

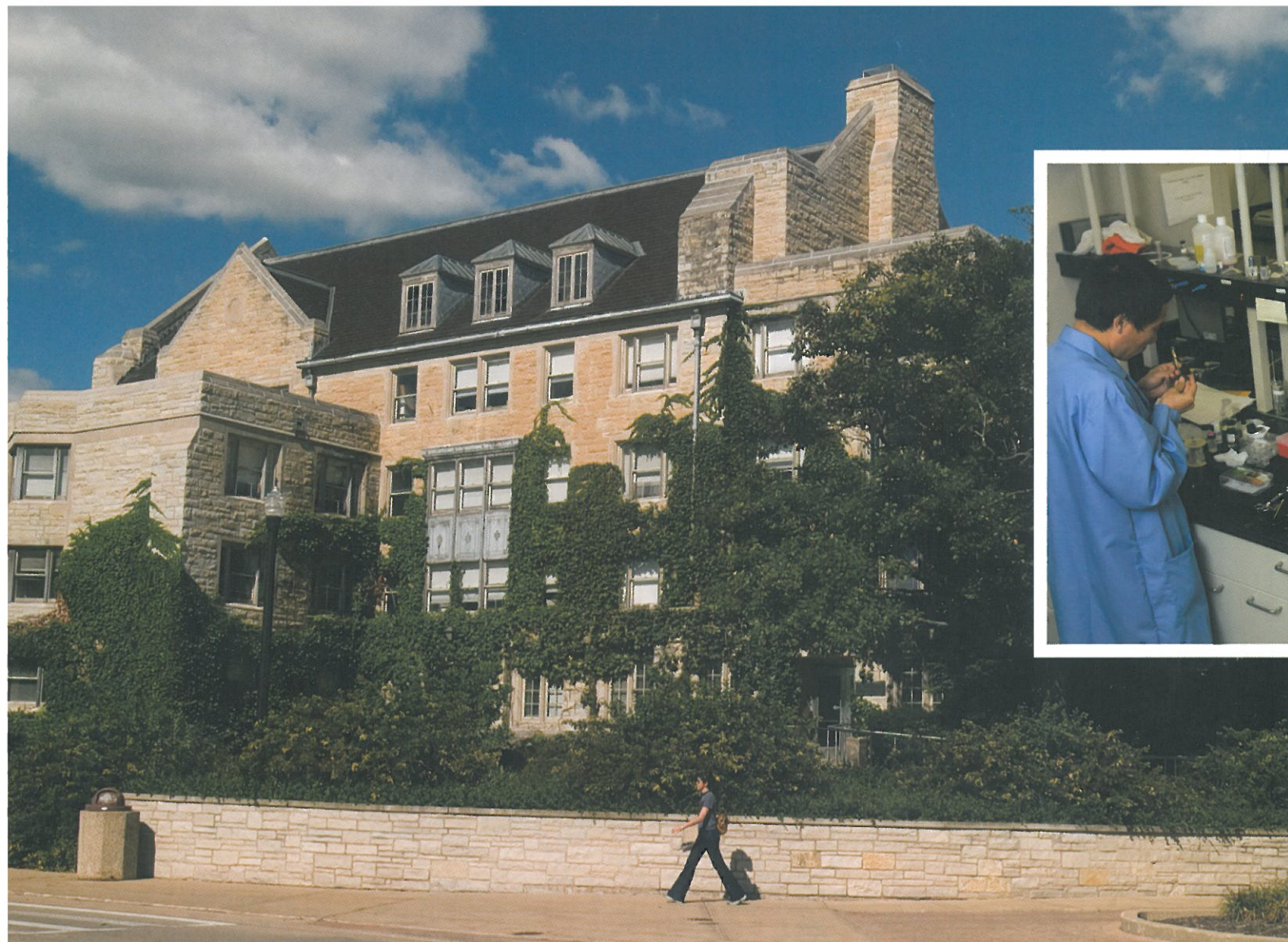


Northern Illinois University

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow



Graduate Studies



About NIU

Located in the vibrant research and development laboratory of Chicagoland, Northern Illinois University is a place where thousands of graduate students come to advance.

Their careers. Their understanding. The education of others. Knowledge itself.

Home to seven colleges and 6,000 graduate students in 79 graduate-level degree programs and more than 20 areas of study leading to doctoral degrees, including law, NIU has offered advanced degrees since 1951.

Our alumni are found in all walks of life around the world, making global and local impacts as university presidents, professors, CEOs of multinational corporations, judges, school superintendents and more.

Diversity is also an NIU hallmark. We are consistently ranked among the top 100 producers of doctoral and master's degree graduates from underrepresented groups.

NIU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, is included in high research activity category of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and is a member of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities.

The university collaborates with Argonne National Laboratory and Fermi National Laboratory and enjoys research sponsorship from dozens of federal agencies, national institutes, state departments, private-sector corporations and prominent foundations.



Research and Artistry Opportunities

NIU graduate students and faculty collaborate with scholars across campus and the world to further and create new knowledge through dynamic, interdisciplinary research.

Our location provides access to the fertile research opportunities in Chicago, its suburbs and Rockford, where strong partnerships open doors for graduate students in search of places to conduct their scholarship.

Our commitment to engagement creates:

- a mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources
- enriched scholarship
- continuous, region-wide access to research, artistry and scholarship
- a deeper civic and academic learning for both partners

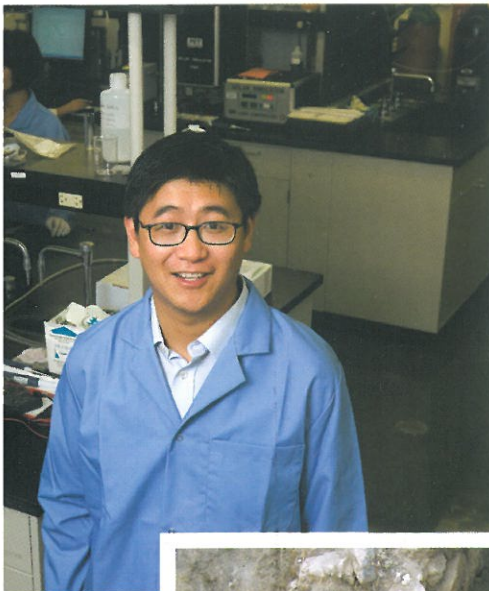
Meanwhile, the Graduate Student Grant and Fellowship Office gathers and disseminates

information on grant and fellowship opportunities from sources outside the university for NIU graduate students.

Students work side-by-side with their professors to explore nanoscience, particle physics, health care, green technologies, the environment, paleontology, archeology, energy, fiber-optic communication and more.



Those involved in the arts enjoy numerous opportunities to perform music and in theater productions. Some travel the world to learn the craft on professional jobs or even in the places where their craft was created.



Location

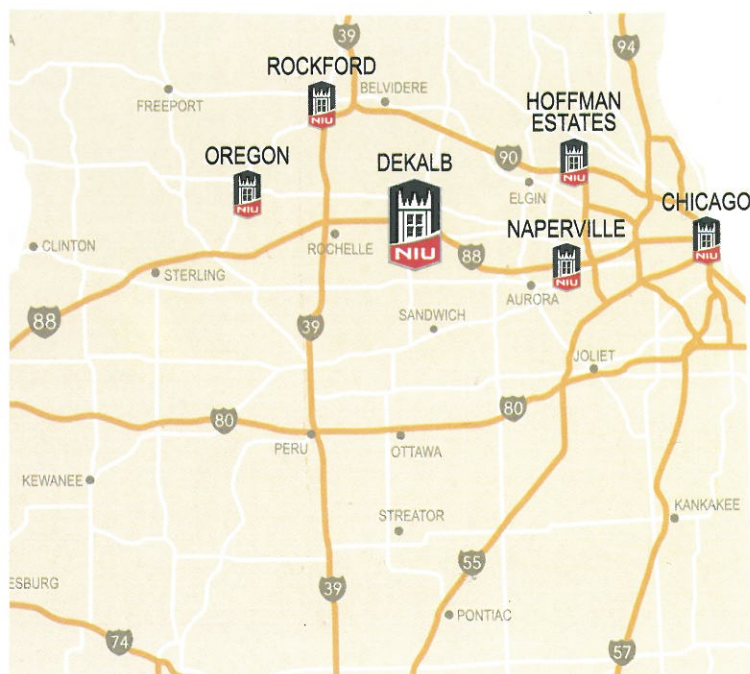
Located 65 miles west of downtown Chicago, 62 miles west of O'Hare International Airport and 45 miles southeast of Rockford, DeKalb and its surrounding DeKalb County communities provide a familiar place to live and study for most NIU students.

Much of DeKalb County remains rural, still home to miles of cornfields along two-lane roads with occasional stop signs.

Yet DeKalb, Sycamore and the bustling highway that connects them (Route 23) are the sites of exciting commercial and residential growth reminiscent of the suburbs: The boom of new retailers and restaurants offers shopping and dining for almost any taste, and the heart of Route 23 is home to the county's health care corridor.

Meanwhile, the downtown areas of DeKalb and Sycamore offer homegrown shops and eateries that cater to a more eclectic crowd.

NIU also has regional outreach centers in Hoffman Estates, Naperville and Rockford, an office in Chicago, and operates an outdoor education center at the Lorado Taft Field Campus in Oregon, Illinois.



Graduate Degree Programs

Business

Accounting Science
Business Administration
Management Information Systems
Taxation

Education

Adult and Higher Education
Counseling
Curriculum and Instruction
Early Childhood Education
Educational Administration
Educational Psychology
Educational Research and Evaluation
Elementary Education
Foundations of Education
Instructional Technology
Kinesiology and Physical Education
Literacy Education
School Business Management
Special Education
Sport Management
Teaching

Engineering and Engineering Technology

Electrical Engineering
Engineering Education
Industrial and Systems Engineering
Industrial Management
Mechanical Engineering

Health and Human Sciences

Applied Family and Child Studies
Audiology
Communicative Disorder
Family and Consumer Sciences
Health Education
Nursing
Nutrition and Dietetics
Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)
Public Health (M.P.H.)
Simultaneous Enrollment in M.P.H. and M.S. in Nursing Degree Programs

Liberal Arts and Sciences

Anthropology
Applied Probability and Statistics
Biological Sciences
Chemistry
Communication Studies
Computer Science
Economics
English
Foreign Languages
Geography
Geology
Geoscience Education
History
Mathematical Sciences
Mathematics
Mathematics Education
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Public Administration

Public Administration -
Simultaneous Enrollment
in M.P.A. and J.D.
Degree Programs
Sociology

Visual and Performing Arts

Art
Art Education
Music
Theatre Arts



Certificates of Graduate Study

Adapted Physical Education
Adult Continuing Education
Advanced Qualitative Methodology in Education
Advanced Quantitative Methodology in Education
Advanced Teaching Practices
Applied Mechanics
Applied Statistics
Assistive Technology Specialist
Behavior Specialist
Bioinformatics
Career Development
Children's and Young Adult
Literature/Media
College Teaching
Computer-Aided Design and
Computer-Aided Manufacturing
Curriculum Adaptations Specialist
Deaf-Blind Rehabilitation Services
Design of Thermal Systems
Digital Image Processing
Digital Signal Processing
Digital Systems
Director of Special Education
Earth Science Education
Eating Disorders and Obesity
Educational Specialist in Educational
Administration
Elementary Mathematics Teaching
English Education
Environmental Education
Environmental Health and Safety
Family Nurse Practitioner
Foreign Language Instructional Technology
Foundations of Education
Geographic Information Analysis
German Language, Literature, and Culture

Gerontology
Health Education
Healthcare Policy and Management
Higher Education
Homeland Security
Industrial Control
Industrial Project Management
Industrial Workplace Design Systems
Integrated Manufacturing Systems
Lean Six Sigma
Library Information Specialist
Teaching Certification
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and
Transgender Studies
Management Information Systems
Managerial Leadership
Medical Family Therapy and Counseling
Multiple Disabilities Specialist
Museum Studies
Nursing Education
Outdoor Education
Problem-Based Learning in Educational
Psychology
Public Health
Public Management
Quality Control of Manufacturing Processes
Response to Intervention
School Counseling
Semiconductor Devices
Semiconductor Fabrication
Spanish Language, Literature, and Culture
Systems Management
Teacher Certification in English
Teacher Certification in Family and
Consumer Sciences
Teacher Certification in Geology and
Environmental Geosciences

Teacher Certification in Music
Teaching English as a Second Language
and Bilingual Education
Technical Logistics
Technical Writing
Technology Specialist Teaching Certification
Traffic Safety Education
Vibration and Control System Design
VLSI Design
Women's Studies
Workplace Learning and Performance

NIU Teacher Certification Programs:

These programs are described according to the type of certificate.

- Early Childhood Education Certificate (Type 04)
- Elementary Education Certificate (Type 03)
- Secondary Education Certificate (Type 09)
- Special (K-12) Certificate (Type 10)
- Special (P-21) Certificate (Type 10)

Advanced Certificate Programs:

School Services Personnel

School Counselor
School Psychologist
Speech-Language Pathologist

Administrative

Director of Special Education
Principal/General Administration
Superintendent
Chief School Business Official

Special K-12 Certification

Library Information Specialist
Reading Specialist
Learning Behavior Specialist II

Funding Opportunities

As a publicly supported institution, NIU is strongly committed to providing an excellent education at an affordable price. In-state tuition for the 2011-2012 academic year is \$320 per credit hour.

Meanwhile, NIU invests in its graduate students.

Most full-time graduate students receive assistantships, which include stipends and tuition waiver scholarships. Academic departments and support service units award assistantships competitively. The Human Resource Services website lists the assistantships available.

The Graduate School also offers assistantships and fellowships for which departments nominate applicants:

- **Rhoten A. Smith Assistantship**
(Stipend and full tuition waiver.)
- **Jeffrey Lunsford Fellowship**
(\$6,000 stipend for one year; full tuition waiver for fellowship period.)
- **Dissertation Completion Fellowship**
(\$14,00 stipend for one year; full tuition waiver.)
- **University Fellowship**
(\$9,000 stipend; full tuition waiver.)
- **Carter G. Woodson Fellowship**
(\$15,300 stipend, renewable for a second year with department nomination. Full tuition waiver for fellowship period.)



Paying for graduate school also involves housing, of course. NIU graduate students rave about the great variety of good and affordable housing options on or conveniently close to our 756-acre campus in DeKalb (population 45,750).



Getting Started

1. Explore the NIU website – www.grad.niu.edu – to learn more about our nationally ranked and recognized programs, our award-winning faculty and our successful alumni.
2. Apply for admission well before the application deadline.
3. Arrange to have your official test scores (GRE, GMAT, or MAT), transcripts, and letters of recommendation forwarded.
4. Write and submit a statement of purpose.
5. Talk to your academic departments about available assistantships, fellowships and scholarships.
6. File the free application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) if you are interested in receiving state and federal assistance.
7. Research scholarships and fellowships available through external agencies.

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Faculty

NIU professors are hands-on teachers who also surf the leading edge of research.

You'll find their names published as authors in the top academic journals. You'll find their voices in major media outlets, shedding expert light to put the news of the day into greater context.

Most importantly, you'll find them in the field – and in front of the classroom.

To wit, among the rites of spring at NIU is the naming of a new class of Presidential Research Professors and Presidential Teaching Professors. Each group typically numbers only three, and it's not uncommon to discover a winner of one of the honors previously won the other.

NIU also empowers professors through the Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center, which supports faculty, academic supportive professional staff and graduate teaching assistants through a variety of programs, resources and services.



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Quick Facts

- NIU was founded in 1895.
- The main campus spans 756 acres and houses more than 60 major buildings.
- NIU's enrollment tops 24,000, including 5,800 graduate students. The more than 600 international graduate students come from nearly 75 countries.
- Founders Memorial Library and its seven branch libraries contain more than 2 million books and 6,000 electronic journals.
- The NIU Campus Child Care Center offers quality care to children ages 2 months to 5 years (along with a summertime school-age program for children ages 6 to 8). The program is licensed through the State of Illinois, and housed in a facility designed specifically for young children.

Degree and Certificate Programs

- 88 master's degrees and specializations
- 22 doctoral degrees and specializations
- 60 certificates of graduate study

Degrees awarded (academic year 2010)

- Master's: 1,550
- Doctoral: 120

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