

FERPA Release of Academic Information of Those Deceased

Privacy Concerns

Applies to: All deseased students

Policy section: None

Policy number: None

Policy owner: University Registrar

Contact: University Registrar

Approved by: University Registrar

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Review, approval & change history: Implemented on 10/14/2013 The Office of the University Registrar will evaluate each request for the release of a transcript or other academic records of a deceased student on the individual merits of that request. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln reserves the right to deny the request in whole or to release only part of the academic records that are requested. The decision will be based on what is deemed to be in the best interest of UNL.

Minimum requirements for any release of academic information include: confirmation of the student's death proved to the satisfaction of UNL and the Office of the University Registrar; a written request indicating what academic records are being requested, why they are being requested and from whom it is being requested (news media, family, researcher, etc.). The requester assumes the burden of proof regarding who they are and what their interest is in the academic records of the deceased student. Requests for academic records using descriptions of 'all', 'entire', or other similar words or phrases will be interpreted as requests for the academic transcript.