

Educational Policy and Leadership Studies, MA

Learning Outcomes

Specialized Content Knowledge

The MA will support students in acquiring and displaying a mastery of content knowledge suitable to their professional specialization (educational leadership; or higher education and student affairs). This content knowledge aligns with and extends the stated external professional society standards for earning a master's degree in each field.

Critical Thinking and Analytical Writing

Students will acquire capacities for theoretical and evidentiary-based analysis to critique and synthesize disparate and interdisciplinary perspectives within their specialization.

Impact and Practical Application

Students will acquire professional experiences through supervised experiential learning and practice through internships, practica, capstone, or other applied coursework.

Empirical Skills

Students will develop skills for conducting assessment, evaluation, and research appropriate to the master's level.

Leadership and Collaboration

Students will be able to analyze, articulate, and respond to complex problems using theory, evidence, and cooperation with individuals, communities, and organizations affected by the issues. Students will be able to analyze, articulate, and respond to complex problems using theory, evidence, and cooperation with those affected by the issues.

Ethical, Inclusive, and Equitable Practice

Students will gain skills in identifying and responding to educational inequities at the individual, organizational, and institutional levels. Specifically, students will apply their skills to advance student learning and development, inclusion, and facilitate organizational change and reform.