



MINNESOTA STATE

ASA Leadership Awards

## Innovative Partnering and Collaboration Award

All of our state colleges and universities are involved in partnership and collaborative relationships with other state colleges or universities, K-12 schools/organizations, community organizations, private institutions, business, industry and others. These partnerships and collaborations represent the fundamental goal and spirit of our enterprise – to be an education system that is flexible, adaptable, and responsive to meeting the needs of students and Minnesota citizens.

Eligibility criteria for this award includes the involvement of at least one partner external to Minnesota State and may include one or more state colleges or universities. While all partnership and collaborative efforts will be considered, this award has been specifically created as an opportunity to acknowledge those curricular and program or service efforts that reflect the changing nature of the education landscape. This may include use and integration of new technologies, creative approaches to critical workforce needs in any discipline and better preparing under-represented students and/or newly enrolled students to succeed in their higher education experience.

### The following criteria will be used to evaluate nominations:

- Partnership designed to improve student academic achievement that promotes high standards and bold education reform and/or
- Partnership/collaboration designed to respond to demands of the higher education marketplace or workforce marketplace that include course, curriculum and program designs in either classroom and/or distance learning modalities
- Mutual benefit for all constituencies
- Impact of the partnership/collaboration on students, partners and enhancing education opportunities
- Contributions to the partnership or collaboration from all involved parties
- Sustainability and scalability of the partnership/collaborative model