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# Transfer Paths to Graduate Education

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# Roadmap/Agenda



Minnesota State Graduate Programs



Combined Bachelor to Masters Programs

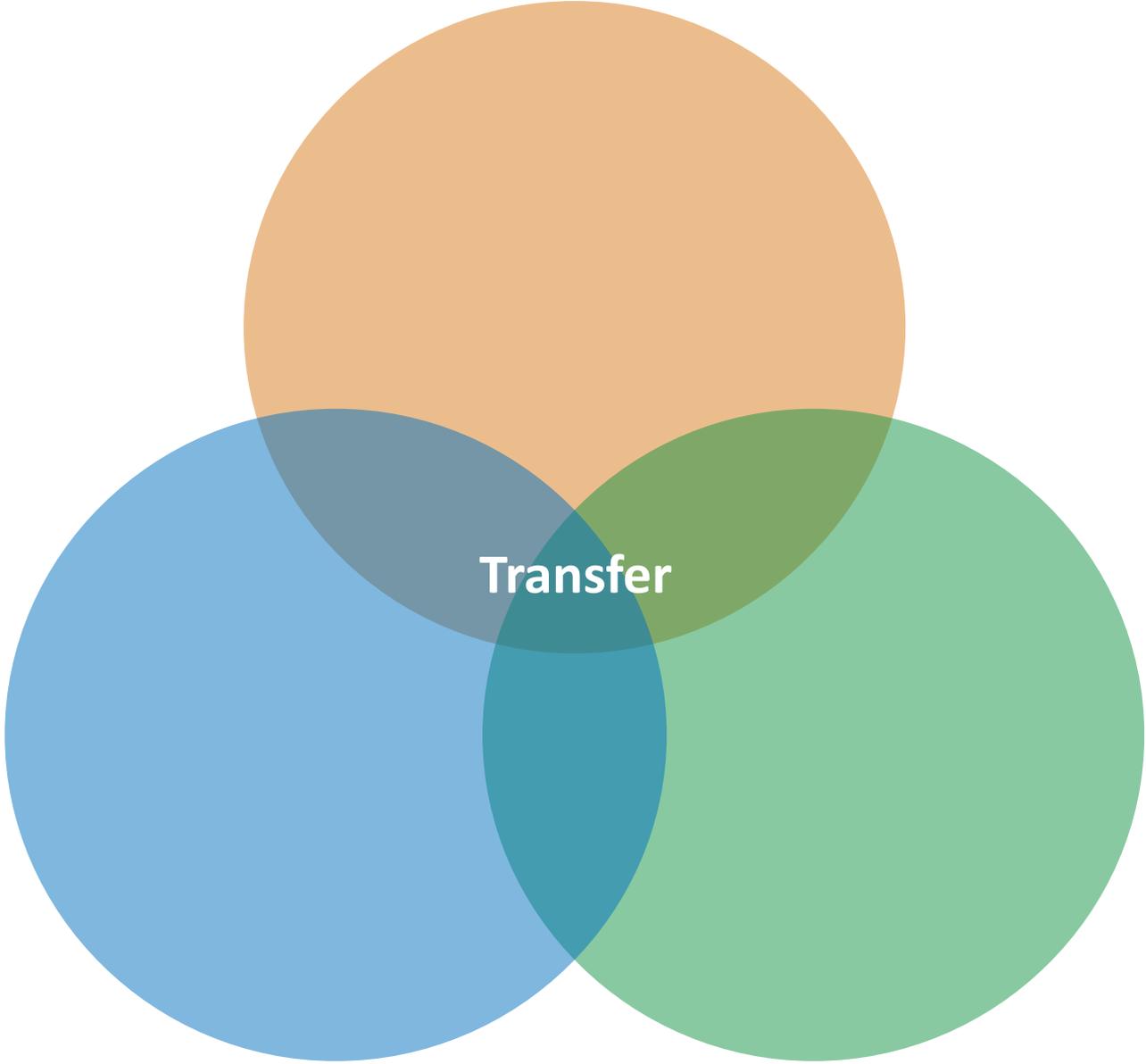


Transfer Pathway aligned  
Graduate Programs



Campus Presentations





# Minnesota State- Graduate Programs



Minnesota State offers more than 350 masters and applied doctorate programs



Indigenous and Students of Color make up about 14% of FY23 enrollment



On par with national data of 14%, 13.7 % of Minnesota residents age 25+ hold graduate degrees



# Highest Enrolled Graduate Programs Systemwide



Education



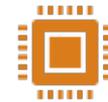
Health  
Professions &  
Related  
Programs



Business,  
Management,  
Marketing, &  
Related  
Support  
Services



Computer  
&  
Information  
Sciences &  
Support  
Services



Engineering  
Technologies &  
Engineering-  
Related Fields

# Combined Bachelor's to Master's Programs

There are more than 19 combine/accelerated Bachelors to Masters Programs through out the system

19+

There are at least 7 combined/accelerated Bachelors to Masters programs that align with Transfer Pathways

7+

# Graduate Education Committee: Charter

- **Purpose:** The Graduate Education Committee will be a group responsible for advising the Academic Affairs Council on issues relative to graduate education initiatives and programs systemwide.
- **Scope:** Graduate teaching and learning, including instructional development, professional development, accountability framework, career preparation and placement, program alignment and effectiveness, marketing of said initiatives and programs, and inter-campus collaboration.

# Graduate Education Committee: Roster

Name	Institution
Kay Pedretti	Winona State University
Melanie Guentzel	St. Cloud State University
Robert Nava	MSU-Moorhead
Claudia Tomany	St. Cloud State University
Raphael Onyeaghala (Chair)	Southwest Minnesota State University
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Kerry Johnson	Metro State University
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Julie Pronto	Winona State University
Tracy Wright	MSU-Moorhead
Jay Meiners	Southwest Minnesota State University



# Graduate Education Committee

**Key Principle 1: Strategic Enrollment**

In alignment with Equity 2030 improve service and remove barriers related to marginalized and underrepresented students

**Key Principle 2: Minnesota State Guided Learning Pathways**

Maintain and expand Minnesota State Guided Learning Pathways to credentials and careers with focus of post-bachelor coursework

**Key Principle 3: Innovation and Evolution**

Explore opportunities and efficiencies around graduate programs and graduate student support



# University Perspectives on Graduate Education

- Program Overview: enrollment, student profile, program outcomes
- Graduate Education and Transfer
- Graduate Education Value Proposition

# Metropolitan State University



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UNIVERSITY**

# 4+1 (BS+MS) Cybersecurity Operations Program

- **Part 1: BS Program Requirements (44 credits)**
  - Complete Pre-Major Courses (28 credits) and Major Core Courses (16 credits).
  - Complete bachelor's degree requirements (GELS, Upper Division Liberal Studies, etc.).
- **Part 2: (BS + MS) Program Requirements (26 credits)**
  - Complete Major Core Courses (18 credits), and Cyber Residency (4 credits).
  - Take an additional 4 credits of graduate coursework (double-counted UG + G)
  - Complete remaining credits to fulfill the 120 credit hours required for the BS degree.
  - *Graduate with a BS in Cybersecurity degree.*
- **Part 3: MS Program Requirements (22 credits)**
  - Complete Major Core Courses (19 credits) and Graduate Capstone (3 credit)
  - *Graduate with an MS in Cyber Operations degree*
- **Savings:** 2 semesters of time, ~\$5,000 in tuition and fees

# Southwest Minnesota State University



## SMSU MBA 4+1 Program

- Program:
  - Allows students to graduate in as little as 5 years with their MBA
- Purpose:
  - Offer high-achieving students the opportunity to accelerate and enhance their learning by achieving an MBA while completing their undergraduate degree

## SMSU Accelerated MBA

- Program:
  - Allows students to graduate in as little as 1 year with their MBA
- Purpose:
  - Offer students the opportunity to accelerate and enhance their learning by achieving an MBA in one year

# St. Cloud State University



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