Rankings and Honors

• 2nd among Midwest Best-Regional Publics in U.S. News & World Report
• “100 Best Values in Public Colleges” by Kiplinger’s, Educate to Career, and Washington Monthly
Goal 1: Be a leading undergraduate public university that provides a strong liberal arts foundation

Lisa Jepsen – winner of the 2014 National Academic Advising Association Outstanding Faculty Academic Advising Award

Francesca Soans received the 2014 Loren Horton Community History Award

Mark Grey and Michele Devlin won the 2013 Immigrant Champion Award
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Samantha Swanson formed Sparkles, an inclusive cheerleading squad for children aged 5 to 17 with disabilities ranging from Down syndrome to autism.

Mark Wieneke received the Iowa Governor’s Cup Outstanding ROTC Award.
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1st Year Retention Rate

Retention Council formed in 2010
First-year Experience courses
Co-curricular initiatives
Targeted programs
Goal 4: Create and Maintain an Inclusive Educational Environment That Prepares Students to Thrive in a Diverse Global Environment

- Diversity Matters awards
- Diversity Council and Advisory Committee
- Town Halls
- Recruiting diverse students
- NCBI and campus climate
Goal 5: Enhance the Economic, Social, Cultural, and Sustainable Development of the State

The Richard O. Jacobson Center for Comprehensive Literacy received the 2014 Richard O. Jacobson Philanthropy Award

Angela Burda and Stephen Hughes Name That!, a smartphone and tablet app that helps stroke victims recover their speech.
Goal 6: Ensure Accountability, Affordability, and Access

Continuing & Distance Education Enrollments

- New online programs
- Converting existing programs to line format
- Additional cohorts
- Serving working professionals
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Average Undergraduate Student Debt Upon Graduation
Goal 6: Ensure Accountability, Affordability, and Access

- 90% of all graduates are employed or in graduate school within six months.
- 81% of all graduates take their first job or attend graduate school in Iowa.
- Many programs have a 100% placement rate.
Leadership and Innovation for the Future: Transforming Opportunities Into Reality

UNI provides transformative learning experiences that inspire students.