



Office of General Education and Dual Enrollment

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Spring Growth

This spring we have successfully visited and enrolled students at 35 high schools. As of early March, we have enrolled 1,631 students in 2,212 dual enrollment courses and that number continues to rise. This is equivalent to earning 7,612 UNO college credit hours.

“Dual Enrollment continues to grow in both size and quality.”

Spring enrollment has seen a 5.3% increase in total credit hours earned from last spring. For high school students, these credits can be the difference between going on to college after high school graduation or not. Many students are unsure of whether or not they are capable of succeeding in a college course until they see themselves successfully completing a Dual Enrollment course.

In the News:

- [Record Numbers take Advanced Placement Courses](#)
- [An Evaluation of the Impact of Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment on College-Going In Nebraska](#)
- [Overconfident Students, Dubious Employers](#)

College and Department Updates

Department of Geography and Geology

At the end of this century, a pandemic virus will wipe out nearly every human being and the mechanisms of “civilization”—socio-cultural, economic, political, and technological—all cease to function. Who will be prepared? The Human Geographers will! Well...at least a few of us. For the past two years, high school students enrolled in AP^(R) Human Geography courses at Benson, Bryan, and Omaha South High schools have been reading Margaret Atwood's *Oryx & Crake*. Rather than just memorizing items for the national exam on May 18, 2018, students can actually exercise their Human Geography knowledge. Atwood's dystopian novel is set against a rich apocalyptic cultural landscape, enabling students to observe, analyze, and evaluate Earth's [potential] future through the multi-faceted lens of Human Geography. Maria Walinski-Peterson travels to all three high schools each month to meet with students in small groups. This experience enriches their collective and individual understandings of the discipline because they must immerse themselves in its dynamics. Atwood's exercise in world building has proven to be a powerful tool for studying Human Geography.

College of Communication, Fine Arts and Media

Dual Enrollment teachers and students can get free tickets to attend the College of Communication, Fine Arts and Media events at UNO, along with many other campus-wide events.



Dual Enrollment.
Dual Enrichment.
Dual Entertainment.

Your ticket to FREE arts events on campus.
Learn how. unomaha.edu/news/events/index.php

 COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION, FINE ARTS AND MEDIA

Department of English

A total of 62 students from Omaha Northwest and Omaha South High Schools and their teachers, Deana Rainey and Tara Obner, respectively, attended the recent performance of **Beowulf** by the world- renowned scholar and performer Benjamin Bagby, thanks to a grant from the Department of English Dual Enrollment Fund. According to their teachers, the students found the performance fascinating, enlightening, and very educational!

Spring High School Enrollment

High School	Spring Enrollment
Bellevue East	161
Bellevue West	75
Bennington	8
Blair	11
Brownell-Talbot	8
Creighton Prep	115
DC West	7
Elkhorn	85
Elkhorn South	37
Lincoln East	10
Marian	62
McCook	7
Millard Academy	79
Millard North	67
Millard South	97
Millard West	67
Mt. Michael	7
NU High School	21
Omaha Benson	17
Omaha Bryan	28
Omaha Burke	189
Omaha Central	135
Omaha North	68
Omaha Northwest	26
Omaha South	54
Papillion LaVista	137
Papillion LaVista South	180
Platteview	11
Plattsmouth	4
Ralston	85
Raymond Central	31
Roncalli	15
Skutt Catholic	82
Westside	216

Student Reminders

Teachers, please remind and inform your students of the following:

- Pay spring dual enrollment bill
- Apply for the ACE Scholarship
- The differences between AP and Dual Enrollment
- Attend AP exam prep events
- Follow us on Twitter @unodual

ACE Scholarship

Dual Enrollment students still have time to apply for the Access College Early (ACE) scholarship through the State of Nebraska. Students will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis. As of March 22, 2018 there is still funding available, but students need to submit their application ASAP. If approved, this scholarship can pay for up to two dual enrollment courses per year.

Three ways to qualify:

- Student qualifies for free or reduced lunch or other need based government program
- Student or family experienced a financial hardship
- Student is participating in a designated career education program.

Students can fill out an application online by going to:

<https://ccpe.nebraska.gov/ACE>

For questions about the ACE scholarship or application, contact Ritchie Morrow: Ritchie.morrow@nebraska.gov

Mark Your Calendars:

Calculus: The Musical & Calculus Bee

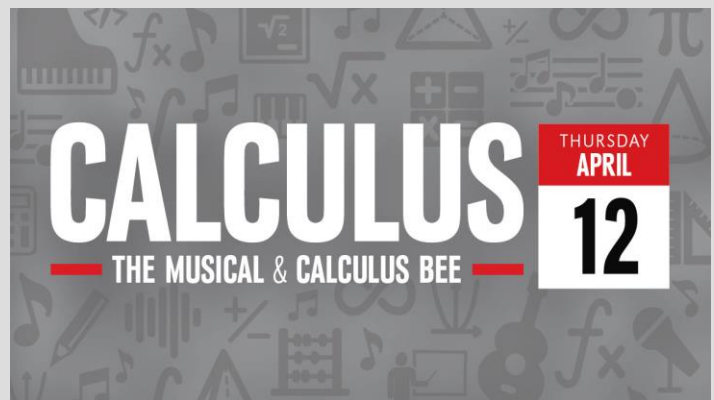
Thursday, April 12, 2018

We look forward to another enthusiastic crowd of students at this year's Calculus: The Musical and Calculus Bee at the Baxter Arena! This entertaining musical presents the history of calculus through humor and song. Following the musical, the Calculus Bee will be a fun competition for all to participate in and cheer on the chosen high school students who will compete for the Calculus Bee crown! All high school Calculus classes and higher are invited to attend this fun filled event.

10:00am-11:00am -Calculus: The Musical
11:15am-12:15pm -Lunch for Calculus Bee attendees
12:30pm-1:30pm -Calculus Bee

To RSVP email: unodualenroll@unomaha.edu

For information on the Calculus Bee contact Janice Rech in the Math Department at: jrech@unomaha.edu



Other upcoming events:

UNO AP Study Events:

Sunday, April 15	AP Biology Exam Prep
Saturday, April 21	AP US History Academic Bowl
Sunday, April 22	AP Human Geography Jam
Saturday, April 28	AP World History Academic Bowl
Sunday, April 29	AP Psychology Study Session

For more event information visit:

<https://www.unomaha.edu/dual-enrollment/events.php>

General Education Assessment

The General Education Assessment Committee has established a regular cycle of academic assessment for general education courses offered on campus at UNO.

1. 2017-2018: General education courses in the [humanities and fine arts](#) distribution area.
2. 2018-2019: General education courses in the [U.S.](#) and [global diversity](#) distribution areas.

The 2017-2018 General Education Assessment Guide found [here](#) provides detailed expectations and instructions for completing your course assessment reports. Each academic unit at UNO with courses that meet humanities and fine arts requirements will need to submit assessment reports for these courses by May 11, 2018 using the general education assessment [template](#).

UNO AP Summer Institute

This year's UNO College Board-endorsed AP summer Institute will be held on UNO's Dodge campus from July 9-12. Unlike past years, teachers **MUST** register themselves. The registration link below will take you to the College Board's website where you will log-in (or create a new account) to register. UNO will verify with teachers' districts if they select the third-party payment option. Registration details are also included on UNO's APSI website. **Register [Here](#)**

Courses:

American Government
Calculus AB-BC combined
English Literature
English Language and Composition
French Language and Culture
Psychology
Spanish Language and Culture
US History
World History



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