Preparation for Leadership in an Interdisciplinary Global Context

“Challenging our assumptions and perspectives helps lead us along a path full of interesting encounters. Working with clients and other coaches and the staff has been the most enriching experience of my life.”

–Multiliteracies Center Coach

Interdisciplinary Staff by Major
12 Engineering
10 Sciences and Arts
5 Business and Economics
1 Forestry Res. & Env. Science

69% of staff are non-majority and/or female
racial or hybrid identity, international, multilingual, non-traditional and/or GLBTQ

Campus Impact: Retention

(Cohort: First-Year students with a verbal ACT <=20, <=460 SAT, International student with no ACT/SAT score)

Students with a weekly appointment in the MTMC

36% higher retention rate in 2010
21% higher retention rate 2001-2010 average

National/International Impact

Midwest Writing Center Association Conference Presentation 2011
“Michigan Tech’s Multiliteracies Center session about Tutor Education... was a completely new and almost revolutionary way of thinking about writing center philosophy and tutor education.” (October 2011)

Peter B. Dulcamara, Vice President Corporate Research and Engineering, Kimberly-Clark Corporation
“I was really impressed with the Center and believe there is direct applicability to industry [of MTMC approach to diversity literacy and coach education].” (Spring 2012)

Campus Usage: Serving all students, faculty, and staff

12,830 Total Visits

13% of all Michigan Tech students used the MTMC (903)
15% of all Michigan Tech undergraduates used the MTMC (778)
10% of all Michigan Tech graduate students used the MTMC (125)
70% of weekly appointments were used by a student in a general education course
23% of World Cultures students were enrolled on a study team
5.0 / 5 overall satisfaction with individual appointments
4.6 / 5 overall satisfaction with World Cultures study teams

Overall Usage by Year
Weekly, One Time, and Walk-in Appointments

First Year 33%
PhD 12%
Fourth Year 17%
Third Year 13%
Second Year 9%
MS 14%
Other 2%