

# INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

## Applying Online

Applications for admission are available on-line at [apply.unomaha.edu](http://apply.unomaha.edu) (<http://www.unomaha.edu/admissions/apply/>).

## Application Fee for International Students

All international students must pay a \$45.00 undergraduate application fee when submitting their application. Applications will not be processed unless the fee is included.

The following information applies:

- The application fee is non-refundable and does not guarantee admission or enrollment in any specific classes.
- Check, money order (payable to the University of Nebraska at Omaha), or credit card payments are accepted.
- Application fees submitted to any University of Nebraska system campus are valid for one year and are transferable to UNO.
- Applicants who pay the \$45.00 application fee but who do not enroll within one year must reapply for admission and resubmit the application fee.
- Previously enrolled undergraduate students on any University of Nebraska system campus (UNK, UNL, UNO, and UNMC) need not submit the application fee.

## Documentation Needed

### International Applicants Admission Requirements

**official transcripts.** Official academic records, graduation exam scores, and any certificates or degrees obtained from all secondary and post-secondary educational institutions attended must be submitted. Certifiable English translations are also necessary for official academic records, diplomas, and certifications that are not issued in English. Post-secondary education encompasses a range of educational establishments such as colleges, universities, trade schools, professional schools, and technical institutes. Even if a student does not want transfer credit or a certificate or degree to be issued, academic records are still needed if they have attended a post-secondary institution. Documents should be supplied straight from the foreign organization or translation agency. Official transcripts from institutions should be provided electronically to [unointernational@unomaha.edu](mailto:unointernational@unomaha.edu) or by courier to:

#### Undergraduate Admissions

**Eppley Administration Building, Room 111**  
**6001 Dodge Street**  
**Omaha, NE 68182-0080**

**Passport.** All international students must send a copy of their passport information page to [unointernational@unomaha.edu](mailto:unointernational@unomaha.edu).

**Proof of English Proficiency.** Undergraduate applicants must demonstrate English proficiency through one of the options listed on the Catalog under (<https://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/admissions/admission-requirements/#text>) Admission Requirements (<https://catalog.unomaha.edu/undergraduate/admissions/admission-requirements/#text>). If the testing agency is unable to send records to UNO directly, documents may be emailed by the student to [unointernational@unomaha.edu](mailto:unointernational@unomaha.edu) or mailed to the address above.

**Proof of Financial Support for F-1 or J-1 Visa Applicants or Holders.** International students requesting an F-1 or J-1 visa must, according to U.S. federal law, provide proof of sufficient support from their own, their families, and/or a sponsor's financial means. When applying for admission, students must show that they have enough money in their possession to cover the cost of their first year of study. Original bank statements bearing the student and/or sponsor's signatures and any bank seals or stamps must be submitted. A UNO financial affidavit, signed by the student and each sponsor, is necessary in addition to a bank statement. When presented, bank statements and UNO Financial Affidavits must be no older than six months. UNO will not be able to issue an I-20 or DS-2019 if a completed financial affidavit and an actual bank statement are not submitted. Financial documents should be submitted electronically to [unointernational@unomaha.edu](mailto:unointernational@unomaha.edu).

## Conditional Undergraduate Admission

If an international applicant does not meet the English proficiency standard for undergraduate admission, they may be eligible for conditional admission (<https://www.unomaha.edu/admissions/undergraduate/international-students/conditional-admission.php>). Complete undergraduate admission will be awarded upon passing the Intensive English Language Program (<https://www.unomaha.edu/international-studies-and-programs/iluno/>) (ILUNO) at UNO and receiving a score that meets the requirements for English proficiency.

### Students eligible for a conditional undergraduate admission:

1. Successfully completed UNO's Intensive English Program (ILUNO) with a qualifying English proficiency score.
2. A minimum of one ILUNO session is required.
3. Non-qualifying English proficiency scores within the range may be accepted for full admission after ILUNO review and acceptance by the ILUNO Director.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** A change of status of the Form I-20 will be made upon full undergraduate admission. The student is responsible for requesting a change of status to their Form I-20 upon full undergraduate admission.

## F-1 or J-1 Visa Applicants Applying as a Non-Degree Seeking Students

International students who are F-1 or J-1 visa applicants or holders may apply as non-degree students if they:

- Have permission letter from their current U.S. institution to be enrolled part-time at UNO while remaining on the I-20 of their current school;
- Are referred as a participant in an international exchange program between UNO and their home institution; OR
- Have a recommendation letter from their home institution or employer. Students applying under this option should contact International Admissions at [unointernational@unomaha.edu](mailto:unointernational@unomaha.edu) for details about content requirements for the letter.

## Health Insurance

Because of the high expense of healthcare in the United States, UNO provides affordable health insurance to its international students. Students who do not have university-approved foreign coverage must enroll in this Student Health Insurance (<https://www.unomaha.edu/nebraska-medicine-uno-health-center/cost-and-insurance/unitedhealthcare-student-resources.php>) plan.

## **Admission for International Students**

Most admissions decisions are made in less than a week following receipt of all necessary paperwork. The student will get a separate email including their I-20 upon admission to UNO. Please be aware that friends and family cannot obtain the I-20 or admission letter. The DS-2019 will be included in the email related to the I-20 for applicants for J-1 visas. Visitors on F-1 visas who enroll in part-time courses at UNO, while maintaining status at a different U.S. institution, will continue to use their present I-20; they will not be granted a new one.