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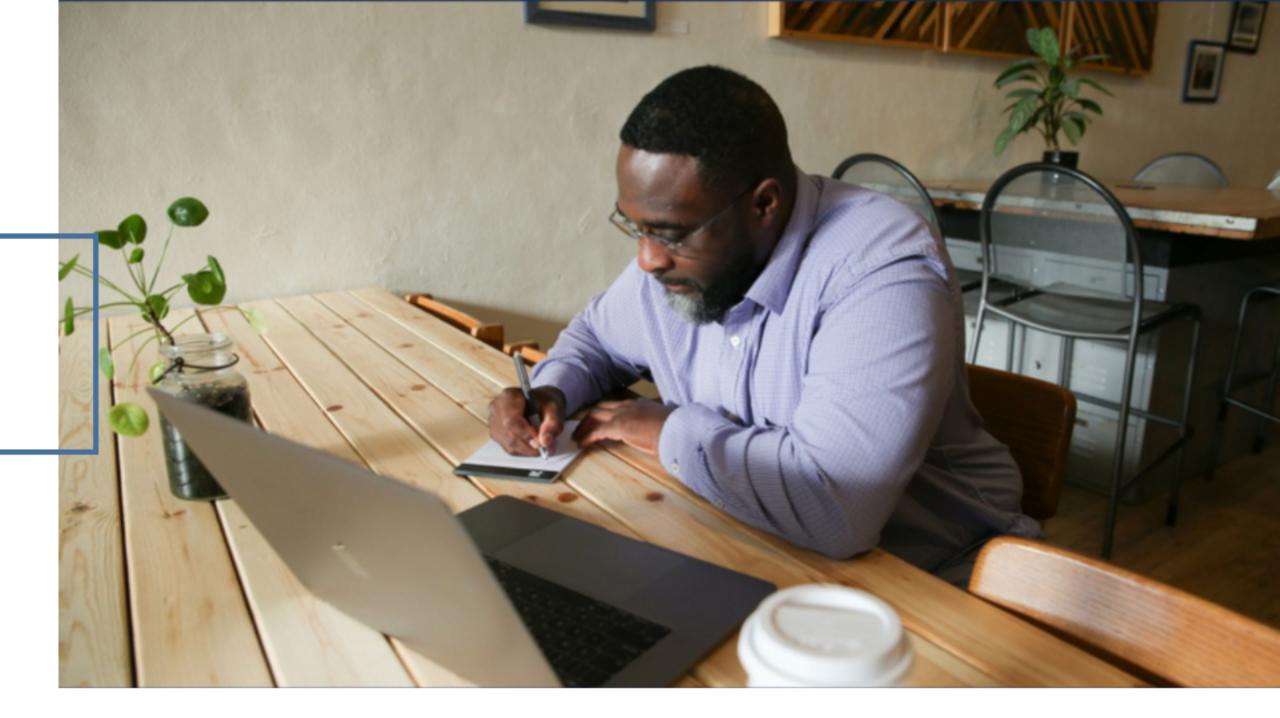






# **Top 5 Misconceptions Adults Have About Getting Their Grad Degree**

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Are one of the following phrases keeping you from pursuing your master's degree? Let Concordia Nebraska shine a light on some of the most common misconceptions many adults have about going to grad school.



### 1. There's no way I can afford grad school.



Concordia Nebraska's credit hour pricing is significantly lower than the average tuition cost of other universities. By combining reasonable upfront costs with special rates, scholarships, financing options and the indirect savings benefits of online learning, your graduate degree may be more attainable than you think. Learn more here.

#### 2. My life is way too busy to complete a grad program.

You may have a full-time career, manage a busy family, dedicate time to a special vocation or all the above. Whether you aspire to earn your master's degree or upgrade your skills with a certificate, Concordia strives to honor your commitments and callings with realistic course scheduling and individual support. Each graduate class lasts 8 weeks and is 100% online, so you can tackle one course at a time when and where you work best. And when life happens, you can count on flexibility and encouragement from everyone in the Concordia community.

#### 3. Online degrees aren't that credible.

Concordia University, Nebraska is accredited by the <u>Higher Learning Commission</u>, an independent non-profit organization that's been verifying degree-granting colleges and universities throughout the U.S. for nearly as long as Concordia has been teaching students. The HLC accredits whole institutions, meaning both Concordia's onsite and online programs meet the rigorous standards of the U.S. Department of Education. In addition to regional accreditation, each of Concordia's programs are also recognized by various accrediting agencies relevant to their individual fields.

#### 4. I won't get the same experience from an online classroom.

As the first of Concordia's Four Promises of a Lutheran Education, "community" is Concordia's agreement to facilitate a supportive, Christ-centered environment filled with collaboration, mentoring and guidance from fellow students and instructors that stretches beyond the physical campus into every online course.

## 5. Getting a master's degree isn't worth the effort.

Whether your interest in graduate school stems from a desire to earn a degree that can increase your earning potential, or the goal is to enhance your skillset and expand your impact in a particular area, a master's from Concordia is more than just a degree. It's an opportunity to reflect Christ's light in the everyday endeavors of your career and life. At Concordia, you'll not only gain valuable knowledge from experienced instructors. You'll also learn to think critically from a Christ-centered perspective and balance the complexities of life as you navigate both the kingdom of this world and the kingdom of God.

Interested in getting your master's from Concordia University, Nebraska? Learn more here.