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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 and the Pride of MSU Marching Band. In addition, Dr. Rolandson teaches low brass, music education courses, and conducting. He earned a Ph.D. in Music Education from the University of Minnesota while studying conducting with Craig Kirchhoff, a Master of Music in Wind Conducting from Central Washington University while studying with Larry Gookin, and a Bachelor of Music Education Degree from the University of Minnesota Duluth.

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 high ratings at regional contests, and his high school students were routinely selected to perform at the annual Washington State Solo and Ensemble Contest. 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.