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Community
Engagement



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Fall Volunteer Fair



September 4th, 2026
10:30-1:00 pm
Maucker Union Ballrooms

Join us TOMORROW in celebrating 150 years of UNI and our connection to the Cedar Valley by attending the Fall Volunteer Fair. This event is a great way to network, find ways to get involved off campus, and learn about how you can make a difference. **Please bring your students!**

The Cedar Valley Collaboration Forum



When: September 16th
Time: 3:00-4:30 pm
Registration: 2:45-3:00

Where: Marquee Lounge, Gallagher Bluedorn

Hosted by UNI's Office of Community Engagement and the Volunteer Center of Cedar Valley, the Collaboration Forum invites UNI faculty, staff, and students to connect with Cedar Valley organizations and agencies. This event is designed to explore, build, and strengthen partnerships that foster meaningful community engagement and mutually beneficial impact.

[To Register Click Here](#)

Community Engagement Hours

We need your data! The Community Engagement Database is designed to assist in capturing the collective impact of the UNI community in the Cedar Valley, across the state, nation and world.

Information requested includes:

- Short description including location & date
- Participant numbers (student, faculty, staff)
- Participant hours
- Number of individuals served and/or impacted
- Short description of impact/benefit
- If you have this information in a document/excel spreadsheet you can upload and bypass the questions listed.

If your organization, center, institute has records please contact Kristina Kofoot (krsitina.kofoot@uni.edu) and she will work with you on gathering the necessary data without filling out the form.

Thank you for your commitment to our community!

[To Submit Hours Click Here](#)

This will take no more than 5 mins to complete

Events

Study Abroad Fair

When: Wednesday, September 10th

Time: 11:00-3:00

Where: Maucker Union Ballrooms

Explore Study Abroad programs across 30 different countries! Meet past participants, program leaders, and SAC staff. Attendees can also learn about study abroad opportunities, meet past participants, faculty and staff, learn about financial aid, scholarships, credit transfer, international travel, and study-internship-volunteer abroad! If you have questions, please contact study-abroad@uni.edu.

Green Dot Month Events



5k Walk/Run

Saturday, Sep 27, 2025
8:00am - 10:00pm
UNI Campus

Join Green Dot for this FREE 5K run/walk event. First 100 participants will receive a bag of Green Dot goodies! [Sign up by clicking here.](#)

Faculty/Staff Training

Tuesday September 16th,
12:00 - 1:00pm

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Thursday, Sep 18 2025
9:00 - 10:00 am
ScholarSpace (Rod 301)

Green Dot is a bystander intervention program focused on teaching individuals about choices that can be made to help prevent gender violence on our campus. Learn how you can intervene by attending this Green Dot training. [Sign up by clicking here.](#)

Civic Action Academy

Seed Coalition is hosting the [Civic Action Academy](#). This event brings students from Iowa and Minnesota together to learn new ways of making a difference and building skills through civic and community engagement. **Funding and transportation support is available in a limited capacity through the Office of Community Engagement.** Contact Kristina Kofoot.



Date: November 14th-15th

Location: Wartburg College Waverly, IA

Engagement Opportunities

Board Match Program

Looking for a different kind of engagement? UNIs Office of Community Engagement and the Volunteer Center of Cedar Valley can assist individuals (faculty, staff, students & community members) in finding a nonprofit organization for which to serve on a board of directors.

[To learn more and sign-up click here](#)

National Credential

Certified Nonprofit Professional Credential (CNP)



All UNI students are eligible to earn their Certified Nonprofit Professional (CNP) credential. This is a \$1800 value, available to UNI students for \$100. The CNP credential signals that you have what it takes to be an effective leader as a volunteer or professional in your community and/or the nonprofit sector. This credential pairs well with all majors.

If you would like to learn more, or host a 10-15 minute presentation in your class or student organization meeting, set-up a meeting with the Director of the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Program at UNI, Kristina Kofoot by [clicking here](#).

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