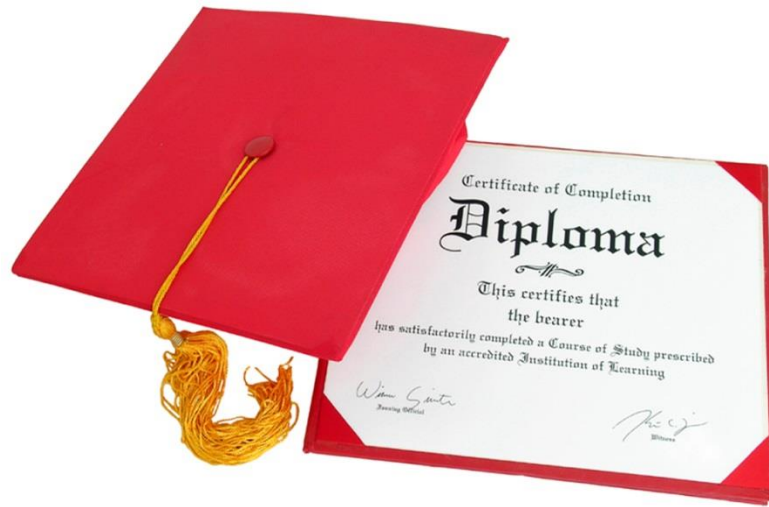


# ***ILUNO***

## ***Advantage Track UNO***

### ***“AT-UNO” Program***

**an alternative to the TOEFL & IELTS**



***“I am planning to attend the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Is **AT-UNO** the right choice for me?”***



- AT-UNO ***IS*** for students who want to apply for a UNO **undergraduate program.**
- AT-UNO is ***NOT*** for students who want a **master's degree.**
- AT-UNO is ***NOT*** for students who are majoring in **English, engineering, or education.**
- Admissions to English, engineering, or education requirements
  - <http://www.unomaha.edu/international-studies-and-programs/admissions/english-requirements.php#a>

# *How can I be in the **AT-UNO** program?*

- In order to be in the AT-UNO program, you must fill out an application.
- Eligibility is determined by:
  - Your ILUNO grades (A or B in all classes)
  - Absence hours from previous sessions (under 15 hours)
  - TOEFL score (at least 423 PbT, 38 IbT, 4.5 IELTS)
- If you meet these requirements, you will be admitted to the AT-UNO program!

# Advantage Track Application

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Not approved \_\_\_\_\_

## 2016 UNO Advantage Track (AT-UNO) Application

Fill out this application and give it to the front desk in AS 241 (International Programs Office). Applications will be reviewed by members of the AT-UNO Committee.

Name: (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your major? \_\_\_\_\_

Home country: \_\_\_\_\_

What ILUNO level classes are you taking now? (circle one) 1500 1600 1700

When do you want to begin UNO classes? \_\_\_\_\_ Summer 2016 \_\_\_\_\_ Fall 2016 \_\_\_\_\_ Spring 2017

The goal of the Advantage Track (AT-UNO) Program is to allow students whose first language is not English to be admitted to UNO as an alternative to (instead of) the TOEFL exam. AT-UNO is only for undergraduate students in all majors except English, Engineering, and Education. If you are a graduate (Masters or PhD) student, AT-UNO is not an option.

Students in the AT-UNO Program are highly motivated and hard-working. They become proficient in English through coursework, self-study, and program exams. Before finishing the program, AT-UNO candidates must pass two proficiency exams (reading and an oral interview). Candidates must also pass take the EPPE, UNO's English placement exam.

Students should register for both the AT-UNO Program and the TOEFL exam. Application and registration dates are the same for both. Only applications received during the times below will be considered. Late applications will not be considered until the following session.

**\*For successful completion of the AT-UNO program, students must get As or Bs in all classes. If a student gets a C, or lower in any class, he/she must repeat the class. In addition to grades, students must maintain good attendance while in the program. Absences must not go above 15 hours during the 8-week session. Students with a poor academic record or poor attendance may be suspended (put on probation) from the program at any time.**

**Signature and today's date.** By signing this application, I understand that I must be a student in good standing in the ILUNO Program (I must have satisfactory grades and attendance), and that I have filled out this application completely and correctly. (See attached contract)

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

today's Date (day/month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

## 2016 UNO Advantage Track (AT-UNO) Program

Academic Information / Student Progress

Name: (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_

NU ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Visa type: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred email address: \_\_\_\_\_

### AT-UNO Required Core Courses Grades

1500 Reading Writing & Grammar	1501 Listening & Speaking	Must complete 3 of 4: 3620 Creative Writing 3650 Oral Fluency
1600 Reading Writing & Grammar	1601 Listening & Speaking	3675 Academic Vocab 3677 Current Events 3680 Quick TOEFL 3685 Academic Tech.
1700 Reading Writing & Grammar	1701 Listening & Speaking	3690 Critical Thinking 3695 Service Learning

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Absences \_\_\_\_\_ TOEFL \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Absences \_\_\_\_\_ TOEFL \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Absences \_\_\_\_\_ IELTS \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

EPPE #1 \_\_\_\_\_ EPPE #2 \_\_\_\_\_ IELTS \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

INTERVIEW #1 \_\_\_\_\_ INTERVIEW #2 \_\_\_\_\_

READING test #1 \_\_\_\_\_ READING test #2 \_\_\_\_\_

### Coursework & test scores approval

Courses completed (date) \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor signature \_\_\_\_\_ ILUNO Ass't Director signature \_\_\_\_\_

# ***What happens now?***

- **After filling out the AT-UNO application:**
  - Your application will be processed within 2 weeks. You will be notified by email to tell you if you can be in the program or not.
  - If you are accepted into the program, you will need to meet with your advisor Anne West-Leclou.

# ***AT-UNO Rules & Weekly Advising***

While in the **AT-UNO program**, you agree to follow the program requirements. If you do not, you may be asked to leave the program. Examples of not following program requirements include:

- excessive absences (15+ hours)
- low grades in classes (C or below)
- Plagiarism (copying someone else's work)

Regular **AT-UNO advising hours** are every **Tuesday 4:00-5:00pm**. If you have questions, come in to see your advisor Anne West-Leclou during this time.

# *I am now in the **AT-UNO** program. How can I get successful completion?*

- Get As or Bs in **all ILUNO classes**
  - Cs are waived if you repeat the class and get A or B 😊
- Have good attendance: **≤ 15 hours** / session
- Pass 3 final **proficiency** exams:
  - **Reading**: score 72 minimum of 100
  - **Speaking**: score 5 minimum of 6
  - **Writing**: 1090 or 1100 placement on the EPPE

# *The Solution is Simple:*

Pass ILUNO classes  
+ **pass** 3 proficiency tests  
= get **admission** to UNO!



# ***“I’m in **1600** now. What are the proficiency tests?”***

- **If you are taking 1601 Listening/Speaking, you can begin testing.**
  - **ORAL INTERVIEW**
    - Watch a recorded university lecture and take notes
    - Attend the interview - answer questions about the lecture, and questions about how the lecture topic relates to real life.
    - Get a minimum 5 points out of 6 to pass
    - Your score is based on
      - Accuracy of your answers (content)
      - Articulation (pronunciation)
      - Fluency (grammar, complete sentence structure)

# *“I’m in **1700 ILUNO**. What now?”*

- **More testing!**

- READING

- 4 reading passages followed by multiple choice comprehension questions → 72% minimum score to pass

- EPPE (UNO’s English Placement & Proficiency Test)

- Register on line <http://testingcenter.unomaha.edu>
    - On the day of the EPPE exam:
      - write a timed essay (90 minutes)
    - Exam results:
      - It takes at least 2 weeks to get your results
      - A placement score of **1090 or 1100** means you will be enrolled in UNO’s **ESL I or ESL II class**

# *Other Things to Know*

- Every session, meet an AT-UNO advisor to **update** your file and to **discuss** your progress in ILUNO classes.
- If you are on scholarship, keep in contact with your scholarship program administrators. It is important to work with them on your progress and change of status or change of major.



# *Other Options for UNO*



**BRIDGE:** Students may be eligible for part-time enrollment in the university. TOEFL score ranges:

- 460-474 (48-52 IbT)= One UNO class, 2 ILUNO classes
- 475-486 (53-56 IbT)= Two UNO classes, 1 ILUNO class
- 487 = (57 IbT) full-time UNO classes
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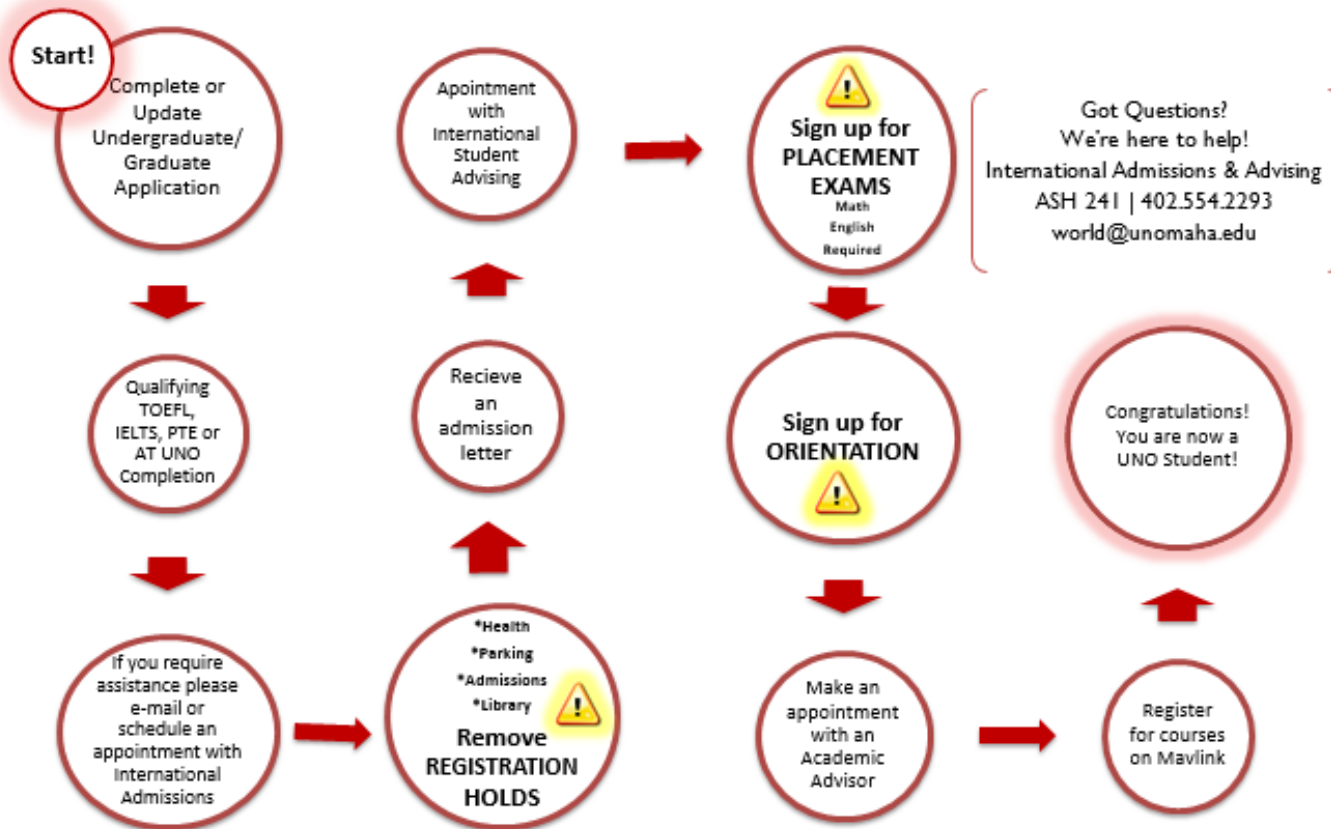
**Full-time UNO with IELTS:** Students may be eligible for full-time UNO enrollment with a 5.5 IELTS score, if:

- ILUNO absences are LOW and grades are HIGH
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# *I am in my last session. What should I do?*

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## ILUNO to UNO Guide



### ☆ A Note on Advisor Etiquette ☆

Please be on time to all appointments. Do not show up too early or late.

If you cannot attend your appointment, please call early to reschedule.

Also, please remember to be polite to your advisors and their support staff at all times.

These people are here to help you throughout your academic career at UNO.

# *I have finished the program!!*



## *Certificate of Completion*

*this certifies that*

### **Perfect O. Student**

*has completed all the requirements for the Advantage Track at UNO Program.*

*This student is proficient in the English language*

*in written and oral communication,*

*and is hereby qualified to enroll in the University of Nebraska at Omaha.*

*Conferred on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016*

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Dr. John Christensen  
Chancellor, University of Nebraska at Omaha

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Patrick McNamara".

Dr. Patrick McNamara, Interim Director  
International Studies and Programs

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Dr. Sarah Osborn  
Assistant Director, International Programs

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