

Master of Education - Higher Education

Plan Description

The Master of Education – Higher Education is designed to prepare graduates to serve in administrative capacities within the university, community college, and for-profit settings, with an emphasis on student affairs, intercollegiate athletics, and higher education organization.

For more information about your program, including your graduate program handbook and learning outcomes, please visit the Degree Directory.

Plan Admission Requirements

Application deadlines

Applications available on the UNLV Graduate College website.

A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university

A completed application and official copies of all college transcripts

Two letters of professional/academic recommendation

Optional GRE Submission: official copy of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) taken within the last 5 years. The UNLV Higher Education Program has chosen to use GRE Scores as an optional part of the M.Ed. application process. GRE scores that are strong may help an applicant with a lower GPA. This is because, along with other components of the application, strong GREs may suggest that a lower GPA does not reflect an applicant's academic potential (if this is the case for you, talk about it in your personal statement). We want all applicants to be able to represent themselves in the best possible light; thus, we leave applicants the option of adding scores if it will help them. NOTE: Exceptional GRE scores may not help overcome very low GPAs.

A minimum GPA of 2.75 for all undergraduate work or a 3.00 for the last two years of undergraduate work

Evidence of a minimum of two years satisfactory teaching or administrative experience (or equivalent) preferred but not required

Statement of Interest

Indication of interest in a graduate assistantship, when applicable

All domestic and international applicants must review and follow the Graduate College Admission and Registration Requirements.

Students are accepted into a degree program as described in the Graduate Catalog. The faculty and corresponding sub-disciplines and sub-plans within the described programs are subject to change at any time.

Plan Requirements

Total Credits Required: ~~37~~ 36

Course Requirements

Required Courses – Credits: 12

EDH 607 Leadership Development Seminar	3
EDH 609 Leading Diverse Organizations	3
EDH 727 College Students in the United States	3
EDH 703 History of American Higher Education	3

Core Research Course – Credits: 3

EPY 702 Research Methods	3
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Additional Research Course – Credits: 3

Select one of the following:

EPY 718 Qualitative Research Methodologies	3
EPY 721 Descriptive and Inferential Statistics: An Introduction	3
EDH 730 Institutional Assessment	3

Internship – Credits: 3

EDH 690 Masters Internship	3
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Elective Courses-Credits: ~~15~~ 12

Complete ~~15~~ 12 credits of advisor-approved elective course work. Courses may be selected from but are not limited to, the following three emphasis areas.

Student Affairs Emphasis

EDH 626 College Student Personnel Services	3
EDH 714 Understanding Minority Serving Institutions	3
EPY 711 Human Growth and Development	3

Intercollegiate Athletics Emphasis

EDH 603 Introduction to College Sport	3
EDH 606 Intercollegiate Athletic Administration	3
EDH 711 Marketing Higher Education and College Sport	3

Administrative Leadership Emphasis

EDH 708 The American Community College	3
EDH 742 Academic Governance in Higher Education	3
EDH 750 Special Topics in Higher Education	1-3

Capstone Course – Credits: ~~1~~ 3

EDH 610 Master's Capstone Experience	1
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Degree Requirements

The student must complete a minimum of ~~37 credit hours~~ **36 credits** with a minimum GPA of 3.00. All courses in the program must be at the 600-level or above, with 50% at the 700-level. The Master of Education (M. Ed.) – Higher Education is a non-thesis program, which requires the successful completion of a capstone project taken during the final semester.

Plan Graduation Requirements

The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College and then apply for graduation from both degrees up to two semesters prior to completing their degree requirements.

The student must successfully complete the capstone course.