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At UMM, students will find a wide range of activities and services that will enhance their education and enrich their personal experience. They will become members of a learning community that is continually changing and growing. UMM is a friendly campus where students will come to know many fellow students and staff members on a first-name basis. Each person is not just another student, but an individual responsible for making his or her own decisions and using the many resources of the campus to make the most of her or his education.

Many of the services and extracurricular opportunities available at UMM are described in the following pages. Campus services from Financial Aid to Health Service support students during their college experience. Varied social, educational, and recreational programs extend learning beyond the classroom and provide a full range of night and weekend activities. Opportunities include participation in more than 85 student clubs and organizations where students write for the campus newspaper, deejay on the student radio station, and pursue interests from theatre to international affairs. Intercollegiate athletics, intramurals, club sports, and personal fitness opportunities are available for women and men, teams and individuals. Each of these services and activities enhances the UMM college experience. For the most complete listing of resources and student services on the Morris campus, see the UMM website at www.morris.umn.edu/CurrentStudents.

Academic and Information Resources

Briggs Library

Rodney A. Briggs Library occupies a position at the heart of the UMM campus from physical, virtual, and intellectual perspectives. Located just a few steps from the Student Center in the middle of campus, the library building houses more than 250,000 volumes, as well as journals, music scores, DVDs, CDs, videos, and other materials. More than 50 networked computers are available, with wireless access throughout the building. The library is also a federal documents depository and maintains a collection of children’s books and materials to support UMM’s highly rated teacher education program. In addition to housing the UMM Archives and West Central Minnesota Historical Research Center, the library includes a growing number of additional special collections (print and digital) to support historical and other specialized research. Extensive online resources are provided via the library’s website. This site serves as the gateway to the library’s more than 130 subscription databases and 30,000 online journals, and provides links to other scholarly resources. The library’s interlibrary loan service has a high success rate of obtaining materials not available locally. Open 94 hours a week (with extended hours during exam weeks), the library provides a variety of quiet study areas as well as group activity space.

Briggs Library staff provide reference assistance in person, by phone, email, or instant message. The library also sponsors and co-sponsors a variety of events, discussion groups and programs that are popular with both the UMM and greater Morris communities.

Computing Services

Computing Services supports UMM instructional, research, and administrative programs. It provides the UMM campus network, including wireless access points in all residence halls; central Internet, web, and email services; the computing help desk; and student labs with Macintosh and Windows computers. Some computer labs are open 24 hours a day during the academic year.

The Computing Services main facility is located in Behmler Hall 10. The help desk is in HFA 123.

Access to UMM computing facilities is free to all students. Software available on Computing Services’ lab computers includes Internet utilities for email, web browsing, and web page creation; word processing, spreadsheet, and other office productivity programs; and academic discipline-specific tools, such as statistical packages and geographic information systems. All UMM students are granted email accounts and students may retain their University of Minnesota email accounts after graduating from UMM.

The University library’s extensive online resources and student services are accessible directly from high-speed, switched ResNet network connections in every UMM residence hall room. Students can also use wireless networks in most buildings on campus.

Additional information is available online at the Computing Services website, www.morris.umn.edu/technology.

Media Services

Instructional and Media Technologies supports the teaching, research, and outreach mission of the UMM campus by providing a wide range of instructional technology services. The department provides a one-stop shop for all faculty, students, and staff requiring instructional technology help.

Primary services include user support for computer software, classroom technology support, instructional technology support of course management systems including streaming and podcasting modules for on-line courses, interactive video conferencing, and media production. Most general purpose classrooms are available for walk-in use and are equipped with computers, data projectors, screens, sound systems, and touch button control panels. A 12-station digital media lab is available for faculty teaching classes in studio art, broadcasting, and theatre scene design. The lab also is available to all UMM students who are interested in digital media production. Supported software includes Adobe Creative Suite, Final Cut Pro, iMovie, InDesign, Dreamweaver, PowerPoint, and other digital imaging programs. Instructional and Media Technologies offers campus-wide workshops and individual tutoring on the use of
these programs throughout the year. Individual accounts can be set up on the shared video server for storing and protecting large video files.

The department provides a pool of equipment for instructional use that includes Mac and PC laptop computers, data projectors, digital still and video cameras, and portable video production equipment. Students may check out this equipment on a short-term basis—at no cost—for use on class presentations and individual media projects.

Instructional and Media Technologies supports and maintains the interactive television network for the campus. Activities requiring the use of interactive video networks to connect with other networks worldwide can be requested through the department office.

Costs for media assistance and production services, except for consumable materials, are not charged to academic units, student organizations, and registered students engaged in instructional activities.

Instructional and Media Technologies is located in HFA 123. The technology help line phone number is 320-589-6150. For more information go to www.morris.umn.edu/media.

Office of the Registrar

The mission of the Office of the Registrar is to provide a service-oriented environment that promotes and supports the academic goals of students, faculty, and staff in accordance with University and federal guidelines. The Office of the Registrar handles a wide variety of functions including degree clearance, transfer credit evaluation, registration, class scheduling, grades, transcripts, enrollment verification and certifications and all updates to the Academic Progress Audit System (APAS). Assistance is available on a walk-in basis, via the web, by telephone, or by appointment. The office is located at 212 Behmler Hall, 320-589-6030. The Office of the Registrar has a comprehensive website that provides current information at www.morris.umn.edu/registrar.

Health and Wellness Resources

Health Service

Health Service is an outpatient healthcare clinic providing service to UMM students. It is located in Clayton A. Gay Hall. All students registered for six credits or more may use Health Service through a mandatory student health service fee paid with each semester's tuition and fees. Students have on-campus access to physicians and nursing staff, medical treatment, routine laboratory tests, immunizations, and some prescription drugs. All Health Service records are confidential.

Students should report emergencies and illnesses requiring a physician's care directly to Health Service. The student health service fee does not pay for medical or surgical inpatient services at a hospital.

Health insurance is required for students enrolled for six credits or more. For those students not covered by parents' policies or alternate coverage obtained elsewhere, UMM offers an insurance policy. Health insurance coverage must be verified each semester or students are automatically enrolled in the student health insurance program.

Student Counseling

Students face more than just academic challenges while attending UMM. Many of them face the passage into adulthood. Student Counseling at Morris helps students through this period of change on intellectual, physical, spiritual, emotional, occupational, and social levels. Counseling staff help students become aware of potential problems, pitfalls, and opportunities during this exciting, challenging, and sometimes difficult transition in life.

Students are offered short-term, personal counseling for personal concerns, or help with academic major and career decision-making. Many students use this service to share feelings and to discuss problems in a comfortable and confidential setting. All students are entitled to this service free of charge.

Student Counseling is committed to working closely with student leaders. In an advisory capacity, the counseling staff supports the resident advisers and Peer Health Educators. Peer Health Educators (PHE) are a select group of volunteer students who provide information and programs about physical, emotional, and sexual health and wellness issues to their fellow students. PHE meets in the Wellness Center on the ground floor of Gay Hall, next to the Health Service.

Student Counseling is UMM's testing center for institutional placement exams (mathematics and language), exams for credit (CLEP and DSST), and national undergraduate and graduate school admission or licensing exams (ACT, GRE Subject, MAT, LSAT, PCAT, and teacher certification exams [NTCA]). Questions regarding test registration and procedures can be answered by the staff. Student Counseling also provides clinical and personality testing inventories for UMM students.

Student Counseling staff also serve as a confidential resource for students who feel victimized by sexual, racial, or GLBT harassment. When students believe they have been harassed, they can speak to staff in a completely confidential and safe environment.

Students With Disabilities

Because UMM is a small, student-centered college, it is a suitable choice for students with disabilities. Students with disabilities receive personal attention and are accommodated on an individualized basis.

UMM's Disability Services office is located in 360 Briggs Library. Along with the Academic Success Center, Disability Services provides support for students with physical, mental, and/or cognitive disabilities. Disability Services staff work with students to ensure that they receive appropriate accommodations and learn self-advocacy skills.

The UMM campus is a mixture of old and new structures, and some of the older buildings on campus are only partially accessible. All teaching facilities and the library, student center, administration building, and food service building are accessible and have elevators. Students requiring wheelchair
access to inaccessible buildings are served by faculty and staff at alternate locations. There is accessible living space in both conventional residence halls and campus apartments. Students with disabilities are responsible for providing documentation and requesting accommodation far enough in advance for accommodations to be made. Persons with disabilities seeking assistance or information should contact Disability Services in 360 Briggs Library, 320-589-6163, or dsaoac@morris.umn.edu. Visit the Disability Services webpage for more information at www.morris.umn.edu/services/dsaoac/dso.

Diversity and Equity Resources

International Student Support
The University of Minnesota, Morris provides a unique opportunity for international students by offering a rigorous, liberal arts experience with access to the research capabilities of one of the nation’s most comprehensive university systems. Faculty members make student learning and development their highest priority, giving students a chance to develop close, collaborative working and learning relationships with their professors. The Center for International Programs provides academic and advising support for students on campus.

There are a wide variety of activities and clubs available to students while they are on campus. The International Student Organization, supported by both the Center for International Programs and the Multi-Ethnic Student Union, is a great place to start getting involved. A week-long orientation program takes place before the beginning of the fall semester to help international students plan their academic program, get settled in their housing, and begin to understand the culture of American society and west central Minnesota.

Multi-Ethnic Student Program
The Multi-Ethnic Student Program (MSP) is dedicated to working with student affairs and academic offices to meet the specific concerns and needs of U.S. students of color. MSP was instituted in response to the educational and socioeconomic problems fostered by racism and prejudice in society. MSP works to ensure a stable, strong, and supportive environment for students of color by providing academic assistance and other quality student support services designed to improve opportunities to participate fully in the life of the University and to successfully transition from college to career.

Resource Center for Gender, Women, and Sexuality

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and Ally Resources
The Resource Center for Gender, Women, and Sexuality, located in the basement of the Multi-Ethnic Resource Center, is home to the Commission on Women, Queer Issues Committee, E-Quality, Morris Feminists, and Women of Color. The center is staffed on a volunteer basis by students, faculty, and staff. The center has a computer, equipment for PowerPoint and other presentations, a comfortable meeting space, and a lending library with books, videos, and pamphlets.

The Queer Issues Committee, comprised of students, faculty, and staff, works to address systemic concerns of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) community and provides a GLBT Ally training called Safe Zone.

E-Quality, UMM’s GLBT and allied student organization, seeks to promote understanding of the GLBT community through social events, educational programs, and political activism. The group sponsors Coming Out Week in October and Pride Week in April, among other events and programs.

Commission on Women
The Commission on Women (CW) was founded in 1988 and seeks to strengthen the community by enriching women’s working and learning environments and creating a campus environment that is respectful, inclusive, and productive for all University employees and students. Over the years, the CW has acted as a catalyst for women’s equity and an advocate for fair treatment of women in academic and campus life. The CW partners with other campus programs and offices in promoting dialogue, challenging norms and values that demean or devalue women, and supporting constructive change. Notable achievements and activities include establishment of the Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies major in 2001, annual Women’s Week keynote speakers, significant grant awards to faculty, staff, and students related to research and programming that support the CW mission, and a variety of advocacy actions including staff gender balance and pay equity, development and recommendation of consistent and supportive backfill policies, coordination and support of campus and community resources for student parents, and an annual luncheon celebrating the accomplishments of UMM women. In addition to these ongoing efforts, the coordinator for the Commission represents the CW in the campus governance system, holding ex-officio membership on four of UMM’s Campus Assembly committees. Additional information is available on the web at www.morris.umn.edu/comwomen.

Students With Children
The Student-Parent Subcommittee of the Commission on Women was established to provide information and support to students who are also parents. The subcommittee’s goal is to support these students in the challenging, sometimes
Variety makes living on campus attractive. UMM has five residence halls accommodating 235 students with one connection for each resident. Wireless access is available in residence halls and in many locations across campus. Visit www.morris.umn.edu/wireless.

Student Life, Activities, and Engagement

Residential Life
Living on campus at UMM means being part of an active living and learning community. Residence hall living gives students a unique opportunity to meet new friends and interact with a variety of people. Living on campus means being close to classes and facilities and encourages involvement in college activities. All residence hall rooms have direct, high-speed UMM computer network access—with one connection for each resident. Wireless access is available in residence halls and in many locations across campus. Visit www.morris.umn.edu/wireless.

Variety makes living on campus attractive. UMM has five residence halls, ranging from small, traditional settings to larger, contemporary settings. Apartment living is also available in furnished, two-bedroom units designed for four students. Residential life at UMM includes the following options.

**Clayton A. Gay Hall** accommodates 235 students with 35 students living on each floor. There are two separate lounge areas and kitchenette-utility rooms on every floor. Gay Hall is coeducational by wing, floor, or alternating rooms and has open visitation.

**David C. Johnson Independence Hall (DCJI)** accommodates 250 students in double rooms with 20–30 students living in each wing. There are kitchenette-utility areas on each floor. DCJI Hall is coeducational by either alternating rooms or wings and has open visitation.

**Pine Hall**, known for its unique, private location near the Humanities Fine Arts building, houses 85 students. A kitchen and game room are located on the ground floor. All floors have an open guest policy and are coeducational by alternating floors.

**Spooner Hall** is a traditional-style residence hall. Designed to accommodate 90 upper level students, it features large rooms and a comfortable atmosphere distinguished by the Inner Lounge, which is noted for its charm and warmth. Spooner Hall is coeducational by alternate floors and has open visitation.

The apartment complex at UMM offers facilities for 284 upper level students. The four-person apartments have wall-to-wall carpeting, two double bedrooms, a kitchen-living room, and a private bath. They provide the flexibility of off-campus living arrangements with the convenience of being on campus.

Students living in the residence halls may choose to have single rooms, if space is available, at a slightly higher rate than that for double rooms. The residence halls are served by a central Food Service facility that is within easy walking distance. The apartments have cooking facilities in each unit.

For more information about on-campus housing, contact the Office of Residential Life, University of Minnesota, Morris, MN 56267-2134 or visit the UMM Housing website at www.morris.umn.edu/services/reslife.

Student Center
The Student Center serves as a community center for UMM students, faculty, staff, alumni, and guests. The Student Center includes three primary gathering places: the Turtle Mountain Cafe, a popular location for lunch, studying, socializing, and meetings; Oyate Hall, a large multipurpose room with a fireplace lounge and panoramic view of the mall; and Edson Auditorium, home to many campus performances and events. In addition, the Student Center provides a campus information center, lounge and study space (including a 24-hour student lounge and computer lab), offices and meeting places for student activities and organizations, the Academic Center for Enrichment, KUMM Radio, and other student focused programs and functions.

The facility is the center for cocurricular activity on the campus. The activities, events, and functions that take place in the Student Center—club meetings, concerts, conferences, forums, and world-class performances and lectures—enrich student life and are an integral part of the UMM experience.

Student Activities
The Office of Student Activities coordinates and supports UMM’s cocurricular social, educational, cultural, and recreational programs. It provides professional assistance to student organizations and is perhaps the single best source of information and technical expertise for individuals or groups of students who would like to get something done, see something happen on campus, or simply become involved. By participating in student organizations, UMM students develop leadership and organizational skills, meet new people, make a difference on campus, and have fun.

UMM has more than 85 student organizations, clubs, committees, and special interest groups. These organizations provide opportunities for involvement in the academic, social, cultural, religious, and recreational activities of the campus, as well as in local, national, and international issues. At the beginning of each year, UMM sponsors an Activities Fair that serves as a showcase for the many student organizations. The Activities Fair provides new students with an opportunity to meet students active in a particular organization and learn about the group’s activities and events, gain an understanding of each organization’s purposes and goals, and join the organizations that match their interests.

A complete list of student organizations is available online at www.morris.umn.edu/webbin/StudentActivities.
Morris Campus Student Association
The Morris Campus Student Association (MCSA) exists to represent the interests of students on the Morris campus of the University of Minnesota. The central policy-making body of UMM, the Campus Assembly, consists of faculty, staff, and elected student representatives. These students, along with other elected or appointed student representatives, form the student government, the MCSA Forum. The Forum provides most of the recommendations for student membership on campus committees. It is the major source for expressing student opinion and initiating legislative action to promote and protect student interests. First-year students can become involved in the MCSA through the First-Year Council.

Campus Activities Council
The Campus Activities Council (CAC) is the major activities and events planning organization on the UMM campus. Through funds provided by the Activities Fee, CAC offers a wide variety of cultural, social, recreational, and educational programs. CAC events range from professional music, theatre, and dance performances to an annual lecture series, free weekly films, stand-up comedy, live music, and community-building activities. Each year CAC works to “bring the world to UMM.”

Involvement in CAC may range from attending and enjoying a variety of events to becoming an active member of any of the five student committees: Concerts, Performing Arts, Homecoming and Traditions, Films, and Convocations (lectures). Each committee selects, organizes, and promotes events in its program area. Committees also work with other campus organizations to present special events.

Campus Media
KUMM—the U-90 Alternative (89.7 FM) and The University Register provide the campus community with campus news, information, student opinions, and entertainment. KUMM broadcasts alternative radio 7 days a week, 24 hours a day during the academic year. The student newspaper, The University Register, is published weekly throughout the academic year and is available in campus news boxes or online. KUMM and The University Register are student-run organizations staffed by hundreds of dedicated volunteers. The Counterweight, a monthly conservative student publication, began publishing on campus in 2004.

Office of Community Engagement
The Office of Community Engagement provides students with many opportunities to get involved in the regional and broader community. Students interested in working with community members on projects that benefit the community can do so in a number of ways, from group to individual projects, one-time to ongoing projects, and work that incorporates everything from direct service to community building to research. The office sponsors monthly and annual service events, a dialogue series about community issues, service-learning courses in many disciplines on campus, and projects tailor-made for specific individual students, residence hall floors, athletic teams, or student organizations. Office staff can help students choose and develop opportunities that make the most sense given their interests, skills, goals, and majors/minors.

Campus Events and Activities
In addition to the activities presented by the Campus Activities Council, a variety of other options for cultural enrichment and entertainment are available. A large number of student organizations and residence hall groups organize events and programs of their own. The UMM symphonic winds, choirs, jazz ensembles, and theatre also present outstanding performances.

Several week-long themes are addressed through a variety of program activities on campus each year. Early in the fall, Homecoming activities include the traditional football game, a dance, and more. The Morris Feminists student organization addresses women’s issues and recognizes women’s accomplishments during Women’s Week. Black History Month and Cultural Heritage Week focus campus attention on the issues, accomplishments, culture, history, and art of U.S. people of color.

Fine Arts Programs
The Campus Activities Council (CAC) Performing Arts Series sponsors several performances by artists of national and international stature each year. In addition to the dance, music, and theatre series, CAC and the UMM Jazz Ensembles cosponsor the annual spring Jazz Festival featuring professional guest artists and jazz at its finest.

The UMM studio art and art history faculty arrange regular exhibits in the Humanities Fine Arts (HFA) Gallery during the year. These exhibits include original works of artists from many periods and mediums, as well as paintings, drawings, prints, and sculptures by UMM students and faculty.

University theatre students and faculty produce classical and contemporary plays each semester during the academic year. In addition, the Meiningens, a student group dedicated to providing theatre experience for its members, offers dramatic productions.

Concerts are scheduled throughout the year by the UMM Symphonic Winds, University Choir, Concert Choir, and Jazz Ensembles. Student and faculty recitals—vocal and instrumental—are scheduled frequently for student and community enjoyment.

Displays of rare books are exhibited in the library. Included are general and specialized exhibits of books ranging from the medieval period to modern times.

Sports and Recreation
Recreational activities and organized sports are important features of life at UMM. Intercollegiate and intramural athletic programs contribute to participants’ general education. Opportunities for personal fitness, recreation, and team competition include state of the art fitness facilities in the Regional Fitness Center, intercollegiate and club sports, intramural leagues, wellness and sports science courses, and indoor and outdoor recreation clubs. Through these athletic and recreational experiences, students have the opportunity to improve their level of personal fitness. The staff in
wellness and sport science, intramurals and recreation, and the Regional Fitness Center are dedicated to helping each individual participant realize this goal.

**Intercollegiate Athletics**—UMM is an NCAA Division III member of the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference. The UMM Cougars compete in eight sports for men and nine sports for women. Men’s varsity sports include cross country, soccer, football, golf, basketball, baseball, tennis, and track and field. Women’s varsity sports include soccer, cross country, volleyball, golf, basketball, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, and track and field.

**Intramural Sports**—Men’s, women’s, and coed intramural leagues are offered each semester in a variety of sports including flag football, basketball, volleyball, slow pitch softball, kickball, and badminton. Weekend tournaments and opportunities for individual competition typically include 3-on-3 basketball, disc golf, tennis, 4-on-4 basketball, and the annual Tinman Triathlon.

**Sports Clubs**—A number of sports clubs have been organized as a result of student-faculty interest. Men’s and women’s rugby, ultimate Frisbee, fencing, karate, and ground quidditch have many enthusiastic members. Many of the clubs travel to other colleges and host tournaments at UMM.

**Regional Fitness Center**—The Regional Fitness Center’s recreation and fitness facilities serve members of the UMM and surrounding communities. Cardio and state-of-the-art strength machines, water and land group fitness classes, aerobics courses, court time, and a walking/running track offer year-round indoor recreation and fitness opportunities. Swimmers and divers of all levels can spend many hours in the regulation NCAA/AAU pool, diving tank, or warm water pool.

UMM students registered for six credits or more are members of the Regional Fitness Center through a student fee paid each semester with tuition and fees. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use the Regional Fitness Center and Physical Education Center facilities.

Students in residence halls have access to recreation facilities, including sand volleyball courts, pool tables, and table tennis. Finally, for outdoor enthusiasts, there are excellent recreational facilities for fishing, hunting, boating, and skiing within a few miles of the Morris campus. An outdoor recreation club is active on campus.

**Alumni Association**

The UMM Alumni Association offers students opportunities for networking with alumni across the United States and around the world. Alumni often are willing to assist students in locating internships and jobs and to offer advice about the “real world.”

UMM students have access to the publication *Profile*, which is produced by the UMM Office of External Relations in cooperation with the UMM Alumni Association.

Students can visit the UMM Alumni Association at 106 Welcome Center, or on the web at [www.morris.umn.edu/alumni](http://www.morris.umn.edu/alumni).