



UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA GERONTOLOGY

Do You Have The Cour**AGE** to Care?



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My name is Austin Wilson and I graduated from the University of Nebraska Lincoln in May of 2016. At UNL, I was a student athlete where I competed for the Husker Wrestling Team while earning a degree in Biology with minors in Humanities and Medicine along with Gerontology.

I knew that I wanted to pursue a career in medicine so an advisor told me that a minor in Humanities and Medicine would be a good way to build my knowledge and further prepare me for medical school. While working toward this minor, many of the electives were Gerontology courses and I soon realized that I really enjoyed learning about older adults. I liked this area of study so much that I decided to pursue a minor in Gerontology, as I was already close with all the classes I had taken.

Since then I was accepted into medical school at the University of Nebraska College of Medicine and during my first year accepted into an “Aging and Integrated Medicine Enhanced Medical Education Track.” I still am not sure what type of Doctor I want to be when I complete medical school but I do know that I enjoy working with

older adults. The knowledge and skills that I gained from my minor in Gerontology at UNL helped me get accepted into this program at UNMC and also will help me be a more knowledgeable doctor.

No matter what type of Doctor I end up becoming I will inevitably work with older patients and this is something that I enjoy and feel more prepared to handle.