

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION (M.ED.)

Non-Licensure Program

Purpose

The purpose of the Master of Education in Higher Education program is to provide professionals with an opportunity to study the social, political, and organizational elements of higher education. The courses in this program are designed to enhance students' understanding of current issues in the field, as well as their development of critical thinking skills through a biblical worldview.

Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Analyze elements of the historical and philosophical influences pertaining to governance, administration, and leadership in institutions of higher education.
- Examine organizational theories and models to create and lead effective higher education organizations.
- Identify theoretical knowledge with practical skills necessary for advanced career positions in higher education.
- Employ essential technology skills appropriate to their positions.
- Construct a biblical worldview throughout analysis of literature, readings, and research in higher education.

Program Specific Admission Requirements

Required for Programs that Do Not Lead to Licensure:

1. Earned baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (e.g., SACSCOC, TRACS, ABHE, etc.)
2. GPA of at least a 3.00 on a 4.00 scale (cautionary admission is an option if the candidate has at least a 2.00).
3. TOEFL Scores for candidates who speak English as a second language (score of 600 paper-based test; 250 computer-based test, 80 internet-based test)

Transfer of Credit

All graduate transfer credits are subject to the approval of the School of Education (SOE) Graduate Committee. Such courses must carry a grade of at least a B- and be comparable to Liberty University graduate courses. Transfer credit will only be considered from institutions or schools accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. With approval, up to 18 hours may be transferred into the M.Ed. programs. It is the responsibility of each applicant to supply official transcripts along with a written request to have credit applied to the degree program. Transfer credits must have been completed within the previous 10 years.

Credits from a prior degree on the same academic level earned through Liberty University are considered transfer credits.

Programs of Study Delivery Format: Online Only

- Higher Education (M.Ed.) - Educational Leadership
- Higher Education (M.Ed.) - Instructional Design & Technology
- Higher Education (M.Ed.) - Student Affairs

Career Opportunities

- Higher education curriculum specialist
- Educational research team member
- College/University professor
- College/University administrator
- Student affairs administrator