



UNIVERSITY OF
**CENTRAL
ARKANSAS™**



**GRADUATE
2022-2023**

CENTER FOR GLOBAL LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT

TOP GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Business Administration (MBA)
Computer Science
Music
Film
Physical Therapy
Data Analytics
College Student Personnel Administration

Exercise Science
Accounting
Psychology
Occupational Therapy
Applied Data Analytics
Leadership for Inclusion and Equity

ABOUT CONWAY, ARKANSAS

Kiplinger recently named the Conway area as the 7th most affordable city in which to live or attend university in the United States. A thriving city of more than 62,000 people in central Arkansas, Conway is conveniently located 25 miles north of the state capital, Little Rock, near the Ozark Mountains and the Arkansas River. Arkansas is the birthplace of former U.S. President Bill Clinton and the headquarters of multinational corporations such as Walmart, Tyson and Acxiom. UCA students enjoy the small town feel of the city as well as the natural beauty of rivers, lakes and mountain trails. Conway is within convenient travel distance to several major U.S. cities: Memphis, Dallas, Kansas City, St. Louis, and New Orleans.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Out of State Tuition Scholarship: All international students who live in campus housing receive a scholarship equal to the out-of-state tuition charges (approximately \$2,531 for 8 credit hours). Graduate students who are members of the UCA Alumni Association can live off campus and still pay in-state tuition rates. For more information on how to join, visit uca.edu/alumni.

Global Citizen Scholarship: Current UCA undergraduate students can apply for the Global Citizen Scholarship during the spring semester of their final year at UCA. New graduate students who have completed 12 credit hours or more by the end of their second semester of graduate study may also apply. Students awarded this scholarship will receive an award equivalent to full tuition and fees, including out-of-state tuition charges for 9 graduate credit hours for one academic year (about \$3,386 for the fall and spring semesters only). These competitive scholarships are awarded based upon grade point average, application essay, leadership and/or service experience at UCA, and letters of recommendation.





ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE 2022-2023*

International Students Living on Campus

9 Credit Graduate Hours Per Term

Academic year 2022-2023

In-State Tuition and Fees	\$6,950
Out-of-State Tuition and Fees	\$5,220
International Administrative Fee	\$500.00
Health Insurance	\$1,430.00
Room and Meals (shared room)**	\$8,370.00
Books	\$1,200.00
Total	\$23,670
Out-of-State Tuition Scholarship	-\$5,220
Total Annual Cost	\$18,450

Estimated annual cost of attendance is \$18,450

* These figures are an estimate and are subject to change. Some programs charge additional fees. For example, the MBA program fee is \$24 per credit hour.

** Average cost of room and meals. Actual cost depends on availability and student's preference.

GRADUATE ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

- A **baccalaureate degree** from an accredited institution
- **Minimum cumulative undergraduate GPA of 2.70** on a scale of 4.00 OR at least a 3.00 in the last 60 hours of undergraduate study
- **Minimum 3.00 GPA on any graduate course** work taken at another accredited institution
- **Program specific admission requirements:** These vary by program and include items such as test scores, interviews, etc. IF the program requires scores for the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), the scores must be less than five years old. UCA's GRE institution code is 6012. See the UCA Graduate Bulletin for program specific admission requirements.
- **English Proficiency:** TOEFL iBT 79, IELTS 6.5
- **Financial support statement**
- \$50 non-refundable application fee

ADMISSION DEADLINES:

Fall (Aug. – Dec.): **July 10**

Spring (Jan. – May): **December 1**

Summer (June – August): **April 15**

WHY CHOOSE UCA?

Founded in 1907, the University of Central Arkansas has grown to become a highly respected comprehensive public university. The University of Central Arkansas ranks among the best Public Universities in the South according to U.S. News & World Report.

The University of Central Arkansas has more than 10,000 students, 385 of whom come from 79 different countries. With a faculty to student ratio of 16 to 1, students can choose from 162 different degree options, ranging from 90 undergraduate, 11 graduate certificates, 34 masters, 11 post-masters certificates, and 7 doctoral programs.

The Center for Global Learning and Engagement guides international students through all steps of the admission process, offers a thorough orientation program called “Global Welcome,” organizes cultural events, shopping shuttles, and provides ongoing support to ensure international students have the best possible learning and living experience.



CAMPUS RESOURCES

International Student Services provide assistance and support services to international students and scholars. Services include: orientation, information and assistance with immigration regulations, housing, social and educational activities.

UCA Housing offers 11 residence halls and many apartments on or near campus. Our five residential colleges offer co-educational living and learning communities that provide opportunities to connect to every aspect of student life. Residential college students live side-by-side with UCA faculty and older mentoring students.

UCA Student Health Center's head doctor and nurses provide excellent basic medical services to all students. Each semester the \$75 Student Health Fee students pay makes them eligible to use most services for FREE

The UCA Police Department has 24 full-time police officers and 9 support staff who provide 24 hour law enforcement and state-of-the-art safety services to the UCA campus.



GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

WHAT IS A GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP?

Graduate Assistants (GA) are graduate students who receive remuneration for services provided in support of university and department functions. Most GAs perform duties in teaching, research, or administration, and thereby develop career skills under the supervision of university faculty and staff as a means to help pay for their graduate training. Graduate programs generally select their GAs from their own student population. Additionally, there are a number of non-academic offices which support a limited number of graduate assistantships. A stipend is paid for services provided and in *some cases*, a tuition scholarship *may* also be awarded as part of the assistantship.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO APPLY FOR A GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP?

Each department/office manages the selection of their own graduate assistants and so the process may vary somewhat from department to department. We recommend you start the process as early as possible for the best chance at obtaining these highly sought-after opportunities.

- **Students are responsible for obtaining their own assistantship and should be proactive in seeking an appointment.** Make contact with any department or office in which you are interested and inform them that you are seeking a position as a GA.
- Wait to be contacted by departments interested in interviewing you.
- Additionally, the most up-to-date listing of GA job postings can be found on the hiring portal of the UCA website under the Adjunct/Part Time/Grad Asst category. To find the most updated information on current GA listings, visit jobs.uca.edu



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