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About Winona State University: The mission of Winona State University is to educate and enlighten our citizenry at a distinctive institution: a community of learners dedicated to improving our world.

Founded in 1858, Winona State University is a comprehensive, regional public university with over 8,000 students. The oldest member of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System, Winona State offers 80 undergraduate, pre-professional, licensure and graduate programs on its three campuses: the original Main Campus in Winona, the West Campus in Winona, and the Winona State University-Rochester Center.

Today, the University is structured into five colleges: Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Nursing and Health & Sciences and Science & Engineering. It is a member of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.

Winona State University strives to enhance the quality of education at an affordable price. State support of higher education continues to decline and students depend on greater financial support through private gifts to the university. Together, we can make a profound difference in the lives of students.

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