

SNAPSHOT *of* NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

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FALL 2016

HISTORY AND GOVERNANCE

Northern State University was established in 1901 by the South Dakota Legislature in response to the need for an institution of higher education to serve northern South Dakota. NSU is a student-centered institution, offering degrees at the associate, bachelor's, and master's level that demonstrate a commitment to academic excellence and provide global learning opportunities. The university is led by a governor-appointed Board of Regents; nine members hold six-year terms, while one student regent is appointed for a limited term.

LOCATION AND CAMPUS

Northern State University is located in Aberdeen, South Dakota, a community of over 28,000 in the northeastern corner of the state. The campus sits on 72 acres and has six residential buildings, 11 academic buildings, two auditoriums, two fitness centers, 12 tennis courts and two athletic fields. NSU recently completed a multi-million dollar renovation of the Johnson Fine Arts Center, and more major construction projects are currently underway or set to begin soon. One new residence hall is opening in fall 2017, with two more planned to open in 2018. The NSU Regional Science Education Center will open in 2019. An upcoming campus master plan will include more changes and additions for Northern. The Aberdeen community boasts a rural atmosphere while offering a variety of cultural activities and easy access to more metropolitan areas via a regional airport and two U.S. highways.

ACCREDITATIONS

Higher Learning Commission
National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
National Association for Schools of Art and Design
National Association of Schools of Music
Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs
Network of International Business Schools

COLLEGES/SCHOOLS

College of Arts and Sciences
Millicent Atkins School of Education
School of Business
School of Fine Arts
University College

DEGREES OFFERED

8 master's degrees

- 1 in the School of Business
- 6 in the School of Education
- 1 in the School of Fine Arts

42 bachelor's degrees
6 associate degrees
11 certificates

ENROLLMENT

Undergraduate: 3,075 (1,536 full-time)
Graduate: 512 (41 full-time)
First-time freshmen profile:

- 323 students
- 55% female, 45% male
- 66% SD residents
- 5% international, 18% ethnic minorities

FACULTY

94 full-time faculty

- 41% female, 59% male
- 82% possess terminal degrees
- 85% tenured/tenure-track
- 2% international, 7% ethnic minorities

35 part-time faculty
18:1 undergraduate student-to-faculty ratio

ADMINISTRATION

Timothy Downs, President
Alan LaFave, Provost / VP for Academic Affairs
Veronica Paulson, VP for Finance & Administration
Jeremy Reed, VP of Enrollment Management & Student Affairs
Debbi Bumpous, VP for Technology & Chief Information Officer
Josh Moon, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
Justin Fraase, Director of Communications & Marketing
John Meyer, Legal Counsel

IMPORTANT DATES

Fall Semester: 8/22/2016 – 12/14/2016
Winter Commencement: 12/10/2016
Spring Semester: 1/9/2017 – 5/5/2017
Spring Commencement: 5/6/2017
Summer Term: 5/8/2017 – 8/18/2017

TUITION AND FEE ESTIMATES

SD Resident Undergraduate: \$8,280
MN Resident Undergraduate: \$9,236
Other Resident Undergraduate: \$11,210
SD Resident Graduate: \$8,424
Other Resident Graduate: \$14,971