



# Tech Mahindra and University of Nebraska Omaha Collaborate to Create a Future-Ready Workforce in the Midwestern U.S.

# Signed MoU to train local talent, support academic research and create solutions leveraging next-generation technologies

**Omaha, New Delhi - March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019**: Tech Mahindra Ltd. a leading provider of digital transformation, consulting and business reengineering services and solutions, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) College of Information Science and Technology (IS&T) to partner in knowledge enrichment, hiring, industry-faculty collaboration and to share mutual information technology (IT) expertise.

Key initiatives of this collaboration will focus on several different elements like partnership on the Advisory Board, Capability Development, Student Capstone Projects and Internships, Publication, Product and Patent Support, Potential Recruitment into Tech Mahindra, Industry Visits and conducting workshops, Webinars, Seminars and Events.

Through this partnership, Tech Mahindra will help arm UNO students and faculty with the latest digital capabilities and indemand skills needed to join the workforce. The students and the faculty will gain access to Tech Mahindra's expertise in new digital technologies through regular speaker events, webinars, and hackathons. Tech Mahindra will also work closely with the students and faculty on proof-of-concepts, whitepapers and research projects. In addition, Tech Mahindra will offer workshops and industry visits to allow students to experience the practical side of working in Information Technology and digital industry.

Lakshmanan Chidambaram, President, Americas Strategic Verticals, Tech Mahindra, said, "Our collaboration with the University of Nebraska at Omaha will provide a platform for innovation, arising out of technology research and help in solving real-world business problems by leveraging digital solutions. It will give us several opportunities for joint pursuits, especially in the area of research and technology. Tech Mahindra already has a development center in the region, and with this initiative we look forward to further cultivate our already existing 2 decade strong association with Omaha."

Tech Mahindra aims to attract a diverse range of individuals and competencies from the local Omaha, Nebraska area and equip them with digital skills required for working with cyber security, data analytics, and artificial intelligence.

Sandeep Khajuria, Sr. VP, Tech Mahindra, said, "Our partnership with the University of Nebraska at Omaha presents an opportunity to bring together the best of both worlds in the region — UNO's academic excellence and Tech Mahinda's realworld technology expertise. We are excited to work with the students and faculty not only to help support their research projects, but also to train them in practical, cutting-edge digital skills in order to help create a future-ready technology workforce. We believe that the UNO and the city of Omaha are key centres of innovation in the Midwestern Unites States and look forward to playing our part in helping them grow."

**Deepak Khazanchi, Associate Dean, University of Nebraska at Omaha College of Information Science and Technology** (IS&T), said, "We're incredibly excited to launch a meaningful partnership with a global IT company like Tech Mahindra. Combined with our unique multidisciplinary approach to IT education and research, this partnership will help further engage our students and faculty with new and innovative opportunities.

Tech Mahindra has been a leading digital transformation provider to some of the largest customers in the Omaha region for past two decades. This partnership with UNO will further strengthen our focus and investment in the region, and will play a significant role in turning Omaha into a destination for sought-after IT talent in mid-west. As part of our TechMNxt charter, Tech Mahindra is creating an ecosystem that supports innovation through collaboration in the real sense. As a step in this direction, we have collaborated with some of the finest start-ups, we are working with academia, drawing from the millennial workforce, and jointly creating cutting-edge technology solutions with our partners.

### About the College of Information Science and Technology

The College of Information Science and Technology (IS&T) at the University of Nebraska at Omaha represents the joint efforts of the University of Nebraska, the State of Nebraska, and private industry to address the growing global needs for knowledgeable professionals in Information Technology (IT). The College was established at UNO in 1996 to meet the growing demand for IT graduates in the Omaha metropolitan and surrounding area, and celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2016.

### About the University of Nebraska at Omaha

Located in one of America's best cities to live, work and learn, the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) is Nebraska's premier metropolitan university. With more than 15,000 students enrolled in 200-plus programs of study, UNO is recognized nationally for its online education, graduate education, military friendliness and community engagement efforts. Founded in 1908, UNO has served learners of all backgrounds for more than 100 years and is dedicated to another century of excellence both in the classroom and in the community.

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