**ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

**Orientation and Workshops**
As you begin your experience as a graduate student at UNO, we are here to support you along the way. This begins with a New Graduate Student Welcome in August and a variety of graduate student workshops offered throughout your time as a UNO graduate student. At the New Graduate Student Welcome, you will have the opportunity to learn about important campus resources, and meet graduate faculty and staff and other incoming graduate students in a variety of UNO graduate programs. Then, as you progress through your graduate program, you will have the opportunity to attend graduate workshops. In the 2016/17 school year, 21 workshops were offered eared toward topics important to graduate students, in partnership with the UNO Criss Library and UNO Writing Center.

**Graduate Student Conference Travel Support**
Graduate students who have been accepted to present at an academic conference are eligible to apply for travel awards. The maximum amount of an award is $500.00. Applications are reviewed at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters by the Dean for Graduate Studies. Funds are limited and applications are encouraged as soon as students are aware of their conference presentations. To apply, students must complete the Student Conference Travel Proposal Form that is available on our website at http://www.unomaha.edu/graduate-studies/_files/graduate-student-travel-proposal-form.pdf.

**Research Grants**
**Graduate Research and Creative Activity (GRCA)**
GRACA grants support faculty-mentored graduate student research and creative activity. For more information, please visit http://www.unomaha.edu/office-of-research-and-creative-activity/students/graca.php.

**Use of Human Subjects or Animals in Research**
All campus research that involves the use of human subjects or animals must be reviewed and approved by the Institutional Review Board or the Animal Research Committee, respectively. This policy applies to both funded and non-funded faculty and student research. Any individual research project that involves human subjects or animals must be approved by the appropriate committee prior to initiation of the research. For additional information, visit or contact the Office of Research and Creative Activity, Eppley Administration Building 203.

**Speech Center**
The UNO Speech Center assists all UNO students, faculty, and staff in preparing oral presentations and/or incorporating them into their courses.

Speech Consulting Room provides consulting and coaching services for all UNO students, graduate students, faculty, and staff from all disciplines, assistance to faculty in support of Speaking Across the Curriculum effort at UNO and assessment documentation for the UNO oral communication general education requirement.

The Speech Center is located in Arts & Science Hall 183 & 185 or can be reached at 402-554-3201.

**Writing Center**
The Writing Center invites UNO student, faculty, and staff in all university divisions to work with a writing consultant on any university-related writing project. You may use this free service to work on your writing assignments, application essays, business letters or other projects. Our goal is to help you become an effective, independent writer; we will not edit papers for you: instead we will help you develop the ability to edit your own work.

Since graduate-level essays are often lengthy, you may reserve an hour-long appointment instead of the standard half hour. You may wish to work with one of our Graduate Consultants. To schedule an appointment, call the Writing Center at 402-554-2946 or visit them online at http://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/writing-center/index.php.