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NDSU spring enrollment holds steady

NDSU's spring semester enrollment stands at 8,994, including students in Cooperative Education positions. Last year 8,995 students were enrolled for the spring semester.

The current number of full-time students and total credits offered are up from 1998. NDSU now has 7,219 full-time students, compared to 7,131 a year ago. A total of 121,019 credits is being offered this spring, up from the 120,403 offered last year.

"The fact we are holding steady is encouraging, given the excellent employment market in the Fargo-Moorhead area," said Gary Narum, associate vice president for student affairs. "It is positive that we have more full-time students generating more credit hours."

Technology fee advisory committee seeks proposals

Students, faculty and staff are invited to submit proposals for technology fee action plans that will improve the quality of education and campus life of NDSU students. Action plans should address issues including classroom technology, computer clusters, multimedia development, network access and student, faculty and staff training.

Permanent annual application deadlines have been set March 15 and Sept. 15. The committee solicits and reviews proposals, then makes recommendations to Craig Schnell, vice president of academic affairs, and the president of the university, who make the final decisions.

Recent projects that have resulted through technology fee funding include the installation of laser printers in the IACC, new clusters in residence halls, a veterinary cluster, a fine arts cluster and a chemistry visualization lab.

Access the solicitation, descriptions, instructions and forms at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/tfac/actionplans/.

Proposals should be sent to the Technology Fee Advisory Committee, c/o NDSU Vice President for Academic Affairs, Old Main 103.

For more information contact Richard Chenoweth, chair of the committee, at 1-7106 or *rchenowe@prairie.nodak.edu*.

NDSU Development Foundation establishes Theresa Lang fund

In response to public requests, a special fund has been established by the NDSU Development Foundation to assist student-athlete Theresa Lang. Lang, a member of the Bison women's basketball team, is receiving outpatient cancer treatment from the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, while continuing her studies at NDSU. Donations will be used to help the Lang family with expenses incurred during her treatment.

Individuals wishing to contribute may send checks to The Theresa Lang Fund, NDSU Development Foundation, P.O. Box 5144, Fargo, ND, 58105.

The fund is being administered in accordance with NCAA guidelines. Donations are not tax deductible.

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People

Longtime NDSU professor Hertsgaard dies



Thor Hertsgaard, professor emeritus of agricultural economics, died Jan. 28 at the age of 68. Known throughout North Dakota as a leading agricultural economist, he often served as an adviser to legislative committees and state agencies.

Hertsgaard

A native of Kindred, Hertsgaard joined NDSU in 1958. During his career, he received the

Alpha Zeta Outstanding Teacher award in 1965, NDSU Faculty Lectureship in 1985, Western Agricultural Economics Association Teaching Award in 1985, Burlington Northern Foundation Faculty Achievement Award in 1986 and the Blue Key Distinguished Educator Award in 1991.

Actively involved in teaching, advising, curriculum development and student organizations, Hertsgaard also participated in numerous departmental, college, university and statewide committees. He retired in 1995.

Hertsgaard earned his bachelor's degree and master's degree in agricultural economics from NDSU and his doctorate at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Prior to coming to NDSU, he was an assistant Traill County Extension Agent.

Hertsgaard was a former jet pilot who held positions as flight commander, air operations officer and director of operations in the North Dakota Air National Guard. He also was the former director of the Tri-College University Economic Education Center.

He lived in Moorhead. Survivors include his wife, Doris, five daughters and eight grandchildren.

Terbizan, Strand published

Donna Terbizan and Brad Strand both had papers published in the latest issue of the Journal of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Terbizan's paper is titled "Profession Preparation of Personal Trainers." Strand's is titled "Teaching Study Skills Through Classroom Activities."

Music student wins national competition

Tom Raney, a senior in pharmacy, recently competed in the 1999 National Young Artist Competition in Odessa, Texas. Raney played Hummel's *Trumpet Concerto in E-flat* and won first place in his category and a prize of \$2,000.

The competition, held Jan. 23, was sponsored by the Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale.

Theater faculty, student honored

Two faculty members and one graduate student from the NDSU Department of Theatre Arts were awarded commendations at the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival at Iowa State University.

Don Larew, scenic design, and Thomas Bernard, costume design, received commendations for their work in *Something's Afoot*, the Little Country Theatre's November production. Shelly Hurt, a graduate student in costume design, received a commendation for her costume design of last year's production of *The Hot l Baltimore*.

The festival provides opportunities for college and university theater departments to showcase their best work and receive outside response. The festival honors excellence of overall production and gives awards and scholarships for playwriting, acting, criticism, directing and design.

Events

Brown bag to question effects gambling

The YMCA of NDSU has scheduled the brown bag seminar "Choice and Chance," noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room.

Chris Shiaro, a chemical issues counselor from Share House, will raise questions about gambling in North Dakota, the potential increase in problem gamblers in the region and whether the debts in human costs exceed the benefits for social programs. The presentation is free and open to the public. For more information contact the YMCA of NDSU at 235-8772.

Theology forum to address same-sex marriage

United Campus Ministry and the University Lutheran Center are sponsoring "Horizons," a weekly series of forums that examine science, theology and the world. The presentations are an opportunity for students, faculty and staff to interact and discuss issues in an informal setting.

Otto Helweg, dean of engineering and architecture, and Larry Peterson, professor of history, will present "Should Same-Sex Unions/Marriages Be Legal? In ND?" at noon, Wednesday, Feb. 10, Memorial Union University Chamber.

The forum is free and open to the public. For more information contact United Campus Ministry at 235-0672 or the University Lutheran Center at 232-2587.

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Danbom to present women's studies symposium



Danbom

David Danbom, professor of history, is scheduled to present "Who Gets to Work? Men, Women, and the Morality of Work in Fargo During the Great Depression," at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, in Loftsgard 380.

"Right now in Fargo there are women holding positions which ex-servicemen with families might fill but who are now walking the street

unemployed," wrote a Fargo resident in 1931. With this excerpt from a letter to the editor of the Fargo Forum, Danbom opens his talk detailing a controversy over the employment of married women in Fargo during 1931 and 1932. With jobs in short supply, some argued that married women held jobs that should have gone to married men or single women. Danbom argues that while economic issues ran along the surface of the controversy, at stake as well were deeper cultural and moral issues about women's place in American society.

Danbom, a member of the NDSU faculty since 1974, is recipient of the 1998 Faculty Lectureship Award. He is the author of "Born in the Country: A History of Rural America," and his symposium presentation is part of his current research on the experiences of Fargo citizens during the Great Depression.

The symposium is open to the public. For more information contact Danbom at 1-8654, or Kathleen Slobin, director of women's studies at 1-8939.

English seminar to analyze passive voice in literature

English students Nicole Parkhouse and Joanna Messelt will present the department's first seminar of the semester "Analyzing the Passive: Pitfalls and Possibilities," 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3, in Minard 215.

The presentation will demonstrate the fundamentals of the passive voice and how grammatical analysis can serve as a tool for literary analysis. The first portion of the presentation will focus on usage of passive voice in Mary Shelly's *Frankenstein*. The second portion of the seminar will explore current theories regarding the formation and usage of the passive.

The seminar is open to all members of the campus community. For more information on this or future seminars, contact Bill Cosgrove at 1-7147 or by e-mail at *cosgrove@plains.nodak.edu*, or Anjali Pandey at 1-7148 or by e-mail at *apandey@prairie.nodak.edu*.

Ag engineering show set for Feb. 13

The 51st Annual Agricultural Engineering Show is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, in the Ag Engineering building. The show is free and open to the public. Coffee and donuts will be served. For more information contact Chris Althoff at 235-4063.

New study abroad summer program set in Norway

"Norwegian Nature, Language and Culture," a new study abroad program, is scheduled to take place in Evenstad, Norway, from July 19 to Aug. 6.

Sponsored by Hedmark College, Hamar, Norway, the program will include an introduction to Norwegian society, history, natural environment, cultural background and social conditions. Participants will also study introductory Norwegian, but the program is offered in English.

Students will spend the first and last weeks in classes at Hedmark College. During the second week, they will travel around the country by bus or on boats. They will camp and hike in Femundsmarka National Park, visit historic towns, participate in a festival, tour museums and examine Norwegian coastal culture.

The cost of the program is \$1,100 and includes all transportation, living accommodations and meals served in Norway. Additional costs for students include airfare to Norway, rental of sleeping and camping equipment and registration for credits at NDSU. Students will be required to keep a journal during the program and present an oral and written report at the end. The program is limited to 25 students and is open to any NDSU, MSU, or Concordia student.

The city of Evanstad, the location of the study abroad program, is the site of the department of forestry and wilderness management of Hedmark College, a four-year college that offers undergraduate study at other sites in the departments of agriculture and natural sciences, business administration, social sciences, computer science, nursing education and teacher training.

The study abroad program will finish two weeks before NDSU classes begin so students will have time to travel around Europe on their own if they so desire. For more information about the program in Norway, contact the study abroad adviser in the Office of International Programs, 338 Ceres Hall, 1-7895.

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Irish Duo to perform Feb. 5

The Irish duo Willson and McKee are scheduled to perform at the Memorial Union Gallery at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5. Known for their colorful instrumentals and vocal harmonies, the duo will perform traditional Irish dance tunes, ancient ballads and contemporary original songs. Celtic influence is heard through McKee's instrumentals on dulcimers, bodhran and psaltry. Willson brings a folk sound to the mix with his guitar, banjo and Irish bouzouki.

Admission is \$5. Tickets may be purchased at the Memorial Union Information Desk. For more information contact Peg Furshong at 1-8239.

Tri-College seminar to address women and human rights

The Tri-College University World Studies Committee is sponsoring an eight—week seminar on "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights: The 50th Anniversary." A panel is scheduled to present "Women and Human Rights" 6:30-9:30 p.m. Feb. 9, in MacLean 173, Moorhead State University.

Members of the panel and their topics are:

Patricia Conteh, Reproduction rights and mutilation

Kristi Groberg, Women in the former USSR and Eastern Europe

Sandra Holbrook, Women in the U.S., employment quality

Hazel Retzloff, Violence against women

Beth Anderson, Educational quality

The seminar is free and open to the public. For more information contact Maggie Skrogstad at 1-9731 or by e-mail at *skrogsta@plains.nodak.edu*.

Shorts and Reminders

Quantity Foods

The Quantity Foods Class is hosting a "Taste of Italy" meal from 11:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Feb. 9, in the West Dining Center. Items on the menu include antipasto salad, chicken rosemary atop fettuccini, broccoli, breadsticks, sparkling grape juice and fruit pizza. The meal is \$5.25 per person. Call 1-7023 for reservations.

Little Country Theatre

The Little Country Theatre will present "Baby with the Bathwater" at 8 p.m. Feb. 3-6, in Askanase Auditorium. Tickets are \$8 for adults; \$7 for senior citizens, students and children; and \$4 for NDSU students. Call the Little Country Theatre Box Office at 1-7969 or the Division of Fine Arts Box Office at 231-7932 for tickets.

Open Positions

Positions open and their closing dates through the Office of Human Resources, Room 205, Old Main:

Food Service worker II/#1046 12-Month; M-F; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; occasional weekends Dining Services - Residence Dining Center \$6.00/hour Feb. 3

Food Service Worker I/#1174 10-month position; M-F; 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; occasional weekends, summer hours vary Dining Services - West Dining Center \$5.60/hour Feb. 5

Cook II/#1156 10-Month; M-F; 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; occasional weekends; summer hours vary Dining Services - West Dining Center

\$7.46/hour Feb. 8

Custodian (2 positions available) Pos #0760 - 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Pos #0987 - 3:30 p.m.-midnight Physical Plant \$13,847 minimum/year Feb. 3

Motor Vehicle Mechanic/#0890 & #1366 Animal & Range Sciences \$20,000+/year Feb. 16

Medical Records Technician II (9 months full-time; 3 months part-time) Student Health Service \$1,667/month (full-time) Feb. 4

Computer Store/Department Manager/#4021 (Bookstore Manager I) Varsity Mart \$21,576 minimum/year Feb. 18

Position openings are also available through the NDSU web site at www.nodak.edu/human-resources/.

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Research Opportunities

The Office of Research Administration in Old Main 201 announces the following funding opportunities and deadlines. For more information call 1-8908.

NIH/National Center for Research Resources Shared Instrumentation www.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-99-031.html Deadline: March 19

The objective of this program is to make available to institutions expensive research instruments that can only be justified on a shared-use basis and for which meritorious research projects are described. The program provides for groups of NIH-supported investigators to obtain commercially-available, technologically sophisticated equipment costing more than \$100,000.

National Science Foundation Joint NSF/NIH Multi-User Instrumentation Program Deadline: March 19

The NIH Shared Instrumentation Grant Program and the NSF's Multi-User Biological Instrumentation Program will offer joint funding for multi-user high-end instruments. Proposals that request a single instrument with a total purchase cost of more than \$500,000, and that would normally be eligible for submission to both NIH and NSF, may be submitted to NIH by including the necessary NSF documentation. See the NIH Shared Instrumentation Grant program guidelines for further information: www.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-99-031.html

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation Center for the Future of Children www.packfound.org/index.htm Deadline: March 15 (full proposals)

This program focuses its grantmaking in the areas of children's health: medical outcomes, health care quality and access, child development, and child abuse and neglect. Potential applicants are requested to submit a letter of inquiry summarizing the nature of the proposal before preparing a full proposal.

Association for Health Services Research Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research www.ahsr.org/rwjf/call99 Deadline: April 9 (letter of intent)

This program provides grants of \$100,000 - \$250,000 for up to three years to enable investigators to explore solutions to critical health policy issues. The program challenges investigators from a variety of fields to think creatively about the most important problems affecting the health and health care of Americans and explore innovative ideas and perspectives that may contribute to the knowledge base of health policy. Applications are encouraged from researchers in diverse fields.

Calendar

February

Through Feb. 17 Juried Student Art Exhibition, Memorial Union Gallery; for info call 1-8239

Through Feb. 26 art exhibition of work by Janet Hart Heinicke, Gallery 101, Art Building

- 3 Architecture/Landscape Architecture—David Goehring, AIA and Principal of David Goehring Architects, LLC, "Dutch Modern Architecture and the Rebuilding of Rotterdam," 5 p.m., Loftsgard 114
- 3-6 Little Country Theatre production of "Baby with the Bathwater," 8 p.m. Askanase Auditorium; for tickets call 1-7969
- 4 Chemistry—John Montgomery, Wayne State University, "New Cyclizations and Multicomponent Couplings," 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152
- 5 Willson and McKee concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery
- 5 Psychology—Brenda King, University of Tennessee, "Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) and Individual Differences," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 5 Plant Sciences— Patrick M. Carr, guest speaker, "Challenges and opportunities of directing agronomic research at an off-campus research facility," 3:30 p.m. Loftsgard 380
- 5 Animal and Range Sciences—John Sterling, graduate student, "Recovery of the Western Prairie Fringed Orchid, *Platanthera praeclara*," and Kevin Miller, graduate student, "Effect on high and low manganese in magnesium-deficient pigs," 3 p.m., Hultz 104
- 6 NDSU Jazz Festival, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 6 NDSU Jazz Ensemble Concert, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 12 Psychology—Steven J. Lepore, Carnegie-Mellon University, "Disclosing Personal Tragedies: The Costs and Benefits of Opening Up," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 12 Chemistry—Kay Brummond, West Virginia University, "Allenes, Alkynes and [2+2+1] Cycloadditions," 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152
- 12-15 Tour of Winnipeg
- 14 Tri-College Percussion Ensemble and Marimba Choir Concert, 3 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom, Moorhead State University

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15 President's Day, administrative offices closed, no classes

- Administrative offices open, classes resume
- 19 Psychology—Kevin D. McCaul, "Why Do People Obtain Cancer Screenings?" 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 22 Opening of "Dana Boussard: Between Places" exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery
- 25 Chemistry—Paul Kiprof, University of Minnesota, Duluth, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152
- 26 Psychology—David Corina, University of Washington, "Neural Representations of Human Language and Human Action," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

March

Through March 23 "Dana Boussard: Between Places," Memorial Union Gallery; for info call 1-8239

- 1 "Dana Boussard: Between Places" reception 4-6 p.m. Memorial Union Gallery
- 2 Brenda Weiler concert, 7-9 p.m. Memorial Union Gallery; Tickets are \$5 and available at the Memorial Union Information Desk
- 2 Chemistry—William Bailey, University of Connecticut, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152
- 2 University Chorus and Madrigal Singers Concert, 8 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 3 Varsity Band and Jazz Ensemble Concert, 8 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 3 Art Exhibition, "Paintings and Drawings," by Tracy Otten, Gallery 101, Art Building; runs through March 26
- 5 Psychology—Laura DeHaan, "Individual and Community Risk Factors Among Early Adolescents in North Dakota," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 8-12 Spring break, no classes
- 15 Classes resume
- 18 Concert Choir Home Concert, 8 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 19 Psychology—Gina Grimshaw, California State San Marcos, "Interhemispheric Interactions: Why Two Brains Are Better Than One," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 21 Oscar J. Howard Native Memorial Scholars Fund Art Auction, Ramada Plaza Suites; for more info call the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 1-1029

- 21 Gold Star Concert Band Concert, 2 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- Advising week begins for fall 1999 semester
- 22-26 International Week. For info. call 1-7895
- 22-26 International Juried Photo Exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery; for more info contact the Office of International Programs at 1-8046
- 26 Red River Psychology Conference, Moorhead State University
- 26 NDSU Art Senior Thesis projects on display, Memorial Union Gallery; Reception 4-6 p.m.

April

Through April 6 NDSU Art Senior Thesis projects on display, Memorial Union Gallery

- 2 Good Friday, administrative offices closed
- 2-5 Holiday/recess, no classes
- 5 Administrative offices open, classes resume
- 8-16 Interior Design Senior Thesis projects on display, Memorial Union Gallery
- 9 Intertior Design Senior Thesis projects reception, 4-6 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery
- 9 Psychology—John K. Robinson, SUNY at Stony Brook, "Rats as Small Furry Humans in Studies of the Neurobiology of Amnesia," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 10 Day of Percussion, all day, Festival Concert Hall; Tri-College Percussion Ensemble and Marimba Choir Spring Concert, 4 p.m. Festival Concert Hall
- 13 Little Country Theatre free preview night for NDSU staff; call ext. 1-7969 to reserve tickets; production, "Hedda Gabler"
- 14-17 Little Country Theatre production of "Hedda Gabler," 8 p.m. Askanase Auditorium; for tickets call 1-7969
- 15 Chemistry—Robert Malecza, Michigan State University, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152
- 16 Psychology—Scott Lilienfeld, Emory University, "Psychopathic Personality: Links Among Theory, Assessment, and Research," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 20 NDSU Architecture and Landscape Architecture Day, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Memorial Union Gallery
- 21-23 NDSU Landscape Architecture Finalists on display, Memorial Union Gallery

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The following are some of the bills of particular interest to NDSU. The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education Office tracks additional bills. The text of the bills and other legislative information is available on the web at www.state.nd.us/lr/. Bolded descriptions below indicate information added since the previous report.

House

HB 1003 NDUS appropriation bill. Appropriates \$128,100,635 to NDSU from all funds (\$72,401,732 general fund). Authorizes bonding of \$4,500,000 for the Health and Wellness Center.

HB 1004 Section 7 provides that OMB should collect indirect cost reimbursement from state agencies.

HB 1021 Ag. appropriation bill. Appropriates \$96,793,422 from all funds (\$47,917,280 general fund).

HB 1022 Appropriation authority for bonding for the animal care research facility.

HB 1034 Section 15 relates to higher education credit for juniors and seniors in high school who take courses.

HB 1037 Restricts claims against the State for Y2K liability if good faith effort is made.

HB 1046 Prohibits service contracts from extending into the following biennium.

HB 1048 Provides for the State Treasurer to collect debts for state agencies and for the State Treasurer and Director of Office of Management and Budget to supervise collection of debts.

HB 1049 Provides for confidentiality of audit reports until presented to the Legislature.

HB 1058 Makes ticket scalping to public events, such as athletic contests, a Class A misdemeanor.

HB 1096 Requires employers to pay for medical examinations or drug tests if required for retaining or obtaining employment. Passed House.

HB 1105 Authorizes DMV to issue special collegiate license plates for \$25 per year. Failed House.

HB 1138 Makes patient records at the Student Health Service confidential. Passed House.

HB 1165 Provides for continuing appropriation for special revenue funds, including tuition.

HB 1170 Section 14 requires all vendors for state purchasing to be approved by the Director of OMB.

HB 1171 Deletes Board of Higher Education membership on State Personnel Board. **Passed House as amended.**

HB 1173 Exempts higher education institutions from certain postage meter approval requirements. Passed House.

HB 1174 Allows employee suggestion incentive rewards to cover cost savings in other agencies and provides for supervisors to share in the award. **Passed House as amended.**

HB 1186 Repeals a number of outdated provisions relating to various higher education institutions.

HB 1199 Creates a residency incentive loan program of \$250 per semester.

HB 1228 Requires prefiled bills for state employee raises.

HB 1257 Creates an alternative defined contribution retirement plan for nonclassified state employees.

HB 1262 Makes employees who voluntarily retire ineligible for Worker's Comp.

HB 1296 Creates authority for Worker's Comp. programs for coverage beyond the state's borders.

HB 1297 Creates mandatory medical coverage for annual mammograms for women who are at least 40 years of age. **Passed House.**

HB 1300 Requires state agencies to grant mandatory leaves of absence for employees elected to the Legislature.

HB 1311 Establishes the state radiology technology board of examiners for licensure of persons who administer radiological procedures

HB 1316 Requires economic impact statements to be filed before closure of a higher education institution.

HB 1331 Removes workers comp. immunity for employers who intentionally injure an employee.

HB 1341 Increases the lodging per diem from \$39 to \$42 per day.

HB 1355 Establishes a midwestern regional higher education commission for coordination of certain higher education activities in 12 midwestern states.

HB 1359 Broadens state provisions restricting nepotism.

HB 1388 Includes performance of laboratory tests in the definition of practice of pharmacy.

HB 1398 Requires specific legislative approval for any building construction project or expansion.

HB 1418 Requires multiple bids for building projects when combination of separate contracts exceeds \$100,000.

HB 1419 Appropriates \$250,000 to NDSU for value added agriculture production.

HB 1437 Provides for additional student loans for education majors.

HB 1442 Mandates a bid preference for resident providers of information technology services and products.

HB 1443 Name change for UND-Williston and Lake Region and provides a workforce training appropriation.

HB 1469 Creates a North Dakota human rights commission for investigation of discrimination complaints.

HB 1470 Eliminates the 4 cent motor vehicle fuel refund funding for the agricultural research fund and replaces with 20% of the special fuels tax.

HB 1482 Restricts number of grant committees on the State Board for Agricultural Research.

HB 1483 Requires the State Board for Agricultural Research to evaluate a research funding goal equal to 2 percent of gross farm income.

HB 1484 Appropriates \$3,830,000 to NDSU for agricultural research.

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HB 1486 Allows private sector employees and uninsured individuals to become members of the PERS health insurance program.

Senate

SB2015 Appropriates \$5,400,000 for equity compensation adjustments for classified state employees (Section 6). Provides \$35 minimum per month raises both years of the biennium with 3% each year of the biennium overall raises (Section 7).

SB 2029 Eliminates requirement that the legislative budget section approve the nonresident tuition rate.

SB 2031 Creates a legislative budget committee and provides procedure for developing a legislative budget.

SB 2043 Creates a state information technology department to regulate information technology for the state under the control of a state information technology board. State agencies will be required to access wide area network services through the department.

SB 2044 Creates a legislative council information technology committee to review activities of the information technology department.

SB 2047 Restricts contingent fee arrangements by the Attorney General.

SB 2056 Relates to Board of Higher Education's six year plan. **Passed Senate.**

SB 2058 Allows a fee waiver for criminal history record checks.

SB 2071 Increases the PERS multiplier from .77% to .89% and allows retirement plan rollovers to PERS.

SB 2072 Sets premium rate for non Medicare eligible retiree health insurance. **Passed Senate.**

SB 2084 Reduces higher education's portion of the Guard tuition waiver to 25%. **Passed Senate.**

SB 2108 Provides for out of state lodging prepayments where sales tax exemptions can be obtained. **Passed Senate.**

SB 2110 Creates a state risk management motor vehicle accident review board.

SB 2124 Requires OMB to prefile a separate bill for state employee salary increases. Withdrawn.

University Relations North Dakota State University PO Box 5167 Fargo, ND 58105 **SB 2140** Relates to Board of Higher Education's six year plan. **Failed Senate.**

SB 2141 Makes confidential university fundraising and donor records. Passed Senate as amended.

SB 2176 Relates to the practice of pharmacy. Passed Senate.

SB 2191 Creates state mandatory collective bargaining act.

SB 2195 Establishes a prepaid tuition credit program for residents of the state and requires universities to participate in the program.

SB 2208 Relates to recommendation of the state employee benefits program committee regarding benefits extending beyond the current biennium.

SB 2215 Repeals statutory provisions relating to BHE membership and terms and to junior college mill levies.

SB 2260 Creates a new section providing a civil penalty for refusing employee access to their personnel file.

SB 2291 Exempts all higher education employees from the state classified system.

SB 2312 Provides for a state facility energy improvement program to identify energy efficient conservation projects for state buildings.

SB 2335 Requires postsecondary enrollment options program credits to have been in courses taught by higher education faculty.

SB 2338 Mirrors HB 1483 and 1484.

SB 2340 Appropriates \$350,000 to NDSU for value added and irrigation research.

SB 2341 Provides appropriations for farm management, rural tuition rebates and 4-H programs.

SCR 4016 Proposes Constitutional amendment to allow two graduates from the same university on the Board of Higher Education at the same time.