



# GLOBAL INTEGRATIVE STUDIES (PHD)

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The PhD program in Global Integrative Studies, the oldest doctoral program west of the Mississippi, gives students a professional education with the personal attention that prepares them for diverse careers.

## Description

Geography at UNL has long been known for specializations in Historical Geography and the Great Plains, and it maintains strong relationships with the Center for Great Plains Studies and the Center for Digital Research in the Humanities. Faculty specialize in Urban and Political Geography, Human-Environment relations, Cultural Geography, and a wide array of Geospatial Techniques and Analysis.

Typically, the doctorate takes three to four years. Teaching assistantships, paying \$15,000 and giving tuition remission, are available on a competitive basis for up to three years. These assistantships generally involve teaching laboratory classes associated with introductory physical geography courses or introductory GIS. The Global Integrative Studies Program is located in the newly formed School of Global Integrative Studies, which also houses Anthropology and Global Studies.

Programs of study are flexible, catered to the students' needs, and interdisciplinary work is readily available and encouraged. A major strength of the Program is that students get individual attention from the faculty in order to enhance their education and prepare them for diverse occupations.

## Program-Related Information

### Graduate Chair

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## Program Website

<https://sgis.unl.edu/graduate> (<https://sgis.unl.edu/graduate/>)

## Applying for Admission

### Standard requirements for all graduate programs

- Application for Admission with \$50 non-refundable application fee (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#appfee>).
- Transcripts (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#transcripts>) (unofficial): Uploaded as part of application form.

If International: Uploads must include all college- or university-level transcripts or mark sheets (records of courses and marks earned), with certificates, diplomas, and degrees plus certified English translations.

After admission: Official documents are required from all students who are admitted and enroll. Photocopies of certified records are not acceptable. International students enrolled in other U.S. institutions may have certified copies of all foreign records sent directly to the Office of Graduate Studies by their current school's registrar office.

- If applicant's native language is not English, verification of English proficiency (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/english-proficiency/>) is required.

When sending TOEFL scores, our institution code is 6877 and a department code is not needed.

- If applicant is not a US citizen and expects an F or J visa: financial information (<https://graduate.unl.edu/prospective/international/financial/>).
- Applicants must also fulfill any additional requirements the department specifies at the time of application.

### Additional requirements specific to this program

- GRE (optional)
- Resume/CV (optional)
- Personal Statement: Describe your educational and career goals.
- Faculty: Before you apply, we encourage you to contact a prospective advisor with whom you would like to work. Prospective advisors may be unable to work with you owing to other commitments.
- Research Interest
- Three recommendation letters: At least two should come from professors or instructors who can speak to your academic abilities.

### Admission Application Deadlines

Apply by January 1 for priority and funding consideration. Later applications received between then and March 15 will be reviewed as space and funding permits.

## Requirements

Hours required: 90