

Past Durham Speakers

- 2024 – Lauris Mickelsen, Vice President of Safety and Compliance airBaltic and former UNO Exchange Student
- 2023 – Steve McCoy, Madeline Sullivan, Sidney Due, Jen McIntyre – UNO Alumni Panel
- 2022 – Jamie Walker, CEO Jet Linx Aviation
- 2021 – Did not Host the Durham Event
- 2020 – Did not Host the Durham Event
- 2019 – Did not Host the Durham Event
- 2018 – Mike McCasky, Managing Director of Flight Training, United Airlines
- 2017 – Rob Britton, Managing Director, Advertising, American Airlines
- 2016 – Did not Host the Durham Event
- 2015 – Dr. Rich Swazey, FAA and Former UNO Student
- 2014 – Did not Host the Durham Event
- 2013 – Mr. Stephen Forte, COO Virgin American
- 2012 – Ambassador Duane Woerth, ICAO
- 2011 – Robert “Hoot” Gibson, Retired NASA Astronaut
- 2010 – George T. Whitesides, President & CEO of Virgin Galactic
- 2009 – Catherine M. Lang, FAA Acting Associate Administrator for Airports
- 2008 – Colleen C. Barrett, President Emeritus Southwest Airlines
- 2007 – J. Robert Duncan, Duncan Aviation
- 2006 – Vern Raburn, Eclipse Aviation
- 2005 – Shane Osborn, Silverstone Group
- 2004 – Jack Olcott, General Aero Company
- 2003 – Tom D. Crouch, National Air & Space Museum Smithsonian Institute
- 2002 – Michael S. Kudlacz, TSA Security Director Omaha
- 2001 – Donald L. Smithey, Executive Director, Omaha Airport Authority
- 2000 – John Goglia, NTSB Board Member
- 1999 – Robert J. Gilliland, SR-71 Test Pilot
Col, Rich Graham, USAF (Ret.) SR-71 Pilot
Marta Bohn-Meyer, NASA Flight Engineer SR-71
- 1998 – Col. Robert K. Morgan, Memphis Belle Pilot
- 1997 – Daniel S. Goldin, NASA Administrator
- 1996 – Col. Francis S. “Gabby” Gabreski, US Army Air Forces and USAF Fighter Ace
- 1995 – Dr. Thomas Q. Carney, University of Purdue
- 1994 – Dick Rutan, Military Aviator, Test Pilot, and Piloted the Voyager Aircraft
- 1993 – Astronaut Wally Shirra, Naval Aviator, Test Pilot, Mercury Seven Astronaut
- 1992 – Captain Al Haynes, United Airlines Flight 232
- 1991 – Captain Mimi Tompkins, Aloha Airlines Flight 243
- 1990 – A. Scott Crossfield, Naval Officer and Test Pilot