

M. A. in Student Affairs and Higher Education Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can I work while enrolled in the program?

The program is designed for both full and part time students. Many of the students are working full time. Classes are offered in the evening in order to accommodate the schedules of working professionals. Completing the required practicum may be more challenging for working students and will require a minimum amount of release time in order to complete observations of day time meetings.

2. What is the admission schedule?

At this time, students are admitted every semester.

3. How long does it take to complete the program?

The program is 42 semester hours. The completion time will depend upon whether you are enrolled full or part time. Full time students typically take 9-12 hours per semester. Part time students take 3-6 hours per semester. If you are a full time University employee, your department may limit the number of courses you can take each semester. The minimum number of semesters required for completion is 4. That would entail 12 hours for three long semesters and 6 hours in summer. Part time students taking 6 hours each semester will complete the program in 7 semesters. This schedule would require taking 12 hours during one summer.

4. Do you offer courses in the summer?

There are limited course offerings during the summer.

5. What is the cost of the program?

All graduate students pay either Texas Resident or Non-Texas Resident tuition. There is no special tuition rate for Arkansas and Louisiana resident graduate students. See the estimated [Cost of Attendance](#) posted by the Financial Aid Office or for detailed information about tuition and fee policies, see the Graduate Bulletin - Catalog.

[Tuition and Fee Calculator](#)

6. Are Graduate Assistantships available?

Students are able to obtain GA positions in programs and departments across the University. Previous students have obtained positions in Campus Recreation, SFA 101, Orientation Programs, as well as academic programs. GA positions are not guaranteed.