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Metropolitan State University receives recognition as adult learning institution

Saint Paul, Minn. — Metropolitan State University recently joined the Coalition of Adult Learning Focused Institutions (ALFI). Colleges and universities in the Coalition strive continuously to improve their programs and services for adult students, assess their adult degree programs regularly and share “best practices” for adult learners with other Coalition members.

Metropolitan State joins Minnesota State Colleges and Universities sister-schools Winona State University and Inver Hills Community College in this recognition.

The ALFI Coalition is an alliance of members of the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL) who demonstrate their commitment to improving their services to adult learners by completing the ALFI surveys. The surveys, based on CAEL’s research on how to serve adult learners effectively, identify and compare how students, faculty, staff and administrators perceive the services offered by the institution. The data provided help an institution identify its strengths and challenges, plan strategically for the future and discover how best to allocate resources for the greatest impact. Data also serve as a baseline, enabling an institution to establish consistent measurements for the impact of their adult programs.

Metropolitan State University, a member of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system, is America’s premier university for lifelong learning, providing unsurpassed, competitive academic and professional degree programs at the bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral levels while maintaining affordability.

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