

UNIVERSITY of NEBRASKA-LINCOLN



UNL ALL-STAFF CONFERENCE



EMPOWERMENT

The UNL All-Staff Conference is back with a new 2021 schedule and a virtual format!

May 12 - Afternoon pre-sessions

May 13 - Morning keynote, panel discussion with networking & reflection, afternoon breakout sessions

May 14 - Full day of breakout sessions

The multi-day event will feature pre-sessions, a keynote address, a panel discussion considering the idea of a university staff council, facilitated networking and reflection, and a wide variety of breakout sessions around the theme of ***Empowerment: Learning and Networking at Nebraska.***

This unique opportunity allows staff to come together in a single day to learn, share knowledge, network, and celebrate success. Breakout sessions will feature staff presentations in a variety of formats around Purpose, Ownership, Well-Being, Engagement, and Relationships.

- **Purpose** – Discover your individual sense of meaning and how to realize it in support of the University's mission.
- **Ownership** – Assert the value and quality of your work and share best practices, technologies, and new approaches.
- **Well-being** – Bring your best intellectual, physical, financial, emotional, social, and spiritual self to work.
- **Engagement** – Commit to developing new skills and connections that enhance your personal growth.
- **Relationships** – Step outside your usual circles to understand different perspectives and forge new connections.

[See the Conference Overview \(conference-overview\)](#)

May 13 Highlights

The Power of a Positive Attitude - Aaron Davis, Keynote Speaker



[\[http://aarondavis.co\]](http://aarondavis.co)

Speaker/Author & Attitude Expert Aaron Davis was a member of the 1994 National Championship Nebraska Football team & has worked with numerous corporations & organizations in their quest to improve performance by improving attitudes!

Aaron is not just a speaker "telling" other companies and individuals how to succeed. He's an entrepreneur; Consultant, and Peak Performance Coach & had roles in start-ups and stints in corporate America.

He's received numerous awards and accolades, and he's a proud University of Nebraska alumnus earning his degree in Psychology.

He's shared the stage with some of today's top luminaries in various fields. He has spoken for some of the top companies & universities and numerous associations, including, State Farm, Union Pacific, Farm Bureau, Walmart, ConAgra, University of Nebraska, USC, Penn State, Texas A&M, and many more.

Aaron and his wife reside in Nebraska, and they have two sons and a daughter!

Uplifting Staff Voices through Shared Governance: Panel and Discussion

This panel discussion will provide an opportunity to consider and shape a university-sponsored Staff Council for staff to provide input on relevant issues to university leadership. Facilitated by Michael Zeleny, Chief of Staff and Associate to the Chancellor.

Call for Volunteers

Would you like to see more staff recognition and staff development opportunities at the university? Help us lead the way and provide a quality conference experience by donating your time as a volunteer. Serving a short shift as a moderator, facilitator or note-taker will give you the opportunity to enhance your conference experience by working closely with others who share your belief in the vital role that staff play at the University of Nebraska.

Indicate your interest when you register, and we will contact you with options.

Support Your Staff's Attendance

By enabling and supporting attendance at the All-Staff Conference, you allow your staff to benefit from a diverse range of professional development activities and the value doesn't stop at the end of the event. There's an incredible amount of sharing, learning, and leveraging that can happen long after the conference is over as they bring back knowledge and share it with you and with each other.

N2025 Strategic Plan

"Where every person and every interaction matters"

The All-Staff Conference aligns with the aim: "Prioritize participation and professional development for all Nebraska students, staff, and faculty."

We believe in the power of every person. The most important asset at the University of Nebraska is its people — students, staff, post-doctoral fellows, and faculty. It is critical to **provide access** to individualized professional development and effective mentorship **for all members of the university community**.

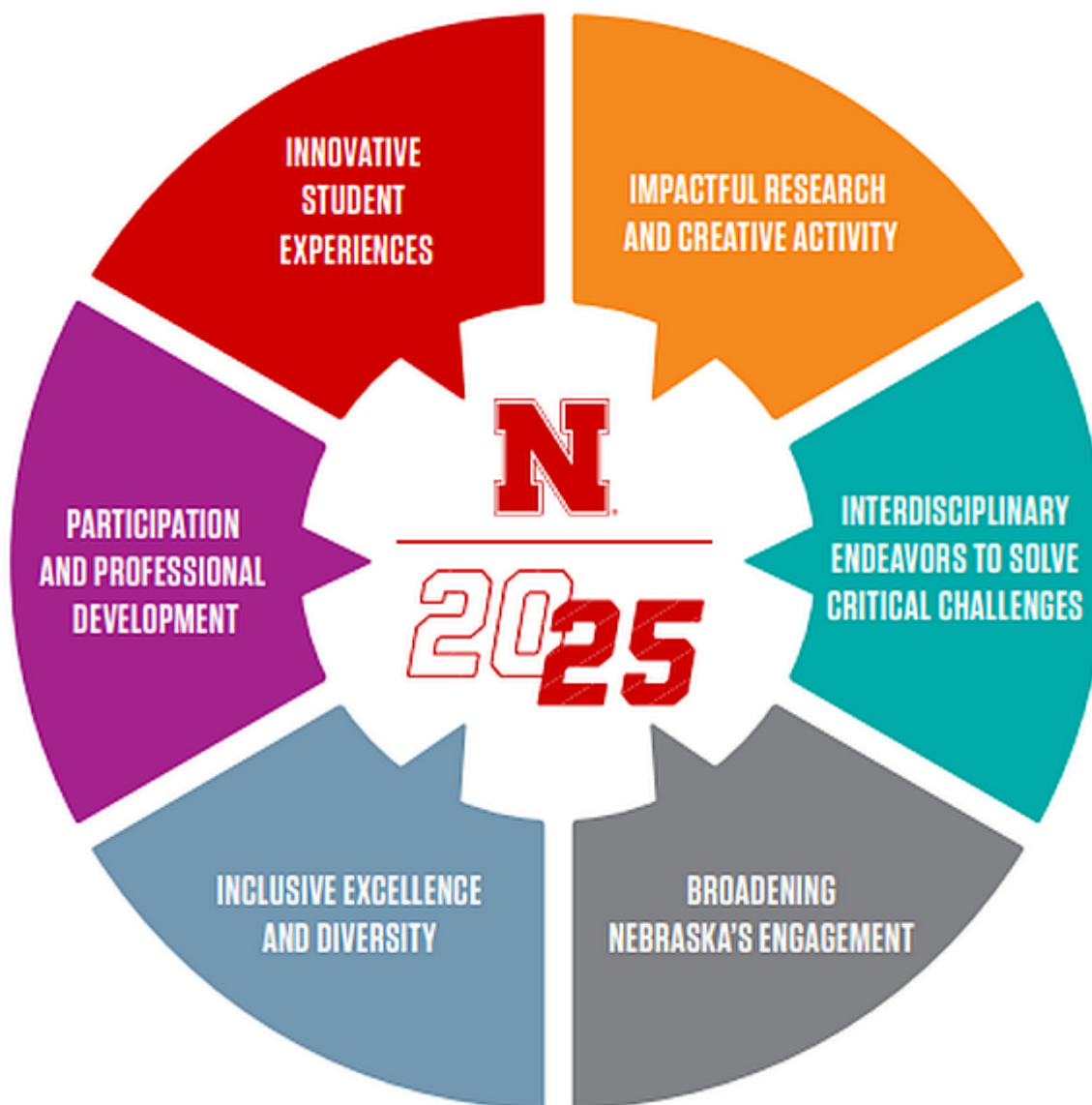
Professional development opportunities integrating inclusive excellence and fostering a culture of participative decision-making enhances the richness of the university experience. A **comprehensive approach** to professional development will result in a vibrant and supportive climate characterized by excellence in all mission areas of our institution.

Meaningful and impactful professional development for all reinforces that **every person and every interaction matters**.

Organizers

This conference is the first-ever collaboration by staff associations across campus including:

- [Academic Advising Association \(AAA\)](http://aaa.unl.edu) [http://aaa.unl.edu]
- [Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Gender and Sexual Identity](https://ccsgsi.unl.edu/welcome) [https://ccsgsi.unl.edu/welcome]
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- [Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women](https://www.unl.edu/ccsw/welcome) [https://www.unl.edu/ccsw/welcome]
- [Multicultural Professionals Network \(MPN\)](https://diversity.unl.edu/multicultural-professionals-network-mpn) [https://diversity.unl.edu/multicultural-professionals-network-mpn]
- [University Association for Administrative Development \(UAAD\)](http://uaad.unl.edu) [http://uaad.unl.edu]
- [University of Nebraska Office Professionals Association \(UNOPA\)](http://unopa.unl.edu) [http://unopa.unl.edu]



- [Young Professionals Network \(YPN\)](http://www.unl.edu/ypn) [<http://www.unl.edu/ypn>]

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Conference Overview

The UNL All-Staff Conference will be available via Zoom and is free of charge. [Registration \(/conference-registration\)](/conference-registration) opens on March 16, 2021.

There is no charge to attend the conference; however, you must register in order to receive links to the sessions.

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 - [Pre-Session \(may-12-pre-session-choices\)](/may-12-pre-session-choices) 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm

- "Building Community Through Positive Post" - Lori Sorto and Dayna Larreau
- "Employee Assistance Program" - Valerie Williams
- "Dare to Care: A Story Unfinished" - Kaitlin Ferris and Morgan Green

Thursday, May 13, 2021 - 8:15 am to 1:45 pm

- Welcome: Chancellor Ronnie Green
- Keynote Speaker: Aaron Davis, *The Power of a Positive Attitude*
- Uplifting Staff Voices through Shared Governance: Panel and Discussion: Mike Zeleny, Chief of Staff and Associate to the Chancellor
- [Afternoon Breakout Sessions \(may-13-breakout-session-choices\)](/may-13-breakout-session-choices)

Friday, May 14, 2021 - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

- [Over 15 Breakout Sessions to choose from \(may-14-breakout-session-choices\)](/may-14-breakout-session-choices)
- [Solutions Showcase \(/may-13-solutions-showcase\)](/may-13-solutions-showcase)

- Wrap up the day with Happy Hour & Networking during the Solutions Showcase




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