoma.
- 16 Indoor Track & Field at North Dakota State U.
- Women's Club Hockey vs. Iowa State U., All Seasons Arena, 7:30 p.m.
- 18 MSU Track & Field Clinic, Dome, noon.
- Women's Club Hockey vs. Iowa State U., All Seasons Arena, 11 a.m.
- 19 Presidents Day, university closed.
- Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
- Curriculum Committee, Westlie Room, 12:30 p.m.
- SAC: Mardi Gras dance, Beaver Dam, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.
- Junior student recital: Lucas Brown, organ/piano, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 20, 23, 26 Men's Basketball DAC playoffs.
- 21 University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.
- Life Skills Workshop: "How Well Do You Play With Others?" (personality traits, part one) Main 106, noon-1 p.m.
- Ash Wednesday service, Multicultural Center, 12:15-12:45 p.m.
- Be in the Know: education and human performance, multicultural and international, social work, Aleshire Theater, 2-2:30 p.m.
- 21 Senior student recital: Shannon Wilson, broadcasting, Black Box Theater, 3 p.m.
- Official opening of the Beaver Dam, Student Union, 5 p.m.
- 21-24 SAC: Winter Carnival
- 21, 24, 27 Women's Basketball DAC playoffs.
- Seminar for student teaching fall 2007, Conference Center, 8 a.m. noon.
- 22 Life Skills Workshop: "Money Management," Westlie Room, noon-1 p.m.
- 22 "The Art of Fine Dining," a dinner for students and alumni to learn etiquette for interviews and business meetings, Conference Center, 5:30 p.m.
- 22-25 Theatre: "The Cripple of Inishmaan," Aleshire Theater, Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- 23 Seminar for student teaching fall 2007, Conference Center, 8 a.m. noon.
- 23-24 Indoor Track & Field DAC Championship, Spearfish, S.D.
- Prospective student tours, Student Union Atrium, 1:30 p.m.

- Women's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State U., MAYSA.
- Women's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State U., MAYSA, 11 a.m.
- Concert: Brass Band of Minot, Nelson Hall, 4 p.m.
- Nursing Student Association, Memorial 304, 12:15 p.m.
- Student Association, Westlie Room, 6 p.m.
- 28 Life Skills Workshop: "How Well Do You Play With Others?" (personality traits, part two), Main 106, noon-1 p.m.
- Be in the Know: business administration, enrollment services, music, Aleshire Theater, 2-2:30 p.m.
- 28 March 1 Final exams in first eight-week classes.

March

- Life Skills Workshop: "Stop the Insanity...How to Manage Your Stress," Main 106, 1-2 p.m.
- SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.
- Women's heritage lecture: "Shakespeare had a Sister: Virginia Woolf and the Re-Imagining of Women's History," Audrey D. Johnson, Washington State U., Conference Center, 7 p.m.
- 1-3 N.D. Class B Girls Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- Prospective student tours, Student Union Atrium, 1:30 p.m.
- Minot Symphony Orchestra: "Winter's Passing," Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 Concert: MSU Percussion Ensemble, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- 5 Student Association, Westlie Room, 6 p.m.
- Women's heritage lecture: "Women in North Dakota History," Bethany Andreasen, history, Aleshire Theater, 2 p.m.
- 5 Concert: MSU Concert Band, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 5-6 & 8 Region 6 Boys Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- 6 Alumni Board meeting, Westlie Room, 4:15 p.m.
- 6 NAC reception for art gallery exhibits, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 6 Concert: MSU Concert Choir, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 6-28 NAC exhibit: works by Cynthia Madansky, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 6-28 NAC exhibit: "Women in the Picture," Olson Library Gallery.

- 7 Brown Bag Book Talk: Deanna Klein, business, on "Plum Valley Women: Minot's First One-hundred Years," by Lynn Severson, Olson Library lower level, noon.
- 7 Life Skills Workshop: "Job or No Job...How to Land the Perfect Summer Job," Main 106, 1-2 p.m.
- 7 Be in the Know: nursing, library, business information technology, Aleshire Theater, 2-2:30 p.m.
- 7 Fulbright Scholar program representative on campus.
- NAC lecture: "Teaching in Thailand," Margaret Sherve, humanities, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 8 SAC: music by "Naturally 7," location and time TBA.
- 8-10 Theatre: "Quarter Life," Black Box Theater, 7:30 p.m.
- 8-10 Indoor Track & Field NAIA Championship, Johnson City, Tenn.
- 9 Last day to drop a 16-week class.
- 9-10 State Special Olympics Basketball Tournament, Dome and Swain Hall.
- 9-11 MSU Alumni Association Arizona gatherings in Tucson, Sun City and Mesa.
- 9-17 Softball at Tucson, Ariz.
- 10-16 Baseball at Pensacola, Fla.
- 10-18 Lutheran Campus Ministry Habitat for Humanity trip to Laredo, Texas.
- 12 Speech Meet: Campus Players' Invitational Meet.
- 12-16 Spring Break.
- Regional Science Olympiad, Moore Science Center, Swain Hall, Dome and Old Main, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- 13 International Artists Series: "Little Eagles of Siberia," Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 15 State Board of Higher Education, Bismarck.
- 17 Speech Meet: WDA Class A meet, on campus.
- 19 Second eight-week classes begin.
- 19 Student Association, Westlie Room, 6 p.m.
- Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
- SAC: free pizza, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 20 Curriculum Committee, Westlie Room, 12:30 p.m.
- Women's heritage lecture: "Carrying Half: Rural Women in N.D.," Barbara Handy-Marchello, professor emeritus, U. of North Dakota, Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m.
- SAC: Comedian Kelly Taylor, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
- 21 University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.
- 21 Life Skills Workshop: "Resume Magic," Conference Center, 11 a.m.-noon.
- Be in the Know: math and computer science, financial aid, Rural Crime and Justice Center, Aleshire Theater, 2-2:30 p.m.