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## Summer Courses Offer Classroom and Online Instruction

*Summary: Approximately 30 courses being offered over the course of the summer*

(March 14, 2012)-Each summer, degree- and non-degree-seeking students have the opportunity to enroll in a variety of courses at the University of Minnesota, Morris making it easy for community members and students to enroll in college classes, whether they live in the area or come from other communities and colleges. This summer, the Morris campus is offering approximately 30 courses in a wide array of fields. Registration begins Wednesday, March 21, 2012.

Starting the summer off will be a three-week, intensive May Session (May 14-June 1) which will include music, communication, environmental mapping, and statistics courses. In addition, the Education department will offer a tutor aide practicum and an Environmental Science and Place-Based Education course—a unique class, available only in the summer, that gives students hands-on experience. A variety of introductory courses, as well as some upper level general education requirements, will be offered during Summer Session I (May 21-June 22) and Summer Session II, (June 25-July 27). Courses in anthropology, education, history, mathematics, political science, psychology, Spanish, statistics, art, computer science, music, and communications, media, and rhetoric will be available. A new course, International Communication Competence, is also offered this summer from July 17-August 9, 2012.

For current college students, summer term courses benefit those who would like to get ahead, make up lost credits, and/or work while earning credits. “I took time off between some semesters for working and other experiences,” said Paul Baglio ’12. “Without summer courses I would not be graduating this fall. Being able to get your general education credits out of the way during the summer means having to take fewer credits during the school year and enjoying all the other aspects of college life more!”

For potential students, summer term offers the opportunity to experience a college class before the full-time pressures of college really begin. And of course, summer term classes provide an interesting and educational experience to all who participate during the long summer months. “I took Health Science Terminology (an independent study course) in the summer so I could get it done fast and I could focus on my other major classes during the school year. It was easy to manage and I could study according to my schedule,” says Jennifer Noordmans ’12.

In addition to on-campus courses, Morris offers online college-level instruction during summer term as well, allowing students even more flexibility in scheduling. The University of Minnesota, Morris Online Learning program offers the same quality education available in the classroom through web-based college instruction, including small classes and one-on-one interaction with faculty in an interactive virtual classroom environment. Current students, nontraditional students, and new students are welcome. Their goal is to make quality educational programs available to all, through web-based college instruction. Visit the [Online Learning website](#) for more information or contact [Chlene Anderson](#), Online Learning coordinator at (320)589-6461.

Visit the [summer term website](#) for more information or contact [Rose Murphy](#), summer session coordinator, at (320) 589-6459.

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