Craft Academy at Morehead State earns Cognia STEM Certification

The Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics at Morehead State University has been recommended for Cognia™ STEM Certification for its high quality, rigorous commitment to STEM education.

The Craft Academy was recognized by the review team as a "model program." Cognia, the leading provider of accreditation and certification, assessment and improvement services, aims to help parents, community leaders, and stakeholders identify quality STEM schools and programs that:

- Promote scientific inquiry and design thinking.

- Develop skill sets that transfer across career sectors.

- Bolster students' capacity for critical thinking and perseverance through complex tasks.

- Engage students deeply in their local community in ways that connect learning to the real world.

"Morehead State University is proud to be home to the Craft Academy. This certification is one more recognition of the outstanding academic quality and experience MSU provides and why we are moving up among the ranks of the top universities in the South," added MSU President Jay Morgan.

In order to earn Cognia STEM Certification, institutions must demonstrate a learner centric environment, and experienced evaluators look for STEM learning opportunities that are well integrated in all content areas and multiple environments.

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MSU Vet Tech program ranked second in the nation

Morehead State's Associate of Applied Science in Veterinary Technology program has been named the nation's best associate program and the second-best program overall by Intelligent.com.

Intelligent.com, a resource for online degree rankings and higher education planning, has announced the Top 47 Veterinary Degree Programs for 2021. The comprehensive research guide is based on an assessment of 196 accredited colleges and universities. Programs are evaluated based on curriculum quality, graduation rate, reputation, and post-graduate employment.

Students in MSU's veterinary technology programs learn real-world skills by working with live animals at the University's Small Animal Teaching Hospital and the Equine Health and Education Center, located at the Derrickson Agricultural Complex. Dr. Philip Prater, professor of veterinary science at MSU, said the program's experienced and knowledgeable faculty, combined with hands-on learning opportunities, makes the program stand out from other similar programs across the country.

The program boasts high passage rates for the Veterinary Technician National Exam, with more than 75% of MSU students passing the certification exam. Prater also said the program has maintained a 100% job placement rate for several years.

MSU recognized nationally for adult degree programs

Morehead State University is an institution that provides a high-quality academic experience for students of any age, and this is being recognized on a national level. MSU has been named to Abound's 2021 Top Adult Degree Programs list. Abound (Abound.com), an online resource for degree-seeking adults, gave MSU this distinction for how it caters to adult students' needs. Schools that made this national list emphasized flexible class schedules, various quality programs, affordability and degrees that helped students advance in their chosen field.

MSU graduate education programs top national ranking list

Morehead State University has its foundations as an institution that prioritizes training teachers, and its teaching programs are no strangers to national rankings. Now, a graduate-level education program at MSU has been ranked the best in the nation.

Intelligent.com has ranked MSU's Master of Arts in Teaching program the top program in its Top 50 Master's in K-12 Education Degree Programs. The website evaluated these programs on faculty, cost, flexibility and reputation. To compile this list, Intelligent.com evaluated 179 colleges and universities and a total of 299 education programs to assemble this Top 50 list.