

Message from the President

North Dakota State University is a truly amazing place, a model for others in higher education to emulate. Our proud university is a shining example of a successful student-focused, land-grant, research institution—and that means NDSU commands a powerful niche.

The rest of the country and the world are noticing our accomplishments.

NDSU was named by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education to the elite "Research University/Very High Research" category, which represents the 108 top-ranked private and public universities in the United States. The classification is a strong recognition of NDSU's position as a national research institution. NDSU is clearly a leader among its peers, and we are pleased The Carnegie Foundation has acknowledged that.

NDSU has more than 14,700 students in our undergraduate and graduate programs. We have more than 2,600 graduate and professional students. NDSU student-athletes compete and succeed in the ranks of NCAA Division I.

The level of interest in the university has risen dramatically among students, the public and colleagues around the globe. This institution has evolved and progressed—we have increased our productivity, visibility and contributions to a greater number of constituencies.

We have a strong sense of community and campus pride at NDSU. We are dedicated to the land-grant mission of quality education, leading research and outstanding service. NDSU clearly makes a difference in the lives of students and the vitality of our community, state, region and nation.

The future of the great state of North Dakota is at a point of awakening—and our imagination is the only limit to the future. We at NDSU are poised to help make that future a reality.

I urge you to use this catalog to explore the many educational opportunities offered by our university. Join us as NDSU moves forward. The best is yet to come.

Dean L. Bresciani
President