

## UNG Arches

Good morning, my name is Mitchell Woods, I am a History Major at UNG, and as a History major our schools history is particularly important to me making the arches one of my favourite stops on the tour. These arches are dedicated to the class of 1950 now you're probably thinking what is so great about the class of 1950. Well in 1950 the Korean War broke out and the Army at the time was short on officers. They came to UNG and took the entire senior class, which was 20 cadets at the time and commissioned all of them and sent them to Korea. Of the 20, 1 returned. The rest were killed or went missing. The Class of 1951, decided to dedicate the entrance to the school in honor of their classmates. Now you are probably wondering why there is a small arch here and that was added as part of the dedication. One of our traditions is that you walk under the smaller arch until you have completed your freshman or 30 credit hours. Only then will you walk under the big arch. The day before your freshman year all the new freshmen are walked down here to walk under the small arch to symbolize the beginning of your UNG journey, and one day, hopefully, after you've completed a year here at UNG you will be able to walk under the big arch.