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FALL 2023 VISION THEMES In the next 10 years...



Academic Excellence and	Hands-On Learning and
Innovation	Real-World Experiences
How might NMU creatively transform	What new experiential and applied
learning through innovations in	learning experiences could NMU provide
curriculum, research, and faculty	in the coming decade for students,
development?	faculty, staff and community members?
Campus Modernization How could state-of-the-art facilities, technologies, and programs inspire new possibilities for teaching and learning?	Diversity and Inclusion What might NMU do to make its campus a place where people of all backgrounds feel welcomed, included, and able to thrive?
Engagement and Partnerships:	Affordability and Access
Campus, Community, Economic	How might NMU imagine becoming
What innovative partnerships could NMU	even more affordable and accessible,
build to create experiential learning and	opening its transformative educational
career opportunities that serve both	experiences to students from all
students and the region?	backgrounds?

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Academic Excellence and Innovation

Academic programs inspire transformative learning through integration of cutting-edge curriculum, top-tier research and faculty development

Hands-On Learning and Real-World Experiences

Academic and co-curricular programs are rich in opportunities for experiential learning, real-world experiences, and problem solving

Campus Modernization

A state-of-the-art campus includes expanded facililities and academic programs; advanced technologies are embraced and incorporated into learning opportunities

Diversity and Inclusion

A campus environment that embraces and celebrates diversity, and fosters a caring atmosphere where students, faculty and staff thrive

Engagement and Partnerships: Campus, Community, Economic

Cultivate partnerships to create experiential learning and job opportunities for students, ensuring alignment with market needs and increasing service to the region

Affordability and Access

NMU's educational experience is affordable and allows for people of all backgrounds to develop themselves

Student Support and Success

A culture of connection, experiences and support prioritizes student achievement and fulfillment, and holistic well-being

Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship

A green campus; sustainability is integrated into campus operations and services, education and research

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FALL 2023 VISION THEMES Quotes of What We Heard



Academic Excellence and Innovation

"The University of the U.P."

"A university with enhanced academic programs, where more work has been put into improving quality of education."

Hands-On Learning and Real-World Experiences

"The go-to university for future forward academics allowing hands-on experiences."

"More hands on learning experiences with all majors"

Campus Modernization

"A continually growing university" "A more updated and modern campus"

"Technology is updated across campus"

Diversity and Inclusion

"A place where students can be themselves, receive an outstanding education, and feel like they matter and will make a difference in the world."

"A more welcoming place for students of all backgrounds."

Engagement and Partnerships: Campus, Community, Economic

"A future-focused hub of innovation and connection for students, faculty, staff, and the community."

"A leader in supporting the educational and economic needs of the U.P."

Affordability and Access

"An affordable education where learning experiences focus on attractive skills for potential employers."

"A school known for unique and transformative experiences, lifelong learning, and proven value."

Student Support and Success

"A safe place where students can form lifelong connections with others and achieve their goals"

"The university provides a lending hand for students to reach their full potential"

Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship

"Sustainability without relying on fossil fuels"

"Continuous and sustainable resource creation"

"An institution that is prepared to last another hundred years"