

# St. Norbert College: Delano-Oriaran selected to represent Wisconsin in new pre-service education preparation consortium

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De Pere, Wis.: Bola Delano-Oriaran, associate professor of education and director of student-teaching abroad at St. Norbert College, has been selected as a fellow on the new Pre-Service Educator Preparation Consortium.

The consortium, through the National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement (NAFSCE), brings together representatives from state education agencies, select teaching colleges and leading educational organizations to consider promising new approaches to preparing future educators for family engagement. Seven state teams, representing California, Colorado, Hawaii, Maryland, North Dakota, South Carolina, and Wisconsin were chosen from a competitive pool of applicants to serve on the consortium.

The COVID-19 pandemic has shined a bright light on the essential role families play in their children's education, yet research makes it clear that educator preparation programs often struggle to train future teachers in how to effectively engage families and establish trusted relationships.

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