

ADVANTAGE

Fact Sheet 2020-2021

Institutional Information

Name of Institution	University of Nebraska - Kearney
Type of Institution	Public University
Institutional Website	www.unk.edu
International Student Website	www.unk.edu/international
International Admissions	http://www.unk.edu/international-admissions
Location	Kearney, Nebraska, U.S.A
Student Population, Fall 2019	6,279
Student Diversity, Fall 2019	435 students from 58 countries
Student Organizations “Engage”	http://www.unk.edu/offices/student_life/engage.php
International Friendship Program	http://www.unk.edu/international/friendship-program
Global Lopers	http://www.unk.edu/global-lopers
UNK English Language Institute	http://www.unk.edu/eli
International Staff Directory	http://www.unk.edu/international/oie-staff-directly.php

Take a virtual tour of UNK at <http://www.unk.edu/#virtualltour>

Application Deadlines

Fall Semester: Mid-May
 Spring Semester: Mid-October
 Summer Semester, ELI only: Mid-February
 The application for on-campus housing is available once accepted to UNK via MyBlue.

Admissions

Admission Information	http://www.unk.edu/international/international-admissions
Graduate Admissions	http://www.unk.edu/academics/gradstudies/admissions/
Visa Information	http://www.unk.edu/visa-information

English Proficiency

New international students must provide proof of English Proficiency when seeking admission to an undergraduate program of study. Below are the requirements:

TOEFL Internet-Based	61
IELTS*	5.5
PTE (Pearson Test of English)	Overall Score of 51
Common European Framework (CEFR)	B2 or higher
Cambridge English Language Assessment	B2 or higher
ACT	20
SAT	1030

Although an ACT or SAT exam is not required for international undergraduate admission, UNK strongly encourages students to submit one of these exam scores if possible. An ACT English of 20 or SAT critical reading score of 494 will meet the English proficiency requirement regardless of total score. Further, UNK uses ACT and SAT scores in course placement and consideration for Honors Program eligibility and Academic Merit Scholarships.

Unofficial test scores will not be accepted. Students submit official test scores in the following ways:

1. Submit the official score report issued to them by the testing company
2. Have scores sent directly to UNK from the testing center or company
3. Submit a high school transcript showing successful completion of a CEFR level of B2 or higher

*UNK is unable to accept paper IELTS test report forms. Our admissions office will download IELTS scores that have been sent to our account. When you visit the IELTS testing center, please make sure that your scores be sent to the following IELTS account:

University of Nebraska at Kearney
International Admissions
2505 20th Ave
Ockinga Seminar Center
Kearney, NE 68849
USA

Students with scores lower than the minimum requirements, or in a country where these tests are unavailable, can apply to UNK's English Language Institute. If accepted into this program, you will take an

English Placement Exam upon arrival to campus. The result of this exam will determine placement in intensive English classes on a full- or part-time basis.

Exemptions

Applicants are exempt from the English Language Proficiency Requirement if they meet any of the following criteria:

- Earned a high school diploma, Associates of Arts, Associates of Science or bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited U.S. high school, college or university. Please note that completion of an Associate of Applied Science or a GED does not waive the English Language Requirement.
- Completed the equivalent of a high school education or the equivalent of a U.S. bachelor's degree in one of the following countries:

Australia	Fiji Islands	New Zealand	English Speaking Caribbean*
Belize	Guyana	United Kingdom	English Speaking Africa*
Canada	Ireland	West Indies	

*For a complete list of these countries, please contact our admissions office at intnladmin@unk.edu.

- Students from universities and institutions that are members of an Exchange Partnership agreement with UNK from one of the following countries or regions can provide an official letter/statement from their home university attesting to English Language Proficiency:

The Netherlands	Germany	Sweden	Denmark	Czech Republic
Finland	Iceland	Austria	Switzerland	Indian Subcontinent

This attestation must show that a CEFR level of B2 or higher has been achieved.

- Students from universities that are members of an Exchange Partnership agreement with UNK will be allowed to submit a score from an Institutional TOEFL exam. Scores from this exam must be a 530 or higher in order to enroll in a full-time undergraduate program.

Medical Insurance

UNK requires health insurance coverage. A fee will automatically be assessed to the student's account, and coverage provided, unless the student provides the existence of coverage, with the limits listed below, upon arrival.

<https://www.unk.edu/International/international-student-services/medical-insurance.php>

Cost & Scholarships

Scholarships are available for degree-seeking international students. Amounts listed on unk.edu are for degree-seeking F-1 students. If your institution has an Exchange Partnership agreement with the University of Nebraska at Kearney, please refer to it for specific cost information.

<http://www.unk.edu/international/international-admissions/Prospective%20International%20Students/scholarship-opportunities.php>

Academics

Language of Instruction	English
Academic Calendar	http://www.unk.edu/offices/registrar/academic_policies_handbook/Academic_Calendar.php
Majors and Minors	https://catalog.unk.edu/undergraduate/programsaz/
Undergraduate Course Catalog	https://catalog.unk.edu/undergraduate/courses/
Undergraduate Enrollment Hours	Minimum of 12 credit hours per semester Maximum of 18 credit hours *Some upper-level courses require prerequisites courses, therefore a transcript in English may prove helpful.
Graduate Course Catalog	http://aaunk.unk.edu/gradcatalogs/current/
Graduate Enrollment Hours	Minimum of 9 credit hours per semester Maximum of 12 credit hours per semester

Grading Scale

A	93-100%
A-	90-92%
B+	88-89%
B	83-87%
B-	80-82%
C+	78-79%

C	73-77%
C-	70-72%
D+	63-67%
D	63-67%
D-	60-62%
Failing	Below 60%

Students are encourage to utilize the Learning Commons: http://www.unk.edu/offices/learning_commons/. Students can improve their understanding of course material and develop stronger learning skills through subject tutoring, language support, supplemental instruction, writing center, and success coaching.

Housing

UNK offers students the opportunity to live on campus! Watch this video to learn why “Life is Better on Campus”: <http://www.unk.edu/offices/reslife/index.php>

Housing Options	http://www.unk.edu/offices/reslife/housing-options.php
Meal Plan Options	http://www.unk.edu/offices/reslife/meal-plans.php
Housing Rates and Meal Plan	http://www.unk.edu/offices/reslife/housing-rates--meal-plan.php

Off-campus housing is available; however, it is the students’ responsibility to find accommodations.

Arrival Information

After acceptance to study at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, the staff in International Education will be in communication with students regarding arrival information. A Pre-Arrival Guide will be sent to each accepted student with immigration paperwork.

There are Nebraska airports in Kearney, Grand Island, Lincoln and Omaha. If a student chooses to fly into one of these airports, the staff in International Education will help coordinate transportation using the Navigator Bus, at the expense of the student. Arrival questions should be directed to: falconerts@unk.edu

Contact Information

International Office

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International Student Services and Admissions

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