

HIGHER EDUCATION AND STUDENT AFFAIRS (MA)

The Master of Arts in Higher Education and Student Affairs (HESA) is designed to prepare students for professional careers in higher education and student affairs positions. This full-time, two-year, cohort-based academic program combines traditional instruction with graduate assistantships and practica experiences. Students complete a total of 36 credit hours for the HESA degree program, which includes a variety of foundational and professional content courses as well as elective graduate courses offered throughout the university.

Requirements

| Course | Title | Credits |
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| 1st Semester | | |
| Required Courses | | |
| EDLR 5102 | Foundations of Assessment in Higher Education and Student Affairs | 3 |
| EDLR 5105 | Structured Dialogue in Student Affairs | 3 |
| EDLR 5122 | Foundations of Higher Education and Student Affairs | 3 |
| EDLR 5092 | Practicum: Administrative Field Experience | 1-6 |
| Credits | | 10-15 |
| 2nd Semester | | |
| Required Courses | | |
| EDLR 5092 | Practicum: Administrative Field Experience | 1-6 |
| EDLR 5103 | Assessment Practice in Higher Education and Student Affairs | 3 |
| EDLR 5117 | College Student Development: Theory and Practice | 3 |
| Credits | | 7-12 |
| 3rd Semester | | |
| Required Courses | | |
| EDLR 5092 | Practicum: Administrative Field Experience | 1-6 |
| EDLR 5107 | Organization, Leadership, and Administration in Higher Education and Student Affairs | 3 |
| EDLR 5119 | Legal Issues and Decision Making in Higher Education and Student Affairs | 3 |
| Credits | | 7-12 |
| 4th Semester | | |
| Required Courses | | |
| EDLR 5118 | Seminar in Higher Education | 3 |
| EDLR 5126 | Inclusion and Equity in Higher Education and Student Affairs | 3 |
| Elective | | 3 |
| Credits | | 9 |
| Total Credits | | 33-48 |

Students take three credits of electives and successfully complete and pass their comprehensive examination, which consists of an oral presentation.