

HOCO HEATS UP



10 candidates vie for Hoco royalty court

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Over the past few decades, Homecoming at Minnesota State University, Mankato has been filled with festivities to celebrate school pride. Homecoming royalty is one of the many activities planned for students, as it gives them an opportunity to express their school pride.

Each candidate is expected to meet each of the requirements set forward by the Student Events Team.

These requirements, as listed on the website, entail each candidate to have completed at least 30 credits at MNSU, hold at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA, be enrolled in at least six credits that semester, and complete the royalty application form.

This year, there are 10 candidates running for the chance to show their Maverick pride and influence other students to do the same. Audrey Hopwood, Joey Novack, Samuel Hodgson, Macee Reinardy, Emma Gabbert, Arnavee Maltare, and Jordan Quam are all entered to win their chance of becoming royalty.

Why did you decide to run for royalty?

Audrey Hopwood: "I think the main reason I wanted to run was to **ROYALTY** on page 3 ►"



This year's Homecoming week kicked off with the bonfire that was lit behind the Blakeslee Stadium Monday night. President Inch, at his first homecoming at MNSU, announced to the crowd that had gathered to watch the spectacle that it was the largest the event has ever attracted.

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How college students come to the 'major' decision

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Minnesota State University, Mankato offers more than 130 undergraduate areas of study, 13 pre-professional programs, and over 75 graduate areas of study that students can find interest in.

The six colleges in which your major will fall under

at MNSU entail the college of allied health and nursing, college of arts and humanities, college of business, college of science, engineering, and technology, and the college of social and behavioral sciences.

MNSU has roughly more than 14,000 students currently enrolled including over 1,000 international students from 89 countries as well as more than 125,000 MNSU alumni worldwide.

When it comes to picking a major many students have different reasons on why they decided to learn more about what they are passionate about.

"I'm majoring in psychology and as a person who **MAJORS** on page 7 ►"



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