



NEBRASKA COLLEGE OF TECHNICAL AGRICULTURE

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NCTA application fee waived starting Sept. 20

CURTIS, Neb. – Nebraska students who apply in the next two weeks for admission to University of Nebraska campuses including NCTA at Curtis can have their application fee waived.

The \$45 fee will be waived for any resident students completing the online, shared application to be an undergraduate next fall at one of four colleges in the NU system.

Those campuses are the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture at Curtis, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Nebraska at Kearney, or University of Nebraska at Omaha.

First-time freshmen and transfer students from Nebraska who are applying for admission for fall 2022 are eligible for the waiver between Sept. 20 and Oct. 3, said NU System President Ted Carter.

“Affordable access is the highest priority of the University of Nebraska,” said Carter. “Especially during this challenging time, we’re doing everything we can to reduce potential barriers to education for students and families.”

In recent years, the University system has implemented a common application, online, which allows prospective students to apply to any or several of the NU campuses at once. They can list preferences for types of academic programs and campuses.

“The fee waiver was offered by President Carter a year ago, too, and we found that our new NCTA students who came to campus this fall appreciated the savings,” said NCTA Dean Larry Gossen.

When applying to NCTA, students can use the link at <https://ncta.unl.edu/future-students>. Select Nebraska resident among the menu choices on the right-hand side. From there, click on whether you are a freshman or transfer student. At the common application, select “fee waiver” to enter the code “NUforNE” and the \$45 waiver.

The waiver initiative comes as students and their families begin college entrance preparations, including the EducationQuest Foundation’s [Apply2College](#) activities, which promote college selection and application across the state.

College enrollment nationally centers around the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA window for 2022-23 opens Oct.1. Nebraska students must complete the FAFSA to be eligible for the [Nebraska Promise](#), an NU financial aid program that provides full tuition coverage for in-state students with family incomes of \$60,000 or less.

“The timing is ideal for the fee waiver campaign since high school students are currently attending college fairs throughout Nebraska and are able to combine that savings with scholarships and other

financial aid at NCTA,” Dean Gossen said.

In addition to 33 college fairs occurring in September and October, NCTA hosts two popular Discovery Day events for campus tours and interactive sessions in the classrooms and labs on Oct. 5 and Nov. 15. See details at <https://ncta.unl.edu/discovery-days>.

Part of the University of Nebraska system, the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture is a two-year institution with a statewide mission of preparing students for successful careers in agriculture, veterinary technology and related industries. NCTA is known for its affordable tuition, high job-placement rate for its graduates, and for the success of student teams in competitive activities including crops judging, ranch horse events, livestock judging, shotgun sports, stock dog trials, and intercollegiate rodeo. The college is consistently ranked as one of the best two-year schools in the nation.

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Academic majors can lead to competition teams for NCTA Aggies. Friends Addison Villwok and Annie Bassett competed on the Ranch Horse Team last year. Their college careers started with application made to NCTA when they were high school seniors at Randolph and Gothenburg, respectively. (Crawford / NCTA News photo)