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Eric Castle Joins Natural Resources Department at the U of M Crookston

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Crookston, Minn. (July 10, 2008) – Eric Castle recently joined the Natural Resources Department at the University of Minnesota Crookston as an assistant professor in environmental horticulture. Castle, who joined the faculty in January 2008, teaches in the areas of horticulture, landscaping, plant propagation, geographic information systems and land use planning.

In his role as assistant professor, Castle is responsible for providing instruction and leadership at the U of M, Crookston in horticulture which has tracks in environmental landscaping and production horticulture. He will advise students, help in career planning and provide leadership for growth in the horticulture program. Castle also serves as an advisor to the Horticulture Club.

Since coming to the Crookston campus, Castle led a successful effort to procure a grant to create a native plant demonstration garden. The \$4,000 grant was awarded by the Institute on the Environment at the University of Minnesota and only one of 12 awarded to student organizations across the U of M system supporting projects or activities taking place in spring 2008 that promote sustainability and the environment.

Castle, whose research interests include ecological restoration, sustainable landscapes and stormwater management, is a member of American Society of Landscape Architects, the Professional Landcare Network and the Minnesota Nursery and Landscape Association. He holds a master's degree in landscape architecture from Kansas State University where he is working to complete his doctorate in ecological engineering. He holds a bachelor of science from Brigham Young University in conservation biology.

For more information on the horticulture program at the U of M Crookston, visit www.UMCrookston.edu/academics.

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