**NCORE Student Application**

*30th Annual Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education*

Fort Worth, TX

May 30 – June 3, 2017

The Office of Academic Success and Intercultural Services (OASIS) is excited to be able to offer the opportunity for five students to attend the 2017 National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE)!

The University of Nebraska and OASIS has pledged to cover the cost of five UNL student registrations, transportation to the conference, and accommodation expenses.

It is with great hope that you will consider submitting an application for the opportunity to be selected to attend this conference that will provide you with incredible speakers, networking opportunities, and knowledge that you will be able to bring back and share with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and OASIS.

For more information about the conference, please visit www.ncore.ou.edu.

**Applicant Eligibility:**

* Interest in promoting campus inclusivity, specifically regarding race and ethnicity.
* Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better.
* Currently enrolled at UNL as an undergraduate student.
* Expected graduation date of December 2017 or later.
* Active involvement on campus demonstrated through Recognized Student Organization membership (MASA, APU, MESU, AWA, UNITE, etc.), positions on advisory boards, or utilizing OASIS programs and events.
* Commitment to attend three pre-departure orientation sessions (dates to be determined).
* Must be available to attend NCORE (including travel dates on May 30th and June 3rd) and fully participate in all activities. This includes session attendance, daily OASIS group meetings, individual reflections, and an off-site cultural activity.
* Attend regular meetings during the Fall 2017 semester and develop an individual or group project and presentation to share with campus.
* Must participate in one of the following during the 2017-18 academic year: OASIS Leadership Program, OASIS Mentor Program, and/or OASIS Student Advisory Board.

Completed application must be submitted by **4:00 pm** on **Tuesday, February 28th.**  Submit your application (hard copy stapled together or digital format) to Kerra Russell– krussell21@unl.edu. Late applications will not be considered.

**Application Requirements**

* Submit:
	+ Student Information Page
	+ Résumé
	+ Essays

**Other Information:**

* If selected, you must pay a $150 security deposit by April 1st. The fee will be used to cover the costs associated with this experience (roughly $1,200/student), as well as demonstrate your commitment to NCORE and OASIS goals. Please note that if cannot attend, the $100 is non-refundable.
* Selected students will be responsible for covering their own meals (note: NCORE occasionally provides breakfast but this should not be relied on) and other incidental costs, in addition to the above fee.
* All students attending NCORE (whether sponsored by OASIS or not) are expected to represent the University, and conduct themselves in a lawful manner and in compliance with the University’s standards for student conduct (see University of Nebraska – Lincoln Student Code of Conduct at <http://stuafs.unl.edu/ja/code>).
* Transportation will be via van. The drive is approximately 9 hr 18 min so dress comfortably. Selected students will be responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from the University on May 30th and June 3rd.
* If selected, students must write a thank you note to the University offices that helped support the trip.

**Student Information Page**

Name:

Local Address:

E-mail Address:

NU ID:

Phone:

**Essay Requirements**

Please answer the essay questions in the following format:

* Type or print your NU ID in the top right corner of *each* page – do NOT include your name on any essay pages
* Double spaced and no longer than one page (per essay)
* Essays will be evaluated based on content *and* grammar. We strongly encourage you to ask an advisor, staff/faculty member, or the UNL Writing Center to review your essays before submission.

**Essay Questions**

1. Describe your academic pursuits and achievements, leadership interests or overall experience you have had at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.
2. What are your reasons for wanting to attend NCORE? What do you hope to gain from the conference? (Please refer to www.ncore.ou.edu to learn more about NCORE and what you can expect.)
3. How would you promote inclusivity at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln upon your return from NCORE?