University College

**Associate Deans**

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**Website**: https://uc.uiowa.edu

University College is home to a wide range of programs for University of Iowa students and precollege students. It includes major college-level programs such as the University of Iowa Honors Program, Study Abroad, Career Center Programs, and study at Iowa Lakeside Laboratory.

University College offers programs leading to the Bachelor of Applied Studies (B.A.S.) degree and the Bachelor of Liberal Studies (B.L.S.) degree. Both programs enable students to complete a bachelor's degree by distance education. The B.A.S., which is 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 without a traditional academic major; students work with their advisors to plan study programs that meet their individual objectives.

The college also offers undergraduate certificates in clinical and translational science, leadership studies, nonprofit management, and sustainability. In addition, it is home to summer undergraduate research opportunities in the STEM fields (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics), microbiology, and medical scientist training.

Some University College programs and courses are designed to smooth entering students' transition to college life, such as College Success Initiatives courses and first-year seminars, or to provide opportunities for populations underrepresented in the sciences and engineering, such as the Iowa Biosciences Academy.

The Division of Continuing Education, in partnership with the University's colleges and departments, provides high quality credit and noncredit courses, workshops, and programs to traditional and nontraditional learners. The division administers a number of programs on campus.

Lifetime Leisure Skills courses offer a broad range of sports and fitness activities. The University's Reserve Officer Training Corps programs, Aerospace Studies (Air Force ROTC) and Military Science (Army ROTC), also reside in University College.

For undergraduate college students at Iowa State University or the University of Northern Iowa, the Regents Online Exchange offers the opportunity for students to access online courses at the University of Iowa that may not be available at their institutions.

University College offers courses in several K-12 programs: the Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education, the Center for Diversity & Enrichment, Project Lead the Way (biomedical and health sciences), the Secondary Student Training Program, and University of Iowa Upward Bound.

Courses offered through University College are taught by University of Iowa faculty and staff members.

**Center for Conferences**

**Director**: Kelly Flinn

**Website**: http://www.continuetolearn.uiowa.edu/conferences

The University of Iowa 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://www.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)
• Patient Care Practicum
• Regents Online Exchange
• 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