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Life in Lincoln

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This Webinar

- Overview of Lincoln, Nebraska
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) about life in Lincoln

Climate/Seasons

Campus

Downtown

Arts & Entertainment

Food & Dining

Transportation

Safety

Cultural Norms

- Open Question and Answer



Lincoln, Nebraska...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fp9elcGkgug>

WHERE IS LINCOLN, NEBRASKA?

Midwest region of the United States

- Often characterized by agriculture
- Cities may be smaller than what you are used to

Transportation time to other large Midwest cities:

	BY CAR:	BY PLANE:
OMAHA, NEBRASKA	40 MINUTES	----
MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	8 HOURS	1.5 HOURS
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS/MISSOURI	3 HOURS	----
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	8 HOURS	1.75 HOURS
DENVER, COLORADO	7 HOURS	1.5 HOURS



Lincoln's ratings

**Top Places to
live in the US**
Livability 2017



**Top 10 Downtowns
in the US**
Livability 2015



**“Happiest City in
the US”**
Gallup Healthways
Well-Being Index
2013



FREQUENTLY

QUESTIONS

ASKED

**#1. What's the weather like in
Nebraska? What kind of
temperatures should I expect?**

Climate and Seasons in Lincoln



Summer

June-August

Hot & humid temperatures, typically ranging between 25 and 37 Celsius.

Campus and Lincoln are quieter, as many students do not take classes in the summer.

Swimming, boating, and other water activities are popular with many students during this season.



Fall

September-November

Cool and dry temperatures, typically ranging between 4-20 degrees Celsius.

Many popular holidays and traditions related to the harvest season during this time, which includes many different cultural activities for students to participate in. Typically characterized by leaves changing color and falling from the trees.



Winter

The “spring semester” begins in winter, and ends in spring.

December-February

Temperatures range from 15 to -4 Celsius.

Wearing coat, boots, scarves, hats, gloves, & “layered clothing” recommended.

All buildings on campus have indoor heating.

Snow & ice are common in winter months. Nebraska is also very windy.



Spring

March-May

Temperatures typically from 10-25 Celsius, but can change quickly and dramatically.

It often rains frequently in springtime.



#2. What's it like on campus?

Our UNL campuses...



City Campus

Most classes, residence halls, dining halls, and events are held on City Campus.



Innovation Campus



East Campus

East Campus, accessible by bus route, houses some classes and departments, especially Agriculture, & Elementary Education majors. Dining hall and residence halls also located here.

City Campus

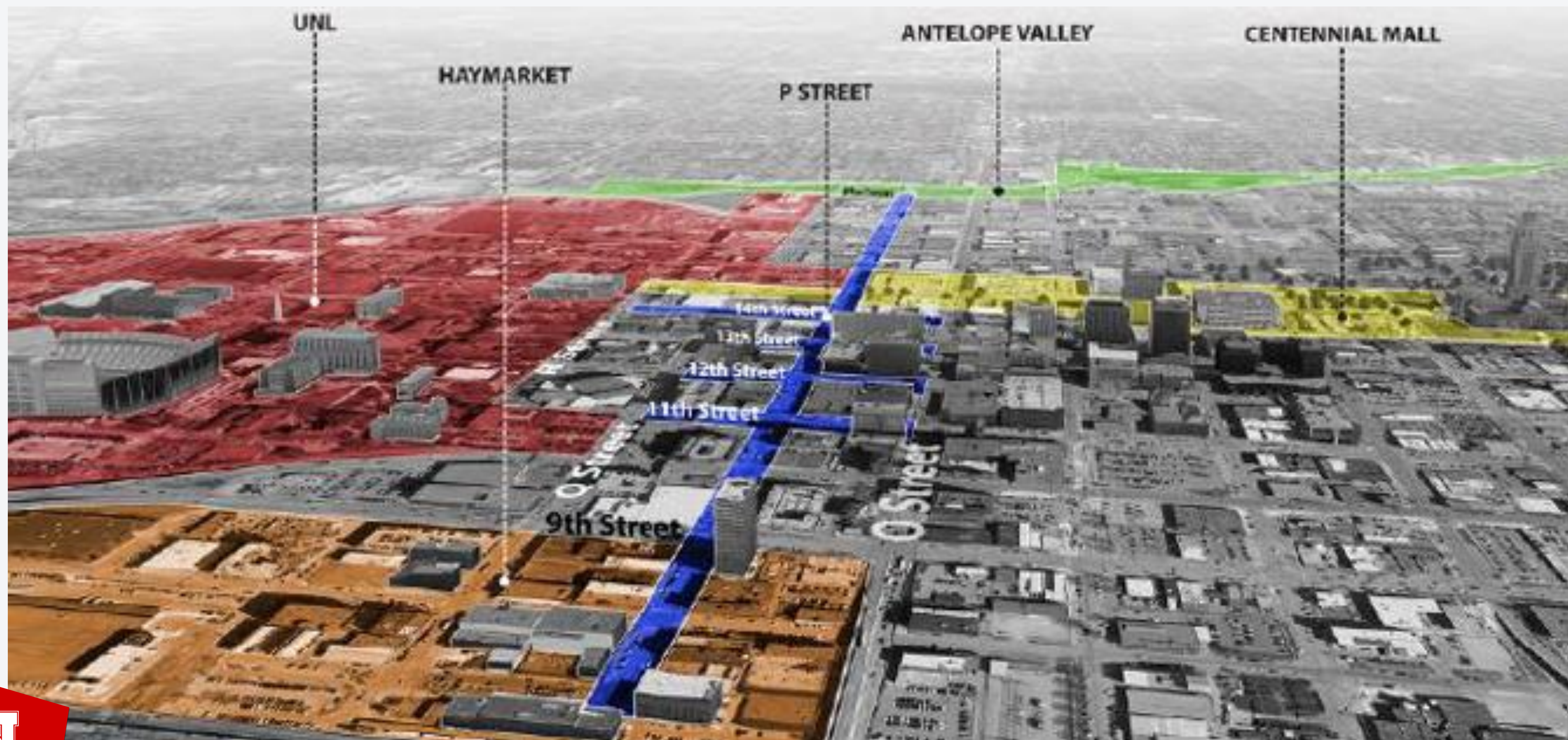




On-campus events



Our downtown location



#3. What is there to do in Lincoln?

Historic Haymarket District

Within walking distance of City Campus!



Restaurants, Shopping, Arts & Entertainment, Farmer's Market, Events

Art & Entertainment

- **Pinnacle Bank Arena** – Hosts top-selling performers (Katy Perry, Bruno Mars, Miley Cyrus)
- **Hixson-Lied Performing Art Center** – Musicals, ballets, symphony orchestras, comedians, & other performers
- **First Friday Art Walk** – Downtown & Haymarket District
- **Movie theaters** on & near campus – offer student discount nights
- **Museums** (about 10 on/near campus)



- Local and ethnic food
- Dietary restrictions (vegetarian, vegan, halal, kosher) and allergy options available



Shopping

Grocery stores, retail, electronics, & more

- Many stores within walking distance from campus (downtown area)
- Southpointe & Gateway Malls (bus or driving distance from campus)
- Nebraska Crossing Outlet Malls
Gretna, NE (30 minute drive from Lincoln)

Numerous grocery stores available within the city, including various international/ethnic grocery stores within a short distance of campus.



City Parks & Bike Trails



Over 25 km² of city parks, over 200 km of bike/running trails

Pioneers Park



Sunken Gardens



Antelope Valley Bike Trail



**#4. What is the
transportation system like?**

Transportation

- **Lincoln StarTran Bus System routes**

Routes between campuses (Monday-Saturday) and around Lincoln (Monday-Saturday) * Routes on website.

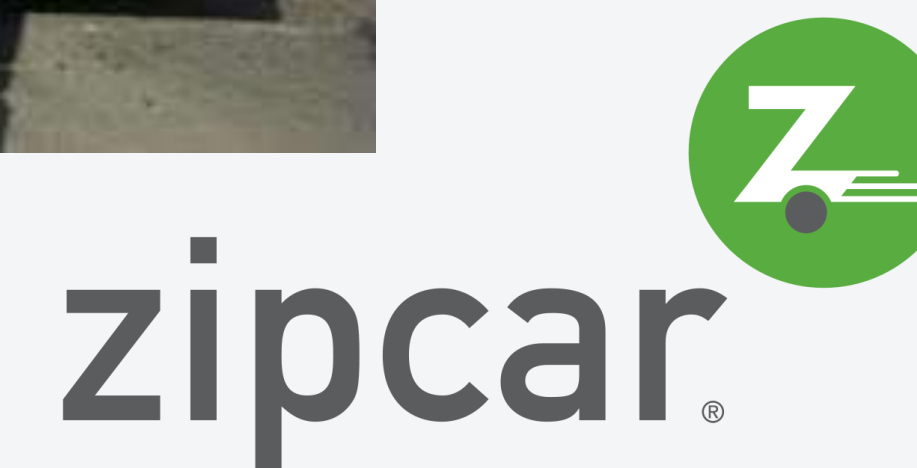
Bus pass included for all UNL students at no additional cost.

- **Ride-sharing apps such as Uber & Lyft**

- **Taxis**

- **Zipcar Car Sharing system**

- **Bike Trails**



#5. How safe is Lincoln, NE?

Safety in Lincoln

- **Campus is very safe**, remains well-lit at night and has a clear boundary from the downtown area.
- **All residence halls require ID card (N-Card) access** from their residents 24/7 and front-desk check-in past midnight (24:00).
- **Academic buildings require N-Card access at nighttime**, only available to students in that department.
- **Husker Safe Walk** – Emergency escorts provided by calling a 24/7 phone number
- **Alcohol, illegal drugs, and weapons (including guns) are prohibited** on campus
- **UNL Police Department** on campus to protect students and ensure safety.



#6. What kind of cultural norms can I expect?

Cultural Norms

Strangers typically introduce themselves with handshakes, both between members of the same sex and members of different sexes.

Waving and smiling at others is very common, even among strangers.

“Midwestern nice”: Americans in this region tend to value friendliness, politeness, and customer service highly.

First names typically used between peers; individuals with authority, such as professors, may go by Mr./Ms./Miss/Mrs. [Last Name], or may ask students to call them by their first name.

Community members are often feel very connected to the university. You will see a lot of people wearing red Nebraska shirts, as well as attending and discussing university sporting events.

Friendly climate towards international students on campus and in Lincoln



Life in Lincoln

A New Student Enrollment Weekly Program

- A great way to get off campus and keep experiencing the Lincoln community and culture!
- Meets every Friday at 6:30 p.m. at Selleck
- Hosted by current students
- Variety of activities (bowling, pottery painting, sporting events, & more!)
- Open to all UNL students
- No additional cost



WHAT OTHER QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?

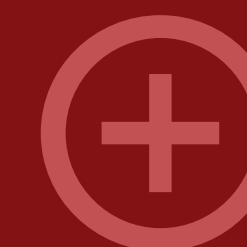




NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT

We are excited to welcome you to Lincoln!

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have more questions:



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