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A new chapter for engineering education at NDSU

NDSU recently celebrated the dedication of the nearly $100 million Richard Offerdahl '65 Engineering Complex. Made possible through support from the State of North Dakota, private philanthropy and industry partners, the facility expands opportunities for hands-on learning, research and industry collaboration while helping prepare the next generation of engineers.



NDSU student elected to national FFA leadership role

NDSU student Teagan Erbele was recently elected National FFA Central Region Vice President, becoming the first North Dakotan elected to national FFA office in 25 years. Her achievement highlights the strength of agricultural education in North Dakota and the leadership opportunities available to students at NDSU.

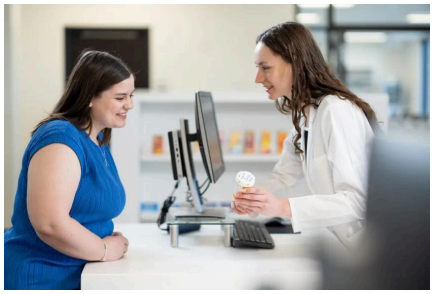
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NDSU-Fargo Public Schools partnership grows future school leaders



NDSU and Fargo Public Schools recently launched a new Teacher Leadership Academy that will help educators earn a master's degree in educational leadership while remaining in their current roles. The partnership is designed to grow leadership talent from within, strengthen North Dakota's educator workforce and support positive outcomes for students and schools.

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NDSU helping pharmacies meet North Dakota's healthcare needs

As healthcare workforce shortages continue across the state, NDSU's Center for Collaboration and Advancement in Pharmacy is helping pharmacists expand services, improve patient care and increase healthcare access in communities across the state.

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NDSU researchers ranked among world's top 2% of scientists



More than 30 NDSU researchers were recognized among the world's top 2% most-cited scientists in the latest Stanford/Elsevier Top 2% List. The recognition reflects the global impact of research conducted at NDSU and reinforces the university's role as a leader in discovery.

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NDSU architecture programs ranked No. 1 for value

NDSU earned national recognition as the top-value program in both architecture and landscape architecture according to Course Advisor. The rankings reflect the university's ability to deliver a high-quality education while keeping costs affordable and producing strong career outcomes for graduates.

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Federal grant connects student research with North Dakota industry



A National Science Foundation award is helping connect NDSU graduate student research with real-world industry applications through a full-time internship at Fargo-based CorVent Medical. The partnership provides hands-on experience in medical technology development while supporting workforce development and innovation within North Dakota's growing biotechnology sector.

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New program prepares students for careers in financial planning

NDSU's new CFP board registered minor in financial planning and wealth management is preparing students to help individuals and families navigate financial decisions.

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NDSU alumnus named North Dakota Teacher of the Year



NDSU alumnus Brian Schneider, an agricultural education teacher and FFA advisor in Napoleon, has been named North Dakota's 2027 Teacher of the Year. For more than four decades, Schneider has helped develop student leaders and prepare young people for careers that strengthen communities across the state.

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NDSU Extension strengthens local leadership

NDSU Extension continues to help communities navigate change and build local leadership through training, facilitation and civic engagement programs. From elected officials and community boards to local development discussions, these efforts provide North Dakotans with practical tools to strengthen collaboration, decision-making and community engagement.

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Join us for Knowledge on Tap



The next installment of NDSU's Knowledge on Tap series will feature University Distinguished Professor Chad Ulven discussing the challenges and opportunities of bringing innovation to market.

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