At UNLV, we thrive on INSPIRATION. It fuels the tireless work our students and faculty do in labs, in the field, and in the community to create new knowledge and advance their area of study.
We cultivate INNOVATION. Our young, nimble university is the perfect backdrop for students who are encouraged to try new things, explore new topics, use new technology, and think outside the box.
We make an IMPACT. Whether it’s studying how the human brain works, how businesses work, or how immigration policies work, the work our students and faculty do make a lasting impact on our collective future.

If you want to be inspired by an incredible community of scholars, if you strive to innovate, and if you seek to make an impact, become a Grad Rebel and make UNLV your home for graduate education.
We invite YOU TO explore the possibilities at UNLV

Nestled in the heart of one of the world’s most vibrant cities is a university just as dynamic, innovative, and exciting. Las Vegas may be renowned for taking fun seriously, but as a Carnegie Research 1 university, UNLV is one of the top public research universities in the country so we take education and research seriously, too. Our students are researching potential cures for HIV, Parkinson’s, and Alzheimer’s. They’re tackling climate change and environmental issues. They’re discovering new energy alternatives and studying new frontiers in education, social services, neuroscience, public health, and so much more. With more than 175 graduate certificate and degree offerings, we provide graduate students with top-notch academic, research, service, and leadership opportunities.

At UNLV, you will be supported to achieve success, make real change in your field and beyond, and be offered free co-curricular programs to enhance your leadership and professional development skills. The end result? Being a Grad Rebel is your gateway to a successful future.

5,000+ Graduate and Professional Students

1,000+ Graduate Assistants

175+ Graduate Programs

1,200+ Graduate Faculty

Federal Minority Serving Institution Designation

R1 Highest Carnegie Classification for Research Universities
A UNIVERSITY AS DIVERSE AS THE CITY IT CALLS HOME

At UNLV, excellence abounds. We are particularly proud to be:

- Ranked one of the top five most diverse campuses in the nation by U.S. News & World Report
- Designated by the U.S. Department of Education as a Title III and Title V Minority Serving Institution; Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution; and Hispanic-Serving Institution
- Committed to diversity, inclusion, equity, and justice
Well-Rounded Student Experience

Our Grad Rebels enjoy a wide array of free and discounted campus activities that enrich the student experience:

• Art galleries, theatre productions, musical performances, and many more opportunities in the arts

• Division I athletic programs

• World-famous speakers such as CNN’s Dr. Sanjay Gupta & W. Kamau Bell, Shark Tank’s Barbara Corcoran, U.S. astronaut Captain Scott Kelly, photographer Annie Liebovitz, director Guillermo del Toro, and more

• The Black Mountain Institute, an international literary center that brings writers — and the literary imagination — into the heart of public life through live experiences, fellowships, innovative media, literary activism, and The Believer magazine and annual festival

• The Graduate & Professional Student Association for graduate student governance, numerous student organizations, and tons of campus activities

• Extensive, free leadership, professional, and career development opportunities through The Grad Academy
"I have discovered a second home since coming to UNLV. The diversity on campus is welcoming, and the faculty and staff are genuinely interested in my success as a student. I have been able to carry out my research on transition of public buses to cleaner fuels and its impact on the air quality in Southern Nevada and by extension, the public health of the nation. I have benefited from several scholarships and fellowships that have made my Ph.D. journey less stressful. I would highly recommend UNLV to anyone seeking to pursue a graduate degree."

John Olawepo
Public Health, Ph.D.

"Following my passion for making an impact in the hospitality industry, the focus of my research in my graduate studies is to explore hotel employees’ perceptions of service robots in the hospitality workplace. Through analysis of human attitudes toward robots, the outcome of the proposed research may help offer smart deployment strategies for hotels and reduce potential employee anxiety and increase employee engagement. The Graduate College has provided me with necessary resources such as workshops and certification programs that support and encourage me to take my work to the next level at every step of the research process."

Beth Wi
Hotel Administration, MBA and M.S.

"I had the opportunity to choose a project to work on during my first year at UNLV, and Hailey’s hand project caught my eye. I knew it was the right project for me because I’ve always had a passion for helping children. There’s no feeling quite like the one you get when you see a child’s excitement putting on their 3D-printed hand for the first time. That feeling made me realize this is what I want to do for the rest of my life. My goal is to start a non-profit that will allow me to help other children like Hailey. I’ll always remember my time at UNLV for providing opportunities I wouldn’t have had anywhere else."

Maria Gerardi
Biomedical Engineering, M.S.
UNLV is ranked among the nation’s top 3% of research universities according to the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, the gold standard for university research metrics. Here, research opportunities – and resources – abound.

Graduate student research, scholarship, and creative activities are supported through departments, the Graduate & Professional Student Association’s research and conference travel grants, and a number of Graduate College programs and funding opportunities. The Grad Academy supports graduate student research through programs like the Research & Mentorship Program, which pairs undergraduate and graduate students on research, scholarly, and creative projects so they can learn research and mentorship skills; the free Research Certification, a yearlong program that provides students with the knowledge necessary to initiate, conduct, and successfully conclude research projects; and many other workshops, badges, and programs. Many of these co-curricular opportunities incentivize graduate student participation by providing scholarships for completing these activities. We also sponsor high-profile annual research events, including a Diversity Research & Action Forum, a President’s Innovation Challenge, a Graduate Showcase event, and the Rebel Grad Slam: 3-Minute Thesis Competition, many of which offer scholarships and prizes to participants or top competitors.

There’s also financial support for graduate research through scholarships; fellowships; emergency retention grants; and the Graduate & Professional Student Association grant program to support conference travel and research, scholarly, professional, and creative activities.

$103 million+
Research Expenditures in Fiscal Year ’20

1,200+
Number of Faculty

Black Fire Innovation
A public-private partnership between Caesars Entertainment Corporation and UNLV that will fuel gaming and hospitality innovation.
You’re inspired to learn and have a well-rounded graduate school experience. We understand that and want to help make that time as enriching as possible through resources that complement your education, professional development, and mental and physical well-being.

At UNLV, we have a robust set of offerings. The resources listed on the next page are only a sliver of what’s available to our students. To learn about more resources, visit unlv.edu/graduatecollege/current.

The Grad Academy
Offering free and research-informed certifications, workshops, career services, and special programs, the Graduate College’s The Grad Academy is designed to provide students learning opportunities that complement their degree program.
unlv.edu/graduatecollege/academy

Graduate Student Commons
We’re proud to offer the Gateway Graduate Commons and the Lied Graduate Commons as exclusive computer labs and study spaces for graduate and professional students. The Commons feature free access to meeting areas, kitchens, whiteboards, computers, a large-scale printer, and more.

UNLV Libraries
At more than 325,000 square feet, UNLV Libraries offers group study rooms, nearly 600 computers, more than 1.2 million bound volumes, nearly 80,000 journals and serials, and more than 1.3 million e-books.
library.unlv.edu

Student Recreation and Wellness Center
The 184,000-square-foot Student Recreation and Wellness Center includes a health center, pharmacy, dental clinic, relaxation room, counseling services, personal training, state-of-the-art gym, and more.
unlv.edu/srwc

UNLV Writing Center
Consultants at the UNLV Writing Center work with graduate students on any writing task through in-person meetings or an online lab.
writingcenter.unlv.edu

Graduate & Professional Student Association
The Graduate & Professional Student Association is the student government for UNLV’s graduate and professional student body. The GPSA holds monthly meetings, hosts social events throughout the year, offers funding for conference and research activity, and more.
unlv.edu/gpsa

Student Organizations
In addition to the Black Graduate Student Association and the Latinx Graduate Student Association, there are more than 400 student organizations to appeal to a wide range of interests for students wanting to get involved.
involvementcenter.unlv.edu
THE GRAD ACADEMY

The Grad Academy at the Graduate College offers a slew of free leadership, professional, and career development opportunities, including co-curricular certifications, yearlong programs, boot camps, workshops, events, and more to help students prepare for their career after graduation.

The Grad Academy’s offerings are based on the following pillars of graduate student success:

• Communication: oral, written, visual
• Holistic career preparedness
• Wellness: mental, emotional, physical, financial
• Research, scholarship, and creative activities
• Teaching and pedagogy: online, in-person, hybrid
• Leadership, mentorship, and entrepreneurship

EXAMPLES OF OFFERINGS INCLUDE:

• co-curricular digital badges and certifications in research, teaching, and mentorship
• writing boot camps to assist with major writing projects, like professional papers, theses, dissertations, publications, and grants
• the Research & Mentorship Program, which pairs undergraduate and graduate students on research, scholarly, and creative projects and funds conference travel
• the Post-Graduate Career Pathways Program, which helps graduate students explore and prepare for a variety of career options through community connections and micro-internships
• 60+ free annual workshops on everything from how to write a conference proposal to cultivating healthy habits to engaging policymakers on the importance of research, and so much more

unlv.edu/graduatecollege/academy
FINANCING YOUR EDUCATION

Graduate assistantships, scholarships, fellowships, and more are available to offset education costs. Each year, the Graduate College gives more than $25 million in graduate assistant, scholarship, fellowship, and access grant funding. We are here to support you every step of the way.

Graduate Assistantships
Graduate assistants gain valuable experience working in classrooms and laboratories at the university. They earn a competitive stipend, reduced tuition, health insurance coverage, and an out-of-state fee waiver. We employ nearly 1,000 graduate assistants every year.

UNLV Scholarships and Fellowships
A variety of merit-based and competitive scholarships and fellowships, worth up to $30,000, are available at UNLV.

Financial Aid
Grants, loans, and employment opportunities are additional options to help you finance your education.

unlv.edu/graduatecollege/financing
UNLV’s 350-acre campus is in the heart of Las Vegas, just 10 minutes from a major international airport. Here you will find world-class entertainment, dining, and shopping on the famous Las Vegas Strip and across the entire valley where you’ll experience a close-knit, vibrant, family-friendly community.

The Las Vegas valley – and our campus – offer plenty of residential housing options. Like other big cities, Las Vegas is full of schools, parks, community recreation centers, movie theaters, local shops, and robust cultural experiences.

To top it off, a low cost of living and no state income tax make Las Vegas an affordable place to study, work and live.
With beautiful weather year round, the region offers plenty of outdoor activities to enjoy.

- Lake Mead, Mt. Charleston, Red Rock Canyon, and Hoover Dam are all in our backyard
- Zion National Park is just three hours away
- A short, four-hour car ride will get you to the wonder of the Grand Canyon, the excitement of Los Angeles, or the world-class ski slopes of Utah
HAVE QUESTIONS? WANT TO SEE FOR YOURSELF?

☐ Schedule an in-person or virtual campus tour by calling 702-895-4543 or emailing gradrecruitment@unlv.edu.

☐ Attend an on-campus or virtual information session. See the schedule at unlv.edu/graduatecollege/futurestudents/events.

☐ Speak to a recruiter by calling 702-895-4543 or emailing gradrecruitment@unlv.edu. We can meet and consult with you in person or virtually!

☐ Speak to your program’s graduate coordinator by contacting the college/school of your interest.

☐ See a list of admission requirements at unlv.edu/graduatecollege/futurestudents. Additional requirements may need to be met, depending on the program of your interest.

WE’RE READY FOR YOU TO JOIN OUR DYNAMIC GRAD REBEL COMMUNITY.

ARE YOU READY TO APPLY?

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AT UNLV.EDU/GRADUATECOLLEGE/FUTURESTUDENTS