Whether you are looking to learn basic outdoor skills or want an adventure deep in the backcountry join us at UNK Outdoor Adventures as we embark on these experiential outdoor rec excursions!

**Minnesota Winter Adventure (Ice Climbing & Cross Country Skiing)**

**Dates:** February 17th-February 20th  
**Location:** Winona, MN  
**Pre-trip Informational Meeting:** Thursday, February 3rd @ 5:00pm  
**Cost:** $250 (price will reduce pending # of signups)

In this epic adventure you will be shown the beautiful trails of Winona, MN through Cross Country Skiing and will be embarking on a once in a lifetime opportunity to get out and climb some of the most beautiful ice in the Midwest. No experience is necessary, and all are welcome and encouraged to come join.

**Niobrara Canoe Adventure**

**Dates:** April 22nd-April 24th  
**Location:** Valentine, Nebraska  
**Pre-trip Informational Meeting:** Thursday April 14th @ 5pm  
**Cost:** $105

On this adventure we will be embarking on a canoe trip that will make you feel like you have left the mid-west. Enjoy exploring waterfalls, hiking along the river, learning canoe skills from the pros, and meeting new friends on this unique Nebraska destination. This adventure will consist of canoeing along the Niobrara Wild and Scenic River in northern Nebraska, Camping at Smith Falls State Park, and meeting a group of fun new friends! Camping, paddling, and outdoor cook gear provided, you provide warm clothing and an adventurous spirit.

**Kearney Canal Paddle Trips**

**Dates:** April 20th, April 27th, & May 4th 3 - 5pm  
**Location:** Starting at Yanney Park and floating to the Central Avenue Public Takeout  
**Cost:** $10 (pre-registration required)

Come float the Kearney Canal with us on one of these epic canoe adventures. During this low-key trip, we will be floating from Yanney Park to Kearney Paddle Sports exploring what the currents have in store for us. No experience is necessary, but a prerequisite is knowing how to swim.
Top Rope Belay Certification Clinic

7:00-8:15pm  
February 1 & 15, March 1 & 22, April 5 & 19  
Cost: $10

This clinic is designed to be a basic introduction to belay technique, the act of taking slack out of the rope to keep the climber on the other end safe. This is an in-house certification required to belay at the climbing wall. Though this is not a requirement to climb at the UNK climbing wall it is a recommended skill to learn as you progress in your climbing skills. The prerequisite for this class is checking in and climbing at the wall at least once with our certified wall staff.

Lead Climbing/Belay Certification Clinic

6:00-9:00pm  
Date: Upon Request  
Cost: $20

If you are ready to take your climbing to the next level think about taking one of our lead climbing clinics. In this clinic you will learn how to lead climb and belay in an indoor climbing setting. Some of the key pieces to this clinic include rope management, quickdraw clipping technique, how to take a fall, and how to use foot placement to prevent rope entanglement. The prerequisite for this clinic is having taken the Top Rope Belay Certification along with having the skill and ability to climb a 5.9 with no falls on top rope.

Outdoor Climbing Clinic

7:00-9:00pm  
Date: Upon Request  
Cost: $10

As lead climbing indoors is a blast many people find transferring their skills to the outside world to be a great next step. The prerequisite for this clinic is being able to flash 5.10a, have taken the lead climbing/belay certification, and have completed all checks necessary to lead climb at the UNK Climbing Wall. In this clinic we will be going over how to read a guidebook, how to set up sport anchors safely, and how to “clean” your gear off the wall at the end of a climb.

***These skills require further practice outside the scope of what we can do indoors. If you intend on using these skills outdoors it is important to be with someone experienced in outdoor climbing.***

GUEST PASSES

As a UNK Student you have the ability to bring non UNK affiliates to the wall for a small $5 fee if you are interested in climbing with friends who do not currently attend UNK. Simply ask at the front desk for more information. Guest passes are reserved for patrons 18 years of age and up.

GEAR RENTAL

A complete rental list is available on our website, unk.edu/outdooradventures. If you would like to inquire about our offerings, please email unkoutdoors@unk.edu or call Justin Stout at 308-865-1549.