

Student Senate News

- Summer 2020 -

My fellow students,

We, the Student Senate, would love to welcome you to — or back to — our campus, even though this year may look a bit different than we are accustomed to. Each month, as a Student Senate, we hope to send out a newsletter much like this one, to ensure students are kept in the loop on the work we are doing, ensure transparency between administration and students, and offer an opportunity to receive feedback on issues students are facing.



What We Have Been Working On:

1. Establishing a student voice on the Pandemic Response Team, and providing student input on decisions.
2. In response to the murder of George Floyd, speaking with campus administration and working to develop a more inclusive curriculum and campus community; see our open letter regarding this on Student Senate's Dragon Central page.
3. Training in our Student Body President as the representative board member for Students United - a 501c3 nonprofit that actively works to represent and advocate for Minnesota State University students at State and Federal government offices.
4. Working with campus administration to discuss the Online Differential Tuition Fee, coming to an agreement, and working on related transparency on fees and fee structures. Again we invite students to read our letters and statements on our Dragon Central page.
5. Creating a structure within Senate to best serve our fellow students. This includes online weekly public forums every Thursday at 6:00 pm at our meetings, as well as providing a space to meet with our Senators, the Student Body President and Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.
6. Recruiting Student leaders to help us with our mission. We have positions available within Student Senate. If you are interested, please contact us!

Useful Resources

- During these challenging times, we want to ensure students are receiving the mental health care they need. MSUM has partnered with Learn to Live. Visit learntolive.com/partners and enter the code: MSUM.
- Student Senate is here to listen and act on the students' behalf. Join our public forums or fill out the student issue report on Dragon Central.
- For Covid-19 related questions, email covid19questions@mnstate.edu
- If you are experiencing symptoms of – or have tested positive for – COVID-19 please fill out the self-reporting form on the Dragons Care web page. For more information, including numbers, check out COVID-19 Cases, Reporting & What to Do on the Dragons Care page at www.mnstate.edu/emergency/dragons-care/cases-reporting/
- If you are in need of face masks, email moorheadsafegmail.com or visit their page at Moorhead Safe on Facebook.



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Looking to get involved on campus or find job opportunities?

- Check out the many student organizations on Dragon Central: (<https://mnstate.campuslabs.com/engage/organizations>)
- If you are looking for a job, the Career Development Center is an excellent resource (<https://www.mnstate.edu/career/job-search.aspx>) and be sure to download the Handshake app.
- If you are interested in student advocacy apply to join Student Senate as a Senator: (<https://mnstate.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/428285>)
- Or fill out the chair application to become a part of the Student Body President's cabinet: (<https://mnstate.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/430539>)

*Drop by our virtual office hours, or stop by our meetings on Thursdays at 6:00 pm.
More info on office hours and zoom links will be posted to Dragon Central*

“I urge you to answer the highest calling of your heart and stand up for what you truly believe.”

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John Lewis