

STUDENT PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION (SPA)

PURPOSE

The master's program in Student Personnel Administration seeks to prepare graduate students in mind, body, and spirit through a program that is grounded in Student Affairs theory to practice. Further, employed graduates of the program will seek to develop communities in which they work that are respectful, purposeful, open, just disciplined, and celebrative.

PROGRAM FEATURES

Program Options: 34 Credits + SPA 600 Thesis Completion Seminar Or 40 Credits + SPA 601 Seminar Project

Theoretical Courses (All Are Required)

SPA 501 Foundations of SPA	3 Cr.
SPA 502 Professional Writing and Research	1 Cr.
EDG 506 Group Dynamics and Leadership	3 Cr.
SPA 510 Issues in American Higher Education	3 Cr.
SPA 520 The American College Student	3 Cr.
SPA 525 Program Planning and Assessment	3 Cr.
SPA 530 Higher Education Administration	3 Cr.
EDG 515 Educational Research Methods	3 Cr.
TOTAL REQUIRE	21 Cr.

Skill Courses (3 Credits Required)

SPA 551 Mediation in Student Affairs	1 Cr.
SPA 552 Campus Crisis Intervention	1 Cr.
SPA 553 The Selection & Training of Student Affairs Staff	1 Cr.
SPA 554 Written Communication in Student Affairs	1 Cr.
SPA 555 Oral Communication in Student Affairs	1 Cr.
SPA 556 Presentation Technology in Student Affairs	1 Cr.

Practical Courses (300 Hours Required)

All Students in the student Personnel Administration degree program are required to take a practicum experience (300 total hours) before completion of the program. Students working in the field of student services are able to gain up to 200 hours through life experience. This practicum provides the opportunity to relate student personnel administrative theory to the applied student service profession. Placement will be made in an appropriate student service setting.

SPA 596 Internship I	3 Cr. (100 hours)
SPA 597 Internship II	3 Cr. (100 hours)
SPA 598 Internship III	3 Cr. (100 hours)
Minimum Required	3 Cr. (100 hours)

Electives

EDG 533 Leadership for Change in Education	3 Cr.
EDG 535 Legal and Ethical Issues in Education	3 Cr.
SPA 559 Substance Abuse Education	3 Cr.
COUN 543 Counseling Theories and Issues	3 Cr.
COUN 560 Fundamentals of Counseling	3 Cr.
COUN 562 Career Counseling Techniques	3 Cr.

Capstone Courses (3 Credits Required)

SPA 600 Thesis Completion Seminar

3 Cr.

SPA 601 Seminar Project

3 Cr.