



Master of Arts in Leadership in Student Affairs

LEADERSHIP | SOCIAL JUSTICE | THEORY-TO-PRACTICE

Designed through a collaborative effort of student affairs team members and program faculty, the Master of Arts degree in Leadership in Student Affairs prepares you to lead in higher education. Our program has a unique focus on leadership, social justice and theory-to-practice, providing an opportunity for broad application upon graduation. Student affairs professionals work side-by-side with faculty and staff to create a dynamic learning environment for students. Every day, they help to shape the mission and culture of their college or university.

The Leadership in Student Affairs program is a general preparation program to enter the field of student affairs. Our program specifically focuses on leadership within student affairs administration, offering specific coursework in student development theory, organizational theory, administrative leadership, social justice theories, as well as electives in higher education law, feminist perspectives on leadership, and more.

GET IN, GET OUT, GET HIRED

Graduates of our program obtain positions at a variety of institutional types and in many different functional areas: Admissions, Academic Advising, Alumni Relations, Campus Activities, Athletics, Career Services, Disability Services, Greek Life, Financial Aid, Judicial Affairs, Orientation, First-Year Programs, Residence Life, Service Learning and many more!

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

This is a 2-year (including the summer between) program. Students are required to complete 2 internships/assistantship experiences. Due to the required internship classes, students gain experience in at least 2 functional areas of student affairs throughout their 2 years in the LSA program.

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JOB PLACEMENT

Our Students Become
Employed as
Professionals Quickly

School of Education



MASTER OF ARTS (MA) IN LEADERSHIP IN STUDENT AFFAIRS

Course Grid

1st FALL	1st JTERM	1st SPRING	1st SUMMER	2nd FALL	2nd JTERM	2nd SPRING
EDLD 703 Introduction to Student Affairs	Placeholder for possible elective classes	EDLD 806 College Student Development Theory	Placeholder for possible elective classes and/or EDLD 785-786*	EDLD 855 Social Justice in Higher Education	Placeholder for possible elective classes	EDLD 864 Leadership in Student Affairs Capstone
EDLD 707 Introduction to Higher Education		EDLD 801 Leadership & Organizational Theory		EDLD 804 Legal Issues in Higher Education		EDLD 715 Administrative Leadership in Student Affairs
EDLD 621 Research, Analysis, & Critique I		Placeholder for possible elective classes and/or EDLD 785-786*		EDLD 760 Contemporary Issues in Student Affairs & Higher Education		Placeholder for possible elective classes and/or EDLD 785-786*

*EDLD 785-786: Clinical Practice in Student Affairs