



WE HAVE STOOD THE TEST OF TIME.

Mayville State University is one of North Dakota's oldest institutions of higher education. The state constitution granted establishment of a teaching college – or normal school – in 1889. Through decades of advancement, MSU's disciplines have withstood the test of time. Education and the preparation of excellent teachers and leaders have always been at the forefront of our mission. We're a proud and storied institution that has stayed true to our commitment to personal service while evolving into a dynamic four-year university.

The decision to attend college is a monumental one. Each fall new students come to Mayville State's campus and remind us all of how special this place is, and how much we have to offer the leaders of today. Here's an honest, exploratory look at what life as a Comet is like.



A blue-tinted photograph of a man in a suit and tie spotting a student performing a bench press in a gym. The man is leaning over the student, who is lying on a bench. The background shows gym equipment, including a rack with weights and a barbell. The text "CHAPTER 1" is overlaid in large, white, outlined letters.

CHAPTER 1

YES. U

**CAN BALANCE
ATHLETICS & FINE ARTS
WITH A FOUR-YEAR
COLLEGE EDUCATION.**

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I LOVE THE SMALL CLASSROOM FEEL AND COMFORT. THE TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO COLLEGE WAS MORE MANAGEABLE ON THIS SCALE. I'M A BIOLOGY MAJOR, AND I PLAY BASEBALL. I'VE FOUND AN UNBREAKABLE TEAM BOND AND LIFELONG FRIENDS HERE.

-BRADY NYGAARD

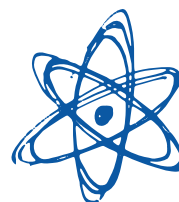




NEVER SETTLE FOR STAGNATION.

All of our professors, instructors, and staff know what it takes to develop students into career-ready and goal-setting members of society: balance. Life is filled with managing obligations, defining priorities, and accomplishing a great deal. We firmly believe it's best practice to support students in the same atmosphere and structure that post-graduation life will offer them.

This means Mayville State students are involved, well-rounded individuals who fill their collegiate lives with activities, affiliations, and participation together with their core coursework. Our students have unique opportunities to develop talents and increase service to others through participation in sports, fine arts, service groups, and other organizations.





Comets are diligent, relentless seekers of the full college experience, and Mayville State grants them that opportunity. We believe we prepare students for success in their personal and professional lives, as well as leadership and service in their communities. Each program we offer and promote is shaped by ethics and integrity, and that means students can be athletes, musicians, club leaders, volunteers, employees, and advocates throughout their college experience.

Our unique, close-knit infrastructure enables faculty and staff to promote balance and support for each of our students, regardless of activities. Success now ensures our students will effectively balance the rigorous demands of life after they leave campus, and we can't help but think Mayville State was instrumental in providing students that foundation.



**Service organizations develop
great leadership skills and
foster philanthropy.**

**Fine arts encourage passion
and nurture talent.**

**Collegiate athletics
promote cohesion,
teamwork, and loyalty.**

These skills make for well-rounded students who are better equipped for life after Mayville State. Our faculty and staff are devoted to helping students balance education with personal and professional obligations – it's our commitment. Through flexible class scheduling, dedicated and passionate career advisors, and quality programs, MSU aims to provide a supportive learning environment both in and out of the classroom.

We offer over 80 majors, minors, specializations, and pre-professional programs, 20 clubs and organizations, and six varsity sports. Mayville State encourages students to find their passion, pursue their talent, and take a few risks along the journey.



A person with long hair, wearing a lab coat and gloves, is focused on looking through a microscope. The scene is set in a laboratory, with various pieces of equipment visible in the background. The entire image has a blue tint.

CHAPTER 2

YES. U

**CAN BENEFIT FROM
UNPARALLELED
EDUCATIONAL
ADVANCEMENTS.**

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WHAT'S IMPORTANT FOR MY STUDENTS IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADVANCE THEIR CAREERS THROUGH RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES. THEY MIGHT NOT GET OR HAVE ACCESS TO THOSE OPPORTUNITIES AT OTHER INSTITUTIONS. THEY CAN PRESENT THEIR WORK AT LOCAL, REGIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS. IMAGINE THAT SCOPE!

-DR. JOSEPH MEHUS





STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO.

Mayville State University is one of the best universities in the Midwest. Our professors and instructors have worldly backgrounds and bring their dedication and passion to MSU. Class sizes are always small at Mayville State, which means that students receive direct and often one-on-one access to instructors.

Many of our current faculty members had ties to Mayville State University prior to beginning their academic careers here. This is a true testament to the belief that MSU is special – people don't often return to places where they didn't have a positive, impactful experience.

MSU is home to many highly ranked and nationally recognized academic programs that are led by professors with years of related education, research, and experience. All departments have instructors who earned Ph.D.s in their field of study.

Mayville State is small. That is true, but the depth of education that students receive is anything *but* small.

Public higher education is one of the most dynamic fields in the country. MSU is a trailblazer in exploring new possibilities that are presented each day. Our faculty and staff work collaboratively to address needs, seize opportunities, and to continuously bring value to our students, staff, and alumni.

We are committed to student preparation for a diverse society and fields of commerce and industry. Our programs focus on educating individuals to be knowledgeable, reflective professionals who have an educational foundation that has readied them for their fields or next levels of education. Our initiatives include supporting the success of MSU's diverse student body through degree completion, high impact and inclusive support, and overall transformative experiences in a global community.



A blue-tinted photograph of three students standing in a library. The student on the left is a boy with glasses wearing a Mayville State t-shirt. The student in the middle is a girl wearing a Mayville State Comets t-shirt. The student on the right is a boy wearing a Nike t-shirt with the text 'THE VILLE OR NOTHING'. Bookshelves filled with books are visible in the background.

CHAPTER 3

YES. U
CAN FIT INTO
THIS COMMUNITY.

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I CHOSE MSU BECAUSE I'M FROM A SMALL TOWN, AND I WAS INTIMIDATED BY LARGER CLASS SIZES AT DIFFERENT UNIVERSITIES. MSU IS ALSO A LOT MORE AFFORDABLE THAN OTHER PLACES. I CHOSE TO MAJOR IN SCIENCE BECAUSE I LIKE SEEING THE PARALLELS DRAWN BETWEEN WHAT I LEARN IN CLASS AND WHAT I SEE IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

-KATELYN OGBURN





IT'S ALL ABOUT THE COMMUNITY.

Mayville State is about personal development and community.

When students select MSU, they don't just join a group of diverse students, faculty, and staff; they join a group of connected people with all kinds of backgrounds sharing a unique life experience.

With the levels of talent and passion students bring to our university, our student body of over 1,000 can feel big. On the other hand, that same student body can feel like a close-knit family, so warm, welcoming, and inclusive. That's what makes Mayville State University special, and it extends to the community in which we're situated.

This city makes our university feel like its crown jewel, and that kind of support and pride helps our students, faculty, and staff feel right at home. Choosing a college is beyond a financial decision, it's an emotional one.

Many members of our student body hail from smaller towns and attended high schools with small student populations. Not only is the transition to college monumental for students, it also affects families of students.

Mayville State offers incredible professional and athletic opportunities on a smaller scale. It's a comfort for those individuals looking to mimic their roots – an intimate and supportive learning environment in a community that is comfortable and accepting.

The residents of Mayville rally around their beloved university and welcome students into their lives. Imagine an instant connection and sense of home when students step foot onto campus. There's a rich diversity on campus and plenty of opportunity for inclusion and culture.

A blue-tinted photograph of a classroom. In the foreground, a teacher stands with his back to the camera, gesturing towards a group of students. The students are standing in rows, looking towards the front of the room. The classroom has a drop ceiling with rectangular light fixtures. The overall tone is educational and professional.

CHAPTER 4

YES. U

**CAN SUPPORT
YOUR GOALS FOR A
NON-TRADITIONAL
EDUCATION.**

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THE SMALL CLASSES MEAN YOU DEVELOP BETTER
RELATIONSHIPS WITH YOUR PEERS. IT DOESN'T MATTER
WHERE YOU CAME FROM, WHEN YOU'RE AT MAYVILLE,
YOU BELONG.

-ASHLEE NELSON





EDUCATION THAT FITS YOUR NEEDS.

Everyone deserves an education and has the right to pursue a college education that best suits their personal needs.

Mayville State provides several options that assist individuals in earning degrees. Course delivery may be online, on campus, or a hybrid of the two. Career ambitions are unique to every student pursuing an education. Flexible study plans, specialized degree programs, and personal advising are just as unique and tailored to each student.

Our degree programs are based on relevant, real-world success. When developing program pedagogies and direct instruction, we pride ourselves on considering the immediate needs of North Dakota and surrounding areas in terms of workforce.



Mayville State offers distance and online programs, and the integrity seen in student-focused instruction of our on-campus programs is upheld in these formats.

Online and distance class sizes are small, and the majority of class instructors are full-time, on-campus instructors. Students receive quality education from experienced and dedicated university staff. We also work hard to make any student's transition from other institutions as seamless as possible. Transfer credits earned from accredited institutions are accepted.



Mayville State's rich background as a teaching college supports ongoing education as a high priority for this university. Offering students a flexible way to continue education regardless of location or professional obligations falls in line with our values and dedication to putting students first.



MSU graduates continually indicate they are satisfactorily employed or continuing education. That highlights the efforts we make on behalf of our students' experiences. College is just a small part of life, and Mayville State will ensure that small part has a long-lasting impact.

**WE DEVELOP BETTER LEADERS
ONE PERSON AT A TIME.**



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