General Degree Requirements

- To be awarded the MA in Higher Education & Student Affairs Administration, a student must have completed 36 credit hours of coursework inclusive of the Comprehensive Portfolio. A maximum of 9 semester hours of graduate work taken prior to admission to this program may be transferred from another accredited institution, to be determined in consultation with program faculty and program coordinator, after acceptance into the program.
- All students are expected to maintain high standards of scholarship throughout the duration of the programs. Students whose cumulative grade point average falls below 3.0 at the end of any semester will be placed on academic probation. A grade point average of 3.0 or above must be maintained in order for a student to continue to receive financial aid. Grades of "C" may not count for more than 20 percent (6 credits) of total credit hours applied towards degree requirements. Grades received in research courses must be "B" or higher; research courses with a grade of "C" or lower must be retaken.
- The course work component of the program is designed to be completed in 2 years of full-time attendance, not including summer.
- All candidates are expected to successfully complete and pass a comprehensive portfolio review in their last semester of the program.
- All degree requirements must be completed within a maximum of six years of admission to the program.

Residency Requirements

Part-time candidates for the MA degree will satisfy residency requirements by completing 18 credit hours over a period of three consecutive semesters (not including summer). Full-time degree candidates must complete two consecutive semesters, carrying 9 credit hours each semester, to satisfy residency requirements. All requirements for the MA degree must be completed within a period of six consecutive years. The granting of a leave of absence by the School of Graduate Studies does not automatically extend this time limit.

Program of Study (36 credit hours)

Foundation Courses (12 credits)

- RDHE 702 Historical Foundations of Higher Education (3)
- RDHE 703 Diversity & Multiculturalism in Higher Education (3)
- RDHE 727 Legal Issues in Higher Education (3)
- RDHE 731 Governance & Administration of Higher Education (3)

Student Affairs Concentration (21 credits)
RDHE 725 Contemporary College Student (3)
RDHE 735 Student Affairs Administration (3)
RDHE 745 Student Development Theory (3)
RDHE 755 Issues in Urban and Special Mission Institutions (3)
RDHE 765 Counseling in Student Affairs (3)
RDHE 699/885 Supervised Practicum/Internship (6)

Research Methods (3 credits)

EDSR 604 Intro to Educational Research (Assessment & Evaluation in Student Affairs)