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Michael Culloton is an associate professor of music at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn., where he is the director of choral activities, conductor of [The Concordia Choir](#), and the Paul J. and Eleanor Christiansen Chair of Choral Music. Dr. Culloton teaches vocal music education and church music courses, serves as campus supervisor for student teachers, and advises the student chapter of the American Choral Directors Association. He also conducts the [Minnesota All-State Lutheran Choir](#), a summer program of Concordia College. Along with his duties at Concordia, Dr. Culloton is the artistic director and conductor of the Fargo-Moorhead Choral Artists and conductor of the Trinity Lutheran Church Cathedral Choir.

Prior to this appointment, Dr. Culloton served as the associate director of choirs at Concordia College for eight years, conducting the Chapel Choir, Cantabile, and Kantorei. Before moving to Moorhead, he was the artistic director and conductor of Choral Arts Ensemble and Honors Choirs of Southeast Minnesota, both organizations based in Rochester (Minn.), for eight years. He earned his Bachelor of Music degree from Concordia College in Moorhead, where he studied with Dr. René Clausen, and his Master of Music degree from the University of Arizona, where he studied with Maurice Skones. Dr. Culloton completed his Doctor of Musical Arts degree through North Dakota State University, where he studied with Jo Ann Miller and Michael Weber.

Dr. Culloton has taught at Luther College and Winona Senior High School and has also served as the assistant and interim conductor of the National Lutheran Choir. He has held church choir positions in Moorhead, Tucson, Ariz, and Decorah, Iowa, and has been music director for nearly a dozen musical theater productions. Along with his twin brother, Dr. Culloton is the co-editor of the Matthew and Michael Culloton Choral Series with Santa Barbara Music Publishing Inc. He has been recognized as the Minnesota ACDA Young Conductor of the Year and also received the ACDA/VocalEssence Creative Programming Award for his work with Choral Arts Ensemble. In 2009, he was a featured conductor in "Never Stop Singing," a documentary about the history of choral music in Minnesota. Dr. Culloton serves as a guest conductor, clinician, and lecturer throughout the country. He lives in Moorhead with his wife, Brynn, who works in the Admission Office at Concordia, and their daughters, Eleanor and Miriam.



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