

## **Fiscal Year 2025 Collaborative Urban and Greater MN Educators of Color (CUGMEC) Grant Recipients**

The FY25 Collaborative Urban and Greater MN Educators of Color (CUGMEC) grant will fund approximately 550 teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates<sup>1</sup> to increase the number of teachers of color and Indigenous teachers in the state of Minnesota. \$6,780,170.51 in funding was requested.

\$5,340,000.00 dollars were awarded to 12 teacher preparation programs across the state:

**Augsburg University** 2211 Riverside Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55454

Grant award: \$700,000.00 Round 1

Augsburg University will utilize grant funds to provide direct support in the form of tuition scholarships, stipends, and paid licensure fees. Indirect support will be provided in the form of program support staff, affinity group and mentorship events, recruitment, and professional development for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

**College of St Benedict** 37 College Avenue S., St Joseph, MN 56374

Grant award: \$300,000.00 Round 1

The College of St. Benedict will use grant funding to provide direct support in the form of tuition scholarships, as well as indirect mentorship and affinity group support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

**Concordia College, Moorhead** 901 8<sup>th</sup> St S., Moorhead, MN 56562

Grant award: \$137,500.00 Round 2

Concordia College, Moorhead will use grant funding to provide tuition scholarships and academic support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Fiscal year 2025 grant applications

**Hamline University** 1536 Hewitt Avenue, St Paul, MN 55104

Grant award: \$600,000.00 Round 1

Hamline University will utilize grant funding with direct tuition scholarships and indirect mentorship and affinity group support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

**Metropolitan State University, School of Urban Education** 1501 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403

Grant award: \$1,500,000.00 Round 1 \$103,600.00 Round 2

Metropolitan State University will use grant funds to provide direct support in the form of tuition scholarships and paid teacher preparation fees; and indirect support via program recruitment, mentoring, and coaching for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183.

The university will also provide the candidates with indirect support in the form of an academic advisor.

**Minnesota State University, Mankato** 238 Wigley Administration Building, Mankato, MN 56001

Grant award: \$300,000.00 Round 2

Minnesota State University Mankato will utilize grant funds to provide tuition scholarships and mentorship support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

**Southwest Minnesota State University** 1501 State Street, Marshall, MN 56258

Grant award: \$200,000.00 Round 1 \$215,500.00 Round 2

Southwest MN State University will use grant funds to provide tuition scholarships, course materials, and recruitment, affinity group, advising, and academic support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183.

**St Catherine University** Derham Hall, Room 1, 2004 Randolph Avenue, St Paul, MN 55105

Grant award: \$100,000.00 Round 1

St Catherine University will utilize grant funding to provide tuition scholarships and mentorship and affinity group support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183.

**University of Minnesota, Duluth 1049 University Dr, Duluth, MN 55812**

**Grant award: \$83,400.00 Round 2**

The University of Minnesota, Duluth will use grant funds to provide direct support in the form of tuition scholarships, books, testing fees, and research and student teaching stipends; as well as recruitment and mentorship support for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

**University of Minnesota, Morris, 200B Education Building, 600 E 4<sup>th</sup> St, Morris, MN 56267**

**Grant award: \$200,000.00 Round 1**

The University of Minnesota, Morris will use grant funds to provide direct support, including tuition scholarships; and indirect support, in the form of mentorship, recruitment, and a peer ambassador for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183. A portion of the funding will be used to off-set administrative costs.

**University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, 200 Oak St, Minneapolis, MN 55455**

**Grant award: \$500,000.00 Round 1**

The University of Minnesota will use grant funds to provide scholarships to teacher candidates in the DLI-L teacher preparation program. There is an application process where all eligible teacher candidates in the program may apply. Awards will be made based on need and merit; protected group status will be a plus-factor in decision making. The University of Minnesota, Twin Cities will also utilize a portion of grant funds for administrative costs.

**University of St. Thomas, 2115 Summit Ave, St Paul, MN**

**Grant award: \$400,000.00 Round 1**

The University of St. Thomas will utilize grant funding to provide tuition scholarships for teacher candidates of color and indigenous teacher candidates seeking a Tier 3 license under Minn. Stat. §122A.183.