

Introducing the University of Minnesota Duluth

The University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD) is happy to partner with North Cedar Academy as one of its University Pathways program destinations.

UMD is the medium size campus of the University of Minnesota and was ranked #6 in the most recent survey of similar schools. With about 9000 undergraduates on campus, it is big enough for a wide range of opportunities and top-notch academics, but still small enough to build close community relationships.

Our university is divided into four colleges:

- *the Swenson College of Science & Engineering;
- *the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences;
- *the Labovitz School of Business & Economics;
- *the College of Education & Human Service Professions



Academics & Majors

Within our four colleges, we offer over 150 different majors! Here is a list of the top 30 majors:

Biology	Biochemistry	Graphic Design	Mathematics
Psychology	Civil Engineering	Electrical Engineering	English
Marketing	Business Administration	Chemistry	Spanish
Mechanical Engineering	Exercise & Rehab. Sci.	Political Science	Health Care Admin.
Finance	Chemical Engineering	History	Financial planning
Communication	Accounting	Statistics	Economics
Computer Science	Criminology	Communication Disorders	
Education	Social Work	Environmental Studies	

Check out the full list of all majors at <https://academics.d.umn.edu/majors-and-minors>
With such a wide variety of potential fields, there's something for everyone!

In addition to the undergraduate programs, UMD is also home to about 1000 graduate students; studying in STEM, business and the social sciences. It is also home to the nation's #3 Pharmacy School and Minnesota's only medical school.



UMD's International Student population comes from 45 different countries.

Location

UMD is located in the city of Duluth, about 2 hours north of North Cedar Academy, on the shores of Lake Superior – the world’s largest freshwater lake.

Duluth is the center of a metropolitan area of about 150,000

people and the city atmosphere provides students with a wide range of urban experiences. In addition, the region’s many parks and natural spaces provide students with ample chances to get outside in the natural environment, for research, work, or play.



In addition, UMD’s unique “Interconnected Campus” allows students to navigate through a series of skyways and halls without every going outside – very convenient for those who don’t like cold winters.



Housing

University of Minnesota Duluth students have a great choice of options for where to live. The university offers residence halls and on-campus apartments for students. A great number of students choose to live off campus as well, in a nearby apartment or house.



Safety & Wellbeing

- *UMD was named the safest campus in Minnesota in 2021.
- *UMD is one of only two campuses in Minnesota with its own Campus Police Department.
- *UMD's campus features a comprehensive Health & Wellness Facility designed to meet the health care needs of all students.
- *Our Disability Resources Office helps with academic accommodations between students and their instructors.
- *Tutoring – Our Math Lab, Writing Center & Individual Tutoring are available for all students free of charge.



Student Life

Non-academic life at UMD centers on the Kirby Student Center, home to more than 250 student organizations. There are Academic Clubs, Sports Clubs, Hobby Clubs, Religious/Volunteering Clubs and many others.



Students use these organizations to meet people and make friends. In addition to being great fun, they also are great outlets for career-based networking and developing leadership skills.

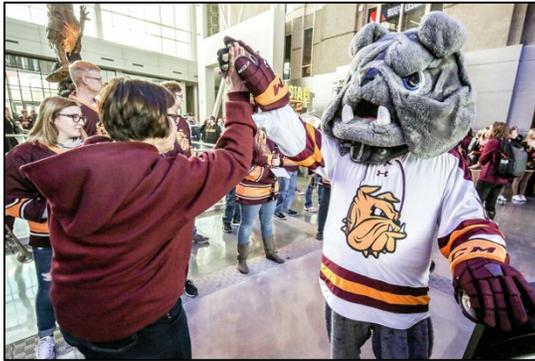


In particular, UMD's Recreational Sports & Outdoor Programs are particularly popular among students.



UMD Athletics

UMD has great athletics, and all students enjoy supporting our UMD Bulldogs. We have 16 NCAA sports teams, with ice hockey (men's & women's) competing in Division I and other sports competing in Division II.



Some recent highlights:

2001 – 2010

Women's Ice Hockey, 5X National Champions

2008 & 2010

Men's Football, National Champions

2018 & 2019

Men's Ice Hockey, National Champions

2023

Women's Basketball, National Championship game appearance

2023

Men's Basketball, National Elite Eight appearance



North Cedar Academy → UMD

Application & Admission

Thanks to an agreement between North Cedar Academy & UMD, graduates of NCA receive guaranteed admission to UMD through the Pathway Program. To qualify for the Pathway Program, applicants must:

- Submit a complete application by the annual **December 1st deadline**
 - [Online application form](#)
 - \$50 application fee
 - Official transcripts from all high schools (international & domestic, with projected date of graduation)
 - Official transcripts from all attempted/completed university level coursework
 - Official results of acceptable English language proficiency exam
- Possess a US high school diploma (or show evidence that one will be granted upon graduation)
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0+ (4 point scale) in coursework at North Cedar Academy
 - Students who have participated in the UW Barron Co. program must also have a UW GPA of 2.0+
- Have an acceptable English score (80+ on TOEFL, 6.5+ on IELTS, 105+ on Duolingo)
 - Waiver available for students who have earned 30+ credits in the UWBC program or have studied at NCA for 2+ years.



*Because certain majors have higher criteria, admission to the University does not guarantee admission to all programs.

*After admission, applicants will be asked to document financial capacity through UMD's Financial Certification Statement.

Tuition

The NCA/UMD Pathway agreement also allows for select NCA graduates to qualify for a special tuition rate. Students who have earned 30+ credits through the UW Barron Co. partnership will pay 105% of Minnesota resident tuition. Others will pay International Student tuition rates. Rates for 2023-24 are below.

	MN Resident	MN+5%	Int'l Student
Tuition & Fees	\$14,318	\$15,034	\$20,662
Food & Lodging	\$10,206	\$10,206	\$10,206
Health Insurance	\$3,590	\$3,590	\$3,590
Direct Costs	\$28,114	\$28,830	\$34,458
Other Expenses	\$3,352	\$3,352	\$3,352
Total Costs	\$31,466	\$32,182	\$37,810



Questions

General information about UMD (but not necessarily the NCA/UMD Pathway Program) is available at <https://admissions.d.umn.edu/>.

Interested students (& parents) are welcome to ask more specific questions to the University of Minnesota Duluth Admissions office at 218-726-7171 or umdadmis@d.umn.edu.

