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David M. Rolandson is Assistant Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Minot State University where he conducts the Concert Band, the Pride of MSU Marching Band, and the MSU Jazz Ensemble. In addition, Dr. Rolandson teaches trombone, euphonium, tuba, music education courses, conducting, and serves as the Graduate Coordinator for the Master of Music Education Degree Program. He completed his Ph.D. in Music Education (2015) at the University of Minnesota while studying conducting with Craig Kirchhoff. Dr. Rolandson earned a Master of Music in Wind Band Conducting from Central Washington University (2008) and a Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Minnesota Duluth (2004).

Prior to his appointment at Minot State University, Dr. Rolandson served as the Director of Bands at Renton High School and Dimmitt Middle School in Renton, Washington (2008-2012). While in Renton, his ensembles frequently received Excellent and Superior ratings at regional contests, and his high school students were routinely selected to perform at the annual Washington State Solo and Ensemble Contest. Dr. Rolandson was also an active member of the Washington Music Educators Association serving as the Soundview Region President from 2010-2012. In 2009, he received the Renton Area Chamber of Commerce "Ahead of the Class" award for teaching excellence. Dr. Rolandson remains committed to educating music students of all ages and maintains an active schedule as a guest conductor and clinician.

Dr. Rolandson is currently the *Principal Tuba* with the Minot Symphony Orchestra, and has performed with the International Tuba Quartet, Synergia Northwest Orchestra, Mid-Columbia Symphony, Oregon East Symphony, Twin Ports Wind Orchestra, and Duluth Italian Opera Festival Orchestra. He has also performed as a soloist in multiple recitals, as a chamber artist with various brass ensembles, and is a past winner of the University of Minnesota Duluth's annual Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition (2003).