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• The Carnegie Foundation has classified UNO as a Carnegie Doctoral Research University for our specialized doctoral programs and comprehensive range of master’s degrees and certificates.
  o In addition, UNO has achieved the prestigious elective classification for “Community Engagement” by the Carnegie Foundation. The “Community Engagement” classification describes the level of collaboration between institutions of higher education and their larger communities for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources.

• U.S. News America’s Best Graduate Schools 2013 (released March 22, 2012). US News Graduate Rankings are based upon peer data collected through surveys. The program rankings lists encompass those programs/institutions most frequently mentioned by peers at colleges and universities nationally on their surveys. U.S. News does not report the total number of programs nationally in any discipline.
  o Nine graduate programs, two schools and one college at the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO) are cited in U.S. News and World Report’s 2013 edition of America’s Best Graduate Schools.
    ▪ Two top-10 rankings in the School of Public Administration
    ▪ Overall, SPA ranks 33rd amount 266 similar graduate-level public administration institutions. That ranking places in the top 15% of schools nationally.
    ▪ UNO ranks sixth nationally in Information Technology Management and Public Finance and Budgeting
    ▪ Nonprofit Management ranks 11th nationally
    ▪ City Management and Urban Policy ranks 14th nationally
    ▪ Public Administration Management ranks 21st nationally
    ▪ Social Work ranks 103rd out of 206 programs
    ▪ The Masters of Business Administration (MBA) from College of Business Administration is included in the top third of all MBA programs in the country, ranking 98th out of 326 peer programs
    ▪ College of Education ranks nationally for its Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) graduate program. The SLP program ranks in the top third of all speech language programs in the country, placing 73rd out of 250 peer programs
    ▪ The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice is ranked 17th in the nation

• For seven consecutive years, UNO has been selected to be on the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its civic engagement. The U.S. Department of Education and the Corporation for National and Community Service honor the nation’s leading colleges and universities for their commitment to
bettering their communities through community service and service learning. UNO has been on the honor roll every year since the inception of this national award in 2006.

- UNO is among ten universities to receive national recognition for its International Studies Program. UNO’s program is profiled in “Undergraduate International Studies on the Eve of the 21st Century,” published by the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA).


- UNO’s Aviation program was voted best in the nation and was presented the Loening Trophy at this year’s SAFECON competition.

- The Gamma Kappa Chapter of Beta Alpha Psi has earned the Superior Chapter designation for three consecutive academic years (2009 through 2012). Beta Alpha Psi is the international honorary organization for accounting, finance, and management information systems students. The Superior Chapter designation is awarded to chapters who achieve the required high levels of student involvement in activities with community professionals, significant hours of community service, attendance and presentations at regional and annual Beta Alpha Psi meetings, and other reaching out activities.

- Dr. Ann Coyne, Grace Abbott School of Social, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Association of Social Workers.

- Dr. Pete Simi received the prestigious Guggenheim Foundation research grant.

- The UNO Alumni Association produced the top new program initiative of 2012, the UNO Young Alumni Academy, according to the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) International Circle of Excellence Awards program. This is the first time that UNO has been recognized for alumni programming. For more information: http://www.case.org/Award_Programs/Circle_of_Excellence/About_COE.html

- UNO’s Military-Friendly school recognitions
  - UNO is currently #9 on Military Times list of best colleges and universities for veterans nationally.
  - For third consecutive year, on G.I. Jobs list of “Military Friendly Schools” indicating UNO is in the top 15% of schools nationwide serving military and veterans.
  - For third consecutive year, UNO is on the Military Advanced Education list of “2012 Top Military-Friendly Colleges & Universities”
UNO’s Industrial-Organizational Psychology program is ranked 19th out of over 60 Ph.D. programs and 6th out of roughly 100 Master’s programs (The rankings/study was conducted by Kurt Kraider and Anthony Abalos from University of Tulsa.)

This document is on-going and is updated frequently, if you have information on a current ranking/recognition please email the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Jeanie Gutheil-Bykerk, jgutheilbykerk@unomaha.edu