Overview of M.A. Program Curriculum

The M.A. in Postsecondary Education Administration has a clinical core that is consistent with the Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education (CAS Standards) and is representative of curriculum expectations of such programs.

Master of Arts in Postsecondary Education Administration/Higher Education

The concentration in Higher Education is designed for emerging leaders in academic affairs at postsecondary institutions including community colleges, four-year public, and four-year private colleges and universities. There are nine (9) predetermined concentration courses and six (6) hours that serve as supervised internship experiences in a higher education setting.

The Higher Education Specialization of the Master of Arts in Postsecondary Education Administration provides emerging postsecondary leaders with curriculum and internships focused on promoting excellence in programs and instruction to advance the academic environment of 2-year and 4-year postsecondary institutions. The specialization courses provide students with a broad understanding of postsecondary institutions. Two 150-clock hour internships provide the depth of experience needed for careers in administrative settings across areas of the institution.

Total Course Requirements..................... 45 hours

Core Courses.................................................. 30 hrs
ADM 630  Methods of Research
ADM 735  Institutional Research, Assessment & Accreditation
CNS 635  Human Development
HDL 660  Developing Human Potential
HDL 670  Multicultural and Diversity Issues in Leadership
HDL 692  Individual, Group & Team Dynamics
PSE 700  History and Foundation of American Higher Education
PSE 710  Higher Education and the Law
PSE 755  Postsecondary Instructional Support Systems
PSE 760  Organization and Operations in Postsecondary Education

Specialty Core Courses............................. 9 hrs
PSE 740  Contemporary Issues in Higher Education
ADM 750  Philanthropy and Community Engagement: Institutional Advancement in Education
PSE 770  Academic Leadership in Higher Education

Supervised Internship............................... 6 hrs
PSE 725  Higher Education Internship I
PSE 735  Higher Education Internship II