Higher Education Administration

Master of Arts (MA)

The Master of Arts degree in Higher Education Administration will prepare students for entry-level leadership positions in colleges, universities, community colleges and other post-secondary settings.

**Becoming Career ready...**

- be able to design, conduct, critique and use various research methodologies
- be able to critically assess student needs and design improvement plans for programs that benefit students.
- have the ability to develop learning environments that foster equitable participation with diverse groups
- develop and demonstrate strong interpersonal, verbal and written skills to effectively communicate with diverse groups including students, parents, colleagues and administrators.
- be able to critically assess higher education structure and function and assess the impact of current legal issues facing higher education.

**Career Planning**

The Master of Arts degree in Higher Education Administration will prepare students for entry-level leadership positions in colleges, universities, community colleges and other post-secondary settings. Potential careers include positions in:

- Academic Advising
- Admissions
- Athletic Advising
- Sports Management
- Career Counseling
- Coaching
- Financial Aid
- Greek Life
- Institutional Advancement
- Judicial Programs
- Multicultural Affairs
- Recreation
- Residential Life
- Student Activities

**Internship and Employment Opportunities of Recent Graduates**

- Athletic Training
- Recreation
- Residential Life
- Enrollment Management
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This is a guide based on the 2019-2020 Graduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their progress.

### CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

**Higher Education Administration – 36 hours required**

**Required Courses:**
- ___EA620 Foundation of Higher Education I (3)
- ___EA624 Theories of Student Development (3)
- ___EA629 Internship in Higher Education (3)*
- ___PY571 Introduction to Behavioral Statistics (3)

Choose 3 hours:
- ___EA623 Principles & Practices of Higher Education (3)
- ___EA633 Legal Aspects (3)

Choose 3 hours:
- ___EA628 Teaching in Higher Education (3)

Choose 3 hours:
- ___EA639 Ethical Issues in Higher Education
- ___GR691 Methods of Research (3)
- ___EA619 Research in the College Context (3)

Choose one of the following tracks:

**HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION TRACK:**

Choose 15 hours:
- ___EA507 School and Campus Safety (3)
- ___EA615 Wellness in Higher Education (3)
- ___EA616 Strategic Enrollment Management in Higher Education (3)
- ___EA621 Finance in Higher Education (3)
- ___EA622 Foundations in Higher Education II: Leadership (3)
- ___EA626 Introduction to Student Personnel (3)
- ___EA632 Community College (3)
- ___EA638 Women in Higher Education (3)
- ___EA643 Current Issues in Higher Education (3)
- ___EA670 Higher Education Capstone (3)

**HIGHER EDUCATION SPORTS MANAGEMENT TRACK – 15 hours:**

- ___SM540 Legal Aspects of Physical Activity and Sports (3)
  **OR**
- ___SM570 Management and Leadership in Sports Organizations (3)
- ___SM610 Principles & Practices of Sport Management (3)
- ___SM612 Current Topics, Issues, & Trends in Sports (3)
- ___SM655 Design and Operation of Sport Related Facilities (3)
- ___Elective (3)

*Course is repeatable

### Admission Requirements

Students will follow the accepted procedures and admission requirements for entry into a master’s degree program.

**Full admission requires**

1. An undergraduate degree
2. A minimum overall undergraduate GPA of 2.75

Probationary admission may be granted for students who have not finished the undergraduate degree or with less than a 2.75 GPA