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MSUM STUDENTS HOST CELEBRATION OF NATIONS FRIDAY

Entertainment, food, culture, and fashions from around the world will be showcased in Celebration of Nations from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday, March 27 in the Comstock Memorial Student Union Ballroom.

Admission is \$1 for adults. Children 12 and under are free. All food tickets are 50 cents. Eight dollars should provide a good meal. Students and community members representing a variety of countries will exhibit items from their homeland, cook their unique foods and share their culture.

Tickets will be available at the door or at the International Programs office in Flora Frick Hall 153 this week.

The event is sponsored by MSUM's Office of International Programs. For questions, contact the International Programs office at 477-2956.



DEANS' LECTURE THURSDAY EXPLORES A LITERARY FEAST OF COLOR

An MSUM Deans' Lecture Series event on "In Living Color: How Reading American Literatures Together Enriches the Literary Feast" by Hazel Retzlaff from the English department starts at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 26 in the Center for Business 109.



Retzlaff

T.S. Eliot wrote that whenever a truly new literary work appears, it alters those that came before it. This means that Eliot's "The Waste Land," that icon of English Literature, changes when placed beside the black American poet Robert Hayden's "Middle Passage," just as Walt Whitman's "I Sing America" changes when compared to Langston Hughes "I, Too, Sing America." Retzlaff's talk uses the established practice of comparative literature to show the richness of American Literatures that emerges when we read works by writers of different ethnic groups, genders, and sexual orientations side by side.

Aimed at improving business productivity....

MSUM PROF DEVELOPS SIMULATION MODEL TO DEAL WITH EMAIL OVERLOAD, INTERRUPTIONS

Whether your email alert is a simple "ping" or "doink," or a customized wave sound like "Hey, buddy, you've got mail," for some people the urge to respond is as addictive as heroin.

It's equivalent to yelling "incoming" in trench warfare, but instead of ducking, you reach for your mouse.



Gupta

Like a phone call, you gotta answer it. It could be important. A family emergency, an urgent request from your boss, you've won the lottery?

More likely, it's not.

Unfortunately, that addictive behavior can cost businesses millions of dollars in wasted, lost and diverted employee productivity, according to Ashish Gupta, an operations management professor in MSUM's School of Business.

A specialist in email management, information overload and social networking, Gupta says it's no secret that employees are spending an increasing amount of time handling email, time that may detract from their actual jobs. And the main culprits are information overload and interruptions.

Business researchers, he said, have been concerned about this problem for years.

Gupta has a common sense solution: managers could improve email efficiency simply by scheduling specific email processing times across an organization.

This approach, he said, avoids the inherent distraction of continual email interruptions throughout the workday, allowing employees to focus on what they're paid to do. It also removes pressure on employees, who often feel obliged to check and respond to emails.

The results suggest that a business might want to process emails one to four times a day as the best strategy. It depends.

Gupta and his colleague Ramesh Sharda, a professor of Management Science and Information Systems at Oklahoma State University, have carried out an array of tests on email flow within organizations with the help of a computer model they developed called SIMONE, an acronym for Simulator for Interruptions and Message Overload in Network Environments. (A simulator is a software program that mimics the reality, but in an artificial computer environment.) Their research was published in the recent issue of the International Journal of Simulation and Process Modelling.

That article prompted a spate of media request last week, ranging from CNN Radio to a French Web site on innovation called L'Atelier, along with several prominent national newspapers and media outlets in India.

The practical results of their study, especially for large companies, can be dramatic, Gupta said. Using the SIMONE simulator, they found that a business with 100 employees that doesn't control email flow could lose up to 5 percent of its productivity per year. They found that a worker can lose about 28 minutes a day on email interruptions.

At an average hourly wage of \$50 per hour, he said, that translates into a loss of \$600,000 a year. The bigger the business, the bigger the loss.

But that same company, if it adopts a controlled email strategy, could gradually drop that nonproductive email time to under 1%.

SIMONE does take urgent emails into consideration. The two professors are now trying to develop models that use semantic technologies (specific words) to identify urgent messages.

Gupta said SIMONE is currently set up to analyze custom scenarios for specific businesses and organizations, and can suggest an optimal or near optimal email processing strategy.

"In the future," he said, "we would like to make SIMONE behave like an intelligent agent that can guide a worker in processing or scheduling emails on the fly."

For Gupta and his colleague, this is just the first step in attempting to reduce the interruptions and information overloads created by email, which, ironically, was initially created to improve productivity and efficiency in communications.

They are also conducting several studies to understand the use of instant messaging, text messaging and other web 2.0 technologies at workplace.

MSUM LAUNCHES ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN ON FACEBOOK

The Admissions Office recently launched an advertising campaign on Facebook purchasing banner "impression" ads that began running on March 7 and will continue to run until March 31 advertising the upcoming April 3 Preview Day. Recent data shows that there are a total of about 240,000 high school students from 10th -12th grades in Minnesota and the Dakotas. According to Facebook, about 153,000 of these students have accounts on Facebook.

With a modest budget of \$2 per day, Jeremy Johnson from the MSUM Admissions office estimates the ad will be featured about 294,000 times throughout the 25 days, or 11,800 times per day. "Advertising on Facebook is

extremely cost efficient and since the majority of our target market is using Facebook, it is also very effective,” he said.

STUDENTS PRESENT AT INTERNATIONAL LUNAR CONFERENCE

Tabb Prissel and Anthony Larson, both MSUM students conducting research in the Anthropology/Earth Science Department, will present results of their research at the 40th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference, the premier international conference in planetary science, March 23-27 in The Woodlands, Texas.

The five-day conference brings together international specialists in petrology, geochemistry, geophysics, geology, and astronomy to present the latest results of research in planetary science. The students will participate in a student/science reception March 23 and deliver their poster presentations the evening of March 24.

Larson is an Earth Science Education major from West Fargo who has been doing research with MSUM Anthropology/Earth Science professor Russ Colson in the experimental petrology lab for the last four years. During that time he has completed experiments that bring new understanding to how carbon monoxide gas affects the behavior of molten rock, helping understand and reinterpret puzzling experimental results reported previously. His work bears on our understanding of ancient volcanism on the Moon.



Larson

“A lot of what we learn from research is beyond what we learn for our major,” Larson said.

“We are doing graduate-level research at an undergraduate institution. Colson and the whole Anthropology/Earth Science department have provided great research opportunities.”

Prissel, a Geosciences major with an emphasis in Geology, is a graduate of Aberdeen (S.D.) Central High School. He has worked in the lab for two years with Colson and has completed experiments that clear up a long-standing controversy in experimental petrology—whether metals dissolve in molten rock in their neutral-valence state. This work has implications for the formation of Earth’s core and magma processes on the Moon.



Prissel

“The faculty empower and engage students in upper-level research activity and go beyond teaching in the classroom,” Prissel said.

The students, who last semester averaged about 16 research hours a week, will also present their research at the MSUM Academic Conference on April 21.

This is the first time Larson and Prissel will attend the Lunar and Planetary Science Conference.

“It’s the most prestigious and renowned planetary science conference in the world,” Prissel said. “On top of that, it is predominantly attended by professional and graduate students, so it’s an honor to represent MSUM at this international event.”

“We’ll learn a lot about our own research area and current space expeditions,” Larson said. “Everything that is cutting-edge will be presented at this conference.”

The students received financial support to attend the conference from the MSUM Office of Student Activities and the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

The Lunar and Planetary Institute (LPI) is a center for lunar and planetary science, conducting research studies on the formation, evolution, and current state of the Moon, planets, comets, asteroids, planetary satellites, cosmic dust, and our solar system as a whole through analysis of data and samples obtained through NASA’s long history of missions and exploration.

The LPI is managed by the Universities Space Research Association (USRA), a national, nonprofit consortium of universities chartered in 1969 by the National Academy of Sciences at the request of NASA. USRA operates programs and institutes focused on research and education in most of the disciplines engaged in space-related science and engineering. Institutional membership in USRA now stands at 100 leading research universities.

The LPI is operated by USRA under a cooperative agreement with the Science Mission Directorate of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

MARY PRYOR FUNERAL MONDAY

Mary A. Pryor, Professor of English Emerita, passed away in her home in Moorhead Friday, March 13 at the age of 83. Visitation will be held on Monday, March 23 from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by the memorial service at 2 p.m. at the Wright Funeral Home, Moorhead.

Two classes and 13 students...

MSUM STUDENTS RECEIVE REGIONAL STUDENT JOURNALISM AWARDS

MSUM's broadcast documentary class, Campus News program, and 13 individual students collected 25 awards at the Region 6 Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) Mark of Excellence Awards honoring the best in student journalism for 2008.

The winners will be recognized at the Mark of Excellence luncheon at the Midwest Journalism Conference March 27-28 in Bloomington. Region 6 includes students from Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The awards offer 39 categories for print, radio, television and online collegiate journalism. First place regional winners are forwarded on to the national competition. National winners will be honored Aug. 27-30 at the 2009 SPJ Convention and National Journalism Conference in Indianapolis.

MSUM's Broadcast Documentary class took 1st place in television in-depth reporting for their Emmy-winning documentary, "The Greatest Silent Sport," produced in cooperation with Prairie Public Television and the North Country Trail Association. "The Greatest Silent Sport" follows Bart Smith as he hikes the North Country National Scenic Trail, which runs 4,600 miles from North Dakota to New York.

The university's Campus News staff received 2nd place in television newscast. The half-hour newscast focuses on local and regional colleges, including some stories from campuses around the world. It's written, reported, photographed and produced by MSUM students.

"Students in the Campus News program are learning hands-on skills that will prepare them for careers in television broadcasting. It's an intense program that takes a lot of time and commitment, but I think the number of awards received by SPJ indicates that Campus News encourages students to create high quality work," said Aaron Quanbeck, MSUM assistant professor of mass communications and Campus News program director.

Individual winners from MSU Moorhead are all mass communication majors, unless otherwise indicated.

Alyssa Schafer, 3rd place, general news reporting, "F-M coffee operations" for The Forum. She's an English/mass communications major from Mandan, N.D.

Rebecca Gilbuena, a 2008 graduate from Barnesville, took 1st place, "Attic Fire" and 3rd place, "Home lost, life saved," in the category television breaking news reporting, both for KVRRTV; and 3rd place, television general news reporting, "Propane Explosion" for KVRRTV.

Whitney Hay, Ray, N.D., took 1st place, television general news reporting, "Camp Wilderness" for KVRRTV; and 1st place, television feature, "Student in the Guard" Campus News.

Nathan Matson of Twin Valley took 2nd place, television general news reporting, "Energy Drinks" for Campus News; 1st place, radio feature, "Bio-diesel bus" and 1st place, radio in-depth reporting, "Ethanol Parts 1 and 2", both for Prairie Public Radio.

Michael Quinn, 3rd place, television feature, "Facebook Phenomenon" for Campus News. He's a 2008 MSUM graduate from Sisseton, S.D.

Kyle Johnson, Detroit Lakes, and Christopher Flynn, West Fargo, N.D., took 1st place, television news photography, "Energy Drinks" for Campus News. Johnson also received 1st place, "Disabilities become

opportunities” and 2nd place, “Squirt Hockey” both in the category television sports photography for KVRR-TV.

Kit Cross, Prior Lake, took 2nd place, “Orphan Lambs” and 3rd place, “Chili Cook-off” in the category television news photography, both for Campus News; and 3rd place, television feature photography, “Lesson in perspective” for Campus News.

Tim Gerszewski, a 2008 MSUM graduate from Mayville, N.D., took 1st place, television feature photography, “Earth Day” for Campus News.

Nathan Aamodt, a 2008 graduate from Horace, N.D., took 2nd place, television feature photography, “Christmas Lights” for WDAY-TV.

Lee Morris, a 2008 English/mass communications graduate from Moorhead, took 1st place, non-fiction article, “Silent Scourge” for Minnesota Monthly.

Tyson Kuznia, 1st place, feature photography, “Florian, MN” for horizonlines.org. He’s from Argyle.

Kristin Helgeson, an English/mass communications major from Hankinson, N.D., took 2nd place, radio news reporting, “Climate Change”; 2nd place, radio feature, “Cruising Green”; and 2nd place, radio in-depth reporting, “Clean Coal,” all for Prairie Public Radio.

24 MSUM STUDENTS STUDYING IN EUROPE THIS SPRING

Twenty-four students will take part in an eight-week humanities study tour in Europe this spring through MSUM’s Eurospring program. Five of those weeks will be spent at Oxford, England, followed by a three-week tour of major European cities.

Eurospring, now in its 29th year, is offered each spring as part of a focus on international studies.

On the tour, running from March 19 through May 12, students will spend most of their time at Wycliffe Hall in Oxford, where they will enroll in courses and attend lectures on “From Revolution to Enlightenment.” They’ll also take several field trips to historic sites ranging from Stonehenge and Stratford-upon-Avon, where they’ll see the Royal Shakespeare Company play, to the ancient Roman baths and Warwick Castle.

The European leg of their tour includes stops in Paris, Avignon, Florence, Rome, Venice, Salzburg, Weimar and Amsterdam.

The tour will be led this year by Thom Tamaro, an MSUM English professor, and Jill Holsen, director of International Programs.

Students enrolled in the Eurospring tour: Sarah Marie Bauman, Kelsey Mae Boese, Jenny Marie Christen, Amanda Jo Even, Kacie Elise Grube, Evan Guy, Caitlin Marie Heller, Andrew James Jason, Courtney Brianna Jones, Megan Lynn Kaiser, Bethany Lee Kaufman, Le Ann Marie Kopperud, Rachel Elizabeth Lense, Shana Dawn Levin, Kayla Ann Lundgren, Emily Jane Nelson, Shayla Rose Odean, Joanna Meredith Pladson, Laura Kristine Proulx, Allegra Dawn Reising, Susan Jane Ringdahl, Katie Jo Schroepfer, Marnie Le Ann Sundeen and Jared Lee Swanson.

PLANNING A STUDY TOUR? DON’T MISS BROWN-BAGGER MARCH 31 ON PROVIDERS



MSUM alum Jorgenson

If you’ve thought about the possibility of putting together a study tour abroad, plan to attend a brown-bag presentation sponsored by the Global Studies and International Affairs Committee at noon on Tuesday, March 31 in CB 210.

Jon Jorgenson, Regional Consultant with Cultural Experiences Abroad (CEA) and an MSUM grad, will discuss how external study abroad program providers, with their experienced and focused consultants, can assist you in planning a rigorous academic program. Providers such as CEA have the local academic and logistical contacts to customize your program and make sure you and your students have a worry-free experience.

CEA is a study abroad program provider that offers semester and year-long academic programs in locations such as Argentina, China, Czech, Ireland, South Africa and Spain (www.GoWithCEA.com) and works with universities abroad, as well as providing its own residential facilities. MSUM has agreements with several affiliate providers such as CEA, in order to provide a wide variety of options for our students.

A double major in International Business and Spanish, Jorgenson spent a year abroad as a student mastering the Spanish language in Madrid and another in Xian, China, studying Chinese and Chinese culture.

Faculty members who have led study tours in the past are encouraged to come and share their wisdom and experiences. For further information, contact International Programs at ext. 4389.

'DEAD THINGS' READING BY ZEPPER THURSDAY AT RED RAVEN

Kevin Zepper, Corrick Center, will read from his new book, "I Bring You Dead Things," at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 26 at the Red Raven, located at 14 Roberts St., downtown Fargo.

GO PINK RAISES \$5,000 FOR ROGER MARIS CANCER CENTER

Thank you for making Go Pink with the Dragons a huge success, raising \$5,000 for Roger Maris Cancer Center. A thanks goes to everyone who contributed to the success of Go Pink with the Dragons by bringing awareness to breast cancer and by giving back to our community with their generous donations!

A special thank you to: Dr. Michael Bouton (MeritCare breast cancer surgeon) and Nancy Anderson (R.N.) for educating us on the need for early detection and new advances for breast cancer treatments.

Our major donors: Personal Touch Embroidery, Gary & Connie Tharaldson, Extreme Pita, and BW Insurance.

Our auction donors: President Szymanski, MSUM Dragon women's basketball team, Ronda Peterson, Andy Scott, Kathy Wise, Jennifer Peters Photography, MSUM Dragon football team, Center for Hair & Wellness, Waggy Tail Treats, Extreme Fitness, TGIF, Courtyard by Marriott, Suntana, Applebee's, and Cold Stone.

Our performers: Acapella Express for their wonderful performance and for their financial donation.

Our campus and community: To everyone who purchased a Go Pink T-shirt, bid on an auction item, ate at Extreme Pita or donated to the event!

The media: Fox Radio & TV, WDAY Radio & TV, KVLV Channel 11, The Forum and KQWB 1660 for helping us advertise the event.

Our Go Pink Volunteers: Thank you for donating your time and talents : Pat Aarestad, Katie Anderson, Jan Atchison, Ellen Brisch, Lonnie Carlson, Ann Dolence, Laura Greenwood, Pam Kirk, Karmen Riley, Gloria Riopelle, Sandy Schob, Andy Scott, Leigh Splittlstoesser, Kathy Wise, the Nursing Student Organization, the Dragon Women's Basketball Team and Head Coach Karla Nelson, Kathy Abraham and Colleges Against Cancer Student Organization.

APACE MEETS TUESDAY

The Academic Policy Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, March 24 at 3:00 p.m. in Owens 201.

AGENDA

1. Approval of the 2-24-09 APAC Minutes*

2. **Correction 2-10-09 APAC Minutes***

Item #5 Program Changes: University Studies – suggested changes to proposed wording:

Wording for c) in the minutes as approved:

c) A student who has completed most but not all of the requirements of a major but has been unsuccessful in some required portion of an approved program to complete a degree in a timely manner, or

Correction:

c) A student who has completed most, but not all of the requirements of a major or has been unable to

complete a degree in a timely manner.

**3. Upper Level Writing Requirement Designations
(The University Writing Committee has approved all the following courses as writing intensive)**

History Department (Social Studies) (effective Summer 2009)*

Students must consult with their advisor for the Writing-Intensive requirement for their emphasis in social studies. The writing intensive class will be the designated writing intensive course for the area of primary emphasis.

Languages and Cultures Department (East Asian Studies)*

HIST 401: Senior Seminar (3-4 crs) effective Spring 2009

University Studies (effective Summer 2009)*

Upper-level writing requirement of the partial program or rubric; or

English 387 - Technical Report Writing; or

CMST 301 - Business Communication.

4. Minor Changes – Courses Requesting Permanent Dragon Core Approval (previously approved as temporary by the Dragon Core Committee).

Biosciences Department*

BIOL 104: Human Biology (3 crs) in the Inner Cluster, DC 4: Natural Sciences effective Spring 2009 (DC)

Department will not seek permanent DC designation for the following courses:

BIOL 103: Humanity and Ecosystem (3 crs) temp DC 4: Natural Sciences

BIOL 115: Organismal Biology (3 crs 1 lab) temp DC 4: Natural Sciences

Corrick Center for General Education*

CCGE 107: Human Growth and Development (3 crs) in the Inner Cluster Electives, DC 5: History and the Social Sciences effective Spring 2009 (DC)

CCGE 130: Marriage and the Family (3 crs) in the Inner Cluster Electives, DC 5: History and the Social Sciences effective Spring 2009 (DC)

CCGE 233: Human Sexuality (3 crs) in the Middle Cluster, DC 5: History and the Social Sciences effective Spring 2009 (DC)

Mathematics Department*

MATH 102: Introduction to Mathematics (3 crs) in the Foundation Four, DC 3: Mathematics effective Spring 2009 (DC)

Philosophy Department*

PHIL 110: Practical Reasoning (3 crs) in the Foundation Four, DC 2: Critical and Multicultural Thinking effective Spring 2009 (DC)

5. Minor Changes – University Writing Committee approval or Dragon Core Committee approval designated by (W) or (DC).

Anthropology and Earth Science Department*

ANTH 306: Medical Anthropology (3 crs) in the Outer Cluster, DC 8: Global Perspective effective Fall 2009 (DC)

ANTH 307: Ecological Anthropology (3 crs) in the Outer Cluster, DC 10: People and the Environment effective Fall 2009 (DC)

GEOS 305: Oceanography (3 crs) in the Outer Cluster, DC 10: People and the Environment (course will retain LS Div B designation) effective Fall 2009 (DC)

GEOS 310: Geography of the United States and Canada (3 crs) in the Middle Cluster, DC 5: History and the Social Sciences and DC 11: Information Literacy (course will retain LS Div C designation) effective Fall 2009 (DC)

GEOS 410: Geography and Global Influence of Eastern Europe and Russia (3 crs) in the Outer Cluster, DC 8:

Global Perspective and DC 11: Information Literacy effective Fall 2009 (DC)

Economics Department*

Change course prerequisites:

ECON 204: Principles of Economics II: Macroeconomics (3 crs) in the Middle Cluster, DC 5: History and the Social Sciences (course will retain LS Div C designation) Fall 2009 (DC)

Mathematics Department*

Change course description:

MATH 127: College Algebra (3 crs) effective Fall 2009

Political Science Department*

POL 352: Political Problems in Developing Countries (3 crs) in the Outer Cluster, DC 8: Global Perspective Fall 2009 (DC)

Technology Department*

Change course number and course description:

CM 427: Sustainability in the Built Environment (3 crs) to CM 327: Sustainability in the Built Environment in the Outer Cluster, DC 10: People and the Environment effective Summer 2009 (DC)

6. New Courses – University Writing Committee approval or Dragon Core Committee approval designated by (W) or (DC).

School of Nursing and Healthcare Leadership (Community Health)*

COMH 418: Global Health Issues (3 crs) in the Outer Cluster, DC 8: Global Perspective effective Fall 2009 (DC)

School of Teaching and Learning (Special Education) (all effective Fall 2009)*

(Graduate Council and Teacher Preparation have approved the following new courses)

SPED 431/531: Survey of Autism Spectrum Disorders (2 crs)

SPED 432/532: Identification and Assessment of Autism Spectrum Disorders (3 crs)

SPED 434/534: Instructional Strategies for Learners with Autism Spectrum Disorder (3 crs)

SPED 435/535: Asperger Disorder: Instructional Strategies (2 crs)

SPED 436/536: Communication Strategies and Social Skills for Students with ASD (2 crs)

Sociology and Criminal Justice Department*

CJ 201: Introduction to Juvenile Justice (3 crs) effective Spring 2010

7. Program Changes

Biosciences Department*

Biosciences will seek a waiver of the 120 credit degree cap from MnSCU for the following:

B.S. Life Science Education

B.S. Medical Technology

Languages and Cultures Department (East Asian Studies) (effective Spring 2009)*

Change related requirements to include upper level writing requirement:

Related Requirements (6 crs):

HIST 401: Senior Seminar (3 crs)

Choose one of the following for the remaining 3 crs:

HIST 301: East Asian History I (3 crs)

HIST 302: East Asian History II (3 crs)

HIST 346: Modern China (3 crs)

HIST 347: Modern Japan (3 crs)

Mathematics Department (effective Spring 2009)*

(Teacher Preparation Committee has approved the following)

Elementary Education Minor (increase 20-23 credits to 21-24 credits)

Requirements will increase from 14-15 credits to 18-19 credits.

Add to Requirements:

MATH 310: Discrete Mathematics (4 crs)

MATH 234: Introduction to Probability and Statistics (4 crs) as an option

Restricted Electives will decrease from 6-8 credits to 3-5 credits and instead of being required to take two courses, students will be required to take one of four options.

Add to Restricted Electives:

MATH 486: History of Mathematics (3 crs)

School of Nursing and Healthcare Leadership (Community Health) (effective Fall 2009)*

B.S. in Community Health

Major Requirements (decrease from 39-41 credits to 27 credits):

Remove courses:

HLTH 110: Personal Health and Wellness (3 crs)

HLTH 125: First Aid and CPR (2 crs)

HLTH 305: Introduction to Nutrition (3 crs)

HLTH 327: Safety Education and Consumer Protection (3 crs)

HLTH 330: Disease Prevention (2 crs)

HLTH 340: Health Methods and Materials (3 crs)

HLTH 412: Education for Sexuality and HIV/AIDS (3 crs)

HLTH 465: Comprehensive School Health Programs (2 crs)

Add courses:

COMH 401: Health Topics of Aging (3 crs)

COMH 418: Global Health (3 crs)

Change credits:

COMH 469: Internship from 7-12 credits to 10 credits

Related Requirements (increase from 12 credits to 38 credits)

Remove courses:

BIOL 104: Human Biology (3 crs)

PE 321: Human Physiology (3 crs)

ANTH 306: Medical Anthropology (3 crs)

PSY 265: Health Psychology (3 crs)

Add courses:

ENGL 387: Technical Report Writing (4 crs)

HLTH 110: Personal Health and Wellness (3 crs)

HLTH 125: First Aid and CPR (2 crs)

HLTH 305: Introduction to Nutrition (3 crs)

HLTH 330: Disease Prevention (2 crs)

HLTH 412: Education for Sexuality and HIV/AIDS (3 crs)

HSAD 420: Health Policy and Payment (3 crs)

MATH 234: Introduction to Probability and Statistics (4 crs)

MC 220: Desktop Publishing (3 crs)

PHIL 311: Morals and Medicine (3 crs)

SOC 350: Methods and Statistics for Social Research (4 crs)

SW 499: Grant Writing (3 crs)

Restricted Electives

Remove courses:

BIOL 103: Humanity and the Ecosystem (3 crs)

BIOL 236: Introduction to Microbiology (3 crs)

CHEM 102: Survey of Basic Principles of Chemistry (3 crs)

CHEM 110: Fundamentals of Chemistry (3 crs)

CHEM 180: Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry (4 crs)

CHEM 185: Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry Lab (1 cr)
ENGL 387: Technical Report Writing (4 crs)
MC 220: Desktop Publishing (3 crs)
SW 499: Grant Writing (3 crs)

Add courses:

BIOL 104: Human Biology (3 crs)
PSY 265: Health Psychology (3 crs)

Community Health Minor (no change in total credits)

Remove courses:

HLTH 200: Introduction to Health Education and Promotion (2 crs)
HLTH 305: Introduction to Nutrition (3 crs)
HLTH 315: Health Agencies and Services (3 crs)
HLTH 327: Safety Education and Consumer Protection (3 crs)
HLTH 340: Health Methods and Materials (3 crs)

Add courses:

COMH 200: Introduction to Health Education and Promotion (2 crs)
COMH 315: Health Agencies and Services (3 crs)
COMH 418: Global Health (3 crs)

School of Teaching and Learning (Special Education) (effective Fall 2009)*

B.S. in Special Education

Increase entrance GPA requirement from 2.5 to 2.75

(Graduate Council and Teacher Preparation have approved the following)

New online undergraduate/graduate certificate program effective Fall 2009:

Autism Spectrum Disorder

Technology Department*

Program suspension effective Fall 2009:

Industrial Technology, emphasis in Industrial Management and Industrial Distribution

8. Policies

Summer Suspension Process Proposal (effective Summer 2009)*

Students who are placed on suspension after spring semester and who have already begun summer session classes will be allowed to remain in those classes which started prior to June 1st. They will be dropped from any class that begins June 1 or later.

Suspended students wishing to enroll in summer classes beginning June 1st or later may appeal their suspension following the normal process for appealing.

Writing Intensive Requirements (effective Summer 2009)*

Current Wording:

Freshmen:

Beginning Fall 2006, incoming freshmen must complete English 101 (or an approved alternative) plus four additional Writing-Intensive (W) courses.

Two Writing-Intensive courses. These courses must be in the Middle and/or Outer Cluster of the Dragon Core. At least one course must be at the 300 or 400-level.

Two additional Writing-Intensive courses. One course is at the 300- or 400-level and must be designated in the student's major or designated as a related requirement for that major. The other course can be at the 200-, 300-, or 400-level and may be designated by the major.

Transfers:

Beginning Fall 2007, incoming transfer students who have completed the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum or an AA degree must complete at least the designated Writing-Intensive (W) course in the student's major or

designated by the major at the 300- or 400-level.

Revised Wording:

Freshmen:

Incoming freshmen must complete English 101 (or an approved alternative) plus four additional Writing-Intensive (W) courses.

Two Writing-Intensive courses at the 200-, 300-, or 400-level, one of which must be in the Middle and/or Outer Cluster of the Dragon Core.

One Writing-Intensive course at the 300- or 400-level, which is designated as the Upper-Level Writing Requirement for the student's major or program area.

One Writing-Intensive course at the 200-, 300-, or 400-level, which may be designated by the student's major or program area.

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One Writing-Intensive course at the 200-, 300- or 400-level, which may be designated by the student's major or program area.

*indicates item can be viewed electronically at:

<http://www.mnstate.edu/acadaff/APAC/2008-2009APAC/apacagendasminutes.htm>

PLANETARIUM FEATURES INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF ASTRONOMY SHOW (FREE)

"100 Hours of Astronomy," a free show honoring the International Year of the Astronomy, will run from 8:30 to 10 p.m. Friday, April 3 in the MSUM Planetarium.

Four hundred years ago, one lone man named Galileo trained a telescope on the sky. In honor of that occasion, 2009 has been declared the International Year of Astronomy. This weekend, for one hundred hours, telescopes around the world will be looking up, allowing as many people as possible to look at our awesome universe. Join the party at the MSUM Planetarium, taking a close look at the Moon, Saturn, and other celestial wonders.

MISCELLANEA

* **Kirk Moss**, Music, traveled to Reno, Nev., to meet with school district administrators, teach strings in area schools, and guest conduct the Washoe County High School Honor Orchestra from Feb. 25-28. March 7, he led 600 string students as the invited guest conductor for the Robinsdale, Minn., School District's Spring Orchestra Festival, held in the Cooper High School gymnasium. March 18, he led the State Leadership Workshop for the American String Teachers Association's National Conference held in Atlanta, Ga.