

STUDENT AFFAIRS IN HIGHER EDUCATION, MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION (145)

Program Coordinator

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The Master of Arts in Education program in Student Affairs in Higher Education is designed to prepare students to obtain entry and mid-level student affairs professional positions. Through a theory-based and applications-oriented program, students gain skills and competencies necessary to succeed in a variety of student affairs and post-secondary settings. Program content covers three broad areas: theoretical foundations, professional practice, and administrative effectiveness. Students are provided opportunities to focus on specific student affairs functions that are consistent with their interests.

Program Faculty

Monica Burke
Aaron Hughey

Program Admission

Application deadlines are not applicable to the Student Affairs graduate program as students are admitted on an ongoing basis.

COMPLETE THE ADMISSIONS APPLICATION PROCESS

Instructions to complete the application process can be found at https://www.wku.edu/graduate/prospective_students/admission/degree_instructions.php. Note that your application will not be complete until Graduate Studies receives all required supporting documents.

The following materials should be submitted:

1. Graduate Studies Application Form (https://topnet.wku.edu/pls/prod/twbkwbis.P_GenMenu?name=wkumenu.P_AdmUnsecMnu) - requirements include a non-refundable application fee and official transcripts
2. A Statement of Interest
3. A background check
4. Résumé

Once all the requested documents are received, your application is sent to the department for an admissions recommendation.

Graduate Studies Admission

Please refer to the admission section (<http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/admission/>) of this catalog for Graduate Studies admission requirements.

Program Requirements (36 hours)

Code	Title	Hours
Required Core		
CNS 571	Introduction to Student Affairs in Higher Education	3
CNS 574	Student Development in Higher Education	3

CNS 577	Counseling Concepts and Applications for Student Affairs Professionals	3
CNS 585	Leadership and Administration in Student Affairs	3
CNS 589	Group Dynamics in Student Affairs and Higher Education	3
CNS 594	Research Methods in Student Affairs	3
CNS 595	Internship	6
CNS 604	Resource Management in Student Affairs and Higher Education	3
CNS 605	Social and Cultural Diversity in Higher Education	3
CNS 610	Assessment and Accountability in Student Affairs and Higher Education	3
CNS 670	Parameters of Law in Student Affairs and Higher Education	3
Total Hours		36

All students must pass a final comprehensive examination. Comprehensive examinations are given in the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Students must meet the criteria established by the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences in order to be eligible to take the comprehensive examination.