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GRADUATE VIEWBOOK

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Omaha





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heart of Omaha







AT UNO, YOU HAVE

# ACCESS TO EXCEPTIONAL

LEARNING, LIVING, AND LOCATION



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Selecting the graduate school and program that best aligns with your professional objectives is a very significant decision. We commend you for considering all your options and thank you for considering the University of Nebraska at Omaha's (UNO) broad array of award-winning and nationally ranked graduate programs. Whether you hope to stand out in today's competitive marketplace, develop your potential as a leader, gain expertise to further progress in your chosen profession, or master the skills necessary to conduct life-changing research - you have come to the right place. UNO has offered a world class education that has helped professionals advance in their careers through access to exceptional, innovative, and affordable graduate programs for more than 100 years.

As you think about applying to graduate school, ask yourself these three questions:

1. What is the value of a graduate degree? Consider the additional knowledge, skills, competencies, confidence, and potential income that come with this investment.
2. What advantages does graduate school at UNO offer?
3. How will I afford my degree?

As you consider your next step, we invite you to carefully examine this viewbook. Reflect on your goals, read about our programs and amazing faculty, and learn how a graduate degree from UNO will give you a competitive edge in today's workforce. An edge that can translate to position advancements, higher earnings throughout your career and prepare you to lead in your organization and community.

With over 90 graduate programs at all levels, UNO offers boundless opportunities. Our Graduate Studies office, the faculty, and staff in all our programs are here to assist you as you explore graduate school options and identify the program that best fits your needs. We will also be here to help and support you as you move through the application process and accompany you all the way through your studies to graduation and beyond. As we like to say around here, once a Maverick, always a Maverick.

Congratulations on all that you have accomplished to date. UNO stands ready to help you take the next step in your educational and professional journey.

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# ACCESS TO EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

At UNO, education is not a compromise. We focus our attention, expertise, and resources on our most important responsibility—you, our student. We develop, enhance, and promote outstanding graduate education; ensure a rich environment for learning, creative activity, and discovery; are recognized regionally, nationally, and globally; and have some of the best facilities in the nation.



## KNOW THE “O”

UNO is a premier metropolitan university that combines the resources of a doctoral research institution with a thriving community in the heart of Omaha, Nebraska.

With a global reach and vision, UNO is large enough to provide the educational endeavors you seek, yet personal enough to include the mentorship you need to achieve academic excellence.

Whether you’re a full-time or part-time student, or taking a course for professional development, you have full access to a traditional university experience on a metropolitan campus with nationally recognized faculty and accredited curriculum.

A graduate degree or certificate from UNO provides you with the highly sought-after knowledge and skills that will give you an edge in a competitive marketplace, command higher earnings throughout your career, and prepare you to be a leader in your community.

This is the “O” we want you to know—forward-thinking, student-centered, and devoted to the city we call home.

[ [KNOW.UNOMAHA.EDU](https://know.unomaha.edu) ]

## FLEXIBILITY OF CLASSES

UNO offers a comprehensive selection of programs and classes that are offered in the traditional weekday time frame, as well as in the evenings, on weekends, and online to offer graduate students numerous education options. Online education options offer graduate students additional choices and flexibility.

Programs that can be completed entirely online

20 Online Graduate Certificates

5 Graduate Minors

28 Graduate Degrees

## FACULTY

Graduate faculty at UNO are world-class and nationally recognized through professional academic associations.



UNO’s average graduate student-to-faculty ratio



56 Countries are represented by UNO’s graduate programs



1 in 5 UNO students are ethnically diverse

2023-2024 Academic Year



## ACCREDITATION

UNO has been continuously accredited since 1939 by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and its forerunner, the North Central Association. HLC is a respected and long-standing accreditor of postsecondary education. HLC accreditation applies to the entire institution. It includes all programs at all levels, all locations, and all delivery modalities offered, and addresses areas such as faculty credentials, program rigor, assessment, library holdings, and funding.

Accredited programs and institutions meet rigorous standards of academic quality. As a result, students can be assured their educational experiences at UNO will be of the highest caliber. In addition to institutional accreditation, many of UNO's academic programs have been awarded accreditation specific to their degree offerings.

### Standards of quality include:

- Faculty credentials
- Assessment processes
- Library holdings
- Physical facilities
- Funding support for institution and its programs

The commission can be contacted at 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604; telephone 800.621.7440/312.263.0456; fax 312.263.7462; email [info@hlcommission.org](mailto:info@hlcommission.org)

## CUTTING-EDGE FACILITIES

To keep our students on the forefront of education and technology, UNO students have access some of the most unique, cutting edge facilities in the region.

### Some of our top facilities include:

- Aviation Advanced Simulation Facility
- Bioinformatics Computing Lab
- Biomechanics Research Building
- Creative Production Lab
- Koraleski Commerce and Applied Behavior Lab



230+

High tech classrooms,  
labs, and auditoriums  
across campus





# ACCESS TO EXCEPTIONAL COMMUNITY

Omaha is integral to what UNO is as a university and empowers students and residents with unlimited opportunities for collaboration through a shared commitment to exceptional education and resources, while enriching the global community.



*Omaha has a population of more than 1.2 million (within a 50-mile radius)*



*Omaha is home to four Fortune 500 company headquarters*



*Omaha is a key economic hub of the central states*







## OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND OMAHA

UNO graduate programs take full advantage of the opportunities Omaha has to offer. All graduate programs have strong connections and partnerships with corporations and nonprofit organizations that value and recruit professionals with a UNO graduate degree. These close ties to businesses offer a multitude of opportunities for internships, mentoring, networking, and jobs in a variety of fields including:

- Education
- News
- Business
- Government
- Nonprofit
- Technology

The Omaha metropolitan area has over one million residents and provides excellent opportunities for personal growth and enrichment. Omaha is home to numerous performing arts venues, leading technology centers, national sporting events, and exciting urban nightlife. Affordable housing options are available near campus and in a variety of dynamic neighborhoods.

## ALUMNI COMMUNITY

You'll find Mavericks around the world and close to home. The UNO Alumni Association and faculty in your area of study are valuable resources in helping to provide networking opportunities. All UNO graduates automatically become a part of the alumni association upon graduation.

[ [UNOALUMNI.ORG](http://UNOALUMNI.ORG) ]

**64,000+**  
*alumni in the Omaha area*

**121,000+**  
*alumni worldwide*

## HANDS-ON LEARNING

UNO is engaged with the city surrounding it, allowing students unique opportunities to learn through hands-on experiences. These include service learning classes and community-based learning – experiences like internships, capstones, practicums, applied research, and more. Each experience has a unique way to enhance time in the classroom, with other benefits such as new connections in the community, skill-building, and experiences that can be used for your resume. Between the city and our campus, you will graduate prepared to navigate your career.

[ [ENGAGEMENT.UNOMAHA.EDU](http://ENGAGEMENT.UNOMAHA.EDU) ]

**251**  
*Service Learning Courses (2023-24)*

**1,700+**  
*Community organizations that partner with UNO in a variety of focus areas (2023-24)*



**READ  
FELIPE BLANCO'S  
FULL STORY**

## **FELIPE BLANCO**

**College of Public Affairs and Community Service**

Growing up, Felipe Blanco did not know what path he would follow. With two parents who taught and worked in higher education at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (NAUM) in his home of Mexico City, Mexico, he had an inkling that some form of education would be part of the picture.

Blanco, now a highly recognized doctoral student in Public Administration, graduated in UNO's May 2023 commencement. Blanco's work with UNO has been widely published and celebrated for its novel, unique look at issues around equity, identity, and representation.

Blanco received his Master of Public Administration & Master of Public Policy from Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE), in which his focus at the time was more about evaluating the relationship between democracy and public policy. He worked as a consultant for public organizations and adjunct professor at CIDE in Mexico.



## ACCESS TO EXCEPTIONAL

**ACHIEVEMENT**

Academic achievement is the foundation of your professional career. We hold the prestigious classification of being a Carnegie Doctoral Research University—which means we offer specialized master’s degrees, doctoral degrees, certificates, and research opportunities.

**MASTER’S DEGREE**

Master’s degrees are the fastest growing and largest segment of graduate education. Many students and professionals recognize that to be competitive in the marketplace—and to keep moving ahead—additional skills and education are necessary.

**Benefits:**

- Increase Salary
- Advance your career
- Gain credentials
- Hone professional skills
- Change careers
- Explore a new field
- Enhance leadership abilities

**EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST (Ed.S.) DEGREE**

The educational specialist (Ed.S.) degree options at UNO are intended to further a PK-12 educator’s expertise beyond the master’s degree. The Ed.S. is a post-master’s program in which candidates attain a broad and systematic understanding of professional education, knowledge of a particular field of specialization, and an ability to apply theoretical concepts of education in an actual educational context. Ed.S. program options include: 1) Educational Administration & Supervision; or 2) School Psychology.

**DOCTORAL DEGREE**

A doctoral degree is the pinnacle of graduate education, attracting the best and the brightest domestic and international students. A doctoral recipient is in an elite category, with less than two percent of the U.S. population earning a Ph.D. Students who relish intellectual challenges and have a thirst for knowledge through research will enjoy and thrive in doctoral study.

**Benefits:**

- Advance your career
- Advance the knowledge of your discipline
- Maximize your earning power

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE**

A graduate certificate offers professional development opportunities to gain mastery in targeted career learning and develop a career competency in a single subject. With careful planning, graduate certificate courses and credit hours (12-18) can be counted toward completion of a master’s degree.

**Benefits:**

- Develop new professional skills
- Achieve graduate education
- Earn a higher salary
- Increase leadership abilities
- Earn a credential in a specialized area

**RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY**

An essential part of every graduate program is for students to learn to use the tools of research, both scholarly and applied. The Office of Research and Creative Activity (ORCA) provides leadership in the development of that research by securing grants and other funding opportunities, as well as partnerships with expert faculty mentors to help advance knowledge. There are \$5,000 grants available for students to support faculty-mentored research or creative activity. In addition, through the Office of Graduate Studies, students can receive \$500 to support travel to present at professional conferences.

Graduate students from all disciplines can showcase their research and creative activity in the form of oral presentations, performances, exhibits, and posters at the annual Research and Creative Activity Fair.

[ [UNOMAHA.EDU/ORCA](http://UNOMAHA.EDU/ORCA) ]





# ACCESS TO EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UNO's premier graduate school education is offered at the most affordable tuition rates in the region and provides a multitude of funding sources for graduate students to help afford their education.

## FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the U.S. Department of Education to discover the types of aid that you qualify for. Students of all income levels may qualify for federal student loans, so we encourage any student who believes they will need assistance to apply.

FAFSA applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- U.S. Citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Have a valid social security number
- Have a high school diploma or equivalent (or will have one by the year you are receiving aid)
- Must be enrolled/planning to enroll in a degree seeking program
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress
- Not owe a refund on a federal student grant or be in default on a federal student loan

[ [STUDENTAID.GOV](https://studentaid.gov) ]

## SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND WAIVERS

### Graduate Scholarships

Office of Graduate Studies offers several scholarships and fellowships that are used to recruit and support outstanding students.

### Regents Tuition Waiver

Each year, the Regents of the University of Nebraska make funds available in the form of the Regents Tuition Waiver (RTW) to recruit highly qualified students.

[ [GRADSTUDIES.UNOMAHA.EDU/FINANCIALAID](https://gradstudies.unomaha.edu/financialaid) ]

## GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

Graduate Assistants (GAs) fulfill many roles on campus, from teaching undergraduate students to assisting faculty with research and presentations. These assistantships reward students who excel in their academic performance at the graduate level and show potential within their field of study.

GAs work 20 hours a week and carry a minimum of six graduate credit hours each semester. In addition to tuition remission, GAs receive a monthly salary and are eligible for subsidized health insurance.

If you are interested in a graduate assistantship, please contact your department's office for more information and options to apply.

[ [HUMANRESOURCES.UNOMAHA.EDU](https://humanresources.unomaha.edu) ]

## ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT

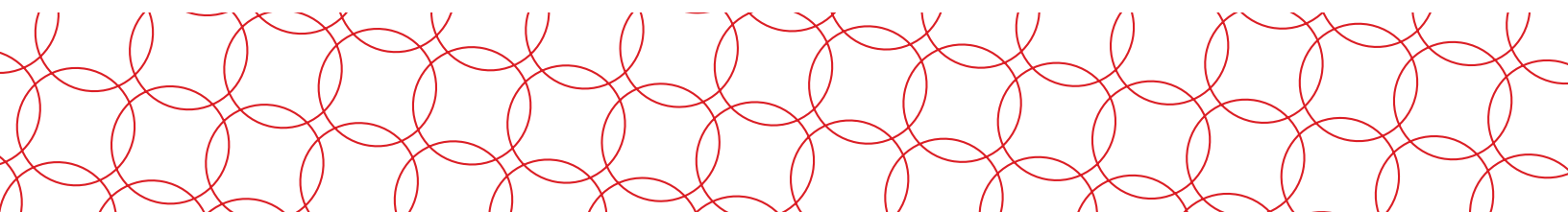
All on-campus student employment positions, including graduate assistantships, are on Handshake. Graduate assistantships are also the only student positions posted on the UNO HR website.

[ [UNOMAHA.JOINHANDSHAKE.COM](https://unomaha.joinhandshake.com) ]

## MILITARY & VETERANS BENEFITS

UNO offers benefits and federal assistance to service members, veterans, and their dependents and helps students maximize their tuition assistance and veteran benefits.

[ [MILITARY.UNOMAHA.EDU](https://military.unomaha.edu) ]









# ACCESS TO EXCEPTIONAL SUPPORT

UNO works to create a more inclusive environment by providing a variety of programs and services that support students academically, socially, and physically to enhance time in and out of the classroom.

## SERVICES & PROGRAMS

The following is a list of student support and success services UNO offers its students:

- Accessibility Services
- Campus Recreation
- Career Services
- Civic and Social Responsibility
- Criss Library
- Computer Science Learning Center
- Counseling Services
- Durango's Advancement and Support Hub (DASH)
- Health Services
- Math-Science Learning Center
- Military-Connected Resource Center
- Speech Center
- Student Leadership, Involvement, and Inclusion
- Wellness Center
- Writing Center

## WRITING CENTER

The UNO Writing Center offers free one-on-ones for writers on any subject at any stage of the writing process. The writing center staff will discuss your writing, provide feedback, and coach you through the stages of writing your paper—from brainstorming to the finishing touches. Consultations last 30 or 60 minutes and can be done in-person or online. UNO Writing Center staff consists of undergraduate consultants, graduate teaching assistants, post graduate consultants, volunteers, and interns. The Office of Graduate Studies and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) fund a limited number of graduate consultants on our staff. These consultants have more experience consulting with master's and doctoral level writing projects and are identified by an "\*" next to their names in the online schedule.

## ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES CENTER

The Accessibility Services Center (ASC) collaborates with students, administrators, faculty, and staff to ensure that we provide reasonable and appropriate accommodations and equal access to university programming for our students with disabilities.

## COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

CAPS provides services that can help with the challenges impacting your overall well-being. These could include adjusting to life events, relationship issues, and mental health symptoms. Counseling services are confidential and conducted by Licensed Mental Health Practitioners and graduate interns.

## DURANGO'S ADVANCEMENT AND SUPPORT HUB (DASH)

DASH is designed to welcome and engage students, build and foster community collaborations, and create opportunities for professional development and social mobility. They offer Hardship & Resiliency Support for those facing unique challenges as they navigate college, the Peer Mentor Alliance, which is a community of students dedicated to building collaboration and community, and the Scholarship Collective, a portfolio of scholarships tailored to various talents, backgrounds, and aspirations.

## MILITARY-CONNECTED RESOURCE CENTER

Military-Connected Resource Center (MCRC) fosters and encourages UNO's military community—on-campus, online, and overseas. It focuses on academic achievement, career attainment, financial health, and overall physical and mental wellness. This is a one-stop office where military, veterans, and their family members can find services and programs at UNO tailored to their needs.

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP, INVOLVEMENT, AND INCLUSION Engaging Students, Ensuring Success

The mission of Student Leadership, Involvement, and Inclusion (SLII) is to nurture the principle of "people over process." Through intentional relationship building, they strive to elevate student leaders throughout their collegiate journey. SLII collaborates with UNO and the greater Omaha community to share understanding and knowledge, cultivate meaningful relationships, and develop an appreciation for all perspectives.



*UNO focuses on the eight dimensions of wellness to encourage and promote an overall balanced lifestyle*



*UNO was recently named the most LGBTQIA+ friendly college in the state of Nebraska Campus Pride Index, in partner with Best Colleges*

## TOP 20

*Best 4-year university for military students on a list of 325 universities nationwide Military Times, 2024*

MILLO BAIL STUDENT CENTER



# 2023 FALL TOTAL ENROLLMENT SNAPSHOT

**3,156**

Graduate students

**742**

New graduate students

**578**

Non-resident students (excluding map)



**15,015**

Total enrollment with graduate students

**632**

Minority (underrepresented) Students

**399**

International students



**9%**

Increased enrollment of minority (underrepresented) students

**Top-five** countries represented (citizenship)

1. India

2. Iran

3. Nigeria

4. Bangladesh

5. Nepal

**1,083**

Full-time



**2,073**

Part-time



**12.7%**

Increased enrollment of international students



# GRADUATE PROGRAMS

## MASTER'S DEGREES

### Master of Arts/Master of Science

- › Accounting, MACC
- › Applied Behavior Analysis, MS\*
- › Athletic Training, MA
- › Biology, MS
- › Biomechanics, MS
- › Biomedical Informatics, MS
- › Business Administration, MBA
- › Communication, MA\*
- › Computer Science, MS\*\*\*
- › Computer Science Education, MS\*
- › Counseling, MS\*\*\*
- › Criminology & Criminal Justice, MA & MS\*
- › Critical & Creative Thinking, MA\*
- › Cybersecurity, MA\*\*\*
- › Data Science, MS
- › Economics, MA & MS\*\*\*
- › Educational Leadership, MS\*
- › Elementary Education, MS\*\*\*
- › English, MA
- › Executive MBA
- › Geography, MS
- › Gerontology, MA\*
- › Health & Kinesiology, MS\*\*\*
- › History, MA\*
- › History & Government, MA\*
- › Industrial-Organizational Psychology, MS
- › IT Innovation, MS
- › Literacy, MS\*\*\*
- › Management Information Systems, MS
- › Mathematics, MA & MS
  - MA for Teachers of Mathematics
- › Music, MM\*\*\*
- › Political Science, MS\*
- › Psychology, MA
- › Public Administration, MPA\*
- › School Psychology, MS
- › Secondary Education, MS\*\*\*
- › Social Work, MSW\*
- › Sociology, MA
- › Special Education, MS\*
- › Speech-Language Pathology, MS
- › Urban Studies, MS
- › Writing, MFA\*

## DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

### Master of Arts

- › Gerontology, and Juris Doctorate (UNL)

### Master of Business Administration

- › Doctor of Pharmacy (UNMC)
- › Doctor of Physical Therapy (UNMC)
- › Master of Perfusion Science (UNMC)
- › Master of Physician Assistant Studies (UNMC)
- › Master of Science in Economics
- › Master of Science in Management Information Systems
- › Master of Science in Nursing (UNMC)
- › Master of Public Health (UNMC)

### Master of Public Administration

- › Master of Arts in Gerontology\*
- › Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice\*
- › Master of Science in Management Information Systems
- › Master of Social Work\*

### Master of Social Work

- › Master of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice\*
- › Master of Public Health (UNMC)

## EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST DEGREES

Educational Administration & Supervision, Ed.S.\*

School Psychology, Ed.S.

## DOCTORAL DEGREES

Biomechanics and Kinesiology, Ph.D.

Educational Administration, Ed.D.\*

Biomedical Informatics, Ph.D.

Gerontology, Ph.D.

Computing & Information Science, Ph.D.

Psychology, Ph.D.

Criminology & Criminal Justice, Ph.D.

Public Administration, Ph.D.

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Advanced Writing

Human Resources & Training

Artificial Intelligence

Information Assurance\*

Business for Bioscientists

Intelligence & National Security\*

Business in Health Administration

Internal Audit, Fraud and Control

Communication\*

Kodaly

Communication Networks

Literature and Culture

Computer Science Education\*

Logistics & Supply Chain Management

Conducting\*

Machine Learning\*

Cybersecurity\*

Managing Juvenile & Adult Populations\*

Data Analytics

Nonprofit Management\*

Data Management\*

Project Management

Dyslexia Specialist\*

Public Management\*

Economic Education

Secondary

English Dual Enrollment\*

Mathematics Specialist

Executive Business

Sociology\*

Executive Business Analytics

Software Engineering

Executive Business Leadership

Spanish\*

French

Systems Analysis & Design

Geographic Education

Systems and Architecture

Geographic Information Science

Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Gerontology\*

Teaching Spanish to Heritage/Bilingual Learners\*

Global Information Operations

Technical Communication

Government\*

Urban Leadership\*

History\*

Homeland Security Focused Business Analytics



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