The University of Nebraska at Kearney is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

Additional discipline specific accreditations and certifications include:

- AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) (Business programs)
- American Chemical Society Approved List of Programs (Chemistry)
- Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) (Athletic Training)
- Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) (Community Counseling)
- Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) (Interior Design)
- Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (SP) (Speech-Language Pathology)
- Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) (Social Work)
- International Registry of Counsellor Education Programs (IRCEP) (Counselor Education)
- International School Psychology Association (ISPA) (School Psychology)
- National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) (Music)
- National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) (School Psychology)
- National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) (Family Studies)
- National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA) (Interior Design)
- Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) (Teacher Education)

The following accreditations are of the UNMC College of Nursing-Kearney Division:

- Nebraska State Board of Nursing (Nursing)
- Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) (Nursing)