CAMPUS RESOURCES AND SERVICES

Office of Affirmative Action
112 Armstrong Hall
Phone: 507-389-2986 (V), 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY)

The Office of Affirmative Action is responsible for developing and monitoring the university’s Affirmative Action Plan as well as monitoring the recruitment and employment process. The office also assists faculty, staff and students who believe they have been subjected to harassment, discrimination or retaliation based on their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state and federal laws/regulations, and MnSCU/MSU’s 1B.1 Nondiscrimination Policy and 1B.1.1 Report/Complaint Procedure. Contact the Office of Affirmative Action for more information.

Career Development Center
209 Wigley Administration Center
Phone: 507-389-6061
www.mnsu.edu/cdc

The Career Development Center (CDC) offers services to ALL Minnesota State Mankato students — no matter what stage of academic and career planning they are in. Major services include:

The CDC Website. The CDC web site is a comprehensive tool that students can use to access a wealth of career planning and job search information including:

• Detailed information on all of our services, including a calendar of career fairs and events.
• Online workshops and videos on exploring careers and searching for jobs
• Online Minnesota State Mankato Job Search Handbook and Handbook for Choosing a Career
• A list of books and other resources available in the CDC Career Resource Library
• Access and information on our exclusive online system, mavjobs.com
• An online Career Success Plan for Minnesota State Mankato students
• Employment information on graduates
• Hundreds of links which connect students to career exploration and job search information, employers, events, etc.

Career Resource Library. Career exploration and job search books are available for checkout from the CDC with your ID. The Career Library also offers weekly “CDC Quick Stop Walk-in Hours” for quick career and job search questions, resume reviews, interview tips, graduate school planning, internship search help, a place to start with choosing your major, etc.

Undeclared Majors Services. Includes individual career planning appointments and tools which include use of the Strong Interest Inventory, Myers Briggs Type Indicator, and Focus online career exploration system.

Job/Internship Search Advising & Assistance. CDC staff and services are available to assist with part-time and seasonal jobs, internships, and degree-required employment. Assistance is provided through classroom and group presentations on topics such as resume writing, job interviewing and job searching; weekly CDC “Quick Stop Walk-in Hours” (see website for hours); and individual resume and job search strategy assistance. In addition, a number of special events are sponsored and co-sponsored by the CDC throughout the academic year. These include: the Fall Career and Internship Expo; Minnesota Education Job Fair; Minnesota State Mankato Summer Job Fair; Social & Behavioral Sciences Career Day; State Universities Job and Internship Fair; and others.

Center for Academic Success
125 Memorial Library
Phone: 507-389-1791 - Fax: 507-389-2726
www.mnsu.edu/supersite/academics/success

The Center for Academic Success assists students in developing and strengthening academic skills. The main focus of the Center is to provide tutoring for general education and specific lower division courses. Tutoring is available on a walk-in basis for most courses including, Mathematics, Accounting, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Statistics and Writing/ESL. Tutoring in other disciplines is provided by appointment for regularly scheduled one-on-one or small group sessions. The Center also provides individualized academic skill development in areas such as reading comprehension, test taking, note taking, and time management, as well as workshops for PPST/GRE, Nursing Board, and other standardized test preparation. Services are free to all Minnesota State Mankato students.

Counseling Center
245 Centennial Student Union
Phone: 507-389-1455

The Counseling Center provides short-term, confidential counseling to help students cope with personal, social, and educational concerns that may be interfering with their ability to succeed at the University. Services include short-term counseling, educational programming, crisis intervention, consultation, national testing, and referral to outside resources.

Dental Hygiene Clinic
3 Morris Hall (Lower Level)
Phone: 507-389-2147, 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY)
www.mnsu.edu/dentalhygiene

The dental hygiene clinic is a student training facility staffed by a dentist and dental hygiene faculty. Comprehensive dental hygiene services performed include prophylaxis, radiographs, sealants, teeth whitening, and mouth guards. The clinic is open to the public and most dental insurance is accepted. Day and evening appointments available September - December and February - May.

Office of Disability Services
132 Memorial Library
Phone: 507-389-2825 (V, TTY), 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY)

The Office of Disability Services facilitates accommodations for individuals with disabilities which ensure equal access to programs, services and activities offered by Minnesota State Mankato. The office assists with advocacy, alternative format of printed materials; alternative testing services; assistive technology; early registration; note taking; sign language interpreters; and text on tape. The office also acts as a resource and referral agent for community contacts and disability-related information.

Emergency assistance is also available on a 24-hour basis through the Security Department. Grievances, questions or requests related to equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities should be presented to the Office of Disability Services Director at 507-389-2825 or the Affirmative Action Officer at 507-389-2986 (Voice) 800-627-3529 or 711 (MRS/TTY).

College of Extended Learning
116 Alumni Foundation Center
Phone: 507-389-2572 or 800-722-0544
E-mail: ext@mnsu.edu
Website: www.mnsu.edu/ext

Extended Learning serves the public and sectors of our region by providing access to educational programs, professional and workplace and lifelong learning consistent with the mission of Minnesota State Mankato. Courses and several complete programs are offered online as well as face-to-face in the twin cities metro and greater Minnesota areas.

First Year Experience
First Year Experience
10 Gage Complex
Phone: 507-389-5498

Minnesota State Mankato recognizes the academic and personal challenges faced by first-year students. The First Year Experience (FYE) program is designed to enhance and support new students success.

Orientation. Extensive summer programs are designed to familiarize new students with the college environment, provide advising, and assistance with registration. Orientation programs are also available for students entering Spring term.

Invitations and information about the programs are sent to students. If you have any questions about orientation or entering the University, contact the Office of First Year Experience.
**Academic Success.** FYE provides academic advising for all undecided students at Minnesota State Mankato, personal and academic transitional support for first year students, and assistance with major selection.

FYE requires advising for undecided students with fewer than 25 credits completed, or with more than 60 credits completed. These students must meet with an FYE advisor in order to get an access code to register for the following semester. Access codes ensure that students receive advising before pre-registration.

FYE also participates in the Midterm Reporting (MTR) program on campus. All first-year students who have earned less than 24 credits will get an MTR via email. Students whose MTRs indicate that they are “at-risk” in any classes are encouraged to meet with faculty about the classes where they’re struggling. Students are also encouraged to meet with an advisor to discuss other options with regard to “at-risk” courses.

The **First Year Seminar.** This one-credit general education course introduces first-year students to the academic community. The course focuses on enhancing communication skills, critical thinking, and examining the components of a successful first year transition, both personally and academically. Classes are small, giving students and professors an opportunity for lots of interaction. This course meets once a week for 50 minutes.

**Probation Advising Plan for FYE Undecided Students.** Within the first weeks of the semester, the FYE Office contacts undecided students on academic probation via email. These students are instructed to follow up with the steps outlined below.

1. Undecided students on probation need to attend an informational intake session toward the beginning of the academic semester. Dates/times of intake sessions will be detailed in the probation email.
2. Following intake attendance, students need to complete an online self-assessment, reflecting on the semester(s) that put them on academic probation.
3. Appointments with an FYE probationary advisor are scheduled. At the first meeting, students can expect to review their self-assessment and develop an Academic Improvement Plan (AIP) with their advisor.
4. After demonstrating satisfactory completion of the AIP, advisors can recommend that a student’s probation hold be temporarily lifted.
5. Undecided students on probation who do not demonstrate satisfactory completion of the AIP, or who do not go through FYE probation processes as outlined above, will be subject to additional requirements as outlined by the students’ advisors before holds will be temporarily lifted.

**Learning Communities.** Learning Communities are groups of 15-25 students who take fall semester courses together and live on the same residence hall floor. Participants develop lasting friendships with students who share common interests and have the opportunity to interact with select faculty. Each learning community has a Learning Community Coordinator (LCC), an upper-class student dedicated to the academic success of every member as they transition to college life at Minnesota State Mankato. The Learning Community Coordinator assists each student in setting and achieving academic goals, develops study groups for the community, and plans community events.

**Honors Program**

WA228  
Phone: 507-389-5191  
Web site: www.mnsu.edu/honors

**Mission Statement.** The mission of the Honors Program at Minnesota State, Mankato is to encourage future leaders, researchers, and global citizens by providing high ability and motivated students with exceptional learning opportunities, mentoring relationships, and a community of scholars to pursue a variety of academic interests.

**Program Overview.** The Honors Program is dedicated to the development of three main competencies: global leadership, research, and global citizenship. Early in the program, students participate in a learning community in which they enroll in honors sections of general education courses that focus on competency development. As students move into courses within their major, they further develop their honors competencies through advanced honors seminars and individualized plans of study. Throughout their time at the University, students will participate in a number of co-curricular activities, which complement their plan of study. At the culmination of all coursework, seniors are required to demonstrate acquisition of the global leadership, research, and global citizenship competencies through a successful presentation and defense of an honors portfolio in HONR 475: Honors Portfolio.

**INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)**

3010 Memorial Library  
Phone: 507-389-6651 - Fax: 507-389-6115  
www.mnsu.edu/its

Information and Technology Services (ITS) serves the faculty, staff and student members of the Minnesota State Mankato community in providing and supporting technology services. The Academic Computer Center and the Office of Instructional Technologies are areas within ITS.

**The Academic Computer Center (ACC).** Located at 121 Wissink Hall, telephone 507-389-5160. The Academic Computer Center has over 475 computers and printers for student use. Our computers are constantly being upgraded to keep current with technology. All students have access to the Internet. Students are on duty at all times to maintain the lab, provide safety and security, and offer technical assistance. For students who need to develop their computer skills, free workshops are offered throughout the semester.

Surrounding the open lab are six classroom/labs for hands-on, interactive instruction. In addition, a services area houses printers black and white and color laser printers for the Macintosh and IBM microcomputers. A multimedia area provides access to the latest technology in digitizing art, flatbed and 35mm scanning, Video, and sound editing.

Many satellite labs, with over 700 computers, are located around campus to provide specialized needs.

**Computer Help Desk.** Located at 3010 Memorial Library, 389-6654, Help Desk staff field questions about campus computers’ hardware, software and related issues. They also are the contact for the Multimedia Presentation Systems in classrooms. Contact them via telephone at 507-389-3221 e-mail HelpDesk@ mnsu.edu or in person at 3010 Memorial Library.

**Computer Store.** Located at the Centennial Student Union, 389-1907. Computers, printers, and software are available for purchase at low educational prices.

**Interactive Television (ITV).** Interactive Television courses delivered via satellite to other communities as listed in semester course schedules. Contact individual departments about their course listings. Tech support: 507-389-5947, www.intech.mnsu.edu/new/.

Student Technology Assistant Training Program are offered to student workers in administrative and academic departments at Minnesota State Mankato may participate in computer training related to their position responsibilities. Training subjects include MS Access, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, MS Word, MS Front-Page, Internet & Multimedia. Call 507-389-3205 for information.

**Division of Institutional Diversity**

265 Morris Hall  
Phone: 507-389-6125

The Division of Institutional Diversity works to improve the socio-educational climate to make educational experiences more meaningful for students from diverse racial and cultural backgrounds. In addition to providing support services and cultural awareness activities, the program works with academic departments to increase diversity in curricula and makes decisions on appeals of the cultural diversity requirement for graduation. The centers for African American, American Indian, Asian American and Chicano-Latino affairs recruit and retain underrepresented students. The Intercultural Student Center, 269 Centennial Student Union, provides social and cultural program opportunities.
The Elizabeth & Wynn Kearney International Center is the information hub for all things international at Minnesota State University, Mankato. The Kearney International Center is made up of two divisions: Study Abroad/International Programs and International Student and Scholar Services.

Kearney International Center study abroad advisors provide information and guidance to students and faculty about the many different academic opportunities abroad. Students receive help at every step to facilitate their study in a different culture. The office operates with proper procedures to comply with all legal requirements for the institution, sponsors and student participants. It is also the designated overseer for all institutional agreements between Minnesota State Mankato and programs abroad.

The Kearney International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) staff assists international students with advice about academic, immigration, personal, social and financial issues. There are approximately 600 international students representing more than 77 countries at Minnesota State Mankato. The Kearney International Center serves as the official contact agent between the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, other government agencies, and the University community. The ISSS also processes J-1 immigration documents for visiting faculty and scholars.

Health Insurance. Health and accident insurance is REQUIRED for all international students and their dependents studying at Minnesota State Mankato on an F-1 or J-1 visa. All newly arrived international students are required to subscribe to the University’s designated health plan prior to enrollment. Health insurance is required for the entire period of study at Minnesota State Mankato – including the summer.

In-State Tuition Cultural Contribution Scholarship. International students can receive an in-state tuition scholarship during their first semester which is renewable if the student maintains the required academic qualifications and cultural contributions.

New Student Orientation. All new and transfer international students are required to attend the International Student Orientation before they receive authorization to register for classes. An orientation fee will be charged to each international student who enrolls at Minnesota State Mankato.

English Placement Test and ESL. New and transfer students may be required to take the English Placement Examination prior to enrolling in classes. This applies to both undergraduate and graduate students, as well as to transfer students, below the Modern Languages determined TOEFL minimum or appropriate transfer English course work. Based on performance, students may be required to enroll in English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, beginning their first semester on campus, until authorized by the ESL instructor as eligible to enroll in English Composition 101 or waived of further requirements, as is the case for graduate students. If a student fails to meet this requirement, a hold will be placed on the student’s records. ESL for undergraduate students is not a substitute for English Composition 101 for general education requirements. Questions concerning ESL can be referred to the Department of Modern Languages at 389-2116.

International Students in U.S. Higher Education Course. The university requires all new international students to register and complete the course: “International Students in Higher Education” during their first semester on campus. Students who have attended other U.S. institutions for more than one year are waived from this requirement. The course is offered through the K-12 and Secondary Programs Department.
The Office of the Registrar provides efficient registration, timely graduation evaluation, timely transfer evaluation, and accurate verification of enrollment to outside agencies. Our website explains many of our services. The following are the primary services we provide:

- Athletic eligibility
- Common Market
- DARS and CAS
- Grade changes and repeats
- Official transcripts
- Registration
- Student records management
- Student residency and reciprocity for tuition purposes
- Transfer evaluation
- Verification of enrollment and degrees
- Veterans’ Benefits
- Undergraduate graduation evaluation

**Security**
222 Wiecking Center
Phone: 507-389-2111
www.mnsu.edu/security

Security is an integral part of the campus community - a positive presence on our campus. All members of the department strive to be sensitive to the needs of all, while protecting the rights and property of the University Community.

The Patrol Division provides 24-hour vehicle and foot patrol, visitor and new student assistance, investigation into campus crimes, and serves as a liaison with the Mankato Department of Public Safety and Gold Cross Ambulance Service.

EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) are available to respond to medical emergencies and are in direct radio contact with Gold Cross Ambulance Service.

The On-Campus SafeWalk Service is designed to make the Minnesota State, Mankato campus a safer, more enjoyable place for you. When you are on campus for any purpose, we will gladly walk you to any other destination on campus and surrounding apartment complexes. You can reach the Campus Area SafeWalk Service by dialing Security at 2111 on any on-campus telephone. An officer will come to meet you at your location and walk you to your campus area destination 24-hours a day.

**Speech and Hearing Clinic**
103 Armstrong Hall
Phone: 507-389-1414

Audiology and speech-language therapy services are available for students with hearing and/or speech-language problems. Individual instruction for students with communication disorders is provided by advanced students majoring in communication disorders under the supervision of faculty members.

The Student Health Services provides medical care, pharmacy services, laboratory services, and health education services including care for illnesses and injuries, vaccinations, allergy shots, sports medicine, contraception, STD screening, psychiatric and physical exams. There is a small charge for seeing a physician or nurse practitioner, certain medical procedures, laboratory tests, and prescriptions. A health insurance plan is available to students. Information is available at the Student Health Services and The Campus Hub or the Cashier’s Window in the Wigley Administration Center.

The Student Health Services emphasizes prevention through health education. Health educators provide sexuality/birth control information, drug and alcohol education and information in a variety of other health-related areas.

**Student Support Services**
355 Wiecking Center
Phone: 507-389-2797

Student Support Services is a federally funded program that assists students in achieving their potential both personally and academically. It is the goal of the department to retain and graduate participants from Minnesota State Mankato. Eligibility is based on income level (as determined by the Department of Education), first generation student status (neither parent has a bachelor’s degree), and/or disability. Services are free and include tutoring, academic advising, career planning, workshops, seminars, and cultural activities.

**Students’ Attorney**
280 Centennial Student Union
Phone: 507-389-2611
www.mnsu.edu/mssa/

A service provided by the Minnesota State Student Association, the students’ attorney is available on a part-time basis to all currently enrolled students. Legal counseling is provided at no charge on issues such as traffic violations, landlord-tenant disagreements, and domestic matters.

**Veterans Resource Center**

The Veterans Resource Center (VRC) provides veterans, current military members, and their families with information and assistance regarding educational benefits, resources, and policies. The VRC also provides information and referrals to a broad range of service providers such as service-connected disability claims, employment help, counseling resources, and more.

The Veterans Resource Center is located in room 168 of the Centennial Student Union. Contact David Schrader, Higher Education Coordinator with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs at 507-389-5726 or e-mail david.schrader@mnsu.edu for further information.
Welcome to the Women’s Center. It’s called the Women’s Center because we just can’t call it the “Come on in and Relax and Put Your Feet on the Chair Center.” It doesn’t fit on a sign and we only have so much furniture.

Plus, we really are a women’s center. For starters, there are lots of women here. Very cool, friendly students and staff who know the campus and can help with any question about the university or getting through it. That’s if you need help – you’re also welcome to drop by for nothing more than to meet some new people, talk about whatever’s on your mind or just catch some easy time.

Located on the second floor of the Centennial Student Union, The Women’s Center is an ideal place to take a break, yet we’re also a good resource for students who want to plug into issues on campus and beyond. Close to home, we’re committed to making the campus community safe for women, and we’re proud to house the office of Sexual Violence Education, available for all students, all the time.

We also serve as a place that can help you get your concerns heard, whether they’re of a confidential nature or a public one. Your secrets are safe here, and so is your lunch (we have a nice fridge and a microwave).

It can be easy to feel lost in a large university – we’re here to help you use your individual strengths, passions and confidence to help you succeed in your time here and afterward. We’re like your personal cheerleaders – minus, of course, the pompons and coordination. We don’t care how you vote, where you’re from or what you eat: You’re welcome here. Period.

Not a woman? All the better – come in and see what we’re about. Chances are you know one, and if she finds herself with issues of self-confidence, alienation or a career crisis, you can be the enlightened friend who recommends a stop to the Women’s Center. Our goal is to help more women on this large, busy and diverse campus feel confident, proud and welcome.

The Women’s Center has a number of opportunities for involvement as well, like designing campus-wide programs to bring in great guest speakers and shaping how we celebrate Women’s History Month. Academic credit is available for internships that involve research and leadership within the Center. Volunteer opportunities abound. We’d love to hear your ideas and suggestions. For more information, stop by the Women’s Center in CSU 218. We’re looking forward to meeting you.
The Community Engagement Office was established in November, 2008, the MSU Community Engagement Office (CEO) is the volunteer center for the campus, working with over 65 different non-profit organizations in the greater Mankato area. Our volunteers, utilizing their time and talents, help provide the needed assistance to enable these organizations to fulfill their missions and supply the best possible service to their clientele. Students gain a knowledge of and appreciation for civic engagement as a part of their collegiate experience, which we believe will instill a passion to remain involved with their chosen communities for a lifetime! We also partner with the Academic Service-Learning Program to assist faculty and students discover projects and complete the service-learning components in various academic courses on campus. We’re always looking for volunteers, so decide to make a difference in someone else’s life TODAY!

Campus Kitchens Project, Mankato. Established at MSU, Mankato in 2005, we are entering our sixth year of sponsorship of the nationally-based Campus Kitchens Project. The Campus Kitchens Project currently provides approximately 400 meals every week from food recovered from the MSU dining halls and Mankato-area restaurants that help feed low-income families and individuals in our community. MSU students continue to create relationships with local agencies who work with individuals in need of a healthy meal, including Blue Earth County, ECHO Food Shelf, H.O.P.E., Partners for Affordable Living/Theresa House, Salvation Army, and Welcome Inn. Since its inception in 2005, the Campus Kitchens Project has recovered over 5,900 pounds of food from Sodexo University Dining Services and an additional 6,100 pounds from other community sources. Over 7,000 volunteers have assisted with this project, and, yet, we have a long way to go to eliminate hunger in our area. Blue Earth County still has over 2 ½ million missing meals after all of the various programs have contributed their provision of meals!

Mavericks READ. The newly-established Mavericks READ program is dedicated to improving children’s language and literacy in the greater Mankato area. Over 49% of Mankato’s children are not ready for Kindergarten. You can enrich a child’s life with results that last forever by giving a few hours of your time!! The mission of the program is to:
R- Read with and actively engage children in positive dialogue and creative activities in an environment which allows them to learn from and enjoy language and literacy-related activities;
E- Educate the campus and community about the importance of volunteerism and youth literacy;
A- Activate community partnerships that will work together to build strong educational foundations for children and create diverse volunteer and service opportunities for MSU students and staff;
D- Develop leadership, foster citizenship, and encourage community engagement in students, staff, and community members in order to assist with the development of life-long learners and stewards of service.

Student Activities. 173 Centennial Student Union Phone: 507-389-6076 - Fax: 507-389-5632 www.mnsu.edu/activities

Student Activities is the place to get involved on campus and to learn more about specialized resources and support. Studies show that students who get involved get better grades, stay in school, secure a job sooner after college, and make lifelong friends. Don’t wait!

Recognized Student Organizations. At MSU, there are over 200 student organizations waiting for you. If you don’t see one you like, we will help you create your own. Getting involved helps build leadership skills, enhances your resume, and offers the opportunity to build lasting friendships.
The Centennial Student Union (CSU) is the center of student life! From activities to food, games to art and performances, and a great variety of services, you’ll “Find Your Place” in the CSU. It’s the place to be any time you’re not in class. Opened in the University’s centennial year of 1968, the Centennial Student Union continues to grow and add more for students every year.

Services include bowling and billiards, art gallery, food court and other dining options, Student Activities, Hearth Lounge, computer lab with MavPrint station, the Campus Hub, Counseling Center, Campus Bookstore, Women’s Center, a bank, a credit union, Kearney International Center, Multicultural Affairs, International Student Association, Intercultural Student Center, Campus Computer Store and Electronic Repair, Jim Chalgren LGBT Center, MSSA student government, TV Lounge, Reporter student newspaper, Veterans Service Center, café and more.

The CSU is financed by students for students, and the management of the CSU relies heavily on the advice and guidance of the Student Union Board. If you need a meeting space or are planning an event, come to CSU 219 first so that staff can walk you through the process. To find out more about tenants and services, employment opportunities, or anything else in your Student Union, stop by CSU 220, go to http://csu.mnssu.edu or call 507-389-2224.

**Intercollegiate Athletics**
135 Myers Field House
Phone: 507-389-6111
www.msumavericks.com

Minnesota State Mankato currently offers 23 sports, 11 sports for men (football, cross country, golf, hockey, basketball, indoor track, outdoor track, swimming, wrestling, tennis, and baseball) and 12 sports for women (volleyball, soccer, cross country, golf, hockey, basketball indoor track, outdoor track, swimming, bowling, tennis, and softball).

Minnesota State Mankato, an NCAA Division II institution that belongs to the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Men’s and Women’s ice hockey compete on the Division I level and are members of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association.

All undergraduate students who wish to participate in the intercollegiate athletics program can obtain more information by contacting the Office of Intercollegiate Athletics or specific coaches.

**Intercultural Student Center**
269 Centennial Student Union
Phone: 507-389-6207

The Intercultural Student Center is an extension of the Division of Institutional Diversity which provides a focal point for cross cultural programs and activities. A primary function of the center, which is operated by students, is to provide a place in which students of color and others at the University can exchange and reinforce their cultural existence. The center is a basic component of the diversity retention effort which helps to reduce social cultural isolation and connect students from diverse backgrounds to the University.

**Minnesota State Student Association (MSSA)**
280 Centennial Student Union
Phone: 507-389-2611
www.mnssu.edu/mssa/

The agency for student participation in University governance is the Minnesota State Student Association. Its governing body is the Student Senate, and it is recognized by the MnSCU Board as the official voice of the student body.

Officers include the president, vice president, and speaker. Elections are held spring term for president and vice president and 29 senators. In the fall two undeclared major senators and the Maverick Hall Senator is elected. Senate committees work to represent student concerns on issues including financial aid, housing, parking, allocation of funds and changes in academic policy. Students can participate in the MSSA by seeking a senate position or joining one of its committees.

**Music Activities**
202 Performing Arts Center
Phone: 507-389-2118

The Department of Music offers a number of performance and educational opportunities for all students. Students can receive general education credit for participation in ensembles; some general education class offerings are designated as cultural diversity courses. Vocal/choral group opportunities include Chamber Singers, University Women’s Chorale, Concert Choir, Opera, Maverick Men’s Chorus, and Jazz Singers. Instrumental opportunities include Wind Ensemble, University Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, Symphonic Band, Athletic Band for football, basketball and hockey, Theatre Orchestra, and small Brass, String and Woodwind Ensembles.

The Department of Music sponsors many concerts and recitals throughout the year. Our annual Performance Series brings to campus some of the world’s finest musicians in performance and in one-on-one master class settings. All students are encouraged to attend these musical offerings. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to introduce themselves to a wide array of musical and educational experiences. Concerts are presented in the 550-seat E. J. Halling Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center. Special student-priced tickets are available.

**Radio**
General Manager: Jim Gullickson
Director of Operations: Karen Wright
205 Alumni Foundation Center
Phone: 507-389-5678 or 800-456-7810

Minnesota State Mankato is home to KMSU-FM (89.7 FM) and KMSK-FM (91.3 FM), members of Independent Public Radio. The station offers students the opportunity to participate in broadcast work such as with Radio Ala Carte, the Southern Minnesota News Project where students learn how to create news stories which are aired daily; station operation; public relations and news internships; and work study.

With studios in the Alumni Foundation Center, KMSU and KMSK serve south central Minnesota with a wide variety of shows, many of which are volunteer run, and offer unique music and diverse programming to fit a variety of tastes. In addition, the station provides six hours of Latino programming on Saturdays. KMSU can also be heard on-line at www.kmsu.org.

**Speech Team (Maverick Forensics)**
This program is open to students interested in developing their speaking ability through competition. Participation provides the opportunity to attend forensic tournaments throughout the United States and to compete in major speech events, such as informative speaking, persuasive speaking, extemporaneous speaking, prose and poetry interpretation, and parliamentary debate. College credit may be obtained by participating on the speech team. Contact Dr. Leah White at 389-2213 for more information.
**STUDENT PUBLICATIONS**

**The Reporter**

293 Centennial Student Union  
Phone: 507-389-1776 - Fax: 507-389-5812  
www.msureporter.com

The Reporter is a twice-weekly student-edited, student-written newspaper that focuses on campus, local, state and national issues. Student staff positions are open to all students in a variety of capacities which include positions for editors, reporters, writers, photographers, advertising salespeople, graphic artists and computer ad designers.

**THEATRE AND DANCE**

201 Performing Arts Center  
Phone: 507-389-2118 - Fax: 507-389-2922  
www.MSUTheatre.com

The Department of Theatre and Dance presents an array of entertainment including: The Mainstage Season consisting of six productions in both the 529-seat traditional Ted Paul Theatre and the 250-seat black box Andreas Theatre; the Studio Season, with four highly varied shows in the Andreas Theatre; two major Dance Concerts in the Ted Paul Theatre; two annual theatre tours, one professional stock theatre, Highland Summer Theatre, which is now in its 43rd year. Recent Mainstage productions include: Into the Woods, Twelfth Night, 42nd Street, Miss Saigon, Lysistrata, The History Boys, Mame. Recent Studio productions include: Rocky Horror Show, Beauty Queen of Lenane, See What I Wanna See, Tobacco Road, Rabbit Hole.  

Tryouts for each play are open to all students and community members. Construction and crew work is done by students. Credit hours may be earned by acting or working on sets, costumes, lights, sound or management. All interested parties are welcome.