NEW FACULTY 2020
Welcome to North Dakota State University, a truly special place. You will find it is a friendly, caring community of dedicated, talented and resilient faculty and staff.

NDSU is widely known as a student-focused, land-grant, research university – a title we have gained through dedication, compassion and hard work.

This institution has a long history of achievement, and NDSU provides exceptional opportunities for students and the citizens we serve. Few, if any, other land-grant universities conduct research of our caliber, breadth and impact, and still remain focused on students. Our student-to-faculty ratio was 16 to 1 for the 2019-2020 academic year.

NDSU excels in areas of innovative and technology-driven research, with more than $145 million in annual research expenditures as reported in the National Science Foundation’s Higher Education Research and Development Survey. NDSU has been listed in the Top 100 public research universities in the United States for research and development in agricultural sciences, psychology and social sciences based on reported research expenditures.

Graduate and undergraduate students are directly involved in research, working with and learning from top researchers in their disciplines. Research teams make groundbreaking discoveries that make life better and create economic opportunity.

We have a strong national and international presence – students come from around the globe to receive a quality education at an affordable price. In fall 2020, NDSU had 12,846 students enrolled in its undergraduate, professional and graduate programs. A total of 631 international students from 78 countries are enrolled at NDSU.

NDSU has more than 100 buildings on campus, eight major research and extension centers throughout the state, and Extension programs in every county of North Dakota. Our outstanding facilities include the A. Glenn Hill Center, a state-of-the-art building with classrooms and laboratories focused on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Dedication ceremonies recently were held for NDSU’s new $28 million Aldevron Towner, home of the College of Health Professions. And work on a new $51 million science building, Sugahara Hall, is underway.

NDSU has a major presence in Fargo’s historic and vibrant downtown. Our architecture and landscape architecture programs are taught in Renaissance Hall and Klai Hall; Renaissance Hall also is home to the visual arts department; and Richard H. Barry Hall is home to the College of Business and Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics.

The North Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station and NDSU Extension Service are vital parts of the university, and the university is firmly committed to its land-grant traditions. In addition, NDSU participates in the Tri-College University consortium with neighboring Minnesota State University Moorhead, Concordia College, Minnesota State Community and Technical College, and North Dakota State College of Science.

NDSU has earned a reputation for excellence in education, research and service. Our over 90,000 living alumni will attest that NDSU has a profound, lasting impact on the lives of students and the economic prosperity of our state, region and nation.

Thank you for joining our university. By becoming one us, you make NDSU even stronger.

Sincerely,

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