



NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY
Joint Appropriations Committee
Budget Presentation
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Northern State University is a premier residential, liberal arts institution characterized by outstanding instruction, extraordinary community relations, and unparalleled co-curricular opportunities.

	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008
Head Count	2,319	2,555	2,805
Full Time Equivalent	1,850	1,802	2,020
Summer School	770	814	940
Transfers	211	197	289
International Students	123	115	239
Retention	56%	61%	68%
Average ACT Score	21.0	21.8	21.6
WolfPACT Annual Scholarships	332	367	451
Total WolfPACT Dollars	\$403,564	\$421,688	\$635,574



INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE

- **Statewide E-learning** enrollment record high 909 students in 86 school districts.
- **U.S. News & World Report** placed Northern State University number two for public baccalaureate colleges in the Midwest.
- **NSU Basketball** – Don Meyer achieved 903 wins on January 10, 2009 and assumed the NCAA record for most wins in Men’s Basketball.
- **NSU Graduate Programs** in education and educational administration being offered in Gettysburg and Miller.
- **Back-to-School workshops** in Aberdeen & Huron – 1,300 teachers participated.
- **NSU Reading Clinic** has tutored 284 children since 2002.
- **NSU’s Dominant 7** was featured on South Dakota’s Public television show “No Cover, No Minimum.”
- **Northern Fort Summer Playhouse** – in its 4th season at Fort Sisseton, hundreds of tourists visit the Fort and enjoy the cultural contribution to the area.
- **NSU’s Theater production** of “Fiddler on the Roof” played for three nights at near capacity crowds.
- **NSU Art Department** has added a glass blowing studio, one of only a few such programs in the country.
- **Ben Victor, NSU alumnus, Artist in Residence** continues to receive national acclaim with commissions from Idaho, Iowa and South Dakota.
- The **Banking & Financial Services major** has had steady growth in both degree seeking and non-degree seeking students including students on campus, at University Center in Sioux Falls and via the DDN network to Pierre, Winner, Mitchell, Huron and Rapid City. In just two years the number of declared majors has grown to 81 students.





▶ BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Kramer Hall renovation to suite style housing in process.
- Science Lab Upgrade in process, to be completed for fall 2009.

▶ FUNDRAISING AND GROWTH OF THE NORTHERN STATE FOUNDATION

- **Northern State University Foundation** receipts are largest in history
\$25 Million Capital Campaign in progress
Foundation Endowment in 2008 = \$18,191,928
- **Scholarship awards** highest in history at \$2.2 Million, 1,378 students with the average scholarship of \$1,600

▶ BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS/INSTITUTIONAL PRIORITIES

- Northern State University supports the Board of Regents Budget Request and the recommendations of the Governor. Of critical concern are:
Maintenance and Repair Match, Salary Competitiveness and Utilities
- **Budget cuts**
FY09 \$142,044 Capital Asset purchases
FY10 \$36,047 K-12 Linkages
- **Mobile Computing** – NSU will engage faculty and students to phase in a wireless and enhanced mobile computing environment.
- **Economic Development** – NSU will prioritize opportunities for the campus to become involved in research, workforce and economic development for the community, region and state.
- **Dr. James M. Smith**, currently Vice President for Economic Development at Bowling Green State University, will assume the Presidency of NSU on July 1.
- **International Studies** – NSU will develop infrastructure to more fully meet the needs of our International students and engage South Dakota students in an International experience.
- **Assessment** – To more fully meet requirements of accreditation and to enhance continuous improvement, assessment will be a priority in the next two to three years.
- **Extended Studies** – Access to higher education will be enhanced for South Dakota residents by expanding on-line courses, offering the Associate and Bachelor of Science degrees in banking fully on-line, and expanding delivery of programs in Sioux Falls, Pierre and Rapid City.



Fiddler on the Roof 2008



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