

North Dakota & Minnesota Partnership



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Summary

The North Dakota & Minnesota Partnership, comprised of three institutions near Fargo, ND and Moorhead, MN, will focus on assessment, classroom management, instructional technologies and diversity as the core elements to jointly develop, while also individually transforming program elements on each campus.

Recruit

Four target groups, including middle school students, high school students, college students and career transition professionals, will each have customized approaches used to reach them.

Prepare

At the heart of the Partnership is the plan to offer a menu of options providing students a comprehensive range of certificates (e.g., English Language Learners, Reading, Special Education, STEM) to add to their degrees. These options are open to students from each of the universities, significantly expanding access to the certificates.

Place

Prospective teachers graduating from the Collaborative will be placed in schools sharing the Partnership's dedication to developing highly effective teachers. The three universities will work with partner schools to develop mentoring programs for new teachers, enhance professional development activities for all teachers and utilize assessment data to enhance teacher effectiveness.

Support

New teacher graduates from the Partnership will be supported through the use of mentors and online training.

- A school-based and university mentor will be assigned to each graduate, whether the graduate teaches at a partner school or at a distance away.
- An online Mentoring and Professional Development Academy will be available to all graduate to provide access to teacher models such as Diversity and Classroom Management.

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Key Statistics

Number of Combined Education Program Graduates (2009):	240
First Cohort Under Redesign:	Fall 2010
First Graduates Teaching:	Fall 2014
Proposed Education Program Annual Graduates:	250

