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## The Dean's Perspective

Spring has sprung (sort of) but I'm confident it will be here before we know it. With spring comes graduation and our reception in Bismarck for the MSU@BSC graduates. This year we are holding the event on the BSC campus in their beautiful National Energy Center for Excellence building. Melissa Spelchen has agreed to repeat her outstanding past performance as MC so the event should be a good time! See Bobbi Jo's article for more details.

We have two new additions to our CEL team: Kari Schmidt as our Credit Coordinator and Stephen Williamson as our assistant advisor on the MAFB. I feel fortunate to have enticed them to join our team and you can read more about them in the Credit Coordinator and the MSU@MAFB sections of this newsletter.

In addition to new staff, there are three others who should be recognized for their continued service to MSU. On May 11 during the Employee Recognition event Sherie Saltveit will be recognized for 20 years of service, Trisha Nelson for 15 years and Stacey Folstad-Magandy for 5 years. It's people like these three that make MSU a great place to work.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter. If you have questions, comments or suggestions feel free to contact me at [kris.warmoth@minotstateu.edu](mailto:kris.warmoth@minotstateu.edu).

—*Dr. Kristin Warmoth, Dean of Center for Extended Learning*

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*Spring is nature's  
way of saying,  
"Let's party!"*

— Robin Williams —

## Collaborative Developmental Courses Offered by DCB

ASC 87 College Writing Prep, ASC 88 Composition Lab, and ASC 94 Beginning Algebra are offered by Dakota College at Bottineau (DCB) on MSU's campus. Students who need to enroll in these courses, must complete the collaborative request form. Students enrolling in these courses should be aware of the following:

- These credits will count towards the student's full time status for the semester.
- ASC 88 has a co-requisite of ENGL 110 College Composition I. Students will need to attach their collaborative request for ASC 88 to an override slip in order to register for ENGL 110. The override slip can be processed by the Registrar's Office.
- The tuition and fees for these courses are not included in the tuition cap at MSU. They are charged at the DCB tuition rate, which is based on residency.
- A collaborative hold will be placed on the student's account at DCB to prevent them from adding or dropping courses at DCB without permission from MSU. This hold does NOT affect the student's registration at MSU.

Here are the sections available in the Fall 2016 semester:

Course	Title	Credits	ClassNbr	Meeting Time	Building/Room	Instructor
ASC 87	College Writing Prep	3	16513	10:00 – 10:50 MWF	Crane Learning Center	Bail, M.
ASC 87	College Writing Prep	3	16559	1:00-2:15 TuTh	HHall 312	Bail, M.
ASC 88	Composition Lab	1	16538	12:00-12:50 M	HHall 316	Bail, M.
ASC 88	Composition Lab	1	16539	12:00-12:50 W	HHall 316	Bail, M.
ASC 88	Composition Lab	1	16540	12:00-12:50 F	HHall 316	Bail, M.
ASC 88	Composition Lab	1	16541	3:00-3:50 Tu	Mem 228	Bail, M.
ASC 88	Composition Lab	1	16475	2:00 – 2:50 W	Main 314	Bail, M.
ASC 94	Beginning Algebra	3	16566	11:00-12:15 TuTh	Mem 228	Staff
ASC 94	Beginning Algebra	3	16567	10:00 – 10:50 MWF	Mem 228	Staff
ASC 94	Beginning Algebra	3	16568	9:30 – 10:45 TuTh	Mem 228	Staff

ASC 93 Intermediate Algebra is offered by MSU and students can register themselves through Campus Connection.

—Jolina Miller, Online Program Coordinator

## Minot State University at MAFB

We've had a busy and exciting year 2015. The CEL program on the Minot Air Force base continues to participate in events as part of promoting awareness of our classes and degrees throughout the base and Minot community. We are always looking for opportunities to spread the word. Here are a few new events we attended:

- Education Fair
- Base Schools Open House: December 1 – Hosted by Central Michigan University
- February 4 - Hosted by Park University
- Minot State will be hosting the summer 2016 Open House!

We are very excited to announce that this fall semester we will begin offering classes toward completing the BA in Management. Our long term goal is to offer this degree in its entirety on the MAFB. We are excited about our growing enrollment and all that is to come in the future.

Welcome to Stephen Williamson, our new Assistant Advisor on the MAFB. Stephen served in the Air Force for 4 years. While enlisted, Stephen started taking classes at the MAFB. He will be an MSU graduate in May when he will be awarded his BA in History.

— Brigitte E. Mikula, Program Coordinator  
at the Minot Air Force Base

## Professional & Community Education



Summer planning is once again upon us! Teachers and students can look forward to lots of exciting classes. College for Kids will have some of the old favorites back like *Exploring Robotics*, *Minecraft* and *Mixed Media Madness* and we will be introducing new classes such as *Suds 'N Fun* and *Creative Pallets*. Teachers can look forward to a variety of graduate professional development workshops all over the state that will take them on exciting journeys in and out of the classroom. Learn more by visiting <http://www.minotstateu.edu/cel/pages/2015-professional-development-for-educators.shtml>!

— Amy Woodbeck, *Professional & Community Education Coordinator*

## CEL Credit Coordinator

After nearly 30 years working in the disability field (14 years at MSU NDCPD), I was ready for a new experience. In December 2016 I began my position as CEL Credit Coordinator. It has been enjoyable and challenging learning the academic side of MSU, working with area high schools, and understanding the function of the Academic Testing Center for the campus and the community.

Enrollment of early entry (dual credit) students was 151 for Spring 2016. Nedrose school has joined Minot High, Bishop Ryan, Des Lacs-Burlington, Glenburn, and Surrey in offering dual credit classes to their students. Schools interested in offering this option to students, or to learn more about the early entry process, can call me at 701-858-3990 or visit our website at <http://www.minotstateu.edu/cel/dual.shtml>. The Early Entry Policy Manual is being revised to include the Starfish enrollment reporting process, new assessment information, and other updates. The manual should be ready for early entry instructors and counselors by the end of April 2016.

The Academic Testing Center continues to administer exams for more than 15 testing companies with an interesting variety of test subjects. In addition to students testing for course placement or credits, community members test to get jobs in fields such as border patrol, TSA, and FBI. Many also test to maintain certifications in fields such as computer programming, teaching, insurance sales, fitness training, nursing, mechanics, and crane operation. The testing center is managed by Thomas Rakness. Appointments can be made by calling 858-3830 or 858-3990.

Older adults continue to enjoy college courses at no cost thanks to the MSU 65+ waiver program. For more information visit: <http://www.minotstateu.edu/cel/65-plus-waiver.shtml>.

— Kari Schmidt, *Credit Coordinator*

## “Meet Your Advisor” Cards Coming Soon

The Academic Advising Council is working with the Office of Publications and Design Services to create *Meet Your Advisor* cards for all advisors. The intent with these cards is to bridge the connection between the advisee and advisor as early as possible in the student’s academic experience at Minot State. The relationships students build with academic advisors is a critical component to student success. The desired result is that the student will feel a connection with the advisor and a sense of guidance, while realizing personal responsibility for exploring options and making decisions.

—Trisha Nelson, *Online Degree Advisor*

## Office of Instructional Technology

With the introduction of Starfish, Minot State University is moving toward the integration of Blackboard, Starfish and CampusConnection. As those of you who teach online know, Blackboard and CampusConnection do not presently “talk” to each other. The result is that if you are teaching an online course often your Blackboard class roster does not match the list of students in CampusConnection. In summer 2016, MSU’s Information Technology Central (ITC) and the Center for Extended Learning (CEL) will launch the integration of Blackboard and CampusConnection. This project has been years in the making through coordinated efforts with ITC, CEL, the NDUS, Blackboard and UND. Beginning this summer, online course shells will be automatically created and populated using CampusConnection data. The biggest change with the integration is that the system will create a blank course shell for all courses listed in CampusConnection and instructors are responsible for making the course available to students and for populating their course content. This means that every course regardless of location or mode of delivery will have a Blackboard shell created. Until faculty make their course shells available, students will not have access nor will they see courses on their Blackboard homepage.

Online Asynchronous and Online Synchronous courses shells must be made available to students by the first day of classes as listed on the official MSU academic calendar and in CampusConnection. The process for making your online course shell available and for populating your course content is relatively simple; however, all online instructors must complete the training by May 1. You can register for the face-2-face or online training by emailing Sherie or Tim. Seating is limited.

— Sherie Saltveit, *Online Instructional Designer*

## Minot State University on Bismarck State College Campus

Hello from MSU @ Bismarck State College! We are currently hosting 16 face-to-face courses for this spring semester and 14 courses are scheduled for the 2016 fall semester on the BSC campus.

Mike Wardzinski, Criminal Justice Advisor/Instructor is currently advising 14 students for the spring semester. In addition to the traditional courses instructed in the class room he has added an IVN course on Interviewing and Interrogation that was offered to Minot State students at both the Main campus and the BSC campus during the spring 2016 semester. In the fall of 2016 he will be instructing a Criminal Justice Special Topics class as an IVN course and the Introduction to Criminal Investigations course online.

During the past fall and spring semesters the Field Experience Program for the Criminal Justice Department at both the MSU and BSC campus have been under his supervision.

The Criminal Justice Program graduated two students at the end of the fall 2015 semester and four students are scheduled to graduate at the end of the 2016 spring and summer semesters.

The Social Work program is advised by Susan Herzog. The social work students in Bismarck are involved in completing their field placements with the Bismarck Public School system, West Central Human Service Center, Youthworks, Dakota Alpha, St. Gabriel's, Burleigh County Social Services and Dacotah Foundation. The eight students involved in field are applying the knowledge, skills and value of the program, while learning under the guidance of a licensed social worker.

The Student Social Work Organization (SSWO), under the direction of Shelly Paul (adjunct instructor), traveled to the ND State Hospital for a tour and while there, interacted with residents through a group activity.

Our senior students are involved in community service projects, as follows: increasing awareness of the need to protect children via prevention of child abuse and neglect through work with PCAND and sponsoring the "Wear Blue Day," that was held on April 8; another project with CAWS/ND included a race/run, held on April 9, which focused on protection of women from violence; the final project is a rummage sale that will be held on April 29 at the Saxvik Elementary School-this project is to support families living at or below the poverty level and will benefit Saxvik and Jeanette Myhre Elementary families. Families will pay a \$1.00 to fill their bags with household items. The students involved have obtained donations and funding for door prizes and will be working at the rummage sale.

Students from our group course have been involved in the facilitation of group activities at the Dacotah Recovery Center throughout the semester. And in conclusion we have students who are volunteering in the community at various helping agencies to help prepare them for the rigors of their chosen profession, Social Work!

Jeanne MacDonald serves as the Advisor for the Management and Marketing programs on the Bismarck State College (BSC) campus. There are currently 33 online students living in the Bismarck area. Eight of these students will graduate at the end of this spring 2016 semester and another seven have applied to graduate at the end of the fall 2016 term.

Dr. Paul Markel is the Psychology and Addiction Studies Advisor. Four students will be graduating this spring, two earning the Psychology degree and two graduating with the Addiction Studies degree. The Psychology and Addiction Studies Club has been meeting regularly throughout the spring semester.

Dr. Kristen Warmoth, MSU Dean, Center for Extended Learning hosted a working luncheon for the MSU @ BSC staff, advisors and adjunct faculty. The meeting was held at Bismarck State College Student Union on Tuesday, April 5. The MSU @ BSC Graduation reception will be held on the BSC campus on Thursday, May 19 at 5:00 pm. There will be 31 students graduating in the degree programs consisting of Addiction Studies, Criminal Justice, Management, Marketing, Psychology and Social Work. The event will be held in the National Energy Center of Excellence building, Bavendick State Room #415.

— Bobbi Jo Zueger, Student Services Coordinator at Bismarck

## MSU @ BSC New Student Meet 'n Greet

The MSU @ BSC Student Meet 'n Greet will be held on Tuesday, July 26 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. New MSU @ BSC students will be able to meet with advisors and will be provided packets of MSU information. The event will be held on the BSC campus in the Horizon building, first floor, room 128.

### Save the Date: May 19, 2016

A graduation reception will be held for MSU @ BSC students. The event will be at the National Energy Center of Excellence on the Bismarck State College Campus. The event will be held from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

