Public Administration PhD Student Graduate Assistantship in

Emerging Technologies and Public Governance

The University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) School of Public Administration (SPA) seeks applicants for a Public Administration PhD student assistantship focusing on emerging technologies and public governance, particularly focusing on studying the societal and governance implications of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, autonomous vehicles, unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) (drones), blockchain, etc. Applications are due January 15, 2020.

This assistantship includes tuition, a stipend of $18,000 per academic year (for 9 months), subsidized health insurance, and office space. The student filling this position can also apply for conference travel funding (around $1,000 a year) and additional research support ($5,000 twice while in the program). Teaching opportunities may also be available for additional pay after year two. The assistantship includes four years of graduate assistant funding (dependent on the student continuing to meet program requirements). U.S.-based or international students are welcome to apply.

This assistantship particularly offers students opportunities of research training and mentoring by faculty members working in the Digital Governance and Analytics Lab. In addition, students will gain external grant development experience, such as applying to the National Science Foundation.

Key faculty working within the area of Information and Technology Management include:

- Dr. Jooho Lee, Associate Professor/Associate Director of Digital Governance and Analytics Lab — Research interests include e-government, e-participation/crowdsourcing, social media use in public and nonprofit organizations, and social network analysis.
- Dr. Victor Huang, Assistant Professor/UAS Lab Director — Research interests include Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), aviation safety, and aviation policies.
- Dr. Yu-Che Chen, Professor/Director of Digital Governance and Analytics Lab — Research interests include collaborative governance with digital technologies, public governance of AI and autonomous systems, and smart communities.

This assistantship also provides opportunities to gain training and work with faculty members in the College of Information Science and Technology.

The PhD in Public Administration in the UNO School of Public Administration focuses on the role of public and nonprofit organizations in a democratic and diverse society. The School of Public
Administration boasts a supportive and collaborative academic culture. The program is ranked 25th in Public Affairs in *U.S. News and World Report*.

UNO is located in Omaha, Nebraska, which has an extremely affordable cost of living, many amenities, and a diverse and vibrant nonprofit and philanthropic community.

For more information about the program and to apply, please go to: [http://spa.unomaha.edu](http://spa.unomaha.edu) or contact Ciera Mosley at cmosley@unomaha.edu.

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