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INFORMATION ITEM

Montana State University – Northern Core Themes

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New Core Themes; Montana State University-Northern

EXPLANATION

Montana State University-Northern is presenting for information the Core Themes of the Mission Statement. These three Core Themes have been developed on the MSU-Northern campus as part of our accreditation process. The development has been a collaborative effort between MSUN faculty workgroups, Academic Senate, University Cabinet, University Advisory Council, and Academic Affairs.

MSU-N CORE THEMES

Core Theme 1: Comprehensive Programs

Provide liberal arts, professional and technical education programs that serve a diverse student population;

Core Theme 2: Student Success

Promote a student centered and culturally enriched environment which fosters student success; and

Core Theme 3: Inclusive Partnerships

Partner with external entities to enhance and expand learning experiences

MISSION (BOR Approval, September 2011-ITEM 152-2803-R0911)

MSU-Northern, a teaching institution, serves a diverse student population by providing liberal arts, professional and technical education programs ranging from certificates through master's degrees. The university promotes a student centered and culturally enriched environment endorsing lifelong learning, personal growth and responsible citizenship. The university partners with a variety of community and external entities to enhance collaborative learning, provide applied research opportunities, stimulate economic development and expand student learning experiences.