Student Life and Activities

Student Government

All registered university students automatically belong to the Student Government Association. Governmental matters which pertain to student affairs are regularly handled by the Student Senate, which elects its officers and senators in the spring. An election is held in the fall to elect two first-year student (freshman) senators. Participating students have the opportunity to view democracy in action. Student Government Association meetings are open to the public.

Student Activities

The purpose of the committee is to provide a well-rounded entertainment and educational program. It offers an excellent opportunity for university students to educate and entertain their peers. Student Activities are free with your MSU ID unless otherwise specified. Student Activity programs are under the direction of the Student Activities Committee (SAC) which consists of the Director of Entertainment, Student Senate officers and senators and any student interested in helping with SAC. Interviews are held for the Director of Entertainment in the spring.

Athletics

Minot State University men's and women's athletic programs are NCAA Division II. The men's competition includes football, basketball, track and field, golf, baseball, cross-country, and wrestling. The women's competition includes basketball, cross-country, track and field, volleyball, softball, soccer, golf, and wrestling. MSU also has club hockey programs for men and women.

Intramural Programs

A variety of sport activities are offered for both men and women throughout the school year. This program is sponsored by the Student Government Association and the Wellness Center. Interviews are held for the Intramural Directors in the spring.

Homecoming

The annual Homecoming has become a tradition in Minot. Each year, in the fall, the University sets aside a week for the entertainment of graduates, current, and former students. The celebration includes a parade, a football game, and many other features conducive to the renewal of old acquaintances.

Music

The University's Division of Music is an accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Music and provides exciting opportunities for the study and performance of all disciplines within music. Concert and lecture offerings are listed on the Division of Performing Arts website. Performance opportunities available to all University students include choir, women's chorus, band, orchestra, and jazz ensemble.

Publications

There are two student publications on campus. The Red & Green, the student newspaper, is published weekly during the regular school year. The Coup, the student literary magazine, is published annually. Student editors receive salaries paid from student activity fees. Students may earn one hour of journalism credit for working on the Red & Green. The publications are advised by faculty members and governed by policy developed by the Board of Student Media.

Radio Station (KMSU)

KMSU, the campus radio station, operates over the local access television channel. Students who live in the dorms may listen by tuning their television to channel 19. The signal is also broadcast over the local cable access channel (KMSU TV) to over 15,000 homes in the local area.

Students who wish may work with KMSU as a disc jockey doing on air shows or working in one or more of the behind-the-scenes jobs connected with the radio station by registering for radio activities. This one-credit class is available to all MSU students.

The Media Ink Club is open to all students interested in the media, be it electronic print, advertising, or public relations.

Native American Cultural Center

The Native American Cultural Center provides counseling, advising, and academic student transitional assistance to Native American/American Indian students at Minot State University. Student personal, social, financial, and career concerns are also addressed at this "home away from home" rest and relaxation student center.

Coordination and correspondence with area tribal councils, offices, and colleges is also maintained to benefit and support our students.

Campus and community events are developed and presented to promote public awareness, understanding, and appreciation of Native American people and their culture. A portion of the MSU Native American Collection of cultural artifacts is also on display for public viewing. The Native American Cultural Center is open Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Theatre Arts

The Campus Players is the student organization open to all University students. It sponsors several major productions each year. Theatre facilities include the Harold G. Aleshire Theater, the Black Box for less formal and locally-written shows, and the Amphitheatre located on the north side of the campus. The Theatre Arts Program also hosts workshops, guest lectures, and touring professional companies.