

# GLOBAL INFORMATION OPERATIONS CERTIFICATE

Departments of Political Science, Computer Science, and Religion,  
College of Arts and Sciences and Information Science & Technology

## Vision Statement

The certificate in global information operations is a program designed to meet the need for a broad-based, interdisciplinary understanding of international cultures and related issues in today's global society by graduate students, active duty military and civilian professionals working in the fields of public service, national security, defense policy and intelligence analysis. The program seeks to satisfy varying academic, career, and professional post graduate goals of traditional and non-traditional students that prepare them for their responsibility as active citizens through leadership, participation and employment in diverse environments throughout the nation and the world. At this point in time, this certificate is not offered for online students.

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## Admissions

General Application Requirements and Admission Criteria (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/graduate/admission/>)

## Program-Specific Requirements

### Application Deadlines (Spring 2024, Summer 2024, and Fall 2024)

- Fall: June 15
- Spring: October 15
- Summer: March 15

## Other Requirements

**For students applying to, or who are a current MS-PSCI student in good standing:**

- Minimum of 3.0 GPA

**For students applying for this certificate as a stand-alone program:**

- Baccalaureate degree or previous master's degree with a minimum of 3.0 GPA.
- Nine credit hours in relevant fields is preferred. Students without the necessary background may be admitted on a provisional basis and be required to take prerequisite courses before starting graduate work. Students must earn a grade of B or above in each of these courses.

- **English Language Proficiency:** Applicants are required to have a command of oral and written English. Those who do not hold a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from the United States, **OR** a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from a pre-determined country on the waiver list (<https://www.unomaha.edu/graduate-studies/prospective-students/Proof%20of%20English%20Proficiency-%20International.pdf>), must meet the minimum language proficiency score requirement in order to be considered for admission.
  - Internet-based TOEFL: 80 (with no sub-score under 15), IELTS: 6.5, PTE: 53, Duolingo: 110
  - Passing with a minimum score does not guarantee admission into the the program.
- **Statement of Purpose:** The personal statement (1-2 pages) should explain why the applicant is seeking admission into this program, how his/her academic/professional experiences can contribute to his/her success in this program, and how this program will contribute to his/her future academic/professional ambitions.
- **Professional Resume**
- **Letters of Recommendation:** Two letters of recommendation from a former professor (preferred), supervisor, or individual that can speak to one's academic potential in a graduate program. If applicants have recently graduated from UNO, it is expected that one of the letters will be from a UNO political science faculty member. It is preferred that applicants use their references' institutional (.edu) or professional email.
- GRE scores are not required for admission, however, students are welcome to include them.

## Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		<b>9</b>
CSCI/CYBR 8366	FOUNDATIONS OF CYBERSECURITY	
PSCI 8256	INTELLIGENCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY <sup>1</sup>	
RELI 8900	READINGS IN RELIGION	
<b>Select 3 hours from the following:</b>		<b>3</b>
ISQA 8420	MANAGING THE I.S. FUNCTION	
ISQA 8380	ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE AND SYSTEMS INTEGRATION	
ISQA/CYBR 8570	INFORMATION SECURITY POLICY AND ETHICS	
PSCI 8200	SEMINAR IN FOREIGN POLICY AND NATIONAL SECURITY	
PSCI 8250	SEMINAR IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>12</b>

Note: Students who took undergraduate courses at UNO may not take cross-listed courses they took at the 3000-4000 level at the 8000 level.

Students may be required to take prerequisite courses before their ISQA, CYBR, PSCI, and/or RELI graduate courses. Such requirements are to be determined by the specific department in question.

## Exit Requirements

Students must earn a 3.0 GPA to graduate with this certificate.

## Academic Progress Policy

Students may be dismissed from the program after:

1. Not enrolling and/or successfully completing a course after two consecutive years.

2. Earning three or more W grades.
3. Earning two or more grades of C+ or below.

Under extenuating circumstances, students may apply for a waiver through the GPC. If a waiver is granted, students may be updated to the most recent catalog year.

Students who do not successfully complete a course during their admit term, or allowed deferment time, will be dismissed from the program.

Students may reapply to the program if dismissed for inactivity.