Greetings from Montana State University in Bozeman.

Our motto, "Mountains and Minds," describes MSU’s unique blend of academics and world-class outdoor recreation. You may already know about the incredible surroundings in which MSU is located. Both Men's Journal and National Geographic Adventure magazine consider Bozeman not only Montana's ultimate outdoor town, but also one of the top 10 such cities in the country. However, the "minds" part is just as impressive as our majestic mountains. US News and World Report recently ranked MSU as Montana’s top rated college/university. To appeal to our diverse student population, we offer over 120 areas of study. MSU students excel academically and have the opportunity to work and research with internationally recognized faculty, all at a very reasonable cost.

Here are some of the academic accomplishments that I am most proud of:

• MSU ranks in the top six schools in the nation for students who have received the prestigious Goldwater Scholarship, America’s premier science award. MSU ranks with California Institute of Technology, Kansas State and Duke as one of the top schools. Other universities like Stanford, MIT and UC Berkeley are trying to "catch up."

• Over 300 students participate in MSU’s Undergraduate Scholars Program. USP enhances the intellectual and professional growth of students by creating opportunities to engage in hands-on research and creative activities.

• Undergraduates can work in laboratories with state-of-the-art equipment, side-by-side with scientists known throughout the world.

• The Montana Learning Community (MLC) is an exciting new core curriculum program at MSU that emphasizes discovery-based learning, diversity and early research opportunities, as well as the traditional academic skills of critical analysis, writing and problem solving.

• MSU’s Computer Science Program is one of 10 percent of computer science programs in the country that is accredited.

• The new Engineering/Physical Sciences Building houses the Center for Bioderm Engineering, one of a handful of National Science Foundation Engineering Research Centers in the nation.

• MSU’s Big Sky Institute coordinates mountain climate research worldwide, from Yellowstone’s ecosystem to that of the Andes, Alps and Himalayas.

• With a primarily undergraduate student population, MSU boasts a 20:1 student-faculty ratio, ensuring students receive personal attention from the faculty.

• Our Media and Theatre Arts (MTA) Department is nationally recognized for its excellence. Students in MTA programs have the opportunity for hands-on experiences in filmmaking, photography and drama with faculty members who are practicing professionals themselves.

I believe that MSU will be the university of choice for students like you who are seeking excellent academic programs, as well as a student-centered learning environment. Our Rocky Mountain setting provides opportunity for innovation and discovery. Check out more of the amazing academic opportunities that Montana State has to offer by visiting our Web site at www.montana.edu.

I look forward to welcoming you to our community.

Sincerely,

David M. Dooley
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
On behalf of the faculty, staff and students of the College of Agriculture, I welcome your interest in Montana State University. Students select the College of Agriculture because of its reputation for excellence in teaching and advising. Many students take advantage of internships, research experiences and global courses that include travel to other countries. Regardless of your background or career interest, we have degree programs that will help you reach your career goals. Graduation from the College of Agriculture will give you the opportunity to work in areas and occupations as diverse as biotechnology, environmental biology, natural resource management, ag business, grain marketing, extension education, laboratory technician, farm or ranch manager, pharmaceutical representative, range conservationist, soil scientist, greenhouse management, landscape designer, golf course superintendent, hydrologist or reclamation specialist. In addition, students can complete prerequisite training for application to professional schools such as veterinary medicine or graduate schools for master and doctoral degrees.

Agriculture-related careers offer challenging and exciting opportunities in today’s society. Graduates from the College of Agriculture are employed with private companies ranging from large multinational Fortune 500 companies to small biotechnology-based businesses or federal and state agencies. If your plans include graduate training or professional school, our academic programs will help you gain acceptance to institutions throughout the United States.

Finally, the College of Agriculture at Montana State University provides departmental and college scholarships. If you would like more information on these scholarships, or are interested in additional information on the College of Agriculture, please feel free to utilize the contact information below. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Sharron S. Quisenberry, Dean and Director
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**COllege of agricultUre facts and figures**

- The average starting salary for College of Ag graduates is $33,000.
- Approximately $425,000 in scholarships is awarded each year to students in the College of Ag.
- Our Ag/Bioscience building is the only biocontainment facility west of the Mississippi River (and one of only two in the nation) for quarantining and testing insects and plant pathogens for the control of weeds and plant diseases.
- The Biotechnology Program offers the only interdisciplinary degree of its kind in the region, and students are exposed to hands-on experience in laboratories that conduct research in many areas.
- The Presidential Scholarship, offered through the Honors Program and the university’s most prestigious award, allows recipients annual tuition fee waivers for four years as well as a $2500/year stipend for each of the four years.

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**honors program**

Most would agree that university life serves many ends, the primary being to prepare students to think for themselves and to become, over time, their own best teachers. The Honors Program here at Montana State University serves to address these goals by providing academically motivated students with unique opportunities to undertake interdisciplinary coursework and undergraduate research.

Honors classes rarely exceed 15 students and employ the Socratic method of teaching that permits faculty and students to engage in critical discussion of issues and topics that cut across the diverse range of traditional departmental subjects. Many subjects, such as Honors sections of chemistry, economics, English, mathematics, music and physics, fulfill university core curriculum requirements, thus, taking extra credits to graduate in the major and in Honors is usually unnecessary. In addition to Honors courses, seminars and individual research and creative projects, Honors students can participate in outdoor activities, dinners with distinguished guest speakers, Honors student activities, mentoring, community service projects and great expedition courses to such places as Argentina, Italy, Germany, France and England.

We invite you to join us.

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**honors program facts and figures**

- Approximately 500 students are enrolled in the Honors Program.
- “Great Expeditions” is an Honors course that includes a two-week guided class journey, at home or abroad, as a culmination of reading and discussing the journal of an expedition. After the journey is completed, students present a public symposium highlighting the results of their expedition.
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I would like to welcome you to the College of Arts and Architecture at Montana State University. I hope the following information will assist you in making an informed decision about the program that best addresses your academic goals. Our programs here are exciting, challenging and professional.

The College of Arts and Architecture includes nationally accredited or recognized programs of study in the School of Architecture, School of Art, Department of Media/Theatre Arts and the Department of Music that promote an active, multifaceted, hands-on approach to learning. From the time you enroll, you may be making films, designing buildings, creating artwork or performing in music and theatre ensembles. Notable student activities include work with KUSM, the Montana Public Broadcasting station housed on campus; the Department of Music’s Chorales, Wind Ensemble, Marching Band, and Chamber Orchestra; the Ceramics Guild, Graphic Design Club and Bozarts Press; the award-winning national chapter of the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS); and theatre performance and design opportunities in main stage, studio and “Shakespeare in the Parks” productions.

Our distinguished faculty includes professional artists, practicing architects, filmmakers, musicians, designers, scholars, consultants and guest lecturers. Studio and lecture classes offer personal, individual instruction to enhance academic and artistic development, and also provide hands-on opportunities to work with faculty and visiting artists while surrounded by our beautiful Montana setting.

Please don’t hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. Explore our Web site, e-mail us or give us a call. I would love to hear from you in the near future.

Cordially yours,

JB Bancroft, Dean
College of Arts and Architecture

• MSU houses the best art studio facilities in the state including a fully equipped Macintosh computer lab, print-making studio, bronze casting facility, ceramics studio, metalsmithing studio and new iron casting foundry.
• MSU offers the only four-year Graphic Design Program in the state.
• 100 percent of music education majors have job offers at graduation.
• Our music ensembles travel nationally and internationally. Our marching band was in the elite 2001 Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City and appeared on the “Today” show.
• Our film school is one of the top 10 in the nation and offers the only MFA degree in Science and Natural History Filmmaking in the country.
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• MSU offered the first five-year Master of Architecture degree in the country, and in the past 17 years the placement rate for graduates has never dropped below 90 percent.
• There are over 330 high speed network connections in Choever Hall, providing each architecture student with his/her own high speed internet connection in the design studio.
• The School of Architecture is the first department on the MSU-Bozeman campus to require all its students to have laptop computers by their second year.
• Computer technology is integrated throughout all courses in the architecture curriculum.
• Architecture students participate in week-long field trips to West Coast and East Coast urban centers each year.
• Architecture students can also participate in Foreign Studies Programs in Europe, Central America, South America or Asia.

The Department of Music is an asset to the cultural and intellectual life of Montana State University and the community of Bozeman. More than 100 recitals and concerts are presented annually by students, faculty, ensembles and guest artists. Many performing ensembles provide opportunities for all university students to actively continue their musical endeavors. Many of these ensembles have represented the Department of Music at national conferences and through international tours. The Department of Music is a wonderful environment in which to study and perform. Come to Montana State University in Bozeman and continue to make music with us.

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• Membership for music ensembles and eligibility for music scholarships are open to all students regardless of major.
• Scholarships are available. Contact the music department to find out how to audition.
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I am very pleased you are considering joining us in the College of Education, Health and Human Development here at Montana State University. The College of Education, Health and Human Development seeks to improve education practices, human development and health through teaching, research and service activities. We are also dedicated to preparing professionals who make the well-being of others the fundamental value in their professional decisions and activities, and who pledge themselves to fostering human understanding, respect and appreciation for all people.

Graduates of our programs have been highly successful in finding professionally satisfying career positions in school districts and companies throughout the country. Our graduates are highly sought after because of their abilities, work ethics and academic preparation.

Our programs are enhanced by a number of facilities such as microcomputer laboratories, a math/science resource center, a teachers’ resource center, an instructional design laboratory, a media laboratory, and health/recreation facilities and laboratories for food science, child development and movement science.

It is my hope that you seriously consider Montana State University in Bozeman. If you have any questions or would like more information regarding any of the specific majors we offer within our college, please use the contact information provided below to get in touch with us.

Sincerely,

Greg Weisenstein, Dean
College of Education, Health and Human Development

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**MAJORS OFFERED**

**Elementary Education**
- Early Childhood
- Education Options

**Secondary Education**
- School or Department Teaching Options

**Preparation Program**
- Broadfield Teaching Option

**Health & Human Development**
- Community Health Option
- Exercise Science Option

**Teaching Minors**
- Art K-12
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Earth Science
- Economics
- English
- Government
- Family and Consumer Sciences Education
- Health Education
- History
- Instructional Media
- Mathematics
- Modern Languages
- Physics
- Psychology

**Technology Education**
- Broadfield Teaching Option
- Industrial Technology Option

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**OFFICE OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

Over 130 active organizations – including over 20 club sports - invite and encourage student involvement. Opportunities are available to build and develop leadership, interpersonal, time and stress management, and program planning skills. The following list is just a fraction of clubs available to MSU students.

- AdvoCats
- American Indian Club
- Amnesty International
- Associated Students of MSU (ASMSU)
- ASMSU Campus Entertainment
- Horseman’s Club
- Circle K Club
- Collegiate FFA
- Dance Co. of MSU
- Departmental Clubs
- Foreign Language Clubs
- Fraternities
- Honorary Organizations
- International Student Organization
- Religious Organizations
- Residence Hall Associations
- Self Help Groups
- Social Dance Clubs
- Society of Women Engineers
- Sororities
- Student Friends of
- Student Political Clubs
- University Bowling Club
- University Chess Club

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**CLUB SPORTS**

- Alpine Ski Club
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Boxing
- Karate
- Bowling
- Kashima-Shinryu
- Climbing
- Rugby (Men’s & Women’s)
- Cycling
- Tai Chi/Kang Fu
- Fencing
- Volleyball
- Judo

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Hello, and welcome to MSU’s College of Engineering. I would like to tell you about some of the special features that our college has to offer and hope that you will consider this information in your selection of a university and major. Montana State University enjoys an excellent reputation for the quality of our engineering faculty, students, facilities, and graduates. Such factors are certainly important to the many national and international firms that recruit directly on campus each year. We are pleased with the relationship we have with corporate recruiters and the success that our graduates have in securing employment. In fact, the MSU “Career Fair” attracts over 130 employers each year, one of the largest of its kind in the western United States. Major firms that regularly recruit MSU engineering and computer science graduates include Boeing, Dow, Microsoft, HP, Qualcomm, Micron, US West and NASA.

Our formula for success is quite simple – provide good students with exposure to top faculty and facilities starting from their first day on campus and stress a solid core of engineering knowledge, skills and abilities. As the leading research institution in Montana, our faculty are widely recognized as experts in their fields. Yet, our faculty members are also dedicated to excellence in undergraduate teaching and advising (all of our faculty teach undergraduate courses). With over 2,100 undergraduate students, the MSU College of Engineering is one of the largest professional schools in the western United States. MSU offers longstanding, professionally accredited degree programs in the fields of chemical, civil, computer, electrical, industrial, and mechanical engineering; plus construction and mechanical engineering technology. Our computer science program is also professionally accredited and was one of the first in the nation to achieve this status.

I hope you will be able to visit MSU so that we can personally show you more about the College of Engineering and discuss your aspirations. Please feel free to access the university and college Web site or contact us via phone or e-mail to learn more about the college, including scholarship information.

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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Students are increasingly seeking international education, work and travel programs to prepare for today’s “borderless” careers. Responding to fundamental trends that pull the United States and Montana into the global marketplace and put us into daily contact with other nations, the Office of International Programs (OIP) seeks to bring international education to the core of the academic and cultural life of MSU. OIP provides opportunities to build international experience, proficiency in other languages and the exposure to other cultures needed to succeed in the global professional environment of the 21st century.

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INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS FACTS AND FIGURES

• Study opportunities are available at more than 200 locations in over 50 countries throughout the world. Many traditional European countries such as Ireland, Italy, France, Germany, Spain, the UK, as well as other exciting choices such as Japan, South Africa, Australia, Morocco, New Zealand, Mexico and Chile are available.
• Whether you desire an English-speaking program or want to study in another language, there are many choices available. Some programs are also integrat-ed with MSU Arabic, French, German, Japanese and Spanish courses.
• Semester and academic year experiences are available, as well as short-term and summer programs in diverse locations around the world. Students receive full academic credit, programs are affordable, financial aid is available, and many exchange options are based on normal MSU tuition (some can be even less expensive).
• With careful planning, students can maintain regular progress toward their degrees by taking MSU equivalent classes at foreign universities. Study abroad also satisfies the multicultural/global core requirement.
• The International Opportunities Resource Center in 400 Calbertson Hall provides information and is a great resource for study abroad and other international programs, international scholarships, work abroad and study in the US.
• Opportunities to get involved on campus are available through groups such as the International Student Organization, several language clubs, the International Business Club, or events like the International Street Food Bazaar.

Students historically have been a major source of engineers at Tektronics in the last eight years.

The new Engineering/Physical Sciences building (the largest state-funded building in Montana’s history at $2.3 million) provides state-of-the-art classroom facilities that incorporate the newest in computer, communications and multimedia technologies.

The college’s Center for Biofilm Engineering works with several research partners and sponsors (industrial associates) from 20 different companies including Union Carbide, Dow Chemical, Colgate-Palmolive, Eastman Kodak, Texaco Group and Arch Chemical. MSU’s mechanical engineering students consistently place in the winners’ circle at the American Society of Mechanical Engineers national design contests, competing against colleges from around the world.

Students from MSU’s College of Engineering have been named the number one source of engineers at Tektronics in the last eight years. They defeated rivals from Georgia Tech, the University of Washington and Texas A&M along with other institutions throughout the country.

Historically, chemical engineering graduates have commanded the highest starting salaries of any bachelor’s degree graduates.

Demand for MSU’s electrical and computer engineering graduates enables 100 percent of graduates seeking to use their degree to find jobs in their field.

Construction engineering technology students are seeing opportunities to work on multimillion-dollar construction projects through a myriad of companies. Average offers last year were $44,000 with most students being recruited by multiple companies.

MSU’s Computer Science Program is one of only two programs in the nation that is fully accredited, and 100 percent of CS graduates pursuing positions in the industry have employment offers prior to graduation, with average starting salaries of over $50,000.
On behalf of everyone in the College of Letters & Science, I would like to extend our welcome to you. I believe you will find our college to be an exciting and rewarding place to spend your next four years.

An education in the College of Letters & Science will provide you with a true university experience, where students are taught by dedicated faculty who are actively involved in research and the development of important new concepts. This experience will give you a solid background in one of the fundamental areas of human knowledge — the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and mathematics. More than basic career training, an education in the College of Letters & Science will prepare you to be a leader wherever you end up. Not only will you learn the basic skills of your discipline, but you will also develop the communication skills and critical thinking needed to be a success. With these skills, almost 30 percent of our college graduates go on to graduate schools, medical schools or law schools, while the others go directly into successful careers in business, government, science or teaching.

Letters & Science is the core college on campus, with students from all 50 states and many foreign nations. The commitment and quality of these students is reflected in the overwhelming number of national awards they receive each year. Letters & Science majors have won 29 of the 40 prestigious Goldwater scholarships awarded to MSU students. Our students stand out nationally because they combine their course work with hands-on independent research and scholarship with a faculty member. We would be pleased to offer you the same opportunities for excellence and achievement.

We are here to answer any questions you may have, and if there is any particular information we can provide you with, please visit our Web site, give us a call or e-mail us. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

James A. McMillan, Dean
College of Letters & Science

COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCE FACTS AND FIGURES

- MSU offers an interdisciplinary Master of Arts in Native American Studies, one of only a handful in the U.S.
- Henrietta Mann, the first endowed chair in Native American Studies, was voted one of the top 10 professors in the country by Rolling Stone magazine.
- Glen Chamberlain Barret, an MSU English faculty member, has been identified as one of the top six most promising women writers in the nation.
- The Biomedical Science Program has a placement rate for its graduates of 75-90 percent into medical school, and MSU has the second highest number of total students at the University of Washington’s Medical School, behind only the U. of W. itself.
- A collaborative program between History and Modern Languages, Japan Studies combines studies on protocol, language and customs in Japan. This unique program trains students who have an interest in going into business or agriculture with ties to Japan or the Pacific Rim.
- Kay Kirkpatrick, a senior in mathematics, has recently been named the best female undergraduate math student in the nation and was selected for the All-USA College Academic Team.
- Phenicia Bauerle, a senior in English, was named to the 13th Annual All-USA College Academic First Team, one of only 20 students chosen from around the country.

MAJORS OFFERED

Anthropology
- Biological Sciences
  - Ecology and Evolution Option
  - Fish and Wildlife Management Option
  - Organismal Biology Option
  - Biology Teaching Option
- Cell Biology/Neuroscience
  - Biomedical Sciences Option
    - (includes premedicine, predentistry and preoptometry)
  - Cell Biology/Neuroscience Option
- Chemistry
  - Biochemistry Option
  - Chemistry Professional Option
  - Chemistry Teaching Option
- Earth Sciences
  - Geography Option
  - Geohydrology Option
  - Geology Option
- Economics
  - English
    - English Teaching Option
    - Literature Option
  - History Option
    - History Teaching Option
  - Mathematics Option
  - Mathematics Teaching Option
  - Statistics Option
- Microbiology
  - Modern Languages and Literatures
    - Commerce Option
    - French, German and Spanish Options
    - French, German and Spanish Teaching Options
  - Native American Studies
    - Native American Studies minor
  - Philosophy
    - Philosophy Option
    - Religion Option
  - Physics
    - Interdisciplinary Option
    - Physics Professional Option
    - Physics Teaching Option
  - Political Science
  - Psychology
    - Applied Psychology Option
    - Psychological Science Option
  - Sociology
    - Justice Studies Option
    - Sociology Option
  - Women’s Studies
    - Women’s study minor

SCIENCE CAREERS VIDEO AND CD

A group of faculty representing the science and math departments of the College of Letters and Science at MSU has developed a science careers video and an informational CD.

The video focuses on careers, as well as undergraduate research, and is intended to increase awareness about the wide range of careers available to students receiving degrees in science or math.

The CD provides detailed information concerning the individual departments, examples of student research and the success stories that resulted.

If you are interested in receiving a copy of these materials, please contact Steven Holmgren at holmgren@chemistry.montana.edu, or by phone at (406) 994-5393.
Greetings from Montana State University and the College of Nursing. I would like to invite you to find out why students in the College of Nursing at MSU choose this program.

First and foremost is our reputation for excellence. MSU graduates score very high on the national licensing examination to become registered nurses. Our nursing program is approved by the Montana State Board of Nursing, and both the baccalaureate and the master’s degree programs are fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

College of Nursing graduates are employed by health care agencies and hospitals in Montana and throughout the country. Employers say that Montana State University nursing graduates are desirable to hire because of their professional competence, willingness to work, educational preparation and commitment to the nursing profession. Many of our graduates have entered master’s degree programs in schools such as Yale, the University of Minnesota and the University of Washington. Many graduates also elect to study in MSU’s nationally recognized rural nursing master’s degree Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program.

The baccalaureate nursing program at MSU involves two years of lower-division coursework on the Bozeman campus (or in Billings, Great Falls, Missoula and/or Kalispell if there is sufficient interest by place-bound students) and two years of study at one of the upper-division campuses located in Billings, Great Falls, and Missoula. Students are exposed to a variety of experiences in public health agencies, clinics, home-care, hospitals, and other health care agencies, which are used as clinical laboratories. The program of study is designed to provide a broad understanding of nursing as well as the specific skills required by the profession today and into the future.

This is a big decision and I believe you will be happy in choosing Montana State University in Bozeman. If you desire additional information about the College of Nursing, please feel free to use the information below in order to contact us.

Sincerely,

Lea Acord, Dean
College of Nursing

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General Studies Facts and Figures

- Each fall, one-third of the entering freshman class enrolls in General Studies in order to explore their career interests as well as the variety of degree programs at MSU.
- The Freshman Seminar, with its small class size helps new students get off to a great start at MSU.
- Upper-division students at MSU serve as peer leaders with the General Studies Freshman Seminar and assist new freshmen in their transition to MSU.
- The National Student Exchange Program (NSE), an educational opportunity that allows students to attend one of 174 universities across the United States (from Maine to Hawaii, Alaska to the Virgin Islands) for a semester or year, is housed in General Studies. And, Montana resident students who participate in NSE continue to pay in-state tuition.
- University-wide pre-health professions advising is also housed in the General Studies Program.

Sincerely,

Mary Noll, Interim Director
General Studies

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College of Nursing Facts and Figures

- The MSU College of Nursing is the seventh largest nursing program in the United States.
- It is the 65th anniversary of the College of Nursing, which has been providing excellence in nursing education since 1937.
- College of Nursing graduates have had over a 90 percent pass rate on the NCLEX-RN national licensing exam for the past 20 years. The national average is about 85 percent.
- We offer the only Master of Nursing degree in Montana (Family Nurse Practitioner Option).
- 75-80 percent of BSN graduates remain in Montana after graduation.
- Summer internship program available.

Sincerely,

Lea Acord, Dean
College of Nursing