As the demand for knowledgeable, ethical, and diverse leaders in higher education continues to grow, the new professional MA program will help you broaden your knowledge of higher education policy, research, and practice, especially in the areas of student affairs, academic affairs, diversity, and community engagement.

We offer a supportive community and flexible coursework designed to accommodate busy professionals' schedules. An innovative collaborative effort between the School of Education and all departments on campus, the program offers a dynamic combination of academic knowledge and experiential education.

**Requirements**

Students must successfully complete 36 credit hours of approved coursework while maintaining at least a B (3.0) grade point average, and must pass their capstone/comprehensive exam. Additionally, the master's degree must be completed within four years.

**Courses and Required Credit Hours**

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