UNMC participates in the nationwide AMCAS admission program (http://aamc.org/students/applying/amcas/) — through the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) (http://www.aamc.org/) — where students can submit online medical school applications. The program does not make admission decisions.

Selection is based on a total assessment of each candidate's motivation, interests, character, demonstrated intellectual ability, previous academic record and its trends, personal interview, scores on the MCAT, and general fitness and promise for a career in medicine.

Admission is based on individual qualifications without regard to age, sex, sexual orientation, race, national origin, handicap, or religious or political beliefs. Academic credentials are evaluated on the basis of course level and load, involvement in co-curricular activities or employment, and other influential factors. Cutoff levels for GPAs or for scores on the MCAT are not used; however, applicants are reminded of the competition for entrance and are advised to be realistic. Personal attributes are assessed through letters of reference and in the interview.

Strong preference is given to Nebraska residents, but a limited number of applicants from other states may be accepted.

UNMC encourages applicants from rural areas, small towns, disadvantaged backgrounds, and applicants who can sincerely demonstrate a strong desire to work in underserved communities and in improving health inequities to apply. The potential for service to underserved communities is taken into consideration during the preadmission evaluation.