

University College

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Website: <https://uc.uiowa.edu>

University College (UC) is home to a wide range of programs for University of Iowa students and precollege students. An overview of the many programs that are housed in University College is provided below.

Undergraduate Degrees

Two online degree programs, the Bachelor of Applied Studies (B.A.S.) and the Bachelor of Liberal Studies (B.L.S.), are offered through University College. Both programs enable students to complete a bachelor's degree through Distance and Online Education. The B.A.S., designed for graduates of community college technical programs, provides alternatives to traditional academic majors, permitting students to plan their own emphasis areas in consultation with their advisors. The B.L.S. is a general undergraduate degree program without a traditional academic major; students work with their advisors to plan study programs that meet their individual objectives.

Undergraduate Certificates, Training, and Course Work

The college offers undergraduate certificates in Clinical and Translational Science, Leadership Studies, Nonprofit Management, and Sustainability. University College also is home to many undergraduate research opportunities in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields as well as in microbiology and medical scientist training.

An affiliated program, Lifetime Leisure Skills—offers a broad range of sports and fitness activities, while the Reserve Officer Training Corps programs, Aerospace Studies (Air Force ROTC) and Military Science (Army ROTC) prepare undergraduate students for commissions as officers. In addition, there are major college-level programs such as the **University of Iowa** Honors Program, Study Abroad, and Career Center Programs.

Students from the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa may take courses at Iowa Lakeside Laboratory.

University College offers courses in several K-12 programs as well: the Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education, the Center for Diversity & Enrichment, Biomedical and Health Sciences, the Secondary Student Training Program, and University of Iowa Upward Bound.

Student Success and Outreach

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Many University College programs serve the entire undergraduate population (particularly first-year students) and are designed to smooth entering students' transition to college life. Students begin their connection to the University College when they take their first online course, CSI:1600

Success at Iowa, at around the same time they attend Orientation. When they arrive on campus, they experience campus life for the first time with the OnIowa! program.

Other programs that promote success include Excelling@Iowa, Tutor Iowa, and the Academic Resource Center (ARC). These direct service programs support students when they need support in their college career.

Academic Support and Retention

Director: Mirra L. Anson

Website: <https://uc.uiowa.edu/student-success/arc>

On Iowa

Website: <https://oniowa.uiowa.edu/>

Orientation

Director: Tina M. Arthur

Website: <https://newstudents.uiowa.edu/orientation>

Success@Iowa

Coordinator: Angela Lamb

Website: <https://newstudents.uiowa.edu/success-iowa-online-course>

Distance and Online Education

Associate Dean: Anne W. Zalenski

Website: <https://distance.uiowa.edu>

Distance and Online Education combines leading-edge technology and support with nationally recognized faculty to provide the best educational experience possible—online and on location. In partnership with University of Iowa colleges and departments, online and on location course work provides degree and certificate opportunities for students looking to complete their degree from a highly ranked public institution. Courses offered through University College are taught by University of Iowa faculty and staff members.

Center for Conferences

Director: Kelly Flinn

Website: <https://centerforconferences.uiowa.edu>

The Center for Conferences (UICC) is the University's principal agency for initiating, coordinating, conducting, and supporting noncredit continuing education programs. It also serves as the University of Iowa's general continuing education unit (CEU) provider.

UICC coordinates national and international conferences for University faculty, departments, colleges, administrative units, academic societies, professional associations, and other groups sponsored by the University. Services include initial planning, site location, budget development, supervision of all logistical details, income and expense management, payment processing, and online conference registration.

The Center for Conferences uses facilities on the University of Iowa campus as well as those located in Iowa City and Coralville, throughout Iowa and nationwide. For more information, visit the Center for Conferences website.

Iowa Summer Writing Festival

Director: Amy Margolis

Website: <https://iowasummerwritingfestival.org>

The Iowa Summer Writing Festival is a noncredit creative writing program for adults. The festival brings some 1,300

writers to the University of Iowa campus each summer to participate in weeklong, two-week, and weekend workshops across the genres. Writers at all levels are welcome.

Participants choose from more than 140 workshops in novel writing, short fiction, gothic fiction, poetry, memoirs, essays, playwriting, screenwriting, travel writing, humor, writing for children, and more. Festival classes are conducted as workshops, where the primary texts are participants' own creative work.

Weeklong workshops meet for three hours each day, Monday through Friday, and include individual student/instructor conferences. Weeklong sessions feature a daily lecture series on aspects of literary craft, as well as evening readings and other events. Weekend sessions meet for eight hours over two days. Visit the Iowa Summer Writing Festival website for information about workshops, schedules, and registration. Program information for the coming summer is posted in mid-January.

Programs

College-Level Degree Programs

- Bachelor of Applied Studies
- Bachelor of Liberal Studies

College-Level Certificate Programs

- Clinical and Translational Science
- Leadership Studies
- Nonprofit Management
- Sustainability

Other College-Level Programs

- Aerospace Studies (Air Force ROTC)
- Career Center Programs
- College Success Initiatives
- Intercollegiate Athletic Participation
- Iowa Biosciences Academy
- Iowa Lakeside Laboratory
- Lifetime Leisure Skills
- Military Science (Army ROTC)
- Study Abroad
- Undergraduate Research Experiences
- University Libraries
- University of Iowa Honors Program

Precollege Programs

- Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education
- Biomedical and Health Sciences
- Center for Diversity & Enrichment
- Secondary Student Training Program
- University of Iowa Upward Bound