

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND POLICY ANALYSIS: HIGHER EDUCATION, MS

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	Yes	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW-Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail

Minimum
Credit
Requirement

30 credits

Minimum
Residence
Credit
Requirement

16 credits

Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	24 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).
Other Grade Requirements	n/a
Assessments and Examinations	None.
Language Requirements	None.

REQUIRED COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
Foundations		3
ELPA 701	Introduction to Higher and Post-Secondary Education	
Core Areas		18
Students take at least one course from Administration Organization & Governance, Teaching and Learning, and Policy and Research. Students must also take at least two courses in Equity & Diversity.		
<i>Administration Organization & Governance (3-6 credits)</i>		
If pursuing a concentration in Intercollegiate Athletic Administration, choose ELPA 710 and 1 other course. Otherwise - choose 1 course.		
ELPA 710	Introduction to Intercollegiate Athletics Administration	
ELPA 715	Governance and Administration of Colleges and Universities	
ELPA 736	Administration of Student Services in Higher Education	
ELPA 831	Financing Postsecondary Education	
ELPA 878	The American Community College	
ELPA 940	Special Topics Seminar in Educational Leadership	
<i>Teaching and Learning (3-6 credits)</i>		
If pursuing a concentration in Student Affairs Administration, choose ELPA 883 and 1 other course. Otherwise - choose 1 course.		
ELPA 880	Academic Programs in Colleges and Universities	
ELPA 881	Ideas of the University: Images of Higher Learning for the 21st Century	
ELPA 883	Perspectives on College Student Identity and Development	
ELPA 887	Diversity and Inequality in Higher Education	
ELPA 888	Assessment in Higher Education	
ELPA 940	Special Topics Seminar in Educational Leadership	
<i>Policy and Research (3-6 credits)</i>		

ELPA 725	Research Methods and Procedures in Educational Administration
ELPA 824	Field Research Designs & Methodologies in Educational Administration
ELPA 831	Financing Postsecondary Education
ELPA 841	Legal Aspects of Higher Education
ELPA 870	The Politics of Education
ELPA 878	The American Community College
ELPA 888	Assessment in Higher Education
ELPA 940	Special Topics Seminar in Educational Leadership

Equity & Diversity (6 credits)

ELPA 882	Minority-Serving Institutions of Higher Education
ELPA 883	Perspectives on College Student Identity and Development
ELPA 878	The American Community College
ELPA 887	Diversity and Inequality in Higher Education
ELPA 940	Special Topics Seminar in Educational Leadership

Additional Coursework 3-6

Option of completing course work outside of Educational Leadership & Policy Analysis OR completing additional ELPA course work. Consult with advisor prior to selecting courses. If completing a field experience, only 3 credits of additional course work is required.

Capstone Learning Project - Required 3

ELPA 777	Higher and Post-Secondary Education Capstone Seminar
ELPA 990	Research or Thesis
ELPA 999	Independent Reading

Field Experience - Optional 0-4

ELPA 700	Field Experience in Educational Leadership
ELPA 999	Independent Reading

Total Credits 30