GLOBAL INFORMATION OPERATIONS CERTIFICATE

Departments of Political Science, Computer Science and Religion, College of Arts and Sciences and Information Science & Technology

Vision Statement
The certificate in global information operations is a program designed to meet the need for a broad-based, interdisciplinary understanding of international cultures and related issues in today's global society by graduate students, active duty military and civilian professionals working in the fields of public service, national security, defense policy and intelligence analysis. The program seeks to satisfy varying academic, career, and professional post graduate goals of traditional and non-traditional students that prepare them for their responsibility as active citizens through leadership, participation and employment in diverse environments throughout the nation and the world. 

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Program Website (http://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/political-science/academics/graduate-programs/)

Admissions
Application Deadlines (Spring 2021, Summer 2021, and Fall 2021)
- Fall: June 15
- Spring: October 15
- Summer: March 15

Program-Specific Requirements
For students applying to, or who are a current MS-PSCI student in good standing:
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA

For students applying for this certificate as a stand-alone program:
- Baccalaureate degree or previous master's degree with a minimum of 3.0 GPA.
- 9 credit hours in relevant fields is preferred. Students without the necessary background may be admitted on a provisional basis and be required to take prerequisite courses before starting graduate work. Students must earn a grade of B or above in each of these courses.
- 2 Letters of Recommendation from a former professor (preferred), supervisor, or individual that can speak to one's academic potential in a graduate program. If students have recently graduated from UNO, it is expected that one of the letters will be from a UNO political science faculty member, graduate program program It is preferred that students use their references' institutional (.edu) or professional email.
- Personal statement (1-2 pages) explaining why the applicant is seeking admission into this program, how his/her academic/professional experiences can contribute to his/her success in this program, and how this program will contribute to his/her future academic/professional ambitions.
- Professional Resume
- Applicants are required to have a command of oral and written English. Those who do not hold a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from the U.S., OR a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from a pre-determined country on the waiver list (https://www.unomaha.edu/graduate-studies/prospective-students/Proof%20of%20English%20Proficiency-%20International.pdf), must meet the minimum language proficiency score requirement in order to be considered for admission. A minimum score a score of 80, internet-based TOEFL, with no sub-score under 15. The IELTS and PTE English proficiency tests are also accepted. Those scores must translate to the minimum internet-based TOEFL equivalent to be considered for admission. Passing with a minimum score does not guarantee admission into the the program.
- GRE scores are not required for admission, however, students are welcome to include them.
- Official transcripts from all previously attended institutions. Please note that although the Office of Graduate Studies forwards applications to departments for review with unofficial transcripts, students cannot enroll until all official transcripts have been received. Due to this, the Department of Political Science has elected to wait for official transcripts before reviewing applications.

Degree Requirements

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Select 3 hours from the following:

| ISQA 8420     | MANAGING THE I.S. FUNCTION                      | 3       |
| ISQA 8380     | ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE AND SYSTEMS INTEGRATION  |         |
| ISQA/CYBR 8570| INFORMATION SECURITY POLICY AND ETHICS          |         |
| PSCI 8250     | SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS              |         |
| PSCI 8200     | SEMINAR IN FOREIGN POLICY AND NATIONAL SECURITY |         |

Total Credits 12

Note: Students who took undergraduate courses at UNO may not take cross-listed courses they took at the 3000-4000 level at the 8000 level.

Students may be required to take provisional courses before their ISQA, CYBR, PSCI, and/or RELI graduate courses. Such requirements are to be determined by the specific department in question.

Exit Requirements
Students must earn a 3.0 GPA to graduate with this certificate.

Academic Progress Policy
Students may be dismissed from the program after:
1. Not enrolling and/or successfully completing a course after two consecutive years.
2. Earning three or more W grades.
3. Earning two or more grades of C+ or below.

Under extenuating circumstances, students may apply for a waiver through the GPC. If a waiver is granted, students may be updated to the most recent catalog year.

Students who do not successfully complete a course during their admit term, or allowed deferment time, will be dismissed from the program.

Students may reapply to the program if dismissed for inactivity.