

DECEMBER 2024
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UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA





CONGRATULATIONS!

CLASS OF 2024

FROM CHANCELLOR LI

Graduates,

Commencement is my favorite day of the year, and I enjoy celebrating your achievements with your family, friends, and the Maverick community. It is truly amazing to see so many students graduating from the University of Nebraska at Omaha today. Congratulations and thank you for allowing UNO to be a part of your journey.

Today marks a culmination of your dedication, perseverance, and hard work. The path that has brought you here has been one of growth, learning, and personal development. As you stand at the threshold of this exciting new chapter, equipped with knowledge, skills, and experiences, I have no doubt that you are prepared to make a meaningful impact on the world.

When you cross the stage today, you will enter an exciting new phase as members of the UNO alumni community. You are joining a distinguished network of professionals – including community leaders, athletes, inventors, and many others. As you step into this next chapter, remember that you will always be a part of UNO's story and the Maverick family.

In this fast-evolving world, it is important to remember that the learning doesn't stop here. Whether it is through advanced degrees, microcredentials, or opportunities for reskilling and upskilling, you have the tools to continue to grow and adapt to new challenges. While you explore new opportunities, I encourage you to embrace the power of being a lifelong learner.

Embrace every opportunity that comes your way, and always look ahead to the next horizon. This day celebrates not only your academic accomplishments, but also the connections formed, challenges overcome, and lessons learned beyond the classroom. Your journey does not end here, it transforms into a new phase filled with endless opportunities waiting to be explored.

Wherever your next adventure takes you, remember that UNO will always be part of you because once you are a Maverick, you are always a Maverick.

Get out there and change the world!
Best wishes,

JOANNE LI, Ph.D., CFA
Chancellor

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TASSEL COLORS

GRADUATE COLLEGE

- Doctoral Programs
- Educational Specialist
- Executive Master of Science in Information Technology
- Master of Accounting
- Master of Architectural Engineering
- Master of Arts
- Master of Arts for Teachers of Mathematics
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Business Administration—Executive MBA
- Master of Fine Arts
- Master of Music
- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Public Health
- Master of Science
- Master of Social Work

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Science

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND HUMAN SCIENCES

- Bachelor of Science in Education
- Bachelor of Science in Biomechanics
- Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology
- Bachelor of Science in Public Health

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

COLLEGE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Bachelor of Science in Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Bachelor of Multidisciplinary Studies
- Bachelor of Science in Social Work
- Bachelor of Science in Aviation
- Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management
- Bachelor of Science in Gerontology

COLLEGE OF INFORMATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems
- Bachelor of Science in Bioinformatics
- Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity
- Bachelor of Science in IT Innovation

COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION, FINE ARTS AND MEDIA

- Bachelor of Arts in Art History
- Bachelor of Arts in Communication
- Bachelor of Arts in Music
- Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art
- Bachelor of Arts in Theatre
- Bachelor of Fine Arts
- Bachelor of Music
- Bachelor of Science in Communication

UNL COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Construction Management
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering

CORD COLORS

HONOR SOCIETIES

- UNO Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa
National Leadership Honor Society
- ■ Phi Kappa Phi (and/or with navy/gold stoles)
The nation's most selective all-discipline academic honor organization
- □ Pi Gamma Mu (with blue tassels)
International Honor Society in Social Science

UNITED STATES MILITARY

- □ ■ U.S. Military Service Members and Veterans
- ■ U.S. Military Spouses and Dependents

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES WITH HONORS

Grades awarded in all courses taken at all colleges and universities attended are included in computing the Grade Point Average (GPA) for determining eligibility for honors. It should be noted that the GPA included in the student grade reports issued by the Office of the University Registrar reflects only courses taken at UNO, UNL, UNMC, and UNK.

- To all graduates whose scholastic average for their entire university career and at UNO is 3.87 or above, the degree is conferred summa cum laude.
- To all graduates whose scholastic average for their entire university career and at UNO is 3.63 or above, but below 3.87, the degree is conferred magna cum laude.
- To all graduates whose scholastic average for their entire university career and at UNO is 3.51 or above, but below 3.63, the degree is conferred cum laude.
- To qualify for honors, a student must have earned at least 60 semester hours within the University of Nebraska system, 30 hours of which must be completed at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and in which letter grades of "A," "B," "C," or "D" are received.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES WITH HONORS EXTRA MUROS

These degrees are awarded to transfer students who have not completed the required 60 semester hours of credit within the University of Nebraska system required for cum laude, magna cum laude, or summa cum laude honors.

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

The University Honors Program is a Universitywide program providing maximum educational opportunities for students of high ability through specially designed multidisciplinary seminars and participation in an academic level not generally possible in usual curricular offerings.

Honors at UNO began in the College of Arts and Sciences and became Universitywide in 1978. It is governed through the office of the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and administered through the Honors Director. All UNO colleges implement the University Honors Program curriculum.

As part of their Honors Program requirements, students undertake a project that results in a Senior Honors Thesis or Capstone or Practicum. Students who have been designated in this booklet as Honors Program students have fulfilled the academic requirements of this program. Honors Program graduates wear red stoles.

DEGREES WITH DISTINCTION

In recognition of outstanding academic excellence, the UNL College of Engineering recommends bachelor's degrees with Distinction, High Distinction, and Highest Distinction.

- Candidates for the bachelor's degree who have successfully completed the program to which they were admitted and achieved a 3.97 cumulative GPA and above and a recommendation from the department will receive a degree with Highest Distinction.
- Candidates for the bachelor's degree who have successfully completed the program to which they were admitted and achieved a 3.97 cumulative GPA and above will receive a degree with High Distinction.
- Candidates for the bachelor's degree who have successfully completed the program to which they were admitted and achieved a 3.89 cumulative GPA and above will receive a degree with Distinction.

HONORS LEGEND

Students graduating with honors are distinguished with the following abbreviations listed after their names.

<i>scl</i>	Summa Cum Laude	<i>HD</i>	Highest Distinction
<i>mcl</i>	Magna Cum Laude	<i>hd</i>	High Distinction
<i>cl</i>	Cum Laude	<i>d</i>	Distinction
<i>*</i>	4.0 grade point average	<i>em</i>	Extra Muros

MEDALLION COLORS

Students receiving their bachelor's degree with honors will be presented medallions in the colors indicated below.

		
Summa Cum Laude	Magna Cum Laude	Cum Laude

UNL College of Engineering students receiving their bachelor's degrees with honors will be presented medallions in the colors indicated below.

		
Highest Distinction	High Distinction	Distinction

HISTORIES

HISTORY OF THE HOOD AND ROBE

Identification of the hood and robe as academic apparel is believed to have originated at the English universities of Oxford and Cambridge during the 12th and 13th centuries. The hoods are a carry-over from a time when monks, who operated these universities, wore them to protect their shaved heads in winter. The robes are an adaptation of the shoulder capes also worn by the monks while collecting alms.

Use of the academic robe came to the United States in 1754, with the founding of what is now Columbia University. In 1895, a commission of university officials adopted a universal code of design and color for the academic garb. The code has undergone several revisions over the years.

Styling of the robes varies for the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees, with the width of sleeve borders and length of the hood increasing with each advanced degree. Hoods are not normally used for bachelor's degrees today. Instead, tassel colors are used to indicate the degree program. All doctoral degree recipients are indicated by a gold tassel.

HISTORY OF THE MACE

University maces symbolize the authority and independence of a chartered university and the authority vested in the chancellor. They are typically carried in at the beginning of a convocation ceremony or commencement.





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Sharmila Seyyid
Graduate College

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Natalie Holding
College of Arts and Sciences

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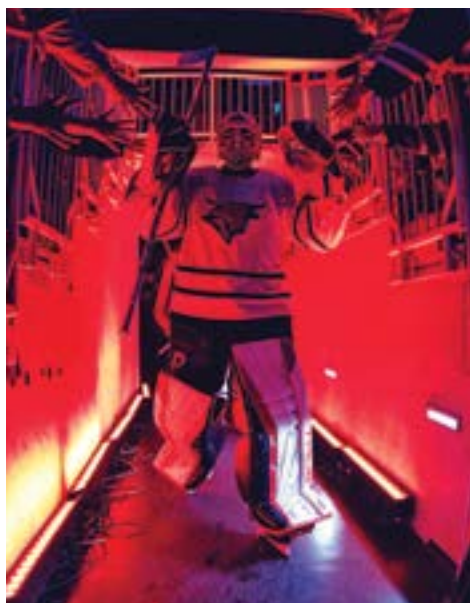


Ricardo Sidon Jr.
College of Engineering (UNL)

STUDENT MARSHAL



Kyra Petrik
*College of Education, Health,
and Human Sciences*



ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Jennifer Hamann

Union Pacific

Jennifer Hamann is an executive vice president and chief financial officer for Union Pacific Corp. She is responsible for managing all facets of Union Pacific's financial activities, controls, and policies including accounting, tax, real estate, investor relations, treasury, audit, and capital planning. She further assumed responsibilities for strategic sourcing, inventory management, warehousing, and logistics. As CFO, Hamann also serves on the Grupo Ferroviario Mexicano and TTX Company boards of directors. She began her Union Pacific career in 1992 as a member of the corporation's audit staff. In 1998, she moved to the railroad's Human Resources Department, holding various management positions. Hamann joined the Corporate Treasury group in 2002, when she was named assistant vice president-Investor Relations. In 2011, she was named general auditor of the Corporate

Audit staff. Hamann moved to Marketing and Sales as vice president and general manager-Automotive in 2016, a position she maintained until returning to Finance as vice president-Planning and Analysis in 2017. She was named senior vice president-Finance in 2019. Hamann received an MBA from UNO and also has fulfilled the requirements and examinations necessary to receive a Certified Public Accountant certificate. Hamann serves as the executive sponsor of Union Pacific's LEAD (Lead, Educate, Achieve, Develop) women's initiative and is a member of its executive advisory council. She is a member of Steel Dynamic's Board of Directors and Audit committee. She is on the Board of Directors for the Omaha Performing Arts Society Foundation Board and The College World Series of Omaha, Inc.

ORDER OF THE TOWER AWARD



John K. Wilson

Robert B Daugherty Foundation

"UNO provided an opportunity to get on the field and in the game."

John K. Wilson joined the Robert B Daugherty Foundation in 2010 and has served as the Executive Director since 2013. The Foundation, headquartered in Omaha, NE, is a private foundation established to provide charitable grants to worthy tax-exempt organizations which will use and apply substantially all the charitable grants in the State of Nebraska, particularly in the greater Omaha area. Since 2010 the Foundation has made over \$600mm of charitable grants. Prior to joining the Foundation, John served in various leadership roles within Durham Resources, LLC or an affiliated company thereof for 25 years (1983 - 2008). Starting as Controller of Great Plains Natural Gas Co. (publicly traded) which was acquired by Durham Resources in 1983, beginning a steady stream of acquisitions and ultimate dispositions of companies engaged in community banking, real estate development, commercial and multi-family property, investment banking, natural gas exploration, as well as publicly traded securities. Throughout those years John served in various leadership roles such as Chief Financial Officer,

Treasurer, Vice President, President, and Board member, at numerous entities. In the later years of this career phase, John was exposed to working with the Durham Resources principals on several significant philanthropic community investments throughout metro-Omaha. In addition to being engaged in the businesses affiliated with Durham Resources, John has served on numerous Boards of Directors: Bridges Investment Fund (mutual fund); Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce; Duncan Aviation (advisory board); US Bank (community advisory board); MDU Resources, Inc (publicly traded, 2003-2018); The Durham Museum; Joslyn Art Museum; UNO Alumni Assn; HDR, Inc. (employee owned, currently serving); and Tetrad Corp. (privately held investment firm, currently serving). From 1978 to 1983 during his time as a Certified Public Accountant (now inactive) and Audit Manager with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell (now known as KPMG) John served a client base primarily consisting of privately held companies and public hospitals. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Nebraska - Omaha in 1978. John also enlisted and served in the United States Air Force (1972-1976).

STUDENT SPEAKER



Ian Allen

College of Arts and Sciences

Ian Allen was born in Germany and the military brought his family to the United States where he lived in Spokane, Washington, and San Antonio, Texas before moving to Nebraska where he calls home. Of all the places he has lived throughout the metro, state, and world, he found community here in Omaha. He chose to go to this university because of its commitment to fostering a love of learning in its students, as though the individual was the sole focus of the institution. This investment in its students inspired Allen to pursue a degree in biology. He hopes to attend medical school and invest back into the same community that brought him in as a military child, to serve the people who supported him and allowed him to put down roots. He has seen sleeping in a snow covered car in the winter during his childhood to graduating 16 years later

in the winter and that desire to uplift others has guided him to pursue this path. To him, UNO represents the Midwest spirit of collaboration and congeniality, he says that his graduation would not have been possible without others believing in and taking a chance on him. The education he received at UNO allowed him to dream of something bigger than himself when he grows up, he wants to be a physician. In his eyes, UNO provided him not only the education that prepared him for such an endeavor, but the faces of those who believed in him everywhere he looked. His first day of class was a blink of an eye away from where he stands now, and the education he received, he says, allowed him to work toward a future where others like him find belonging in an unfamiliar place.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Zach Miller

UNO Class of 2008

Zach Miller, a 2024 inductee into the UNO Athletics Hall of Fame, cemented his legacy this year as one of the University of Nebraska at Omaha's all-time greats. A Weston, Nebraska, native, Miller was a standout multi-sport athlete at Bishop Neumann High School, earning all-state honors in basketball and leading the football team to a Class C-1 state championship in 2002. He joined UNO in 2004, where he began an unforgettable four-year career as the Mavericks' quarterback. Miller rewrote the record books, becoming UNO's all-time leader in points (306) and touchdowns (51), while ranking second in career total offense (7,218 yards) and rushing yards (3,122). He set single-season records for touchdowns (19) and points (114) and posted the program's fourth-best season for total offense (2,569 yards). Known for his dynamic playmaking, Miller also set a completion percentage record (.895) and had one of the

top rushing performances in a single game with 239 yards. During his Maverick career, the team achieved a 33-11 record, won three NCC championships, and made four NCAA playoff appearances. His efforts earned him recognition as the NCC Offensive MVP and a regional finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy in 2006, as well as two Brad Beckman Awards for offensive excellence. After college, Miller was drafted by the Jacksonville Jaguars in the 2009 NFL Draft and later played for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Chicago Bears. As a Bear, he shined as a tight end, logging 146 receptions for 1,631 yards and 15 touchdowns before retiring due to injury in 2017. Now a touring country musician, Miller brings the same Maverick grit to his music career, captivating audiences with heartfelt storytelling and authenticity. From breaking records to inspiring fans, Zach Miller exemplifies resilience, excellence, and reinvention.



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Reyna Reyes Nunez

Graduate College

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Camryn Ray

College of Business Administration

STUDENT MARSHAL



Tristin Weston

*College of Public Affairs
and Community Service*

STUDENT MARSHAL



Logan Mears

*College of Information Science
& Technology*

STUDENT MARSHAL



Jenna Janssen

*College of Communication,
Fine Arts and Media*



CHANCELLOR'S MEDAL AWARD



Gina Ligon

*National Counterterrorism Innovation,
Technology, and Education (NCITE)
Center of Excellence*

Gina Ligon, Ph.D. is the founder and director of the National Counterterrorism Innovation, Technology, and Education Center (NCITE). She started the organization in 2020 after winning what had been the largest federal grant awarded to the University of Nebraska system — a 10-year U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant to build the United States' Center of Excellence for Terrorism Prevention and Counterterrorism Research. NCITE leads an academic consortium of counterterrorism researchers in the United States and Europe, with over 60 Ph.D.-level researchers and 450 students at NCITE's consortium member institutions including the University of Maine, Rice University, Harvard College, Kennesaw State University, University of Alabama, Stanford University, and University of St. Andrews in Scotland. At UNO, NCITE has funded 72 students for graduate assistantships in criminology and criminal justice, political science, industrial and organizational psychology, business administration, and cyber security. In 2024 alone, NCITE events reached over 2,900 government professionals, industry partners, and academics around the world. In an effort to increase UNO's global reach, Ligon recently launched an international consortium called the International Academic Partnerships for Science and Security (IAPSS), where 13 participating academic centers collaborate on global counterterrorism research challenges. IAPSS is committed to amplifying the

research of collaborative international teams focused on student training and workforce development in order to support the next generation of counterterrorism researchers. Ligon serves on the advisory board of the South Dakota Center for Secure Printing and Anti-Counterfeiting Technology, the U.K.-based Lancaster University's Centre for Research and Evidence on Security Threats (CREST), and the new National Institute of Justice's Center of Excellence at the Center for Naval Analyses. She is actively involved with the NU System's National Strategic Research Institute (NSRI), which supports the U.S. Department of Defense. In 2019, Ligon was inducted into the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame. As a trained industrial and organizational psychologist with a Ph.D. from the University of Oklahoma, she has authored over 80 peer-reviewed publications, one of which was selected for the 2008 Best Paper Award in *The Leadership Quarterly Journal*. Ligon holds the Jack and Stephanie Koraleski Chair for Collaboration Science at UNO, has won the research award for the UNO College of Business Administration three times, the Outstanding Research and Creativity Award for UNO, and the teaching award for the UNO Honors College. In 2017, Ligon was named an Omaha Change Maker by the Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Reg Chapman

WCCO-TV Minneapolis

Reg Chapman currently works at WCCO-TV Minneapolis. Previously, he worked for WNBC-TV in New York City where he covered an array of stories including the Coney Island, N.Y., plane crash and 50 shots fired at motorist Sean Bel by New York Police. Chapman was a crime beat reporter at KSTP-TV in Minneapolis and also reported at WPXI-TV in Pittsburgh, Pa., where he covered the crash of Flight 93 on Sept. 1, 2001. Before that, he was a reporter/anchor for

WHIO-TV in Dayton, Ohio, WOWT-TV in Omaha, Neb., and KTIV-TV in Sioux City, Iowa. A Gulf War veteran, Chapman graduated from UNO where he earned a Bachelor of Science in broadcast journalism. He has received the Edward R. Murrow Award for Investigative Reporting, several Associated Press awards, honors from the Society of Professional Journalists, and the YMCA honored him as a Black Achiever.

HONORARY DEGREE



Joan Squires

Omaha Performing Arts

Joan Squires is president of Omaha Performing Arts (O-pa). She started the organization over 20 years ago, and now O-pa is the largest arts organization in Nebraska, overseeing the Orpheum Theater, Holland Performing Arts Center, Steelhouse Omaha, and the Tenaska Center for Arts Engagement (opening early 2026). O-pa presents a wide variety of performances including touring Broadway, dance, jazz, popular music, family, world music, and more. O-pa also provides education and community engagement activities locally and across the state. With a demonstrated commitment to inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility, O-pa reaches over 550,000 each year with an annual economic impact of \$61M. Squires is a voting member for Broadway's Tony Awards and is an ex-officio member of the Broadway League Executive Committee and Board of Governors and co-chairs the Jimmy Awards Advisory Committee. She is past president of the Performing Arts Centers

Consortium and is active in numerous national professional organizations. In 2024, she was inducted into the Omaha Business Hall of Fame. She is a recipient of the Governor's Arts Award, was named to the Ak-Sar-Ben Court of Honor for her leadership role in the arts, and was named one of Musical America's 30 "Movers and Shapers." She was honored with the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Presenter Management from the Broadway League, was recognized as "Midlander of the Year" by the *Omaha World-Herald* and was named the "Woman of Distinction" by the *Midlands Business Journal*. She serves as a trustee for Lebanon Valley College and the Greater Omaha Chamber and is a past director of Nebraska Cures. A native of Pennsylvania, Squires holds master's degrees in both music and business administration from the University of Michigan and a bachelor's degree in music education from Lebanon Valley College, PA. She and her husband Dan Hamann reside in Omaha.

STUDENT SPEAKER



Taranum Bano

College of Information Science
& Technology

Taranum Bano hails from Roorkee, a small town near Delhi, the vibrant capital of India. A dedicated and ambitious student, Bano will be earning a master's degree in management information systems (MIS). Her journey at UNO has been marked by both academic rigor and personal growth, making it an incredibly rewarding experience. One of the things she cherishes most about UNO is its perfect balance of challenges and opportunities. The university fosters a dynamic learning environment where students are encouraged to explore cutting-edge technologies and push the boundaries of innovation. Additionally, Bano, as a mom of two young kids, deeply appreciates UNO's flexibility in scheduling, which has allowed her to pursue her studies with a focus on both academic excellence and personal well-being. What stands out most to her, however, is UNO's genuine inclusivity and celebration of diversity. The university provides

a welcoming atmosphere where students from all walks of life feel valued and empowered. The transition from being a stay-at-home mom to a full-time student has been remarkably smooth for her. She has found the professors at UNO to be incredibly passionate about teaching and invested in each student's learning trajectory, offering guidance and mentorship every step of the way. After earning her degree, Bano plans to continue her education at UNO by pursuing a Ph.D. in computing and information sciences. With a strong interest in exploring the frontiers of technology, she aspires to make meaningful contributions to the field, particularly in leveraging artificial intelligence to solve real-world problems. Bano is grateful for the transformative experience at UNO and looks forward to the next chapter of her academic journey, armed with the knowledge, skills, and values nurtured during her time in UNO.

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UNO Class of 2008

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top rushing performances in a single game with 239 yards. During his Maverick career, the team achieved a 33-11 record, won three NCC championships, and made four NCAA playoff appearances. His efforts earned him recognition as the NCC Offensive MVP and a regional finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy in 2006, as well as two Brad Beckman Awards for offensive excellence. After college, Miller was drafted by the Jacksonville Jaguars in the 2009 NFL Draft and later played for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Chicago Bears. As a Bear, he shined as a tight end, logging 146 receptions for 1,631 yards and 15 touchdowns before retiring due to injury in 2017. Now a touring country musician, Miller brings the same Maverick grit to his music career, captivating audiences with heartfelt storytelling and authenticity. From breaking records to inspiring fans, Zach Miller exemplifies resilience, excellence, and reinvention.



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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

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BS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2017; MA, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2019; Criminology and Criminal Justice, "The Cumulative Strain Paradigm: Exploring the Nexus of Terrorism and Violence Through a Criminological Lens" Advised by: Gina Ligon, Ph.D.

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Bachelor of Pharmacy, Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, 2017; Master of Public Health, University of Nebraska Medical Center, 2020; Biomechanics and Kinesiology, "Pre-Pregnancy and Physical Activity: A Comprehensive Multi-Dimensional Study on Nebraska Women's Health and Behavior" Advised by: Danae Dinkel, Ph.D.

Dilanga Lakshitha Bandara

Abeyrathna Galapita Mudiyanse

BS, University of Peradeniya, 2014; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2018; Computing & Information Science, "Label Efficient Learning for Multi-Label Classification With Self-Supervision" Advised by: Mahadevan Subramaniam, Ph.D.

Seoeun Jung

Bachelor of Public Administration and Bachelor of Economics, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, 2014; MA, Yonsei University, 2017; Master of Public Service and Administration, Texas A&M University, 2019; Public Administration, "Representation for Whom, How, and Why?: Gender Equity-Focused U.S. Nonprofit Advocacy Organizations' Representation of Constituencies via Social Media" Advised by: Angela Eikenberry, Ph.D.

Yeonkyung Kim

BA, Ewha Womans University, 2013; Bachelor of Public Administration, Ewha Womans University, 2013; MA, Ewha Womans University, 2016; Public Administration, "Promotive or Inhibitive? Examining the Impact of Government's Communication Channels on Citizen's Use of Digital Government Service" Advised by: Jooho Lee, Ph.D.

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Bachelor of Technology, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Hyderabad, 2015; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2017; Computing & Information Science, "Advanced Educational Assessment Using Network Models: A Multi-Setting Study" Advised by: Hesham Ali, Ph.D.

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BS, Rockhurst University, 2016; MS, Baylor College of Medicine, 2018; Biomechanics and Kinesiology, "The Effect of Handrail Support During Treadmill Walking on Gait Dynamics and Intralimb Coordination in Stroke Survivors" Advised by: Brian Knorr, Ph.D.

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Bachelor of Technology, Sri Venkateswara University, 2003; Master of Technology, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, 2006; Computing & Information Science, "Advanced Data-Driven Methods for the Analysis of Large-Scale Human Mobility Data in Biomedical Health Informatics" Advised by: Hesham Ali, Ph.D.

EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST

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BA, San Diego State University, 2008; MA, Creighton University, 2014; MS, Creighton University, 2018; Educational Administration and Supervision Advised by: Tami Williams, Ed.D.

MASTER OF ARTS

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History

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Criminology and Criminal Justice, "Hiring Policies and Procedures of a Sample of Law Enforcement Agencies in the United States" Advised by: Sadaf Hashimi, Ph.D.

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History

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History

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Psychology, "Parenthood as a Superpower for Supervisors: How Parenting Impacts a Leader's Behavior" Advised by: Ze Zhu, Ph.D.

James Gregory Howard

History and Government

Averie Elizabeth Linnell

Psychology, "Assessing Malevolent Creativity in the Workplace" Advised by: Roni Reiter-Palmon, Ph.D.

Bailey DeAnne Lytle

Psychology, "Recovering From Full-Time Work Through Meaningful Side Hustles: An Examination of Side Hustle Characteristics, Recovery Experiences, and Supportive Leadership" Advised by: Yimin He, Ph.D.

Kristin Paige McGongial

Psychology, "Comparing Maternal Mind-Mindedness in Mothers of Typically Developing Children and Mothers of Children With Autism" Advised by: Brigitte Ryalls, Ph.D.

Bobbie McWilliams-Leesley

History

Jessica Lynn Rehtus

Psychology, "Adolescent Ecological Systems: The Moderating Effect of Guardian Support and Living Configuration on the Relationships Between Peer Victimization and Internalizing Behaviors" Advised by: Brigitte Ryalls, Ph.D.

Jason Rose

English, "On the Complexities of Putting One Foot in Front of the Other" Advised by: John Price, Ph.D.

Sean Stern Summerfelt

History

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Biology, "Bison and Cattle Herbivory on Milkweed: The Role of Herbivore Demographics and Milkweed Species Grazing Avoidance" Advised by: Timothy Dickson, Ph.D.

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Biology, "The Impact of Fire on Bees of a Restored Tallgrass Prairie" Advised by: Thomas Bragg, Ph.D.

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Biology, "Thermal Sensitivity of Metabolic Rates Across Ontogeny in a Widespread Lizard Species" Advised by: Travis Robbins, Ph.D.

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Biomechanics, "Incorporating Human Movement Variability in Bimanual Multifrequency Coordination" Advised by: Aaron Likens, Ph.D.

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Biomechanics, "Leveraging Forces for Transporting Mass During Human Walking"

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Health and Kinesiology, "Exposure to Respiratory and Non-Respiratory Health Claims and Sociodemographic Influences: A Study Among Omaha Residents"

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Health and Kinesiology, "Hydrogen Sulfide as a Biomarker in Patients With Peripheral Artery Disease"

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Geography, "Recovering Indigenous Histories: How Urban Development Erased Jefferson Square"

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Bachelor of General Studies, Arkansas State University, 2018; MS, Arkansas State University, 2020; Biomechanics and Kinesiology, "Do Structured Gait Patterns Promote Efficient Locomotion?" Advised by: Aaron Likens, Ph.D.

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BS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2018; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2020; Biomechanics and Kinesiology, "Changes in Motor Learning as Evidenced by Cortical Effective Connectivity" Advised by: Jorge Zuniga, Ph.D.

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BS, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2014; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2018; Computing & Information Science, "Modeling the Marketing Funnel on Social Media and Its Long-Term Effects on User Behavior" Advised by: Magie Hall, Ph.D.

Stephen John Fogle

BA, Loyola University Chicago, 2010; MA, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2020; Gerontology, "Being With God: Prayer Biographies, Mysticism in Old Age, and Compassionate Love Among Older Jesuits" Advised by: Christopher Kelly, Ph.D.

Sheena Lynn Gilbert

BS, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, 2018; MA, Boise State University, 2020; Criminology and Criminal Justice, "A Holistic Approach to Gender-Based Violence on College Campuses: A Need for a Tribal-Centered Campus Climate Assessment" Advised by: Tara Richards, Ph.D.

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BS, Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science, 2013; MS, Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science, 2015; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2019; Computing & Information Science, "A Comparative Framework for Evaluating Machine Learning Model Explanations" Advised by: Brian Ricks, Ph.D. and Robin Gandhi, Ph.D.

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BS, Yeungnam University, 2015; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2018; Biomedical Informatics, "The Development of a Robust Computational System for Integrating Multi-omics and Microbiome Data to Extract High-Impact Knowledge for the Advancement of Biomedical Research" Advised by: Hesham Ali, Ph.D.

Lana Annise' Perry McKinney

BS, University of Toledo, 2011; MA, University of Southern California, 2015; Gerontology, "Aging Well in the Heart of America: Optimizing Housing Options for Older Adults in Kansas City, Missouri Through Policy Reform" Advised by: Christopher Kelly, Ph.D.

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BA, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2019; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2022; Psychology, "Serving Up Success: How Team and Individual Differences Influence Satisfaction" Advised by: William Kramer, Ph.D.

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BS, Universidad del Valle de México, 2010; MS, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2018; Public Administration, "Women and Climate Change Policy in Latin America Through the Advocacy Coalition Framework" Advised by: Yu-Che Chen, Ph.D. and Tom Jamieson, Ph.D.

Sarah Alexis Steele

BS, Sam Houston State University, 2015; MA, Sam Houston State University, 2018; Criminology and Criminal Justice, "Priestly Perspectives: Narratives From Catholic Priests Removed From Ministry for Sexual Misconduct" Advised by: Amy Anderson, Ph.D.

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

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BS, Peru State College, 2007; Master of Arts in Education, University of Nebraska at Kearney, 2014; Educational Administration, "How Does the Stay Interview Impact the Future of Retaining Educators?" Advised by: Jeanne Surface, Ed.D.

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Bachelor of Science in Education, Northwest Missouri State University, 2018; Master of Science in Education, Northwest Missouri State University, 2020; Master of Science in Education, Northwest Missouri State University, 2021; Educational Administration, "Exploring Factors of Differentiation" Advised by: Elliott Ostler, Ed.D.

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Bachelor of Science in Education, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2012; Master of Education, Concordia University, 2016; Educational Administration, "Secondary Teachers' Perspectives of Effective Co-Teaching" Advised by: Kay Keiser, Ed.D.

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Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2002; MS, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2004; Master of Education, Concordia University, 2015; Educational Administration, "Career Plan Motivators Among Private School Administrators and the Relationship With Their Public-School Counterparts" Advised by: Kay Keiser, Ed.D.

MASTER OF ARTS

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Communication, "#NiUnaMenos and El Muro de la Memoria: Understanding the Use of Memorials in Anti-Femicide Protest" Advised by: Whitney Gent, Ph.D.

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History, "Religious Expression in the Soviet Gulag" Advised by: Mark Celinscak, Ph.D.

Christine Marie Hay-Merchant

Communication, "How Older Adult Siblings Manage Privacy and Privacy Turbulence on Facebook" Advised by: Paige Toller, Ph.D.

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History

Kylie Alexandra Hughes Duvall

Psychology, "Does Early Life History Influence a Novel Biomarker for Stress in Dogs and Predict Their Attachment to Their Owners?" Advised by: Rosemary Strasser, Ph.D.

Nathan Duane Jackson

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Communication, "Examining the Influence of Social Media Influencers on Fast Fashion Consumption and Environmental Impact: A Mixed Methods Analysis" Advised by: Chin-Chung Chao, Ph.D.

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Sociology, "Stranger Harassment at a Concert: How do Gender Roles Affect the Perception and Coping of Sexual Harassment in Public" Advised by: Samantha Ammons, Ph.D. and Jay Irwin, Ph.D.

Christopher Scott Schaefer

Critical and Creative Thinking

Alexandra Jacy Shaner

History

Jamie Elizabeth Tully

Communication, "'Valar Morghulis' (All Men Must Die): A Critique of Feminine Power in Game of Thrones" Advised by: Adam Tyma, Ph.D.

MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Geography, "Assessing the Relationship Between Residential Segregation and Access to Mental Health Services in Omaha, NE" Advised by: Sarah Nelson, Ph.D.

Evangel Chinyere Anyanwu

Biomedical Informatics, "Assessing User Experience in Institutional Review Board Application System of the University of Nebraska Medical Center Through Comprehensive Usability Testing: Strategies and Insights" Advised by: Martina Clarke, Ph.D.

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Industrial/Organizational Psychology

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Biology, "Assessing the Current Status and Functions of Sandhills Wetlands in Western Nebraska"
 Advised by: John Hribljan, Ph.D.

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Biomechanics, "Upper Limb Kinetic and Lower Limb Kinematic Changes of Body Weight Offloaded to the Hands During Assisted Simulated Gait Training in Children With Cerebral Palsy"
 Advised by: David Kingston, Ph.D.

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Educational Leadership

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Computer Science, "Adaptive Congestion Control for Real-Time Communication Using Deep Reinforcement Learning With Generative Adversarial Networks"
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Computer Science, "Exploring the Relationships Between
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Geography, "The Labor Trafficking-Terrorism
Nexus: A Spatiotemporal Analysis"
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Biology, "Genetic Analysis of a Novel Population of Southern
Flying Squirrels (*Glaucomys Volans*) Found in Lincoln, NE"
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Beckett Allen

Medical Humanities

"Keeping Mental Health Professionals in Nebraska: How Nebraska Recruits and Retains Working and Prospective Providers"

Advised by: Sarah Nelson

Harley Cribbs

Early Childhood Inclusive Education

"Verbal Behavior: An Errorless Teaching Intervention in Elementary Special Education"

Advised by: Justin Andersson

Micah Dunwoody

Religion

"Dao Gives Birth to Lots of Killing: Military Force in the Daoist Tradition"

Advised by: Laura Alexander

Marina Erickson

Psychology

"Well-being and Pickleball at the Community Center"

Advised by: Amy Hanson

Natalie Holding

Molecular and Biomedical Biology

"Opioid Use Knowledge Among Nebraska College Students"

Advised by: Allison Schlosser

Madelyn Lichti

Early Childhood Inclusive Education

"Teaching Addition and Subtraction Relationship with Instructional and Assessment Strategies"

Advised by: Justin Andersson

Mackenzie McGuire

Elementary Special Education

"High Quality Vocabulary Instruction for Elementary Special Education"

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Natalie Pearson

English

"Navigating the Anglo-Irish Postcolonial Landscape: Imaginative Geographies in Bram Stoker and Elizabeth Bowen's Novels"

Advised by: Lisabeth Buchelt

Angela Truong

Molecular and Biomedical Biology

"Longitudinal Kinetics of Surface CD16 on Human Natural Killer Cells when Peripheral Blood Mononuclear Cell Pools are Treated with a Toll-like Receptor 9 Agonist"

Advised by: Paul Denton

COMMUNITY ENGAGED SCHOLARS TRANSCRIPT DESIGNATION

This transcript designation documents and recognizes undergraduate students for their community engagement experiences. Students who receive this designation connect their academic endeavors with our community through service learning, community-based learning, volunteerism, and written reflections.

Suzana Ntirampeba



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TOTAL GRADUATES

from 23 countries
and 33 U.S. states.

315

GRADUATE DEGREES

277 master's
and 16 doctoral degrees.

783

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

305 of our undergraduates are
first-generation students.



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 Sydnee Jean Barker
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 Sarah Elizabeth Calgaard
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 Natalie Ann Casson *scl em*
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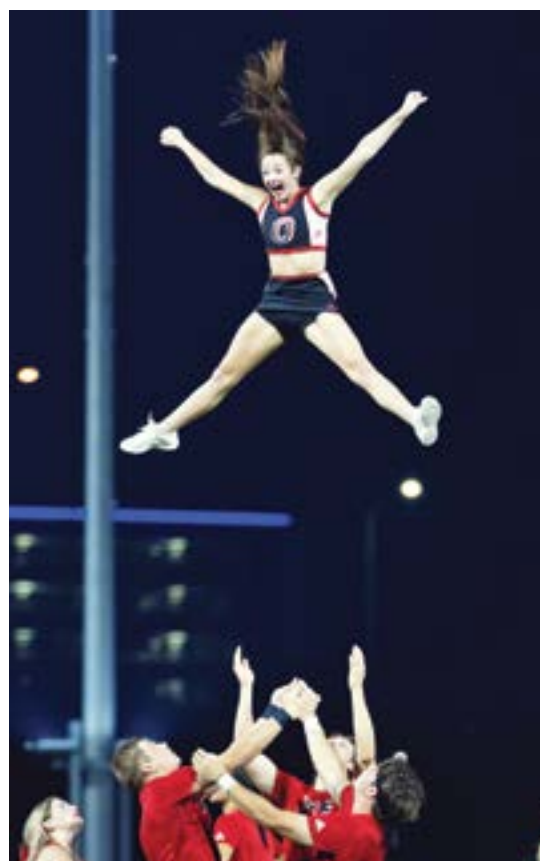
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It is flesh and bone, dreams and
reality, promise and fulfillment.

Its totality is too broad for
canvas, too elusive for print.

It has moods and ages, like a person.
Its seasons are all growing seasons
and the harvests ever secure.

A university is, above all, an
experience. It exists in the hearts
and minds of those who draw from
its wisdom and add to its reputation.

A university is a place, yes,
but a place of the spirit.

It is described, forever after, by
its family, not as architecture,
but as personality and
precept and conversion.

A university is what its
alumni have become.

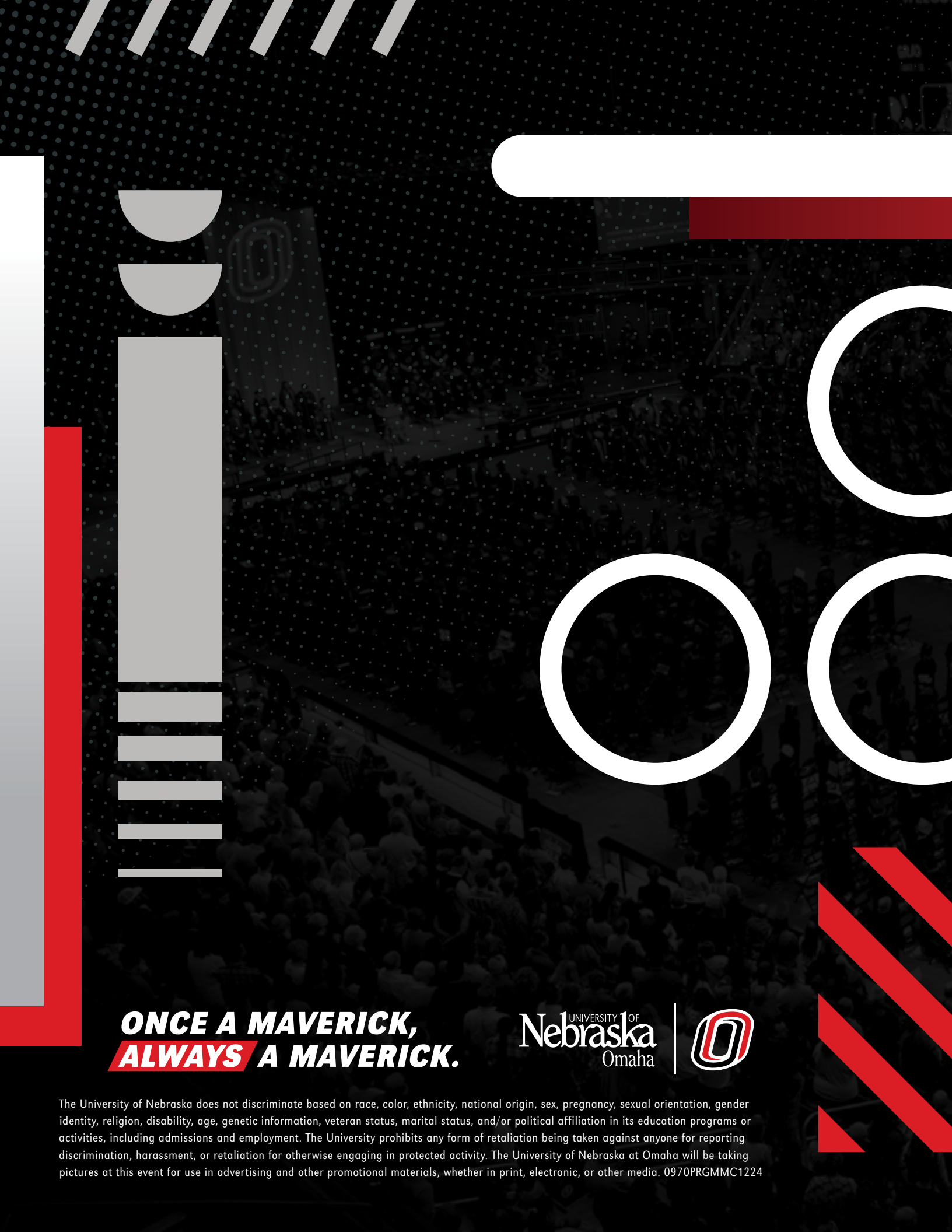
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