“It was during my high school junior year in a beginning marketing class that I really began thinking about a career as a business teacher,” Brittany (Davidson) McPhillips said.

McPhillips’ mother, a UNK alumna and business and marketing teacher at Hastings High School, influenced her. “I loved seeing the positive impact my mom was, and still is able to have on the lives of her students, and I realized that if I became a business/marketing teacher, I could potentially have this same impact on the lives of my students,” McPhillips said.

Kearney was the right fit for McPhillips for both the size of town and size of college. “Because the class sizes are smaller, I knew my professors would know me.” She discovered professors were encouraging, helpful and willing to help.

“I continue to have support from the education and business departments at UNK. Even to this day I know I can contact my advisor with any questions I might have. She’s always willing to help.”

McPhillips, a 2009 UNK graduate, is the business/computers teacher and DECA advisor at Central City Public Schools.

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The schedule is a guideline for progress toward a degree. Consult with your academic advisor.

Semester 1 (15 credits)
- ENG 102 Writing & Research
- SPCH 100 Speech
- Portal course 188 (your choice)
- PE 150 Healthy, Wealthy, & Wise
- Aesthetics General Studies

Semester 2 (15 credits)
- MATH 102
- TE 100 Teaching in Democratic Society
- PSCI 110 Intro. to American Politics
- MIS 182 Software Productivity Tools
- FSID 160 Personal Money Mgmt.

Semester 3 (15 credits)
- MIS 282 Business Intelligence
- ECON 270 Prin. of Economics, Macro.
- Natural Science General Studies
- TE 204 Typical/Atypical Growth Elective

Semester 4 (15 credits)
- MKT 300 Prin. of Marketing
- BSAD 115 or Business elective 1
- BSAD 295 Business Communications
- ECON 271 Prin. of Economics, Micro.
- TE 206 Instr. Technology Preservice Tch.

Semester 5 (15 credits)
- BSED 302 Automated Office Systems
- ACCT 250 Prin. of Accounting I
- Humanities 1
- Natural Science General Studies
- MKT Upper level course

Semester 6 (17 credits)
- TE 306 Reading & Inclusion
- Capstone 388 (your choice)
- ACCT 251 Prin. of Accounting II
- Business elective 2
- MGT 301 Prin. of Management
- Humanities 2

Semester 7 (16 credits)
- BSED 470 Vocational-Bus. Methods
- TE 319 Management & Assessment
- TE 320 Field Experience
- ACCT 311 Business Law
- MKT Upper level course
- BSED 431Coordinating Techniques

Semester 8 (12 credits)
- TE 400 Student Teaching

Business education organization
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Personal traits for success in business education
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- Demonstrates above-average analytical and math skills
- Enjoys working with others
- Communicates well
- Manages a classroom
- Uses effective discipline skills
- Promotes positive behavior
- Implements learning strategies

Scholarships available
- Shirley Houston Memorial Scholarship
- Alice Elmore Memorial Scholarship
- Ray Schmitz Family Scholarship
- Clara Ockinga Business Ed. Scholarship
- Patricia Rhoades Baconrind Scholarship

UNK advantages
- Smaller classes
- Low student-to-faculty ratio
- Opportunities for student research
- Contact with local professionals
- Mentoring
- Academic advising
- Shadowing programs
- Phi Beta Lambda club

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Q&A
What does Krista Ruxton like MOST about the business education department?

“The professors. They are all very willing to drop anything they are doing to help you, and they will do it with a smile on their face. Instructors want to see you succeed. It's great knowing that you have someone you can go to if you have a question or need something.”

Major: BMIT 6-12 education
Hometown: Hastings, Neb.
Graduation year: 2015

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