

# ILUNO INTENSIVE ENGLISH

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ILUNO**

# Why choose ILUNO?

ILUNO Intensive English helps students increase their focus on English and prepare for their future education or career. Other reasons to choose ILUNO:

- **Small classes:** ILUNO classes are small and taught by experienced teachers who provide personal help and support. The average class size is ten students.
- **Wonderful place:** Omaha is a comfortable, safe city with friendly people.

  There is a lot to do and it is a perfect place to make a home away from home.
- **Student Support**: Students are never alone. Support includes tutoring, planned social activities, and individual help with immigration, advising, and counseling.
- **Friendships:** Students come from all over the world, so it is easy to meet new people and make friendships that last a lifetime.

ILUNO Fast Facts	ILUNO	Midwest	New York	California
ILUNO tuition is <b>35-40% cheaper</b> than the national average	\$1,800	\$2,800	\$2,600	\$3,000
ILUNO total program cost is <b>20% cheaper</b> than the national average	\$5,225	\$6,400	\$6,000	\$6,500
TOEFL PBT score for admission is <b>50-100 points lower</b> than other U.S. programs	500	550	600	600
TOEFL iBT score for admission is <b>10-20 points lower</b> than other U.S. programs	61	85	90	90
IELTS score for admission is <b>0.5-1 points lower</b> than other U.S. programs	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.0

10:1 student-tofaculty ratio 5:4 gender ratio (male: female)

83 countries represented





# GENERAL INFORMATION CONTD.

# **2021 ILUNO Sessions and Important Dates**

Sessions	Session Start Date	Session End Date	In-Person Application Deadline	Online Application Deadline	Orientation and Testing	Registration Deadline
Session 1	11 January	5 March	14 December	4 January	7-8 January	15 January
Session 2	8 March	30 April	8 February	1 March	4-5 March	12 March
Session 3	10 May	25 June	5 April	3 May	6-7 May	14 May
Session 4	28 June	13 August	24 May	21 June	24-25 June	2 July
Session 5	23 August	15 October	26 July	16 August	19-20 August	27 August
Session 6	18 October	10 December	20 September	11 October	14-15 October	22 October

# **ILUNO In-Person Estimated Costs for 2021**

Expenses*	8-Week in Person	16-Week in Person
Tuition & Fees	\$2,045	\$4,090
Health Insurance	\$550	\$1,100
Books & Supplies	\$150	\$300
Room & Board	\$2,550	\$5,100
Personal Expenses	\$945	\$1,890
Total*	\$6,240	\$12,480

<sup>\*</sup>Estimated expenses do not include transportation to or from Omaha or travel in the United States. The estimated personal expenses are an average; some students may require higher or lower personal expenses.

# **ILUNO Online Estimated Costs for 2021**

Expenses	8-Week Online
Tuition (by class type)	
Elective	\$258
Listening Speaking	\$689
Reading Writing Grammar	\$861
University Fees	\$236
Books and Supplies	\$150
Total	\$2,194



# Language Requirements

# There are no language requirements for ILUNO!

Students with no prior English training may apply to take classes in ILUNO. However, because of the small number of students at the lower levels, we encourage applicants with little or no English to apply for the August or January sessions.

# **Applying to ILUNO**

It's easy to apply to ILUNO! <u>Click here</u> to start your application. You will need the following:

- Personal information (name, address, birth date)
- Copy of passport or national ID
- Copy of High School diploma
- Financial Affidavit: Students must show proof of the estimated costs of ILUNO for 2 academic sessions (16 weeks). The student, sponsor, parent or guardian who is helping pay for part or all of the costs must sign this document. \*Estimated expenses do not include transportation to or from Omaha or travel in the United States. The estimated personal expenses are an average; some students may require higher or lower personal expenses.
- Bank Statement: An official statement that shows current financial ability to pay for two 8-week sessions
- \$45 application fee

If you have questions about the application process, how to submit your documents, or the status of your application, please contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at **unoadmissions@unomaha.edu**.

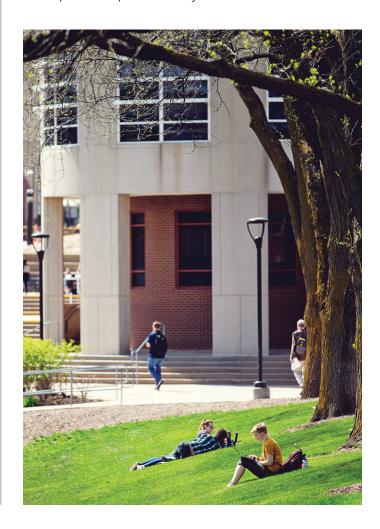
### Visa Requirements

Students studying in the U.S. are generally required to have a **student visa (F1) or exchange visa (J1).** 

After a student has completed the ILUNO application and been admitted, UNO will then issue a form I-20 for the student. The student will need to pay for a mailing label to ship the document to them.

Upon receipt of UNO's form I-20, the student will have the information needed to pay the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) fee. <u>Click here</u> for more information about this process.

Once the fee is paid, the final step is to contact the nearest U.S. consulate to request a visa appointment. The student will take their I-20 document and passport to the appointment and explain their plans for study in the U.S.



# **GETTING STARTED AT UNO**

### **Arrival in Omaha**

Students should plan to arrive Tuesday or Wednesday before the first week of class for orientation and testing. Students can request transportation from the airport (Eppley Airfield) by emailing **unointladvising@unomaha.edu**. Please send your arrival information 2 weeks before your arrival date.

### **ILUNO Orientation**

All new ILUNO students are required to attend orientation and testing. Students should arrive at the ILUNO office during in-person sessions or contact the ILUNO office at <a href="mailto:uno@unomaha.edu">unoiluno@unomaha.edu</a> the Thursday before the beginning of the session.

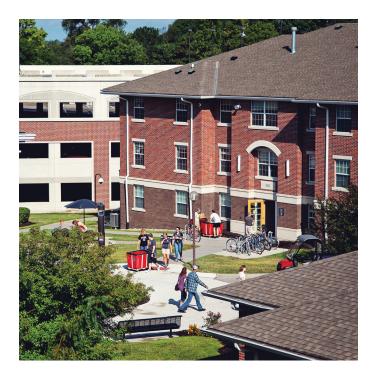
During orientation, students will learn about the following:

- Important immigration regulations and SEVIS
- U.S. health insurance and health services
- Opening a U.S. bank account
- Culture shock
- UNO's student support services
- UNO email and student account set up
- Class enrollment, academic integrity, and attendance requirements

Orientation begins on the Thursday the week before the session and ends the Monday before classes begin.

# **Placement Testing**

During orientation, all students will take a computer test and oral (speaking) interview. The computer test includes sections on grammar, reading, and writing. The interview will take 10 minutes and include general information and personal plans and goals. A student's scores determine their class level. Students may choose an elective topic once they reach the intermediate level or higher.



# **Housing**

Students can request on-campus housing or a home stay. International Advisors will help students complete the oncampus housing application or the home stay application.

On-campus housing choices include University Village on the main Dodge Street campus or Scott Village on the Scott campus near Pacific Street. Both student residence options provide apartment-style housing with roommates and are within walking distance to dining, shopping, parks, and other forms of entertainment, as well as UNO shuttle routes and Omaha bus routes to get around the city.

Students may also choose to live off campus in an apartment of their choice. If the student chooses to live off campus, they will be responsible for all arrangements, including transportation to and from campus.

### **More Information**

- Click here to learn more about residence life at UNO
- Click here for application fees and home stay options
- <u>Click here</u> to apply for on-campus housing or a home stay

### **ILUNO Classes and Schedule**

Full time ILUNO students are enrolled in 21 or more hours of classes each week of the intensive program. This includes two core classes and one or two elective classes. Students are placed in core classes once they have taken the placement test during the ILUNO orientation. Elective classes are chosen during orientation.

The core classes, Reading Writing Grammar and Listening Speaking, generally meet in the mornings every day of the week (Monday through Friday).

Elective classes meet in the afternoons twice a week, either Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays.

# **Elective Topics**

Test	Fluency, Conversation, and Culture	Academic Preparation
TOEFL PBT	Oral Fluency & Pronunciation	Academic Vocabulary
TOEFL iBT	Cultural Comparisons	Current U.S. Events
	Movies & U.S. Culture	Critical Thinking
IELTS	Problem Solving & Games	Grammar in Practice
	Community Engagement (in-person only)	



# **Technology Requirements**

ILUNO classes require students to use Canvas, an online classroom management tool, to get class information, download assignment sheets, and upload homework.

Students may also need to join ILUNO classes online.

Therefore, a computer and internet access is required to be an ILUNO student.

Most students prefer to have a personal computer or laptop. However, computer labs and printing stations are available in the ILUNO office and in many buildings on campus for students to work and complete homework. There are also a limited number of laptops that ILUNO students can request to check out for an 8-week session.

During the COVID-19 pandemic or when attending from outside Omaha, students should have access to a computer, web camera, speakers or headphones, and internet access in order to join classes online.

Sample Course Schedule					
Time (CST)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-10:00	Listening Speaking				
10:00 - 12:00	Reading Writing Grammar				
13:15 - 14:45	_	Elective	-	Elective	_

# **WELLNESS & STUDENT SUPPORT**









### **Health Records**

International students studying in Omaha must provide vaccination records that show proof of two MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubeola) immunizations or a positive Rubeola lab result. Students must take a required Tuberculosis test on campus at the Nebraska Medicine UNO Health Center during orientation or within a month of arriving in Omaha.

<u>Click here</u> for more information, including instructions on how to submit your immunization records.

### **Health and Dental Insurance**

UNO international students are required to be enrolled in the United Healthcare (UHC) Health and Dental Insurance plan. Waivers will be considered if participants meet outlined criteria. Students should review the policy requirements carefully.

Students who are on a government-sponsored insurance policy may request a waiver. All other students are required to purchase the UNO student health insurance plan to make sure all of their health and dental needs are covered in case of illness or hospital stays.

Students may contact an International Advisor with insurance questions by emailing **unointladvising@unomaha.edu** 

**Click here** for more information about the policy's coverage.

# **Support for International Students**

New Student and Family Programs at UNO will help international students get familiar with campus, know about important academic and immigration-related issues, and get involved in social activities both on campus and in the community.

Students can speak with an international student advisor with questions about life in Omaha, travel, culture shock, health needs, bank account, and more.

# ILUNO Grades, Transcripts, and Sponsor Grade Reporting

MavLINK is UNO's student information system and is where students can check their final grades and get transcripts once they complete an ILUNO session. Students access MavLINK by visiting **mavlink.unomaha.edu**.

ILUNO students can check their final course grades in MavLINK the Tuesday after classes are over. Under the Academics tab, students may also select "unofficial transcript" to download or print their entire academic record at UNO, including course names, semester or session dates, course grades, session Grade Point Average (GPA), and overall academic GPA.

If a student's sponsor requires updates on their grades, the student can download their transcript in MavLINK any time after their first session is finished.

# **TOEFL and IELTS Testing**

Registration for these tests is announced to students at the beginning of the session. Students should register 2-3 months before the test date.

### **TOEFL PBT**

- On campus testing available on the Saturday after week 7 of each session at the UNO Testing Center
- Registration must be done at the ILUNO main office (241 Arts & Sciences Hall)

### **TOEFL iBT**

- Off campus testing available at Omaha testing centers
- Registration must be done through the test website

### **IELTS**

- On campus testing available during most sessions on a monthly basis at the UNO Testing Center
- Registration must be done through the test website

### **ILUNO Conditional Admission**

ILUNO students who have good grades and attendance may be able to get conditional admission to UNO. There are two ways to get conditional admission: Admission by Permission through ILUNO and Advantage Track (AT-UNO) Permission. Specifics for both processes are outlined below. These are **only available at UNO** and cannot be used for other colleges or universities.

Test	ILUNO Permission	AT-UNO Permission
ILUNO	80% or higher grades	1700 level or higher
TOEFL PBT	487	Passing Scores
TOEFL iBT	57	AT-UNO Reading Test &
IELTS	5.5	AT-UNO Interview
UNO English Comp.	2 or higher	2 or higher

# **Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions**

Students who plan to apply for university admission to UNO should begin their undergraduate or graduate admission application at the same time as their ILUNO application. They can submit many of the same documents for both applications.

Undergraduate and Graduate applications will remain "pending" until the language proficiency requirements are completed. Below are the basic scores required for admission. Engineering, education/teaching, and agriculture programs require higher scores.

Test	Undergraduate	Graduate
TOEFL PBT	500	550
TOEFL iBT	61	80
IELTS	6.0	6.5

For more information about Undergraduate requirements, visit **admissions.unomaha.edu/proficiency** 

For more information about Graduate Programs, visit **gradstudies.unomaha.edu** 

# HELPFUL LINKS



**UNO** Homepage unomaha.edu



MavLINK mavlink.unomaha.edu



Canvas (student course portal) canvas.unomaha.edu



**UNO** Bookstore unobookstore.com



UNO Campus Maps unomaha.edu/maps



**UNO Campus Housing** housing.unomaha.edu



**UNO Shuttle Services** parking.unomaha. edu/shuttle



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