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Amazing facts

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities educate:

- **52 percent** of the state's new **teaching** graduates.
- **82 percent** of the state's new **nursing** graduates.
- **86 percent** of the state's new **law enforcement** graduates.
- **87 percent** of new graduates in the **construction trades**.
- **92 percent** of new **mechanics** graduates.
- **42 percent** of the state's new **business** graduates.
- **9,000 firefighters** and **emergency first responders** each year.

More than 80 percent of graduates stay in Minnesota to work or continue their education.

In addition, the state colleges and universities:

- Serve nearly 390,000 students each year in credit and noncredit courses.
- Produce 33,500 graduates each year.
- Serve more students of color than any other higher education provider in Minnesota – more than 36,300 in 2008.
- Provide career education to 6,000 employers and 153,200 employees each year.
- Offer more than 270 programs and 8,500 course sections completely or predominantly online.
- Educate 64 percent of the state's undergraduates.
- Return \$10.87 to the state's economy for every \$1 of net state appropriation.

More than 88 percent of graduates get jobs related to their field of study.

ABOUT THE SYSTEM

- The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is the **fifth-largest system** of two- and four-year colleges and universities in the country, based on student enrollment.
- All of the system's two-year community and technical colleges have an **open admissions** policy, which means that anyone with a high school diploma or GED may enroll. Tuition at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is lower than tuition at private colleges, private trade schools and the University of Minnesota.
- Nearly 66,000 students took **online courses** during the 2007-2008 academic year. A complete list of online courses, programs and services can be found at www.minnesotaonline.org.
- An **appropriation** by the state of Minnesota helps keep the tuition as low as possible. For every \$1 paid in tuition, the state pays \$1.02 to support a student's education.

SYSTEM OVERVIEW

Enrollment facts

- Fall semester 2008 credit headcount 190,285
- Annual headcount, 2007-2008. 389,772
 - Credit 249,989
 - Noncredit only. 139,783
- Full-year-equivalent enrollment, 2006-2007. 139,885

Enrollment status (fall 2008)

- Part-time (fewer than 12 credits per semester). 45.1%
- Full-time (12 or more credits per semester) 54.9%

Residency

- Minnesota 87%
- Out of state 13%

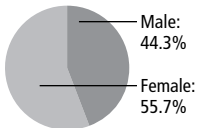
2008-2009 tuition and fees for a full-time student (30 credits per year)

- Community and technical college average. \$4,565
- State university average \$6,083
- System average \$4,853

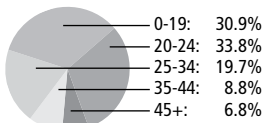
Student Profile

(2007-2008 annual credit headcount based on known factors)

Gender



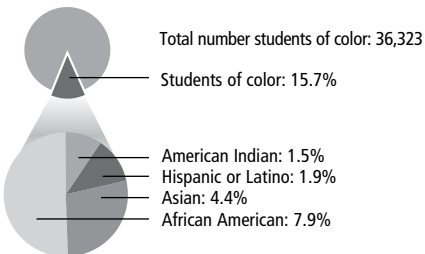
Age



Average age: 25.4

Race and ethnic background

(2007-2008 headcount based on the 92.7% of students who reported this information)



Students with disabilities (2007-2008) . . . 6,240 (2.5%)

International students (2008)	3,530 (1.4%)
• Asia/Pacific Islands	2,261
• Sub-Sahara Africa	674
• Europe/Central Asia	302
• Middle East and North Africa	110
• Americas (non-U.S.)	157
• Unknown	26

Post-Secondary Enrollment Options students

(High school students taking college courses, 2008) . . . 21,815

Level of studies (2008)

• Undergraduate students	96.4%
• Graduate students	3.6%

Student success

• Number of graduates, 2008	33,322
• Percent of graduates who stay in Minnesota to work or continue their education	80.1%
• Percent of graduates employed in a field related to their studies one year after graduation	87.8%

Programs

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities offer more than 3,848 educational programs at 32 colleges and universities. These range from short-term programs that can be completed in two years or less to baccalaureate and advanced degrees.

System Profile

Number of institutions: 32

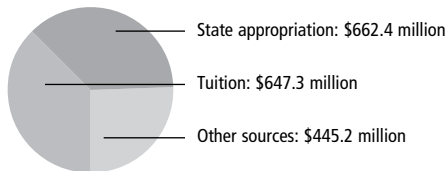
- 7 state universities
- 5 community colleges
- 7 technical colleges
- 13 combined technical and community colleges

Number of campuses: 54

**Number of communities in which
campuses are located:** 47

**Total annual operating budget
2007-2008:** \$1.8 billion

Sources of revenue



Number of full- and part-time faculty and staff:	about 19,734
Number of buildings:	855
Acres of roofs:	325
Number of square feet managed by the system:	26.7 million
Percent of state's real estate owned by the system:	about 31%

History

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system was created through the merger of three existing higher education systems – the state university system, the community college system and the technical college system. The Minnesota Legislature approved the merger in 1991 and it became effective July 1, 1995. Before the merger, there were 45 colleges and universities; today, consolidations and mergers have reduced the number of institutions to 32.

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES CAMPUS LOCATIONS



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Information about customized
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or employees: 1-800-366-7380



COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

State Universities

BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY, Bemidji

Toll-free: 1-800-475-2001 www.bemidjistate.edu

METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY, St. Paul, Minneapolis
(651) 793-1300 www.metrostate.edu

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO, Mankato

Toll-free: 1-800-722-0544 www.mnsu.edu

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MOORHEAD, Moorhead

Toll-free: 1-800-593-7246 www.mnstate.edu

ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY, St. Cloud

Toll-free: 1-877-654-7278 www.stcloudstate.edu

SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, Marshall

Toll-free: 1-800-642-0684 www.smsu.edu

WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY, Winona

Toll-free: 1-800-342-5978 www.winona.edu

State Colleges

ALEXANDRIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Alexandria
Toll-free: 1-888-234-1222 www.alextech.edu

ANOKA-RAMSEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
Cambridge, Coon Rapids
(763) 433-1100 www.anokaramsey.edu

ANOKA TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Anoka
(763) 576-4700 www.anokatech.edu

CENTRAL LAKES COLLEGE, Brainerd, Staples
Toll-free: 1-800-933-0346 www.clcmn.edu

CENTURY COLLEGE, White Bear Lake
Toll-free: 1-800-228-1978 www.century.edu

DAKOTA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Rosemount
Toll-free: 1-877-937-3282, x020 www.dctc.edu

FOND DU LAC TRIBAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Cloquet
Toll-free: 1-800-657-3712 www.fdltdcc.edu

HENNEPIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Brooklyn Park, Eden Prairie
Toll-free: 1-800-345-4655 www.hennepintech.edu

INVER HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Inver Grove Heights
(651) 450-8500 www.inverhills.edu

LAKE SUPERIOR COLLEGE, Duluth
Toll-free: 1-800-432-2884 www.lsc.edu

MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE,
Minneapolis
Toll-free: 1-800-247-0911 www.minneapolis.edu

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE - SOUTHEAST TECHNICAL,
Red Wing, Winona
Toll-free: 1-877-853-8324 www.southeastmn.edu

MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE,
Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Moorhead, Wadena
Toll-free: 1-888-696-7282 www.minnesota.edu

MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE,
Canby, Granite Falls, Jackson, Pipestone, Worthington
Toll-free: 1-800-658-2330 www.mnwest.edu

NORMANDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Bloomington
Toll-free: 1-866-880-8740 www.normandale.edu

NORTH HENNEPIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Brooklyn Park
Toll-free: 1-800-818-0395 www.nhcc.edu

NORTHEAST HIGHER EDUCATION DISTRICT

HIBBING COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Hibbing
Toll-free: 1-800-224-4422 www.hibbing.edu

ITASCA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Grand Rapids
Toll-free: 1-800-996-6422 www.itascacc.edu

MESABI RANGE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE,
Eveleth, Virginia
Toll-free: 1-800-657-3860 www.mesabirange.edu

RAINY RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
International Falls
Toll-free: 1-800-456-3996 www.rrcc.mnscu.edu

VERMILION COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Ely
Toll-free: 1-800-657-3608 www.vcc.edu

NORTHLAND COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE,
East Grand Forks, Thief River Falls
Toll-free: 1-800-959-6282 www.northlandcollege.edu

NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEGE*, Bemidji
Toll-free: 1-800-942-8324 www.ntcmn.edu

* Northwest Technical College is aligned with Bemidji State University.

PINE TECHNICAL COLLEGE, Pine City
Toll-free: 1-800-521-7463 www.pinetech.edu

RIDGEWATER COLLEGE, Hutchinson, Willmar
Toll-free: 1-800-722-1151 www.ridgewater.edu

RIVERLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Albert Lea,
Austin, Owatonna
Toll-free: 1-800-247-5039 www.riverland.edu

ROCHESTER COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE,
Rochester
Toll-free: 1-800-247-1296 www.rctc.edu

ST. CLOUD TECHNICAL COLLEGE, St. Cloud
Toll-free: 1-800-222-1009 www.sctc.edu

SAINT PAUL COLLEGE, St. Paul
Toll-free: 1-800-227-6029 www.saintpaul.edu

SOUTH CENTRAL COLLEGE, Faribault, Mankato
Toll-free: 1-800-722-9359 www.southcentral.edu

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees. Trustees are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Minnesota Senate. Twelve trustees serve six-year terms, eight representing each of Minnesota's congressional districts and four serving at large. Three student trustees – one from a state university, one from a community college and one from a technical college – serve two-year terms.

2008-2009 Board of Trustees

David Olson, chair,
Minnetonka

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Apple Valley

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VISION

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities will enable the people of Minnesota to succeed by providing the most accessible, highest value education in the nation.

MISSION

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system of distinct and collaborative institutions offers higher education that meets the personal and career goals of a wide range of individual learners, enhances the quality of life for all Minnesotans and sustains vibrant economies throughout the state.

STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY

Designing the Future: Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Strategic Plan 2008-2012 is the system's strategic plan, adopted by the Board of Trustees in 2006 and revised in 2008. The plan contains four strategic directions:

- Increase access and opportunity.
- Promote and measure high-quality learning programs and services.
- Provide programs and services that enhance the economic competitiveness of the state and its regions.
- Innovate to meet current and future educational needs.

STATE HIGHER EDUCATION OBJECTIVES

(Minnesota Statutes 135A.011)

Minnesota's higher education investment is made in pursuit of the following objectives:

- to ensure quality by providing a level of excellence that is competitive on a national and international level, through high quality teaching, scholarship, and learning in a broad range of arts and sciences, technical education and professional fields;
- to foster student success by enabling and encouraging students to choose institutions and programs that are best suited for their talents and abilities, and to provide an educational climate that supports students in pursuing their goals and aspirations;
- to promote democratic values and enhance Minnesota's quality of life by developing understanding and appreciation of a free and diverse society;
- to maintain access by providing an opportunity for all Minnesotans, regardless of personal circumstances, to participate in higher education; and
- to enhance the economy by assisting the state in being competitive in the world market, and to prepare a highly skilled and adaptable workforce that meets Minnesota's opportunities and needs.

SYSTEM PUBLICATIONS

- *Minnesota State Colleges & Universities* magazine features faculty, students and alumni and is published twice a year. For a free subscription, call (651) 297-2720 or e-mail letters@so.mnscu.edu.
- *Go Places* is an overview of the system designed for high school juniors and seniors.
- *Designing the Future* is the system's 2008-2012 strategic plan.
- *Make College Part of Your Future* is a guide to choosing a college, published in Dakota, English, French, Hmong, Ojibwe, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Vietnamese.
- *Where Bioscience Education Goes to Work* describes the system's role in supporting the bioscience industry.
- *Careers in Health Care* describes health care programs offered by the state colleges and universities.
- *Open for Business* is a guide to training, education and business services offered by the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

Publications and news releases may be downloaded from the system's Web site, www.mnscu.edu, or may be obtained by calling (651) 296-8012 or the toll-free number, 1-888-667-2848.

FOUNDATION

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Foundation raises funds for student scholarships and other program support, often in collaboration with foundations of the individual colleges and universities within the system.

WEB RESOURCES

The system's Web site, www.mnscu.edu, contains a wealth of resources for:

- Prospective students and parents.
- Employers and employees seeking training resources.
- Reporters, editors and producers seeking news and information about the system.
- Faculty and staff seeking educational resources and information.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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