

## Benefits for University of Nebraska-Lincoln Emeriti and Retirees

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### Don't Miss Out on Benefits Available Through Your UNL NCard

UNL Retiree and emeritus employees are entitled to certain benefits when they use their NCard on campus. Learn more about these as you read through the following lists of benefits.

If you have misplaced your retiree/emeriti NCard, it has become damaged or you failed to get one when you retired, no problem. Just stop by the NCard office located at Nebraska Union Room 121; bring a government-issued photo ID, which includes date of birth. No other documentation is required. There may be a replacement fee: [ncard.unl.edu/policies/ncard-replacement](http://ncard.unl.edu/policies/ncard-replacement)



**NCards for UNL retirees look similar to those people had when employed. They continue to offer benefits.**

### Association Benefits for All Members

1. Sponsored by the Association, all members are invited to monthly meetings including presentations by distinguished speakers on topics relevant to the welfare and interest of the members. Lunch is available and those attending may also “brown-bag” their own lunches. Meetings are typically held September through April.
2. The Association sponsors special events and field trips, as well as reoccurring “coffee house” social gatherings each year for all members.
3. All members receive a Spring and Fall newsletter via email that reviews activities and happenings of the Association and its members. Information is also posted on the Association website at <http://emeriti.unl.edu>.
4. Courtesy memberships are provided to surviving spouses.
5. The Association Board of Directors mindfully monitors death notices in the local press and elsewhere and posts information on the website regarding deceased members who are honored with a moment of silence at monthly membership meetings.
6. Members are eligible for the awards given by the Association.
7. Members are represented by Board members at meetings with the UNL Chancellor, NU President, other administrators and groups during each year.
8. The NU Foundation and the UNL Chancellor’s Office sponsor a fall luncheon for all

members of the Emeriti and Retirees Association.

### **University and Select UNL Unit Benefits Available to All Retirees**

1. Upon retirement, members may elect to continue to participate in the University's medical and dental insurance programs at full cost (<https://nebraska.edu/faculty-and-staff/retirement-benefits/retirement-benefits-for-retirees-overview>).
2. With permission of the instructor and upon payment of an annual fee, all members may obtain a "Senior Learning Passport" allowing them to sit in on a maximum of two designated UNL undergraduate courses per semester. Contact the Registrar's office at <https://registrar.unl.edu>.
3. Retired University of Nebraska-Lincoln faculty and staff may retain season tickets that have been held for at least ten consecutive years throughout retirement. Spouses of deceased faculty and staff may retain tickets for five years after the death of their spouse. Employee tickets are not transferable. Some Husker sporting events can be attended at no charge. For more information visit: <https://huskers.com/sports/2019/8/5/faculty-staff-ticket-information.aspx>.
4. Subscriptions to Nebraska Today, the on-line newsletter available by email, are available to all at the following website: <http://news.unl.edu/newsrooms/1/subscribe>.
5. University Dining Services offers special meal pricing for faculty, staff, emeriti, and retirees of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. Identify yourself as an emeriti/retiree and show your NCard. The special meal pricing is valid for one meal per day in Dining Service dining centers including the East Campus Dining Center. It is not valid at the Nebraska Union food court, the Athletic Department Training Table or for holiday meals. Your guests and children are welcome at the guest meal price. Simply identify yourself to the dining center cashier as an emeriti/retiree employee and show your NCard. (<https://dining.unl.edu/facultystaffemeritireetree-pricing>)
6. Upon retirement, employees who were members of Campus Recreation are able to transition to the retiree rate and maintain the current retiree rate as long as they have a continuous membership. Those Association members who were not previous Campus Recreation members and are interested in joining may do so by visiting one of the three Campus Recreation Centers. (<https://crec.unl.edu/visit-campus-recreation>)
7. You may continue to use University Library facilities by obtaining a community user card at the Love South Front desk. Online access to library publications is available only at the library due to publishers' contract restrictions. The UNL Digital Commons remains available to emeriti and retirees at: <http://digitalcommons.unl.edu>.
8. Emeriti and retirees are eligible for faculty discounts at the UNL Huskertech computer and phone store and can purchase computer, related equipment, software and cell phones at considerable savings. Emeriti and retirees must have had cellular service with Huskertech prior to retiring to retain service after retirement. They can also download, at no cost, the latest virus programs used at UNL (Palo Alto's Cortex) for use on home computers and, when on campus, use the UNL Wi-Fi system. For computer and phone questions you can contact [its-huskertech@nebraska.edu](mailto:its-huskertech@nebraska.edu) or 402-472-5151. For Wi-Fi and virus programs you can contact [support@nebraska.edu](mailto:support@nebraska.edu) or 402-472-3970.
9. Upon presentation of a UNL ID, emeriti and retirees as well as a guest are admitted free

to the International Quilt Museum. For information about this Museum see <https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org>.

10. Upon presentation of your NCard, emeriti and retirees can receive a 10% discount at the University Bookstore located in the Nebraska Union.
11. Upon presentation of your NCard, emeriti and retirees are admitted free to Morrill Hall. For information see <https://museum.unl.edu/visit/visit.html>.

### **Emeriti Benefits Granted by the Board of Regents**

<https://executivevc.unl.edu/faculty/searches-appointments/retirement-emeriti>

1. On all formal occasions, emeritus faculty are recognized on the same basis as active members. They do not attend departmental or faculty meetings except upon invitation by the presiding office, and then without vote, but with privilege of the floor.
2. As detailed in the Graduate College Governance Document, upon the recommendation of the departmental or interdepartmental Graduate Committee, retired Graduate Faculty Members who have been appointed to emeritus status may retain the rights and privileges associated with their level of membership on the Graduate Faculty. Further, consistent with the policies of the Distinguished Professorships Committee, emeriti faculty may retain any special professorship title as approved by the Chancellor.
3. When emeritus faculty are called upon to act as references for former students, to furnish information to earlier associates, or to perform any other similar university service stemming from a responsibility which continues beyond their retirement, they are entitled to use official stationery and other departmental office privileges as is customary.
4. Special privileges within a department relating to office space or desk room and use of research facilities, including access to the computer network, may be granted at the discretion of the dean or director, in consultation with the department head or chair. This decision will take into account the availability of space and the individual's ongoing contribution to the university.
5. The Campus Parking Office will issue a standard parking permit at no charge to any emeriti (<https://parking.unl.edu/faculty-parking-permit-purchase-guide>). Please note: To park on the Nebraska Innovation Campus, permit holders must notify Parking, Transit Services, and request their permit be added to the reciprocal visitors list. Requests must be made from official UNL email accounts to [unlpts@unl.edu](mailto:unlpts@unl.edu).
6. The Athletic Ticket Office allows all emeriti faculty to purchase tickets for athletic events on the same basis as current employees (BOR Policy 4.2.6). Non-emeriti faculty and all retired staff maintain the same priority level they held during employment; however, tickets must have been purchased for 10 consecutive years prior to retiring to retain them.
7. Events sponsored by the University Program Council at the Nebraska Union are available to all emeriti at the same discounts as regular faculty (<https://involved.unl.edu/university-program-council>).

### **Emeriti Benefits Offered by Select UNL Units**

1. Emeriti can purchase up to two tickets per show for Lied Center events. Call or visit the box office to request this special discount. This discount cannot be combined with the

discount for season ticket purchases. (<https://www.liedcenter.org>)

2. Emeriti may continue to access their university email. Please be aware that the university terminates access to this email address upon the death of the emeriti faculty member. Access by a family member for a short period of time (30-60 days) may be arranged by contacting Information Technology Services immediately (or as soon as possible) to manage the individual's email account. Information Technology can be contacted at 402-472-3970, 866-472-3970 and [support@nebraska.edu](mailto:support@nebraska.edu). It is always a good practice (and highly recommended) to create and use a different email address for personal matters.