

# Strategic Insights

A newsletter bridging industry,  
alumni and academia at M State

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## 'We Thrive' grant award will support wealth-building for women at M State



M State will be enhancing its education and entrepreneurship services for students who are women, thanks to a new grant award from the Women's Foundation of Minnesota. The \$150,000 "We Thrive" grant award will allow the college to identify and provide valuable wraparound services and basic needs support for women students, such as childcare, transportation, laptops and mental health services. The "We Thrive" grant program is intended to support the growth of intergenerational wealth by investing in education and entrepreneurship opportunities for women. As part of the M State grant, \$25,000 has been allotted to the West Central Minnesota Small Business Development Center, headquartered at the college's Moorhead campus, to provide women with personalized business consulting services.

## Introducing new partner Red River Commodities

We are pleased to welcome Red River

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Commodities as a premier partner in our recently launched Corporate Sponsorship and Engagement Program. This program offers enhanced branding opportunities for our industry friends at three levels of engagement across all four M State campuses. The program launched this past fall. More information about the program can be found at [minnesota.edu/support-m-state](http://minnesota.edu/support-m-state).



## Foundation spotlight: Learning and strategizing



M State Foundation and Alumni Board members recently came together for an enriching training session. It was an opportunity to learn, grow and strategize for the future of the foundation. We're grateful for the dedication and insights shared by our board members. Together, we're shaping the path forward and making a positive impact in our community.

## Thank you to our donors

- Lake Region Electric Cooperative
- Ziegler Cat
- Pioneer Promo
- Perham Health
- Robert Gibb & Sons
- Matthew Benjamin- M State Employee
- Anonymous Donors



M State Foundation and Alumni is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that supports the college's campuses in Detroit Lakes, Moorhead and Wadena. The foundation thanks the above businesses, alumni, employees and friends for their donations of funds or in-kind gifts and services during the last 30 days. Donations to the foundation greatly impact the lives of M State students.

## Upcoming training:

#### Firefighter II :

- March 1

#### Medication Administration for Unlicensed

##### Personnel:

- March 5

#### Medication Administration for School Personnel:

- March 4

#### Boiler Courses (\$300):

- March 5, 6 and 7, 4-9 p.m. (Detroit Lakes)
- March 15 and 16, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Moorhead)

#### Class A and B CDL Training:

- Offered on a rolling basis, email [CDL@minnesota.edu](mailto:CDL@minnesota.edu) for more information (Detroit Lakes, Moorhead and Wadena)

#### Hazmat Endorsement (\$49):

- Email [CDL@minnesota.edu](mailto:CDL@minnesota.edu) to register (online)

#### Bus/Passenger Endorsement

- Email [CDL@minnesota.edu](mailto:CDL@minnesota.edu) to register (online)

#### Mandatory Inspection Program (\$110)

- March 19 (Detroit Lakes)

#### Motorcycle Classes:

- Available for registration at [https://mnscu.rschoolday.com/public/getclass/category\\_id/331/program\\_id/47/subcategory\\_id/1045](https://mnscu.rschoolday.com/public/getclass/category_id/331/program_id/47/subcategory_id/1045)

#### Coaching for Higher Engagement and Performance (Virtual):

- March 6, 10 a.m. - noon (First Session)
- March 20, 10 a.m. - noon (Second Session)

#### Next Generation Nursing Assistant Hybrid:

- March 4-30 (Detroit Lakes)

#### Next Generation Nursing Assistant:

- March 11-April 28 (Detroit Lakes)
- March 19-April 17 (Fergus Falls)

#### The Power of a Bright Smile: Healthy Smiles through Community Health:

- March 26

#### Nursing Assistant Knowledge Test (Virtual):

- March 15, 9 a.m.
- March 20, 9 a.m.
- March 21, 2:30 p.m.
- March 27, 7 p.m.
- March 28, 9 a.m.

#### Nursing Assistant Skills Test:

- March 11 (Fergus Falls)
- March 13 (Moorhead)

For more information on upcoming training, visit: [minnesota.edu/workforce-development-solutions](https://minnesota.edu/workforce-development-solutions)

# SHARE YOUR PASSION AND GET PAID

## Be a Trainer for Workforce Development at M State

### CLASS-BASED TRAINING

Provide custom-designed trainings on-site at client facilities, online, or at one of M State's campuses in Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Moorhead and Wadena. Training groups average about 20 people each.

### COMPENSATION

Get paid by the hour, including training hours, development hours and one-way travel time when travel and travel expenses are required. Hourly rates vary depending on the training topic.

### FLEXIBLE HOURS

Work as often or as little as you want. Make training your side hustle, or make it something more.

### GROWTH POTENTIAL

Grow and expand your career, maximize your potential and achieve your professional goals. Being a trainer means you have options to pursue coaching and training certifications as well as opportunities to build facilitation, communication and technical skills.

### NETWORKING

Work with a broad range of employers and employees in your field of expertise, from all across our west central Minnesota training area.



**Ready to share your skills? Contact:**  
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