



2012 Desire2Excel Impact and Collaboration Award Winners

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) won two awards, the Desire2EXCEL Impact award and the Desire2EXCEL Collaboration award, at the Desire2Learn's Annual International Users Conference (Fusion 2012) in San Diego, California.

The **MnSCU system** won the Desire2EXCEL Impact award. The Desire2EXCEL award recognizes organizations and institutions that have an extraordinary impact on teaching and learning service to students, leadership, and institutional effectiveness.

MnSCU demonstrated impact of MnSCU's common LMS in the following five categories:

1. Impact of System-Level Planning and Common LMS
2. Impact of MnSCU's Centralized Hosting Environment and Support
3. Impact of Campus Expertise, Innovation, and Sharing
4. Impact of Collaborative Programming, Shared Course Offerings, and System-Wide Training
5. Impact of External Partnerships

For more information check out MnSCU's Desire2Excel Showcase site at www.desire2excel.project.mnscu.edu.



MnSCU's Attendees at Desire2Learn's Annual International Users Conference (Fusion 2012) San Diego, California. D2L CEO John Baker - front row left.



Pictured from left to right: Zala Fashant, Jenessa Gerling, and Karen LaPlant from Hennepin Technical College (HTC) with D2L CEO John Baker. Not pictured: Joyce Randall Senechal from HTC. The HTC team won the Desire2EXCEL Collaboration award for their D2LADMINISTRATE collaboration. The Desire2EXCEL Collaboration award recognizes organizations and institutions that have used Desire2Learn technology to facilitate exemplary communication throughout the various levels of their organization.

 *A Message from Chancellor Steven Rosenstone*
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities



I am pleased to support the nomination of the MnSCU system for a 2012 Desire2Excel Award.

I am proud to acknowledge the hundreds of staff and faculty throughout our system, who for the past nine years have created a high-performing LMS (Learning Management System) environment, numerous collaborative training resources, and a powerful shared vision for the future of teaching and learning through this platform.

Desire2Learn remains a critical element in a broad strategy to improve the quality of education at our college and universities, while maintaining an affordable and accessible education for all learners in our state.