Preparing today’s working adults to compete and thrive in a changing global economy.
“As we move to meet the educational needs of working adults in a mobile society, our conception of the university must extend beyond place and embrace process. An adult university cannot be campus bound, rather its borders must be defined by the lives of its students.”

Dr. John G. Sperling
Founder and
Chairman of the
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Annual Security Report Notice

The University of Phoenix annual security report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University, and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from, the campus. The report also includes the sex offender registry, institutional policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, and other related matters. You can obtain a copy of this report by contacting your local Campus Security Authority or by accessing the following Web site: http://www.phoenix.edu/safety.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of November 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the Consumer Information section of this catalog.

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Note: A student in a two-year program or certificate program cannot receive more than a grade level 2 (GL2) annual loan limit in any given year, no matter how long it takes to complete the program or certificate.
The following policy is effective as of November 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the College of Information Systems and Technology section of this catalog.

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Software Engineering
POS 409 ................................................................. 3 credits
.NET II
This course extends the facilities of the .NET family of languages. The course focuses on the C# language. Topics covered include designing C# applications, writing and debugging programs, data files and database connectivity.
ADDITIONAL POLICY

The following policy was added for the November 1st, 2012 edition of the catalog. Please see the updated policy information below. The information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the University Policies section of this catalog.

Re-Entry Students

Students who have been out of attendance for a period of more than one (1) year from the last date of positive recorded class attendance in a program applicable course are considered re-entry students and are subject to the following policies:

- Re-entry students who re-enter into the most current program/program version offered in their state or jurisdiction do not require submission of an appeal for re-entry.
- Re-entry students whose original program/program version is still the most current in their state or jurisdiction and who can complete their program within the original program completion deadline, may re-enter into the most current program offered in their state or jurisdiction without appeal. If the student will not be able to complete their program within the original program completion deadline, the student may appeal to the Student Appeals Center.
- Re-entry students not re-entering into the most current program offered in their state or jurisdiction may submit an appeal to the Student Appeals Center to re-enter any program that is not yet expired.
- No appeals will be accepted for re-entry to an expired program.
- Re-entry students are subject to all admission, academic and University policies in place at the time of re-entry.
- Re-entry students are required to submit an admission application, enrollment agreement and any other updated documentation based on specific program requirements.
- Re-entry students who have been academically disqualified (AD) from the University or disqualified for admission (DA) to the University must appeal to the Students Appeals Center for re-entry.
- Re-entry students who update to a different program/program version upon re-entry will be placed on academic probation (AP) for a period of four (4) program applicable courses if their program grade point average (GPA) does not meet the minimum requirement for the new program/program version. The four course sequence will begin from the grade posting date of the first program applicable course that causes the student’s GPA to fall below the minimum requirement for the new program/program version. If the student was on academic probation prior to being out of attendance for more than one year, and re-entry to the university does not result in a program/program version change, the student must complete the original AP sequence.
- Re-entry students who have been scholastically suspended (SS), or scholastically disqualified (SD) must submit an appeal to the Student Appeals Center for re-entry into any program.
- Graduate re-entry students provisionally admitted (PV) at the time of initial enrollment shall remain on PV status in their new program/program version upon re-entry if they have not successfully completed the four (4) course provisional admission period.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

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Student Technology Recommendations and Competencies

In an effort to assist students with adequate preparation for their course work at the University of Phoenix, technology recommendations and competencies have been established. These recommendations and competencies are in effect for the School of Advanced Studies, School of Business, College of Education, College of Information Systems and Technology, Colleges of Arts and Sciences, College of Nursing, College Extension, and the School of Continuing Education. To that end, students will need to access and use the hardware and software as described below. Additional recommendations and competencies may be required for particular courses/programs. Students using software and hardware other than that recommended must still meet the technology competencies. Please note that due to the rapid rate of change in information technology, hardware and software competencies will be updated on a regular basis. Some courses in the College of Information Systems and Technology may require additional software.

Technology Recommendations

Hardware & Peripherals

You are required to have access to a computer with the following:

- A processor of 2 GHz or faster
- 1GB RAM or greater
- 80GB hard drive or greater
- Cable/DSL connection or better
- Monitor and video card with 1024x768 or greater resolution
- Sound card with speakers
- CD ROM
- Inkjet or laser printer
- Microphone
- A web camera capable of video web conferencing and editing

Software/Applications

You will need access to and competence on the following applications:

- Operating system
  - Windows® XP or later
  - Mac OS 10.4 or later, with a Microsoft Windows partition required for some courses.
- Microsoft® Office 2007 for a personal computer (PC) or later
- Microsoft® Office 2008 for a Mac
- Office suite must include Microsoft® Access
- Recommended is Microsoft® Office Professional Academic 2010 (PC) or 2011 (Mac)
- Microsoft® Project (for selected courses)
- Internet Browser
  - Microsoft® Internet Explorer version 7.0 or later
  - Mozilla Firefox 3.5 or later
  - Google Chrome 7.0 or later
  - Apple Safari 5.0 or later
- Adobe® Reader 9.0 or later
- Adobe Flash plug-in 10.0 or later
- System is enabled to allow installation of browser plug-ins as required
- Local administrative privileges to Operating System may be required
- A current anti-virus application (updated regularly)
- E-mail address
- Internet service provider (ISP) account with broadband access
- For the College of Information Systems and Technology, access to additional software is required. Please look for updated software requirements on your resource page. The following software is currently used:

  University of Phoenix Provided Access
  (Provided via virtual student desktop for specific courses)

  - Microsoft® Visual Studio.NET
  - Microsoft® Visio
  - Microsoft® SQL Server
  - Red Hat Enterprise LINUX
  - AdobeFlash Professional
  - Adobe® Dreamweaver
  - Adobe® Photoshop
  - Adobe® Acrobat Standard
  - LabSim from TestOut
  - Oracle® Database XE

Student Must Establish Access

- ALICE Software (for selected courses; free download)
- Citrix Online Plug-in (latest version)
- JAVA® Runtime Environment, Java Development Kit
- VisualLogic (for selected courses; free download)

For the Master of Science in Nursing/Family Nurse Practitioner and the Post Masters Family Nurse Practitioner programs, the University requires the following:

- Handheld computing devices (i.e. PDA, PPC, SmartPhone, Ipad)

Note: Due to the rapid rate of change in information technology, the hardware and software requirements and technology skills may be updated.

Note: If you need to purchase a computer, the University recommends a portable laptop or notebook for classroom use. The School of Advanced Studies requires Doctoral students to bring a laptop computer to residencies. You may be eligible for student discounts on hardware and software. There is more information on your student website, https://ecampus.phoenix.edu.

Technology Competencies

Students attending the University of Phoenix are expected to have the ability to complete the following activities:

- Access course and program material on the Web.
- Correspond with University of Phoenix staff, students, and faculty using e-mail and the Web.
- Complete, send, and receive assignments to faculty or other students using e-mail and attachments/files.
- Read/print e-mail and attachments/files from students, staff, and faculty.

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• Use the University of Phoenix Electronic Library also known as the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and/or Internet for research and completion of course assignments.
• Prepare and conduct presentations in the classroom using presentation equipment.
• Use the appropriate software for the course. (The University uses as standards Microsoft® Office products including MS® Word, MS® Project, MS® Excel, MS® Power Point, etc.)
• Use CD ROMs when required as part of course assignments.
• Use an appropriate anti-virus application to insure the files transmitted and received are virus free.
STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Student Code of Conduct of University of Phoenix supports the University’s mission to provide access to higher education opportunities that enable students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals, improve the productivity of their organizations, and provide leadership and service to their communities.

Students are expected to conduct themselves ethically, honestly, and with integrity as responsible members of the University’s academic community. This requires the demonstration of mutual respect and civility in academic and professional discourse.

A University is a marketplace of ideas and, in the search for truth, it is essential that freedom exists for contrary ideas to be expressed. Accordingly, students are expected to respect the rights and privileges of others and to foster an environment conducive to learning.

Students are accountable for their actions and are required to work independently, as well as collaboratively with teams, in achieving learning goals and objectives.

By virtue of membership in the University’s academic community, students accept an obligation to abide by this Student Code of Conduct. Conduct, either on or off campus, that is determined to impair, interfere with, or obstruct the opportunities of others to learn or that disrupts the mission, processes, or orderly functions of the University will be deemed misconduct and shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Misconduct for which students are subject to disciplinary action includes, but is not limited to, the following enumerated violations:

1. Actions, oral statements, and written statements which threaten or violate the personal safety of any member of the faculty, staff, or other students.
2. Harassment that has the effect of creating a hostile or offensive educational environment for any student, faculty, or staff member.
3. Sex discrimination/sexual harassment that has the effect of creating a hostile or offensive educational environment for any student, faculty, or staff member. This includes, but is not limited to, sex discrimination, sexual harassment, unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature, unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or nonverbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature including sexual violence.
4. Stalking or persistently pursuing another person that has the effect of imposing unwelcomed contact and/or communication.
5. Disruptive behavior that hinders or interferes with the educational process.
6. Violation of any applicable professional codes of ethics or conduct.
7. Failure to promptly comply with any reasonable directive from faculty or University officials.
8. Failure to cooperate in a University investigation.
9. Carrying of weapons on campus, at campus-sanctioned events, or when meeting with campus personnel. (This policy is not applicable to students who are law enforcement officers required by law to carry firearms at all times).
10. Using, dealing in, or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs while in class, at campus-sanctioned events, or when meeting with campus personnel.
11. Failure to maintain confidentiality and respect the privacy of personal or professional information communicated about clients, one’s employer, other students or their employers.
12. Falsification, alteration or invention of information, including, but not limited to, any third party document used to apply for financial aid, or lying during a University investigation.
13. Violation of the Student Code of Academic Integrity.
14. Violation of the policy on Acceptable Use of University Computing and Communication Resources for Students and Faculty.
15. Hazing (any action which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any University-sanctioned organization).
16. Violation of University regulations and policies (in addition to those regulations and policies covered by items 1-15 above).
17. Violation of federal, state, or local laws or regulations that impacts the University’s educational environment.

Student Code of Academic Integrity

University of Phoenix is an academic community whose fundamental mission is the pursuit of intellectual growth. Achievement of this mission is dependent upon the development of autonomous thought and respect for the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty threatens the integrity of individual students as well as the University’s academic community.

By virtue of membership in the University’s academic community, students accept a responsibility and obligation to abide by this Student Code of Academic Integrity, which is a part of the Student Code of Conduct. Academic integrity violations include all forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to the following:

1. Plagiarism - Intentional or unintentional representation of another’s words or ideas as one’s own in an academic exercise. Examples of plagiarism include but are not limited to:
   a. The exact copy of information from a source without proper citation and without use of quotation marks or block quotation formatting. If any words or ideas used in a class posting or assignment submission do not represent the student’s original words or ideas, the student must distinguish them with quotation marks or a freestanding, indented block quotation (for a quotation of 40 or more words), followed by the appropriate citation in accordance with the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association. When a student copies information from a

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source, he or she must acknowledge the source with quotation marks or block quotes irrespective of whether or not the source has been formally published.

b. Paraphrasing statements, paragraphs, or other bodies of work without proper citation using someone else's ideas, data, language, and/or arguments without acknowledgement.

c. Presenting work as the student's own that has been prepared in whole or part by someone other than that particular student. This includes the purchase and/or sharing of work.

d. Failure to properly cite and reference statistics, data, or other sources of information that are used in one's submission.

2. Self-plagiarism, double dipping, or dovetailing - Submission of work that has been prepared for a course without fair citation of the original work and prior approval of faculty. Students who submit assignments that were previously submitted in any prior course are subject to the same consequences they would face if they plagiarized these assignments. The use of one's previous work in an assignment requires prior approval from the current faculty member and citation of the previous work.

3. Fabrication - Falsification or invention of any information, citation, data, or document.

   a. This includes the invention or alteration of data or results, or relying on another source's results in any assignment without proper acknowledgement of that source. Fabrication includes citing sources that the student has not actually used or consulted.

4. Unauthorized Assistance - Use of materials or information not authorized by the faculty member to complete an academic exercise, or the completion of an academic exercise by someone other than the student. This includes the purchasing of services to partially or fully complete academic work.

   a. Students must rely upon their own abilities and refrain from obtaining assistance in any manner that faculty does not explicitly allow. This includes but is not limited to providing or receiving answers to an exam, use of faculty materials or answer keys, or a student having someone take his or her exam.

5. Copyright infringement - Acquisition or use of copyrighted works without appropriate legal license or permission which includes peer-to-peer file sharing.

   a. Any unauthorized distribution of copyrighted material, including peer-to-peer file sharing, including illegal downloading or unauthorized distribution of copyrighted materials using the University information technology system may subject a student to civil and criminal liabilities. Refer to: http://www.copyright.gov/title17/92chap5.pdf for information on federal copyright infringement and remedies.

6. Misrepresentation - Falsely representing the student's situation to faculty when (1) justifying an absence or the need for an incomplete grade; or (2) requesting a makeup exam, a special due date, or extension of a syllabus or class deadline for submitting a course requirement.

7. Collusion - Helping or allowing another student to commit any act of academic dishonesty.

Procedures for Processing Alleged Violations of the Student Code of Conduct:

Please note there are three separate procedures under the Student Code of Conduct: campus code of conduct, student records, and Title IX.

1. Campus Code of Conduct - all violations unless related to student records or sex discrimination/sexual harassment.

   a. Alleged Violations are subject to a fair and impartial process and may result in a warning or charge.

      i. Investigation - alleged violations will be investigated in a prompt, thorough, and impartial manner. The investigation will gather relevant evidence, including, but not limited to, pertinent documents and statements from witnesses.

      ii. During an investigation a student may be removed from class, campus-sanctioned events, and other University functions after review and consultation with the Office of Dispute Management.

   b. Notification - A student who is charged will be notified of the specific charge(s) in writing and will be given ten (10) days to submit a written response to the designated University official.

      i. Failure of a student to respond to the Charging Letter will result in suspension from the University following completion of the current course if the student is actively attending classes and is not subject to immediate suspension.

      ii. In those instances where it is determined the conduct does not warrant a Charging Letter, a Warning Letter and/or counseling to the student will be provided. Note: A Warning Letter is not appealable.

      iii. If this is a drug and/or alcohol related offense the campus must also notify the Office of Dispute Management.

   c. Student Response

      i. A student response acknowledging guilt will be sent to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs, the Campus Director of Operations, or their designee who will determine the appropriate sanction(s).

      ii. A student response denying the charge(s) will follow the committee process outlined below.

   d. Ethics Committee:

      i. After the campus investigation is completed and the student has responded to the Charging Letter, an Ethics Committee will be convened to review the file, make findings of facts and recommendations to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or the Campus Director of Operations (or designee).

      ii. The Ethics Committee will be facilitated by an impartial University administrator and composed of at least three individual members who have no prior involvement with the student or the investigation: a campus administrator, a faculty member, and a student representative.

      iii. The preponderance of the evidence standard of proof (more likely than not) will be used to weigh the evidence and make a recommendation to the Director of Academic Affairs, Director of Operations, or designee about whether a violation occurred and what sanction, if any, is warranted.
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iv. Students will be afforded the opportunity to address the Committee via teleconference to make a statement in their defense.
v. Students are not entitled to representation by an attorney or any other third party at any point in the process.
vi. Tape, digital, or other electronic recording of the committee meeting is not permitted.
vii. The Committee members are given a Case Packet with all relevant information for the committee meeting, including any written response received from the student.
viii. The Committee members sign a Confidentiality Statement for Committee Members and, after the Committee's deliberations, the Case Packets are required to be destroyed in order to maintain confidentiality.

e. Decision - the facilitator delivers a summary report, generally containing findings of fact and recommendations, to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or the Campus Director of Operations (or designee), who has the ultimate authority to accept, reject, or modify the recommendations of the Ethics Committee and render the decision.

i. The decision will be communicated to the student by the decision maker.
ii. In accordance with the requirements under the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), upon written request, the University of Phoenix will disclose to an alleged victim of a crime of violence, or a non-forcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the institution against the student(s) who is/are the alleged perpetrator(s) of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the alleged crime or offense, the University of Phoenix will provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim's next of kin, if so requested.
iii. Any decision which affects a student's enrollment or academic status will be communicated to the Registrar's Office for records update.

f. Sanctions:

i. If a violation is found, disciplinary sanctions will be based on the seriousness of the situation and may include, but are not limited to, documented counseling by a University staff member, loss of academic credit, suspension and/or expulsion.
ii. A recommendation of expulsion by the decision maker will be automatically reviewed by the Student Discipline Review Committee (SDRC) in the Office of Dispute Management (ODM) and must be endorsed before the campus communicates that sanction to the student.

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ii. The Registrar's Committee will be facilitated by a Manager or Senior Investigator from Apollo Ethics and Compliance. The facilitator must be impartial and have had no prior involvement with the investigation or student.

iii. The Registrar's Committee composition will be at least three impartial individuals who have no prior involvement with the student or the investigation: an Associate Registrar (or designee); a Director or Operations Manager from the Registrar's Office (or designee), and a Director from University Services or a Director of Finance.

iv. The Registrar's Committee will use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof (more likely than not) to weigh the evidence and make a recommendation to the Registrar or designee about whether a violation occurred and what sanction, if any, is warranted.

v. Students will be afforded the opportunity to address the Registrar's Committee via teleconference to make a statement in their defense.

vi. Students are not entitled to representation by an attorney or any other third party at any point in the process.

vii. Tape, digital, or other electronic recording of the committee meeting is not permitted.

viii. The Registrar's Committee members are given a Case Packet with all relevant information for the committee meeting, including any written response received from the student.

ix. The Registrar’s Committee members sign a Confidentiality Statement for Committee Members and, after the Committee’s deliberations, the Case Packets are required to be destroyed in order to maintain confidentiality.

f. Decision - the facilitator delivers a summary report, generally containing findings of fact and recommendations, to the Registrar (or designee), who has the ultimate authority to accept, reject, or modify the recommendations of the Registrar’s Committee and render the decision.

i. The decision will be communicated to the student by the decision maker.

ii. In accordance with the requirements under the HEOA, upon written request, the University of Phoenix will disclose to an alleged victim of a crime of violence, or a non-forcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the institution against the student(s) who is/are the alleged perpetrator(s) of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the alleged crime or offense, the University of Phoenix will provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim's next of kin, if so requested.

Sanctions:

i. If a violation is found, disciplinary sanctions will be based on the seriousness of the situation and may include, but are not limited to, documented counseling by a University staff member, loss of academic credit, suspension and/or expulsion.

ii. A recommendation of expulsion by the decision maker will be automatically reviewed by the SDRC in the ODM and must be endorsed before the Registrar communicates that sanction to the student.

h. Appeals:

i. Where a student is found to be in violation of the Student Code of Conduct after receiving a Charging Letter, they may appeal the decision to the SDRC in the ODM within ten (10) days of receiving the Registrar’s decision.

ii. The SDRC is comprised of a senior manager from the University, a Regional Director of Academic Affairs, and an Associate or Assistant Dean from the accused student's college (or their respective designees). The decision of the SDRC is final and will be communicated directly to the student and the Registrar, except in the case of a decision by the SDRC supporting a Registrar recommendation of expulsion (see g.ii. above).

iii. If the student is sanctioned with expulsion, the review of the appeal will be conducted by the Senior Management Review Committee (SMRC) in the Office of Dispute Management. The SMRC is comprised of the Provost, the Vice President of University Services, and the Dean of the accused student's college (or their respective designees). The decision of the SMRC is final and will be communicated directly to the student and the campus.

3. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct that relates to sex discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual violence will be forwarded to the University’s Title IX Coordinator, Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President, Office of Dispute Management, 4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, Mailstop CF-SX01, Phoenix, AZ 85040, 602.557.3391, TitleIX@phoenix.edu.

a. Alleged Violations are subject to a fair and impartial process and may result in a warning or charge.

i. Alleged violations will be investigated in a prompt, thorough, and impartial manner. The investigation will gather relevant evidence, including, but not limited to, pertinent documents and statements from witnesses.

ii. Investigations will be conducted within 60 days barring any unusual complexity.

iii. During an investigation a student may be removed from class, campus-sanctioned events, and other University functions after review and consultation with the Office of Dispute Management.

b. Notification - A student who is charged will be notified of the specific charge(s) in writing and will be given ten (10) days to submit a written response to the designated University official.

i. Failure of a student to respond to the Charging Letter will result in suspension from the University following completion of the current course if the student is then actively attending classes and is not subject to immediate suspension.

ii. In those instances where it is determined the conduct does not warrant a Charging Letter, a Warning Letter and/or counseling to the student will be provided. Note: A Warning Letter is not appealable.

iii. The complainant(s) shall be notified of when and if a Charge Letter or warning is sent to the respondent(s).
c. Student Response
   i. A student response acknowledging guilt will be sent to the Title IX Coordinator (or designee), who will determine the appropriate sanction(s).
   ii. A student response denying the charges(s) will follow the committee process outlined below.

d. Title IX Committee:
   i. After the investigation is completed and the student has responded to the Charging Letter, opposing parties will be afforded the opportunity to present written witness statements for inclusion in the Title IX Case Packet.
   ii. The Title IX Committee will be convened to review the file and make findings and recommendations to the Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator (a designee may be appointed if the Coordinator has recused himself/herself).
   iii. The Title IX Committee will be facilitated by an impartial administrator from the Office of Dispute Management.
   iv. The Title IX Committee composition will be at least three impartial individuals who have no prior involvement with the parties or the investigation: a director (or designee), a faculty member, and a student.
   v. The Title IX Committee will use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof (more likely than not) to weigh the evidence and make a recommendation to the Title IX Coordinator, Deputy Coordinator, or designee about whether a violation occurred and what sanction, if any, is warranted.
   vi. Students and complainants will be afforded the opportunity to separately address the Title IX Committee to make a statement in their defense. This may be done via teleconference.
   vii. Students are not entitled to representation by an attorney or any other third party at any point in the process. However, in accordance with the HEOA, opposing parties are entitled to have third parties present during the committee process. (Note: The third party cannot be an attorney).
   viii. Tape, digital, or other electronic recording of the committee meeting is not permitted.
   ix. The Title IX Committee members are given a Case Packet with all relevant information for the committee meeting, including any written response received from the student, opposing parties’ statements, all evidence discovered during the investigation, and any written witness statements the parties have submitted.
   x. The Title IX Committee members sign a Confidentiality Statement for Committee Members and, after the Title IX Committee’s deliberations, the Case Packets are required to be destroyed in order to maintain confidentiality.

e. Decision - the facilitator delivers a summary report, generally containing findings of fact and recommendations, to the Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator (or designee), who has the ultimate authority to accept, reject, or modify the recommendations of the Title IX Committee and render the decision.
   i. The decision will be communicated to the student and the complainant by the Title IX Coordinator or designee.
   ii. In accordance with the requirements under the HEOA, upon written request, the University of Phoenix will disclose to an alleged victim of a crime of violence, or a non-forcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the institution against the student(s) who is/are the alleged perpetrator(s) of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the alleged crime or offense, the University of Phoenix will provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim’s next of kin, if so requested.
   iii. In accordance with the requirements under the HEOA, opposing parties will be informed of the committee determination, including any sanction that is imposed.
   iv. Any decision which affects a student’s enrollment or academic status shall be communicated to the Registrar’s Office for records update.

f. Sanctions:
   i. If a violation is found, disciplinary sanctions will be based on the seriousness of the situation and may include, but are not limited to, documented counseling by a University staff member, loss of academic credit, suspension and/or expulsion.
   ii. A recommendation of expulsion by the decision maker will be automatically reviewed by the Student Discipline Review Committee in the Office of Dispute Management and must be endorsed before the Title IX Coordinator communicates that sanction to the student.

g. Appeals:
   i. Where a student is found to be in violation of the Student Code of Conduct after receiving a Charging Letter, they may appeal the decision to the Student Discipline Review Committee (SDRC) in the Office of Dispute Management (ODM) within ten (10) days of receiving the Title IX Coordinator’s decision. Additionally, the complainant has the right to file an appeal.
   ii. The SDRC is comprised of a senior manager from the University, a Regional Director of Academic Affairs, and an Associate or Assistant Dean from the accused student’s college (or their respective designee). The decision of the SDRC is final and will be communicated directly to the accused student, complainant, and the Registrar, except in the case of a decision by the SDRC supporting a Registrar recommendation of expulsion (see f.ii. above).
   iii. If the student is sanctioned with expulsion, the review of the appeal will be conducted by the Senior Management Review Committee (SMRC) in the Office of Dispute Management. The SMRC is comprised of the Provost, the Vice President of University Services, and the Dean of the accused student’s college (or their respective designee). The decision of the SMRC is final and will be communicated directly to the student and the campus.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of October 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the Consumer Information and Academic Policies sections of this catalog.

**Academic Probation**

Academic probation shall occur when a grade point average (GPA) falls below acceptable levels for the program. Probation lasts for a period of four consecutive program applicable courses. Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during the four course AP sequence. Associate degree students enrolled at the Online Campus should continue traditional block scheduling format with concurrent enrollment in two courses (excluding AACR & AAPF). In graduate programs, the four course sequence excludes any undergraduate prerequisite courses. Financial Aid students will continue to receive funds during the probationary period. Veteran students will continue to receive DVA education benefits during the probation period. The veteran will be informed of the probation, and a notation to the student DVA file will record when the probationary period commenced.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of October 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the University Policies section of this catalog.

**Discrimination Procedures:**
1. Students, faculty or staff alleging discrimination must present their grievance within six weeks.
   a. Allegations of sex discrimination must be presented to Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President and Title IX Coordinator, Office of Dispute Management, 4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, Mailstop CF-SX01, Phoenix, AZ 85040, 602.557.3391, TitleIX@phoenix.edu.

**Harassment Procedures**
1. Students, faculty or staff alleging harassment must present their grievance within six weeks.
   a. Allegations of sexual harassment must be presented to Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President and Title IX Coordinator, Office of Dispute Management, 4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, Mailstop CF-SX01, Phoenix, AZ 85040, 602.557.3391, TitleIX@phoenix.edu.
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The following policy is effective as of October 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the Students’ Rights and Responsibilities section of this catalog.

**Procedure for Processing Alleged Violations of the Student Code of Conduct:**

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**A. Alleged Violations:**

1. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct, unless related to student records or sex discrimination/harassment, shall be forwarded to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs, the Campus Director of Operations, or their designee.
2. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct that relates to student records shall be forwarded in writing to the Registrar.
3. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct that relates to sex discrimination/harassment shall be forwarded to the university's Title IX Coordinator, Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President, Office of Dispute Management, 4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, Mailstop CE-SX01, Phoenix, AZ 85040, 602.557.3391, TitleIX@phoenix.edu.
4. All alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct shall be subject to a fair and impartial process in determining whether or not a violation has occurred.
5. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct may result in a warning or it may be subject to review by a committee as described below.
ADDENDUM - NEW PROGRAM APPROVED

The following program(s) is/are approved to be offered effective October 1, 2012. Please see the program description(s), course requirements, required courses, additional course descriptions and any other programmatic requirements listed below.

The Bachelor of Science in Human Services

The following Bachelor of Science in Human Services (BSHS) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Human Services program curriculum at University of Phoenix employs an interdisciplinary approach for assimilating theory, knowledge, skills and core competencies of today’s human service professional. The conceptual framework of the program draws from a range of human service domains such as counseling, biopsychosocial development, human systems and social change, social work, psychology, and management theories. The program is designed with experiential components, integrated within the academic foundation, to provide students with experience as service providers in a range of human service settings in both private and public sectors. The Human Services program’s interdisciplinary design builds core skills and competencies based on established methods for delivering a variety of direct service roles in the wide-ranging field of human services. In addition to completing core curriculum courses, students must declare and complete courses in an area of concentration selected from the following: 1) Management, 2) Addictions, 3) Family and Child Services, 4) Gerontology. Upon graduation from the program students will be qualified for Registry as Mental Health Facilitators with the National Board for Certified Counselors-International and prepared academically to sit for the Human Services-Board Certified Practitioner examination administered by the Center for Credentialing and Education. For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bshs.

Required Course of Study for the BSHS

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

BSHS 305 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Historical Development of Human Services: An Introduction
Prerequisite is for B Track only
BSHS 325 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Human Systems and Development
Prerequisite is for B Track only
BSHS 335 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Ethics and Values for Human Service Professionals
BSHS 345 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Diversity and Special Populations
BSHS 355 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Delivery of Human Services: Theory and Practice

BSHS 375 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Information Management Systems & Technology in Human Services
BSHS 415O ~ .............................................................. 0 credits
Orientation to Field Experience
BSHS 385 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Interpersonal Communication & Interviewing Skills
BSHS 395 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Client Assessment and Plan Development
BSHS 405 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Intervention, Direct Service Delivery & Case Management
BSHS 415 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Field Experience I
BSHS 425 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Administration & Management of Human Service Programs
BSHS 435 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Research & Statistics in Human Services
BSHS 445 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
A Survey of Crisis and Mental Health Issues and Interventions
BSHS 455 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Working With Addictions
BSHS 465 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Professional Development and Identity
BSHS 475 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Field Experience II
BSHS 485 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Capstone: Advocacy and Creating Social Change

Concentration in Addictions

BSHS 456 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Addiction Interventions for Human Service Workers
BSHS 457 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Codpendence & Working with Families
BSHS 458 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Action Planning, Relapse Prevention & Aftercare

Concentration in Family and Child Services

BSHS 406 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Family and Social Systems: Contemporary Trends and Issues
BSHS 407 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Family Violence Across the Lifespan: A Multi-Strata Problem
BSHS 408 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Childhood Abuse and Neglect

Concentration in Gerontology

BSHS 437 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Social Systems and Aging
BSHS 438 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Care for Aging Populations
BSHS 439 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Grief, Loss and End of Life Issues

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Concentration in Management
BSHS 426 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Human Services Management: Theory & Practice
BSHS 427 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Critical Thinking Skills in Management Decision Making
BSHS 428 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Human Services Program Design & Proposal Writing

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the BSHS
All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:
• High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

Degree Requirements for the BSHS
• Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 60 upper division credits.
  - A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
  - Students will declare a concentration at the time of enrollment.
  - The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Bachelor of Science in Human Services and will not reflect the concentration or emphasis. Concentrations and emphases are reflected on the transcript only.

Academic Progression Requirements for the BSHS
All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:
• First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
• GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
• HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence.
• With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
• The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course it is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
• Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.

Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)

Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.

Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

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Concentration in Management
BSHS 426 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
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Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

Addendum
Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSHS

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix. Students in this program may waive a maximum of 30 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.

• The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.

• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.

• The course must have been completed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.

• The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: BSHS 305, BSHS 415, BSHS 415O, BSHS 475, BSHS 485.

Field Experience for the BSHS

The BSHS programs include two field experience courses: BSHS 415 and BSHS 475. Each field experience course is 15 weeks in length. These courses require at least 175 hours of field experience, or an average of 12 hours per week committed to a community human services placement site. Weekly seminars (2 hours per week) are provided to offer support and supervision of the student activities during their field experience.

Students in the Bachelor of Sciences in Human Services program may not enroll in BSHS 415 and BSHS 475 with other BSHS courses.

Course Description for the BSHS

BSHS 305 ..........................................................................................3 credits

Historical Development of Human Services: An Introduction

In this course students will learn the historical roots of human services and the creation of the human services profession. An investigation of current and historical legislation and how legislation is influenced by public and private attitudes provides a foundational understanding of basic human services ideology. A deep exploration of economic and governance systems affecting service delivery serves to develop essential skills for understanding and interpreting historical dynamics related to advocacy and social change initiatives in human services. Analysis of historical data and exposure to the range of political perspectives facilitates a general introduction and integration to the overall experience of the human service worker’s investment in the multidimensional field. Students will complete Module 1 of the MHF training.

BSHS 325 ..........................................................................................3 credits

Human Systems and Development

Students will demonstrate a basic understanding of human development across the lifespan and of systems for meeting fundamental human needs. The course provides perspectives on individual roles in families, groups, and interpersonal relationships in communities, society, and organizations. Essential coursework components of human systems and development include theories of group dynamics and diversity, culture, aspects of human sexuality, social systems theory, and general processes effecting both developmental and social change. Students will complete Module 8 of the MHF training.

BSHS 335 ..........................................................................................3 credits

Ethics and Values for Human Service Professionals

In this course students will become familiar with ethical standards for human service workers as outlined by the National Organization for Human Services (NOHS). An emphasis is placed on understanding concepts of least intrusive intervention, least restrictive environment, facilitating client self-determination, appropriate professional boundary maintenance, and employing interdisciplinary team approaches to problem-solving. Students will demonstrate understanding of requirements for client confidentiality, electronic record keeping, and portability of client information.

BSHS 345 ..........................................................................................3 credits

Diversity and Special Populations

The emphasis of this course is on the context of diverse social systems including roles of ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, cultural dynamics, socio-economic status, variations of learning styles, and individual ability in evaluation and client needs assessment. To complete this course, a student must demonstrate knowledge and understanding of human limitations and capacity, and of the resilient nature of humans. The course involves an exploration of special populations to include individuals with disabilities, economically disadvantaged families and foster children, single parents including single pregnant women, displaced homemakers, individuals with barriers to educational achievement (including those with limited English proficiency), the aging and elderly, individuals preparing for nontraditional employment, tribal communities, refugees and immigrants, and underserved or hard-to-serve populations in general. Students will complete Module 9 of the MHF training.
Delivery of Human Services: Theory and Practice
This course facilitates identification of specific human needs and conditions, which are the core of the human services profession, and the range of human service delivery systems that address them. The conditions most often encountered with addictions and chemical dependency, aging populations, crime, mental and physical illnesses, poverty, delinquency and developmental disabilities will be explored in depth. On completion of this course students will demonstrate knowledge of theory and skills necessary for employing the major models of human service delivery at individual, group and community levels with attention to global influences effecting social policy and the political and ideological perspectives on human services delivery internationally. Students will complete Module 2 of the MHF training.

BSHS 375 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Information Management Systems & Technology in Human Services
This course provides the foundation for appropriate integration and use of information management systems crucial to the delivery of human services. Skills developed include methods of obtaining, organizing, analyzing, evaluating, maintaining and disseminating information. Domains addressed in the course involve the application of confidentiality guidelines and the appropriate use of client data, utilizing technology to assist in conducting needs assessments and basic program evaluation, and accessing research literature for advocacy and education initiatives. Basic computer skills such as word processing and the use of spreadsheets for maintaining a database are addressed along with a survey of assistive technology available for a range of special needs populations.

BSHS 385 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Orientation to Field Experience
This course will provide an overview of the expectations and requirements for a successful Field Experience. Students will be provided with information regarding field placement with approved sites, documentation of field experience, and requirements for supervision. Orientation is offered well in advance of the first Field Experience course, BSHS/ 415 to provide students ample time for field site selection. (0 credits) Prerequisite: BSHS 375. May not be taken as Directed Study.

BSHS 385 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Interpersonal Communication & Interviewing Skills
Human Services delivery requires expertise in communicating well with a wide range of people and groups. A key component of effective communication is the development of genuine positive regard for others, skill in establishing empathic relationships, and obtaining information needed for effective intervention with successful outcomes. This course provides knowledge of theory and practice in interpersonal communication. Students will learn skills for resolving conflict, establishing positive rapport, assisting clients in becoming clear about goals and focusing on outcomes, and practicing professional and ethical behaviors in all client interactions. Students will complete Modules 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the MHF training.

BSHS 395 ................................................................. 3 credits

Client Assessment and Plan Development
This course enables students to understand the process of conducting needs assessments, developing an action plan for services, implementing the action plan, and subsequent evaluation of outcomes. Students will learn the process of developing goals and measurable objectives, designing an individualized program for clients, implementing the program, and using ongoing assessment and evaluation of results to revise or modify individualized programs. Students will demonstrate competency in identifying needs, and mobilizing resources and necessary supports for assisting clients in meeting goals. Students will complete Module 10, 11 and 12 of the MHF training.

BSHS 405 ................................................................. 3 credits

Intervention, Direct Service Delivery & Case Management
This course provides an overview of the role of the human service worker as a change agent with a focus on the application of theory and skills necessary for providing interventions and direct service delivery to individuals and groups. Specifically, students will develop competence in professional skills such as case management, client intake and interviewing, and basic group and individual counseling techniques. Additionally, students will learn how to access resources, use consultation, and make referrals. Students will complete Module 16 of the MHF training.

BSHS 415 ................................................................. 3 credits

Field Experience I
This is a 15-week course requiring at least 175 hours of field experiences, or an average of 12 hours per week committed to a field placement site. Students will work in a human services setting under the supervision of a qualified professional. In addition to providing direct service, students will attend a weekly 2-hour class for faculty supervision and evaluation of core competency development. Typical activities of a field placement involve employing skills acquired so far in the program progression: conducting interviews, working directly with clients and groups, developing action plans and documenting. Students will complete Modules 13 and 14 of the MHF training.

BSHS 425 ................................................................. 3 credits

Administration & Management of Human Service Programs
Administration and management involve components of indirect services associated with systematic delivery of direct human services. Students will learn theories of strategic planning, human resource management, strategies for evaluation and planning the development of human service organizations, elements of agency operations, risk management, budgeting, and fiscal acquisition through grant writing and contract negotiation. The emphasis of this course is on leadership development, and managing professional and volunteer staff. Additional content areas addressed in the course involve advocacy efforts and grass roots movements focused on constituency building.
BSHS 435 | Research & Statistics in Human Services | 3 credits

This course provides an overview of research methods and appropriate use of statistics in the social sciences. A component of program development and evaluation involves knowledge of theory related to understanding research and statistics in the human services arena. The scientific method, research tools, data collection, and analysis will be reviewed. Understanding research and developing the ability to critically evaluate published research reports will be emphasized. Statistical concepts will be reviewed, and students will gain a conceptual understanding of underlying principles of research and statistical analysis. Statistical software will be introduced, and students will compute descriptive and inferential statistical data. Students will practice developing research designs and conducting statistical analyses.

BSHS 445 | A Survey of Crisis and Mental Health Issues and Interventions | 3 credits

In this course students explore the relationship between mental health and human service delivery systems in the United States as well as global initiatives for improving the international service base. Students will learn to define and describe the nature and process of crisis and the impact of trauma-causing events on the mental health of diverse clients. Students will compare and contrast the range of service delivery modalities and networks, including the operation of emergency management systems, and will demonstrate understanding of roles and skills needed when services are provided in emergency and crisis situations. The course facilitates development of skills necessary for assessing and managing suicide risk. Students will complete Module 15 of the MHF training.

BSHS 455 | Working With Addictions | 3 credits

This course introduces students to the biology of addiction, including brain reward mechanisms, the role of environment and genetics, psychodynamics, and the impact of addiction on individuals, families, and communities. The roles of addiction in society in relationship to the judicial system, treatment systems, progressive era reforms, and complications of dual diagnosis are emphasized in the course. The course examines major models of conceptualizing and integrating prevention, intervention, rehabilitation and maintenance/relapse prevention. Students will learn strategies for accessing supportive measures and case management processes for developing wrap-around action plans for service delivery to individuals and groups with addiction and chemical dependence related issues.

BSHS 465 | Professional Development and Identity | 3 credits

In this course students will explore processes for enhancement of self-awareness and the effect of personal style and personality on human service delivery. Students will examine personal values, cultural differences and biases, individual philosophies and belief systems then integrate this understanding of self into the development of an identity as a human service professional. Students will demonstrate strategies for cultivating self-awareness and modeling self-care. Students will investigate the value of membership in supportive professional organizations such as the National Organization for Human Services (NOHS). Students will complete Module 17 of the MHF training.

BSHS 475 | Field Experience II | 3 credits

This is a 15-week course requiring at least 175 hours of field experience, or an average of 12 hours per week committed to a community human services placement site. Weekly seminars (2-hours per week) are provided to offer support and supervision of the student activities during their field experience. Students will learn to present issues for supervision. Each student will create a portfolio of his or her competencies and accomplishments for career purposes. This course requires accumulation of the total 350 service hours necessary for graduation from the program (the first 175 hours were compiled in BSHS/415, FE I) and demonstration of a professional attitude and disposition as evaluated in 8 domains: Professionalism, Personal Growth, Sensitivity, Flexibility, Emotional Maturity, Group Membership Skills, Accepting Feedback, and Relationship with Authority. Students will complete Modules 7 and 18 of the MHF training.

BSHS 485 | Capstone: Advocacy and Creating Social Change | 3 credits

This course is the culmination of the BSHS program with a focus on the basic tenets of client advocacy efforts and the processes of creating social change. As human services professionals, students will demonstrate strategies for using their knowledge and skills for understanding and helping clients. The Capstone Project asks students to develop an advocacy action plan that addresses a local need they have determined utilizing a community needs assessment. Students will complete Module 19 of the MHF training.

COMM 215 | Essentials of College Writing | 3 credits

This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretative and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 200 | Foundations for General Education and Professional Success | 3 credits

This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

GEN 101 | Skills for Lifelong Learning | 3 credits

This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.
Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Addictions

BSHS 456 ................................................................................. 3 credits
Addiction Interventions for Human Service Workers
This course has a focus on familiarizing students with fundamental interventions used in drug and alcohol treatment settings. Students will conduct an investigation of 12-step, alternative support group, secular organization, therapeutic community, and structured in-patient/outpatient approaches to intervention and treatment. Students will be prepared to apply basic skills for assessing and evaluating client needs, making referrals, and working as a colleague in groups of professional service providers. An exploration of commonly used evaluation instruments for assessing level of care is underscored along with tenets of co-facilitation of treatment groups and assessing special population needs. Students will demonstrate foundational knowledge and understanding of guidelines for treatment as outlined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the American Society of Addiction Medicine’s Patient Placement Criteria.

BSHS 457 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Codependence & Working with Families
In this course students will demonstrate an understanding of the impact of controlling behaviors and supporting dysfunction in relation to addictions and families. Theories of codependency are explored as a disease of loss of selfhood and an addiction resulting from an imbalance of inner and outer self-awareness. Cardinal characteristics of codependence are examined with a focus on chronic, progressive, malignant and treatable features. Students will demonstrate understanding and skill in case management and referral for treatment in addition to assisting clients with recovery goals, self-awareness, self-acceptance, self-responsibility and self-reflection with a focus on prevalence, and consequences of codependency in families.

BSHS 458 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Action Planning, Relapse Prevention & Aftercare
This course provides advanced skills development for the addiction and chemical dependency human service worker. Students will conduct an in-depth evaluation of various treatment approaches employed when preparing action plans with clients. An investigation of comprehensive treatment programs, community action programs, school-based programs, and public health approaches to relapse prevention and aftercare strategies will provide students an opportunity to develop and present an individualized program for a fictional client. Students will demonstrate an understanding of policy issues, managed care, private and public insurance, and advocacy for the consumer in relation to addiction and dependency issues.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Family and Child Services

BSHS 406 .......................................................................................... 3 credits
Family and Social Systems: Contemporary Trends and Issues
Theories of public and private families, as differentiated by societal interaction, are explored with a focus on family systems as they exist within social systems. Micro and macro family environments are investigated. Students will examine theories involving the interconnected and interdependent features of contemporary families in a range of social systems. Topics include the family, the state, and social policy with historical perspectives from federal and state legislation. Students will debate current trends in social policy, the efficacy of social welfare systems on a global scale, and demonstrate an understanding of the concept of practical compromise. Roles of the human service worker as advocate and service provider in the family systems context will be addressed.

BSHS 407 .......................................................................................... 3 credits
Family Violence Across the Lifespan: A Multi-Strata Problem
This course explores the phenomenon and social problem of family violence with both macro- and micro-theory explanations and an in-depth literature review. Students will demonstrate an understanding of assessment strategies, consequences and contributing factors of family violence across socio-economic strata and the full range of diverse populations experiencing family violence. Attention is focused on professional and social responses that include clinical interventions, educational initiatives within schools, and responses to the disclosure of family violence in agency and private settings. Skills to develop a human services approach to preventing family violence are enhanced in this course; students are required to outline their own personal and professional roles in the movement to end family violence.

BSHS 408 .......................................................................................... 3 credits
Childhood Abuse and Neglect
This course focuses on the segment of family violence involving physical child abuse, child sexual abuse and exploitation, child neglect and psychological maltreatment of children. Students will examine the scope of these problems and the characteristics of both victims and perpetrators while conducting a search for patterns and dynamics of each distinction. Students will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of reporting requirements, treatment interventions, repressed memory controversy, working within the criminal justice system and the tenets of the Children’s Justice Act addressing investigation, prosecution and judicial handling of abuse and neglect cases. Areas of focus involve various forms of each category including indicators for the range of abuses on an international scale with child labor, slavery, and child prostitution issues.
Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Gerontology

BSHS 437 ................................................................. 3 credits

Social Systems and Aging
This course traces the origins of social systems for the aging around the world, followed by an examination of program types, the effects on retirement, demographic changes, political sustainability of social programs for the aging, institutional settings and labor supply. Students will define and measure population aging by comparing and contrasting U.S. data with other countries by exploring elderly dependency and age-dependency ratios. Additional topics for discussion and demonstrated understanding by students include: the biology of aging and the pathology of memory, disengagement theory, mental health issues such as depression, suicide, and the psychology of aging, the aging family and changes in family structure, intra- and inter-generational relationships across various societies, and healthful aging ideology.

BSHS 438 ................................................................. 3 credits

Care for Aging Populations
The course is an exploration of various living environments for aging and elderly including retirement communities, living with relatives and/or children, independency, assisted living, the goodness-of-fit between lifestyle and housing, and managing long-term care. Students will demonstrate knowledge of segregated versus age-integrated residential settings and the impact on residents. An in-depth investigation of care-related issues across the growing aging population will include topics such as chronic illness, subsidized and unsubsidized healthcare related expenses, and needs assessment protocol. The basic model and principles of integrative, interdisciplinary healthcare is presented as the foundation for a team approach to the development of intervention plans, strategies of care, and implementation.

BSHS 439 ................................................................. 3 credits

Grief, Loss and End of Life Issues
In this course students will learn strategies for facilitating the transition from curative measures to palliative care for the relief of emotional/psychological distress, pain, and a range of physical symptoms. Core competencies involve demonstrated learning of methods for anticipating the demands of end-of-life caregiving including advanced directives, 24/7 services, hospice case management, care and placement options, and easing the common challenges as individuals and families move from care and grief modalities to acceptance and healing. Students will demonstrate understanding of patient and caregiver needs and roles in late life care with topics that include: practical care assistance and early preparation, referral for financial and legal assistance, comfort and dignity issues, respite care, grief support, focusing on client values and concerns, and addressing family conflict.

BSHS 439 ................................................................. 3 credits

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Management

BSHS 426 ................................................................. 3 credits

Human Services Management: Theory & Practice
This course traces the historical context of human services management as it relates to current theory and practice. Students will examine strategies for managing an integrated, diverse workforce and prepare to be generalists, understanding the scope of leading an organization with commonly encountered agency pressures. Students will employ learned management practices to inspect, distinguish, and measure the important attributes of program management and supervision. By demonstrating a basic understanding of organizational behavior and the challenges of embracing workforce diversity, dynamic systems change, performance evaluation and effective communication with a range of Para-professional and professionals, students will explore their roles as managers in the growing human services field.

BSHS 427 ................................................................. 3 credits

Critical Thinking Skills in Management Decision Making
This course will familiarize students with strategies related to making sustainable decisions. Techniques used to make decisions, solve problems and lead environments will be explored. Concepts of strategic planning, organizing and leading are examined to link these basic principles to create a healthy and thriving workplace environment. Specific details to human services are considered and methods for service delivery to needs-based populations and the workers who serve in this capacity. Students are introduced to, and will demonstrate understanding of, the Six Sigma elements and five-step approach for process improvement.

BSHS 428 ................................................................. 3 credits

Human Services Program Design & Proposal Writing
This course introduces students to the purposes, challenges and benefits of program design and grant writing. Students will review components of each and conduct a needs assessment and develop a business case for implementation on program design. Special attention will be given to research for finding available funding sources and how to form important partnerships. Students explore the methods of research using quantitative, qualitative and mixed-method program design concepts. Students will examine concepts of logic models and their impact on people, processes, and conditions related to program design. Using a specific framework, learners will uncover funding possibilities and use tools to prepare for the rigor related with grant writing. Resources and tools to secure funding for state, federal and private human services programs and agencies are examined. Students will be introduced to the processes, obstacles and costs associated to grant writing and program design.

Addendum
The following policy is effective as of September 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the University of Phoenix School of Business-Undergraduate section of this catalog.

**The Bachelor of Science in Business**

**Marketing Concentration**

The Marketing Concentration addresses how to identify customer needs, how to communicate information about products and services to customers and potential customers, where to market, the pricing of products and services, and how to respond to growing demands in different countries and cultures. The marketing concentration builds upon the foundational marketing course, which allows further study in the areas of consumer behavior, advertising, marketing research, public relations, promotion measurement and analysis, and international and global marketing. Marketing managers need creative, analytical, and leadership abilities to manage the marketing function of the business enterprise.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-mkt.

Students must choose three of the following courses:

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**Course Descriptions for the Marketing Concentration**

- **Consumer Behavior**
  - This is an introductory course in analyzing consumer and purchasing behaviors as basic considerations in the development of a marketing mix. Economic, social, psychological, and cultural factors are considered as they relate to the development of marketing programs.
  - MKT 498

- **Integrated Marketing Strategies**
  - This course provides students with an in-depth study of Integrated Marketing Communications (IMC). Emphasis will be placed on the strategic roles and integration of marketing communication elements including advertising, public relations, sales promotion, event management, media selection, and sales management.
  - MKT 435

- **Mass Communication**
  - This course delves into the processes and technology of communication on societal and global levels accomplished through the print and electronic media. Content of communication studied ranges from journalism, entertainment, commerce, and advocacy to personal communication on the Internet. The dynamic changes that have taken place and are evolving today in mass media and mass communication will be considered along with predictions about the role of mass communication.
  - MKT 438

- **Media and Society**
  - The development and evolution of contemporary society have become inextricably intertwined with the development and use of electronic media within the past 100 years. This course explores the complex interactions involving society, information, communication, and the electronic media. Controversial topics that media have brought to the fore, and in some cases caused, will be highlighted.
  - MKT 431

- **Product and Brand Management**
  - This course presents an analysis of the goods and services lifecycle from conception to purchase. Special emphasis is placed on design and implementation of successful product development and brand management strategies that deliver value to consumers.
  - MKT 411

- **Green Marketing**
  - This course applies the principles of sustainability and the philosophy of being environmentally green to the area of marketing. Special emphasis is placed on sustainable product design; awareness and cause marketing; public relations and green-washing; and emerging going-green marketing trends.
  - MKT 431

- **Small Business Marketing**
  - Knowing your customer, growing your customer base and creating a consumer driven culture are key drivers of sustainability in the small business. This course focuses on the functions of evaluating opportunities, creating value, and developing effective pricing and advertising strategies.
  - MKT 441
Discrimination Procedures:
1. Students, faculty or staff alleging discrimination must present their grievance within six weeks.
   a. Allegations of sex discrimination must be presented to Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President and Title IX Coordinator, Office of Dispute Management, 1625 W. Fountainhead Parkway, Mailstop AA-S401, Tempe, AZ 85282, 602.557.3391, Camie.Pratt@phoenix.edu or designee.

Harassment Procedures
1. Students, faculty or staff alleging harassment must present their grievance within six weeks.
   a. Allegations of sexual harassment must be presented to Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President and Title IX Coordinator, Office of Dispute Management, 1625 W. Fountainhead Parkway, Mailstop AA-S401, Tempe, AZ 85282, 602.557.3391, Camie.Pratt@phoenix.edu or designee.

Violations and Enforcement
Reporting Violations
Any actual or suspected violation of this policy should immediately be brought to the attention of the system administrator of the equipment or facility most directly involved. Alternatively, a report may be made directly to Apollo Internal Audit or Apollo Information Security and Compliance.
Apollo Group Internal Audit
M/S AA-B309
1625 W. Fountainhead Parkway
Tempe, AZ 85282
FAX: (480) 929-7499
e-mail: internalaudit@apollogrp.edu
Apollo Group Information Security & Compliance
M/S AA-B103
1625 W. Fountainhead Parkway
Tempe, AZ 85282
FAX: (480) 379-3555
e-mail: infosec@apollogrp.edu
The following policy is effective as of September 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the Undergraduate Programs section of this catalog.

First-Year Sequence

The following First-Year Sequence is applicable to students starting on or after February 1, 2010. Students who begin courses prior to February 1, 2010 will not be required to complete the First-Year Sequence.

All students entering undergraduate degree programs (other than LVN/BSN, LPN/BSN, BS/LPN, BSN, BSL/E, and BSL/E) who have fewer than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to complete the following First-Year Sequence:

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

GEN 195 (Required as first course) .................................................. 3 credits

Foundations of University Studies

SCI 163 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

FP 120 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Essentials of Personal Finance

COM 170 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Elements of University Composition and Communication I

COM 172 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Elements of University Composition and Communication II

PSY 211 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Essentials of Psychology

HUM 114 ~ (Required as last course) .............................................. 3 credits

Critical Thinking and Creative Problem Solving

Optional Course for the First-Year Sequence:

HUM 186 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Media Influences on American Culture

Note: Non-Degree students may not enroll in any of the University of Phoenix or Associates First-Year Sequence courses.

Course Descriptions for First-Year Sequence

GEN 195 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Foundations of University Studies

The essential information, skills, tools, and techniques necessary for academic success and personal effectiveness at the University of Phoenix are introduced in this course. The course develops and applies practical knowledge and skills immediately relevant to first-year university students. Course topics include goal setting and working with personal motivation, understanding and using University resources, developing efficient study habits, making the most of personal learning styles, and how best to manage time and reduce personal stress levels.

SCI 163 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Elements of Health and Wellness

This course reinforces the concept that learning effectively and living well involves both the mind and body. It presents the fundamentals of wellness and preventive health including strategic planning to attain and maintain personal optimal health. In addition, physical and mental diseases are discussed along with the dangers of environmental pollution, stress, addiction, and other negative factors that can affect personal health.

FP 120 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Essentials of Personal Finance

This course provides an overview of the elements necessary for effective personal financial planning and the opportunity to apply the techniques and strategies essential to this understanding. Primary areas of study include creating and managing a personal budget, understanding and paying taxes, working with financial institutions, wise use of credit cards and consumer loans, financing automobiles and homes, and the use of insurance for protecting one’s family and property.

COM 170 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Elements of University Composition and Communication I

This course addresses the key elements necessary for effective academic writing in college. The course begins with focus on pre-writing strategies and builds to drafting and revising essays. In addition, the course includes skill development at the sentence and paragraph level.

COM 172 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Elements of University Composition and Communication II

This course builds upon the foundations established in Com155. It addresses the various rhetorical modes necessary for effective college essays: narration, illustration, description, process analysis, classification, definition, comparison and contrast, cause and effect, and argumentation. In addition, requirements for research essays, including the use of outside sources and appropriate formatting, are considered.

PSY 211 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Essentials of Psychology

This course overviews the foundations of psychology as the field applies to everyday life. The physical and mental aspects of psychology are traced through lifespan development with emphasis on psychological health and wellness. Further study focuses on personality; thinking, learning and memory; motivation and emotions; and gender and sexuality. Based in various historical traditions, the course is set in the context of contemporary psychological principles.

HUM 114 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Critical Thinking and Creative Problem Solving

This course focuses on developing the critical and creative thinking skills necessary to analyze and solve problems, make decisions, implement strategies, and formulate well supported points of view on key academic, social, and professional issues. The principles of creative thinking are essential to critical thinking skills. Students will learn how to evaluate their ideas and how to communicate their points of view persuasively.

HUM 186 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Media and American Culture

The course provides an introduction to the most prominent forms of media that influence and impact social, business, political, and popular culture in contemporary America. It explores the unique aspects of each medium as well as interactions across various media that combine to create rich environments for information sharing, entertainment, business, and social interaction in the U.S. and around the world.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of September 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the Students’ Rights and Responsibilities section of this catalog.

Procedure for Processing Alleged Violations of the Student Code of Conduct:

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A. Alleged Violations:

1. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct, unless related to student records or sex discrimination/harassment, shall be forwarded to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs, the Campus Director of Operations, or their designee.
2. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct that relates to student records shall be forwarded in writing to the Registrar.
3. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct that relates to sex discrimination/harassment shall be forwarded to the university’s Title IX Coordinator, Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President, Office of Dispute Management, 1625 W. Fountainhead Parkway, Mailstop AA-S401, Tempe, AZ 85282, 602.557.3391, Camie.Pratt@phoenix.edu or designee).
4. All alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct shall be subject to a fair and impartial process in determining whether or not a violation has occurred.
5. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct may result in a warning or it may be subject to review by a committee as described below.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

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CONSUMER INFORMATION

Introduction

All institutions participating in federal financial aid programs are required to notify enrolled and potential students of available consumer information. This document provides required consumer information. Where applicable, each section lists specific locations where additional information is available. Additionally, the right to request and receive this information in writing is available by contacting the campus director or designee at each University of Phoenix location during regular business hours.

Student Financial Aid Consumer Information

University of Phoenix participates in the following federal financial aid programs:
- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
- Teacher Education Assistance for College Higher Education (TEACH) Grant
- Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant (IASG)
- Federal Perkins Loan Program
- Federal Stafford Direct Loan (DL) Program
- Federal Stafford Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)
- Federal Stafford Direct PLUS Loan for Graduate and Professional Degree Students

Degree-seeking students who are U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens enrolled in an eligible academic program can apply for federal financial aid as a means of assisting with financing their education. Some certificate programs may also be eligible for federal financial aid.

Students may also be eligible to receive funding through state grant or scholarship programs in their states where available. Depending on the program, student eligibility may be need-based, non-need-based, credit based, or dependent on other specific conditions.

Students should contact a local campus or an online finance advisor at 866.766.0766 for additional information on financial aid programs available at each campus. A list of campuses is available at http://www.phoenix.edu/campus_locations.html.

University of Phoenix Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

University student records are confidential for all schools receiving funding under programs administered by the U.S. Department of Education in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974. Generally, information pertaining to a student record is not to be released to a third party without written or authorized electronic consent via a FERPA release form, judicial order, or a lawfully issued subpoena.

The University is required to provide students a copy of its FERPA policy annually and upon written request from the student. Current students can obtain a copy of the FERPA policy in the appropriate online academic catalog at https://www.phoenix.edu/programs/degree-programs/academic-catalog.html.

Access to Education Records

FERPA regulations require the University to comply with students' rights to inspect and review their academic records by responding within 45 days from the time the University receives a written request to access their records. However, University Services will respond to students' requests to review their records within 14 days from receipt of the request. Students should submit their request to the University Registrar and specify the record or records the students wish to receive copies of or inspect.

Note: Under FERPA, a student is defined as an individual who is or has attended an educational institution. Students with at least one Academic Related Activity in a university course are considered a student. A student with at least one positive attendance, or Y, posted is considered an active student.

Education records are defined as all records, files, documents and materials containing information directly related to a student, and maintained by an educational institution.

The following are not interpreted as education records:
- Personal records maintained by an individual; must be kept in the sole possession of the individual and are not accessible to others
- Records of the law enforcement unit of an educational institution
- Personnel records; records related to a person as an employee not used for any other purpose
- Medical records
- Records created after the student is no longer a student; alumni records

Releasable Information - Directory

In compliance with FERPA, a University designated representative without prior written or authorized electronic consent of the student can release the following educational record information, provided the student does not have a FERPA Hold Request Form on record:
- Student name
- Home address
- Email address
- Home telephone number
- Year of birth
- Dates of attendance at the University
- Dates of admission to the University
- University programs of study
- University degree completion dates and type of degrees earned
- Current enrollment status (full-time1 and withdrawn)
- Most recent previous institutions attended and degree(s) earned
- Grade level (freshman, sophomore, junior or senior)
- Photographs

Addendum
• Honors and awards received
• Participation in officially recognized activities

If a student submits written or authorized electronic requests via a FERPA Hold Request form that directory information not be released to a third party, no information can be released, absent a judicial order or a lawfully issued subpoena. A FERPA Hold Request is valid throughout the student’s enrollment.

To remove a FERPA Hold Request, the student must complete and submit a FERPA Hold Release form to the Registrar’s Office.

To remove previously authorized parties from record, the student completes and submits a FERPA Recind form listing all parties to whom information should no longer be released.

Information Not Released - Non-Directory
In compliance with FERPA, the following student information must not be released by the University without prior written or authorized electronic consent of the student, a judicial order, or a lawfully issued subpoena. The student’s signature on the written requests shall be verified before acting upon the request.

• Place of birth*
• Month and day of birth*
• Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Record Number (IRN) or Personal Identification Number (PIN)**
• Grades or grade point averages
• Course schedules
• Employment information including: employer, position held, work address or work telephone number
• Academic performance information, such as academic suspension, probation disqualification or academic dishonesty charges
• Admission information including test scores or entry grade point averages
• Financial and accounting information
• Gender*
• Race*
• Ethnicity*
• Citizenship*
• Country of origin*  
* Although this information may be disclosed without prior written consent according to FERPA, the University policy is to maintain the confidentiality of this student information. The University will notify students to provide contact information directly to a third party when this information is requested.

** Student IRNs, SSNs or PINs should not be released to a third party, unless necessary to perform a required task; for example the Student Financial Agreement, FBI request, etc.

Note: Non-directory information can only be released to third parties via telephone or in person if the student has provided written or authorized electronic consent including a security word. If the student does not complete the release information, including security word, information is not released via telephone or in person.

Note: All third-party inquiries, including parents, require a FERPA Release Form on file unless the third party meets one of the definitions under FERPA allowing access without prior written or authorized electronic consent from the student, for example, power of attorney, etc.

The University can release information to school officials with legitimate educational interest.

The University may release information under the following conditions:

• School officials with legitimate educational interest
• Person or company with whom the University has contracted as its agent to provide a service instead of using University employees or officials such as Apollo Group, Neten Scholarship Management, Aptimus, Protiviti, ACS, ECMC Solutions, National Student Clearinghouse, Paradigm, Inc., Education Sales Management, Double Positive, Hills Consulting Group, SCRIP-SAFE, Student Outreach Solutions, i3, Inside Track, Salesforce, Iron Mountain, Outsell Y-Connecting, Cenveo, IntraEdge, ITC InfoTech, Sogeti, collection agencies (CS, ARS, States Recovery, FMS, Account Control Technology-ACT, Avante USA, Capital Management Systems, FCBS, NARS Call Center Solutions, National Enterprise Systems, Northland Group, Penta Group, Redline Recovery, Tate and Kirlin, iGrad, and Windham Professionals) and other services

• Other schools to which a student seeks or intends to enroll
• Specified officials for audit and evaluation purposes
• Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student
• Organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school
• Accrediting organizations
• To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena
• Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies
• State and local authorities, pursuant to state law
• The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in compliance with the Student Exchange Visitor
• Information System (SEVIS) program
• Under “Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT ACT) of 2001,” Section 507 amends FERPA and allows institutions to disclose without consent or knowledge of the student personally identifiable information from the student’s education records to the Attorney General of the United States or to his designee in response to an ex parte order in connection with the investigation or prosecution of terrorism crimes specified in 2332b(g)(5)(B) or an act of domestic or international terrorism as defined in Section 2331 of Title 18 United States Code. Institutions that, in good faith, produce information from education records in compliance with an ex parte order issued under this amendment “shall not be liable to any person for that production”

• Under the Campus Sex Crime Prevention Act, institutions are permitted to disclose information concerning registered sex offenders who are required to register under the Violent Crime Control & Law Enforcement Act
• The institution may disclose the results of a disciplinary proceeding if the student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or nonforcible sex offense and he or she has been found to have violated the institution’s policies and procedures with respect to the allegation. Disclosures may only be made if the institution determines the student did violate its policies and such disclosures must only include the name of the student, violation committed and any sanction imposed by the institution against the student

• The institution must, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence, or a nonforcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the institution against the student who is the alleged perpetrator of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the crime or offense, the institution must provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim’s next of kin, if so requested

• The disclosure is to organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, educational agencies or institutions

Addendum
The University shall retain a record of student information disclosed to a third party if the disclosure does not fall under a FERPA exception. This information is kept on the University’s computer system containing dates, names and reasons for release. Students shall have reasonable access to their educational records and may request to review and challenge the contents, which they feel to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of their privacy or other rights. FERPA regulations require the University to comply with the students’ right to inspect and review their academic records by responding within 45 days from the time the University receives a written request to access their records. However, University Services will respond to students’ requests to review their records within 14 days from receipt of the request. Students should submit their request to the University Registrar and specify the record or records they wish to receive copies of or inspect.

**Student Right to Access**

Students wishing to review their educational records shall submit a written request to the Registrar specifying the records to be reviewed. Only records covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act will be made available. If necessary, the Registrar’s Office will work with a campus designee so that the student can review the record.

FERPA regulations require the University to comply with the students’ right to inspect and review their academic records by responding within 45 days from the time the University receives a written request to access their records. However, University Services will respond to students’ requests to review their records within 14 days from receipt of the request. Students should submit their request to the University Registrar and specify the record or records they wish to receive copies of or inspect.

Students who wish to review their records at a campus location must present photo identification before access to educational records is allowed. For copies of records from a student’s file, the student must fill out and submit the Student Request for Information from Files form. Distance education students must submit a written request specifically outlining which record they wish to review. Upon verification of the student’s signature, the records will be released.

A designated University official must be present when a student wishes to review his or her records at a campus location. This includes documents on file or student history notes that do not reference other student information. Printed files requested by the student and mailed from the Registrar’s Office will not include his/her name and other student information. Printed files requested by the student and mailed from the Registrar’s Office will not include his/her name and other student information.

**Procedure**

Students alleging that their University records are inaccurate or misleading, or who allege violations of FERPA, may present their challenges to the University Registrar.

Students have the right to correct record-keeping errors, but not to seek to overturn administration decisions and assessments. The registrar shall review students’ challenges and, when appropriate, amend students’ records accordingly. Students will be notified within 14 days of the registrar’s actions and, based on the action, may request a formal hearing.

A student must submit request for amendment in writing to the registrar identifying the specific portion of his or her record he or she wants changed and why he or she believes it’s inaccurate or in violation of his or her privacy. The registrar will respond to the request within 14 days.
If the University denies the request to change the record, the registrar will notify the student within 14 days of the decision and advise the student of his or her right to challenge the information. A student's request for a formal hearing must be made in writing and submitted to University Services. The registrar will arrange for a hearing, and notify the student within 14 days from the receipt of the request of the date, place and time of the hearing. A hearing panel appointed by the registrar shall represent the University. The panel shall consider all relevant evidence supporting the student's allegations of inaccurate or misleading information in the student's records. Decisions of the panel will be final. The University will provide a written decision within 14 days of the hearing based on evidence presented at the hearing and will include a summary of evidence presented and the rationale for the decision. If the University decides that the challenged information is not misleading, inaccurate or in violation of the student's privacy rights, it will notify the student within 14 days of his or her right to place in the record a statement commenting on the challenged information or a statement of reasons for disagreeing with the decision. The statement will be maintained as a part of the student's record as long as the contested portion is maintained. If the University discloses the contested portion of the record, it must also disclose the statement. If the University decides the information is inaccurate or in violation of the student's right of privacy, it will amend the record and notify the student within 14 days, in writing, that the record has been amended. Students may not inspect and review the following absent a judicial order or legally issued subpoena:

- Confidential letters and recommendations for which they have waived their rights of inspection
- Educational records containing information about more than one student
- Access is permitted only to that part of the record concerning the inquiring student
- Records of instructional, supervisory, administrative, and certain educational personnel, which are in the possession of the originator
- Records connected with an application to attend the University if the application was denied; for example, a student is enrolled in an undergraduate program and applies for admission to a graduate program but is denied.

University of Phoenix cannot deny students access to their records. Copies do not need to be provided, unless by not providing copies, the students' rights are denied. The University may release foreign transcripts to students.

The University reserves the right to deny transcripts or copies of records not required to be made available by FERPA in any of the following situations, absent a judicial order or legally issued subpoena:

- Student has an unpaid financial obligation with the University.
- The University issues transcripts for students who have filed for bankruptcy, provided University of Phoenix obtains a copy of the bankruptcy petition filed with the courts.

Students have the right to file a complaint with the FERPA office in Washington, D.C. Inquiries should be directed to:

University of Phoenix, 2012

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Solomon Act

University of Phoenix complies with the Solomon Act, which provides certain information to military recruiters. Information that may be released includes the following:

- Student name
- Home address
- Email address*
- Telephone listing
- Age (date of birth)
- Place of birth*
- Level of education
- Academic major
- Degrees received*
- Most recent educational institution attended*

*This information may be released only when available. No information will be released if the student has a FERPA hold on record.

Procedure

1. Request is routed from campus or corporate department to the Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department at the following address: University of Phoenix

   Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department
   4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, Mail Stop: CF-L302
   Phoenix, AZ 85040
   Fax: 480.643.1015

2. Within 15 days of a request by the recruiter, the Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department will make contact with the requestor and discuss the necessary information requested, our method for determining costs, and our basis for concluding that such charges are reasonable and customary.

3. The Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department will route specific report details to the Office of the Registrar.

4. The Office of the Registrar will process the request of information and route the report back to the Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department within 72 business hours.

5. The Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department will send the information to the requestor.
6. Documentation will be kept, verifying each occurrence of report fulfillment.

Consumer Privacy Policy

Our Privacy Philosophy
Summarized below are key elements of our Privacy Policy. To read our full Privacy Policy ("Policy") please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/copyright-legal/privacy_policy.html#full-version.

Scope of Privacy Policy
This policy applies to website visitors, current and prospective students, and any other user of services offered through Apollo Group, Inc. and University of Phoenix ("Apollo" or "we"), including any websites or mobile applications operated by or on their behalf. This policy applies to both online and offline collection, storage, processing, and transfer of Personal Information. However, certain Sites or services may be subject to additional privacy policies (collectively "Additional Policies").

Information Collected
We collect various types of Information through our Sites and other websites where you can express interest in our services, through our mobile applications, over the phone, and in person where print materials may be used to collect Information from you. Some Information is collected automatically through various Web and Internet technologies, including Social Networking tools used by your University to foster communication and collaboration among members of our community. Other Information is collected when you provide it in response to an advertisement, a survey, or a request for information; apply for admission or financial aid; register for classes; order educational or other products and services; set up a Social Network or other Site profile; or use one of our career resources, learning assessments, or other interactive tools. We may also obtain information from other sources and combine that with Information we collect about you.

Information Uses
We will not sell, rent, or lease your Personal Information to others except as provided in this policy. We may collect, use, and disclose Personal Information for the following purposes:

• to determine your admissibility and to register you for your selected educational programs
• to provide requested products and services
• to respond to your inquiries and provide customer support
• to administer promotions in which you have indicated an interest
• for our internal marketing purposes, which includes, but is not limited to, sending you material about products, services, updates, etc. that we think may be of interest to you
• for fostering communication and collaboration among members of your University community through Social Networks
• for sharing with our Educational Partners who may contact you with respect to their educational or other services
• for sharing with our Educational Partners or Business Associates who are performing services on our behalf
• to analyze how Sites and services are being accessed and used
• for Online Behavioral Advertising purposes
• to improve Site and service performance and delivery
• to prevent potentially illegal activities (including illegal downloading of copyrighted materials in accordance with our Copyright Infringement policy)
• to analyze academic and learning outcomes and preferences
• to analyze risk and business results
• to obtain payment for services that we provide to you
• to provide you with information concerning arrangements and other options for the repayment of funds loaned to you for your education
• to maintain business records for reasonable periods
• to enforce our Terms of Use
• to provide to Educational Partners, Business Associates or Unrelated Entities in connection with the contemplated or actual reorganization, merger, acquisition, financing, securitization, insuring, sale or other disposal of all or part of our business or assets, including for the purposes of determining whether to proceed with such transaction or fulfilling any records or other reporting requirements to such parties. In the event of any actual reorganization, merger, or acquisition such Information may be transferred as part of the transaction to the acquirer
• and/or as may be required or permitted by legal, regulatory, industry self-regulatory, insurance, audit, or security requirements applicable to Apollo, our Educational Partners, or our Business Associates.

Your Rights and Choices

Marketing Communications
If you do not wish to receive marketing email communications from us, you may express your choice where indicated on the applicable email or other communication.

If you do not wish to receive marketing telephone calls or mailings, you may express your choice to opt-out by emailing Privacy@apollogrp.edu.

Under California’s Shine the Light law, Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.83, we provide California residents the ability to opt out of disclosures to Educational Partners for direct marketing purposes. To opt out of these disclosures at no cost, email Privacy@apollogrp.edu.

Online Behavioral Advertising
We or our Business Associates may use data collected on this site for Online Behavioral Advertising purposes, e.g. to customize ads to you on other web sites as you browse the Web. If you do not want your browsing behavior on the Sites to be collected for Online Behavioral Advertising purposes, e.g. to customize ads for Online Behavioral Advertising purposes, visit http://info.evidon.com/pub_info/184?v=1.

Other Collection, Use, and Disclosure
You may be able to opt-out of our collection, use, and disclosure of your Personal Information in other situations subject to applicable contractual, academic, legal or technical restrictions and reasonable notice. Note that if you opt-out of certain uses of your Personal Information, we may no longer be able to provide certain products or services. For more information on your ability to opt-out, email Privacy@apollogrp.edu.

Other Important Information
We will take commercially reasonable measures to secure and store your Information to protect against the loss, misuse, and alteration of the Information under our control. We utilize industry standard security measures when accepting your credit card Information during your registration or other transaction you have initiated with us, as well as whenever we ask you to login to any of our Sites.
FEDERAL, STATE AND INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

Degree-seeking students who are U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens enrolled in an eligible academic program can apply for federal financial aid as a means of assisting with financing their education. Certificate programs may also be eligible for federal financial aid. Depending on the program, student eligibility may be need-based, non-need-based, credit based, or dependent on other specific conditions.

Students may be eligible to receive funding through state grant or scholarship programs in their states where available.

General Eligibility Requirements

General eligibility requirements for financial aid are as follows:

- Submit a current award year Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)
- Student must be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen
- Student must have a valid Social Security number
- Student must be enrolled, or accepted for enrollment, in an eligible program
- Student must have a high school diploma or general educational development (GED) credential
- Student must meet applicable satisfactory academic progress (SAP) standards
- Student must meet enrollment status requirements
- Student must have resolved any drug conviction issue
- Student must have a timely registration for Selective Service, if required by law
- Student must not be in default on a loan made under any federal aid program

For additional eligibility requirements, go to: http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/financial_options/financial-aid-options-non-citizens.html

Grants

University of Phoenix participates in the following federal financial aid programs:

Federal Pell Grant

A Federal Pell Grant, unlike a loan, does not have to be repaid. Pell Grants are awarded usually only to undergraduate students who have not earned a bachelor’s or a professional degree.

Beginning with the 2012-2013 award year, a student can only receive a Pell Grant for up to a maximum of 12 semesters or the equivalent.

For more detailed information about the federal Pell Grant, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/pell

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

The Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) program is for undergraduates with exceptional financial need. Pell Grant recipients with the lowest expected family contributions (EFCs) will be considered first for a FSEOG. The FSEOG does not have to be repaid.

For more detailed information about the FSEOG, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/fseog

Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant (IASG)

A student whose parent or guardian was a member of the U.S. Armed Forces and died as a result of service performed in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001 may be eligible to receive the Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant.

For more detailed information about the IASG, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/iraq-afghanistan-service

Teacher Education Assistance College of Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program that provides grants of up to $4,000 per year to students who intend to teach in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families.

For more detailed information about the TEACH Grant, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/grants-scholarships/teach

Note: Students may also be eligible to receive funding through state grant or scholarship programs in their states where available. Depending on the program, student eligibility may be need-based, non-need-based, credit-based, or dependent on other specific conditions. Contact a local campus or Online finance advisor at 866.766.0766 for additional information on state grant and/or scholarship programs. A list of campuses is available at http://www.phoenix.edu/campus_locations.html.
Loans

Federal Perkins Loan Program
A Federal Perkins Loan is a low-interest (5 percent) loan for both undergraduate and graduate students with exceptional financial need. Federal Perkins Loans are made through a school’s financial aid office. Your school is your lender, and the loan is made with government funds. You must repay this loan to your school.

For more detailed information about the Perkins Loan Program, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/loans/perkins

Students who receive a Federal Perkins loan are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Perkins Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN), http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dpcletters/attachments/CB0906Attach.pdf

Federal Direct Loan (DL) Program
Direct Stafford Loans, from the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program, are low-interest loans for eligible students to help cover the cost of higher education. Eligible students borrow directly from the U.S. Department of Education (the Department) at participating schools.

Direct Subsidized Loans—Direct Subsidized Loans are for students with financial need. The University will review the results of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) and determine the amount a student can borrow. The student is not charged interest while in school at least half-time and during grace periods and deferment periods.

Direct Unsubsidized Loans—The student is not required to demonstrate financial need to receive a Direct Unsubsidized Loan. Like subsidized loans, the University will determine the amount a student can borrow. Interest accrues (accumulates) on an unsubsidized loan from the time it’s first paid out. The student can pay the interest while in school and during grace periods and deferment or forbearance periods, or can allow it to accrue and be capitalized (that is, added to the principal amount of the loan). If a student chooses not to pay the interest as it accrues, this will increase the total amount to be repaid because the student will be charged interest on a higher principal amount.


Students who receive a Direct Stafford Loan are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Direct Stafford/ Ford Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN): http://www.direct.ed.gov/pubs/dlrights.pdf

Recent Regulatory Changes
Effective for loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2012, the law eliminates the authority of the U.S. Department of Education (ED) to offer any repayment incentives to Direct Loan borrowers to encourage on-time repayment of loans, including any reduction in the interest rate or origination fee. As a result, the up-front interest rebate that has been provided to Direct Loan borrowers at the time of loan disbursement will not be offered on any Direct Loan with a first disbursement date that is on or after July 1, 2012. The law continues to authorize ED to offer interest rate reductions to Direct Loan borrowers who agree to have payments automatically electronically debited.

Effective for loans made for periods of enrollment (loan periods) beginning on or after July 1, 2012, graduate and professional students are no longer eligible to receive Direct Subsidized Loans. Direct Subsidized Loans received by any student for loan periods beginning before July 1, 2012, for either graduate or undergraduate study, are not affected by this change.

Federal Direct PLUS Loan for parent(s)

Parents of dependent students may apply for a Direct PLUS Loan to help pay their child’s education expenses as long as certain eligibility requirements are met.

For more detailed information on Direct Parent PLUS loans, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/loans/plus

Students whose parent(s) receive aPLUS loan are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Direct PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note (MPN), http://www.direct.ed.gov/pubs/dlrights.pdf

Federal Direct PLUS Loan for Graduate and Professional Degree Students
Graduate and professional degree students can borrow a Direct PLUS Loan to help cover education expenses. The terms and conditions applicable to PLUS Loans for parents also apply to PLUS Loans for graduate and professional students. These terms and conditions include: (1) a determination that you (the applicant) do not have an adverse credit history; and (2) a fixed interest rate of 7.9% for Direct PLUS Loans.

For more detailed information on the Direct PLUS loan for Graduate and Professional students, visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/loans/plus

Students who receive a PLUS loan for Graduate and Professional students are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Direct PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note (MPN), http://www.direct.ed.gov/pubs/dlrights.pdf

Go to Student Aid on the Web at http://studentaid.ed.gov/ to review more detailed information on eligibility and how to apply.

Students should contact a local campus or an online finance advisor at 866.766.0766 for additional information on the financial aid programs available at your campus. A list of campuses is available at http://www.phoenix.edu/campus_locations.html.

Students may also be eligible to receive funding through state grant or scholarship programs in their states where available. Depending on the program, student eligibility may be need-based, non-need-based, credit-based, or dependent on other specific conditions. Contact a local campus or Online finance advisor at 866.766.0766 for additional information on state grant and/or scholarship programs. A list of campuses is available at http://www.phoenix.edu/campus_locations.html.

Addendum
Grade Level Determination

Determination of grade level is an important part of calculating eligibility for federal and state financial aid. The University bases grade levels on credits completed at the start of an academic year. An academic year is defined as a minimum of 24 credits and 30 weeks of instructional time.

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<th>Credits earned in primary program at start of Academic Year (includes transfer credits)</th>
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Note: A student in a two-year program or certificate program cannot receive more than a grade level 2 (GL2) annual loan limit in any given year, no matter how long it takes to complete the program or certificate.

Federal Stafford Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Annual Loan Limits

Federal Stafford Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Annual and Aggregate Loan Limits are as follows:

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<th>Undergraduate Student</th>
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<td>1 Freshman</td>
<td>$5,500 - No more than $3,500 of this amount can be subsidized loan</td>
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<td>2 Sophomore</td>
<td>$6,500 - No more than $4,500 of this amount can be subsidized loan</td>
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<td>3 &amp; 4 Junior and Senior</td>
<td>$7,500 - No more than $5,500 of this amount can be subsidized loan</td>
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Maximum Total Debt from Stafford Loans | $31,000 - No more than $23,000 of this amount may be in subsidized loans. | $57,500 - No more than $23,000 of this amount may be in subsidized loans | $138,500 - No more than $65,500 of this amount may be in subsidized loans. The graduate debt limit includes Stafford Loans received for undergraduate study.

Undergraduate Certificate Programs - Loan limits are based on the length of the program. For certificates that are less than an academic year, the $9,500 loan limits would be prorated by the lesser fraction of the weeks or credits in the program, divided by the University academic year definition of weeks or credits. For students in undergraduate certificate programs that are greater than an academic year, the maximum amount borrowed is $9,500 per academic year. Final academic years less than 24 credits (graduating students in undergraduate degree or certificate programs that are greater than an academic year) - Loan limits will be prorated based on the number of credits in the final academic year divided by 24. Please note students may also receive less funding if they receive other financial aid used to cover a portion of cost of attendance.

A student whose parent cannot obtain a Parent Loan for undergraduate Student (PLUS) loan is allowed to borrow additional unsubsidized federal Direct Stafford amounts. Student dependency status will be determined based on answers to questions on the FAFSA®.

Education Loan Interest Rates

Direct Subsidized Loans:

-If the first disbursement of your subsidized loan is between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013, the interest rate on your loan is fixed at 3.4%.

Graduate and professional degree students-As of July 1, 2012, subsidized loans are no longer available to graduate and professional degree students. Graduate and professional degree students can borrow a Direct PLUS Loan to help cover education expenses. The terms and conditions applicable to PLUS Loans for parents also apply to PLUS Loans for graduate and professional students. These terms and conditions include: a determination that you (the applicant) do not have an adverse credit history; and a fixed interest rate of 7.9% for Direct PLUS Loans.

Direct Unsubsidized Loans:

The interest rate is fixed at 6.8% for all borrowers (undergraduate and graduate).

Prior Federal Loans and Financial Aid History-If you currently have a Stafford Loan and would like to check the interest rate, servicer information, and other financial aid history, go to the National Student Loan Data System (http://www.nslds.ed.gov/).
If you qualify under the Service Members Civil Relief Act, the interest rate on loans you obtained before entering military service may be capped at 6% during your military service. You must contact your loan servicer to request this benefit.

In addition, no interest charged (for a period of no more than 60 months) on Direct Loans first disbursed on or after October 1, 2008, while a borrower is serving on active duty or performing qualifying National Guard duty during a war or other military operation or other emergency, and serving in an area of hostilities qualifying for special pay.

**Loan Fee**
There is a loan fee on all Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans. The loan fee is a percentage of the amount of each loan you receive. For loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2010, the loan origination fee is 1.0%. The specific loan origination fee that you are charged will be reflected in a disclosure statement.

For more information on Direct Stafford, go to Student Aid on the Web at http://studentaid.ed.gov/types/loans/interest-rates.

**Borrower’s Rights and Responsibilities**

Students receiving federal financial aid have varying rights and responsibilities in accordance with the Borrower’s Rights and Responsibilities Statement, http://www.direct.ed.gov/pubs/drigh.pdf, attached to the Master Promissory Note (MPN).

**Student Rights**
- Written information on loan obligations and information on rights and responsibilities as a borrower
- A copy of the MPN, either before or at the time loan is disbursed
- A grace period and an explanation of what this means
- Notification, if in grace period or repayment, no later than 45 days after a lender assigns, sells or transfers the loan to another lender
- A disclosure statement, received before repayment begins, that includes information about interest rates, fees, the balance owed and a loan repayment schedule
- Deferment or forbearance of repayment for certain defined periods, if qualified and requested
- Prepayment of loan in whole or in part anytime without an early repayment penalty
- Documentation that loan is paid in full

**Student Responsibilities:**
- Completing exit counseling before leaving school and repaying loan according to repayment schedule even if not completed academic program, dissatisfied with the education received, or unable to find employment after graduation.
- Notifying lender or loan servicer if student: 1) Moves or changes address; 2) Changes telephone number; 3) Changes name; 4) Changes SSN; 5) Changes employers, or employer’s address and/or telephone number changes
- Making monthly payments on loan after grace period ends, unless a deferment or forbearance
- Notifying lender or loan servicer of anything that might later change eligibility for an existing deferment or forbearance

**Prior Loan Deferments (Postponing Payments)**
A student, who is registered and attending classes at the University, may have federal financial aid loans from previous colleges deferred. Deferment forms can be obtained from the lender if the loan is from another school. Return all deferment forms to a finance advisor, who forwards the forms to the Office of Student Records for processing to the holder of the loan. The loan holder makes the final determination to grant a deferment request.

Students receiving federal financial aid funds may also obtain deferments while serving in the Peace Corps; under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act; and as a volunteer for a tax-exempt organization of demonstrated effectiveness in the field on community service.

Receiving a deferment is not automatic; therefore, the student or parent(s) must apply for it. Borrowers must formally request a deferment through the procedures established by the holder of their loan(s). Detailed information regarding deferments may be viewed at http://studentaid.ed.gov/repay-loans/deferment-forbearance or http://www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/DirectLoan/ postpone.html

**Loan Consolidation**
A consolidation loan may help make payments more manageable by combining several federal student loans into one loan with one monthly payment.

A student will need to apply for a loan consolidation and choose a repayment plan. Repayment plans include the following: standard, extended, graduated, income-contingent for Direct loans, income-sensitive for Federal Family Education loans (FFEL), or an income-based.

More information regarding loan consolidation is located at http://www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/DirectLoan/cancellation.html

**Public Service Loan Forgiveness**
The Direct Loan Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program was established by Congress with the passage of the College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007, and was created to encourage individuals to enter lower-paying but vitally important public sector jobs such as military service, law enforcement, public education and public health professions.


**Loan Payment Calculator**
Loan Payment Calculators may be used by students or potential students to calculate monthly payments under the standard and extended repayment plans, at http://finaid.org/calculators/loan-payments.phtml or http://www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/DirectLoan/calc.html.

**Federal Financial Aid Loan Counseling**

**Entrance Counseling**
The University ensures loan entrance counseling is conducted online at the U.S. Department of Education website https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/index.action before a borrower takes out a loan. Entrance counseling generally includes the following:
- An explanation of the use of a master promissory note (MPN)
- Importance of repayment obligation
- Description of consequences of default
- Sample repayment schedules
• Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
• Provide information on the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS), http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nslds_SA/
• Other terms and conditions

Exit Counseling
The University ensures loan exit counseling is conducted online at the U.S. Department of Education National Student Loan Database (NSLDS) website http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nslds_SA/ within 30 days of completion of a program or withdrawal from the University. Exit counseling generally includes the following:
• An explanation of the use of a master promissory note (MPN)
• Importance of repayment obligation
• Description of consequences of default
• Sample repayment schedules
• Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
• Provide information on the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS), http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nslds_SA/
• Other terms and conditions

Perkins Loan Counseling
The University ensures Perkins loan counseling is conducted online at the Mapping Your Future website http://mappingyourfuture.org/oscol/. Perkins loan counseling generally includes the following:
• Importance of repayment obligation
• Explanation of repayment terms
• Description of consequences of default
• Sample repayment schedules
• Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
• Other terms and conditions

Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant Counseling
The University ensures initial and subsequent Teacher Education Assistance College of Higher Education (TEACH) Grant counseling is conducted online at the TEACH Grant website, https://teach-ats.ed.gov/ats/index.action. Grant counseling generally includes the following:
• TEACH Grant Program and service obligations
• Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
• Other terms and conditions

Student Loan Code of Conduct
The University protects students with established loan policies. University of Phoenix follows federal regulations that govern student loan requirements.
The Student Loan Code of Conduct (http://cdn.assets-phoenix.net/content/dam/altcloud/doc/tuition/Student-Loan-Code-of-Conduct.pdf) creates and maintains uniform student loan practices that focus on the best interest of the student borrowers. It also manages relationships between school employees, learning institutions, lender advisory board members and student loan organizations.

University of Phoenix encourages students to review the Student Loan Code of Conduct at http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/student_loan_code_of_conduct.html to learn about loan regulations.

Students should contact the University by email at PLL@phoenix.edu with any questions about the information in this document.

Statement of Educational Purpose
The parent or student signing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) certifies the following: (1) will use federal and/or state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education, (2) is not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, (3) do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, (4) will notify your college if you default on a federal student loan and (5) will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one college for the same period of time.
The parent or student, signing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) agrees, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. This information may include federal or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file. In addition, you certify that you understand that the Secretary of Education has the authority to verify information reported on this application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies. If you sign any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a Personal Identification Number (PIN), you certify that you are the person identified by the PIN and have not disclosed that PIN to anyone else. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to $20,000, sent to prison or both.

Referrals to the Office of Inspector General
University of Phoenix is required by law to make referrals to the Office of Inspector General of any cases of suspected fraud and abuse involving the federal financial aid programs.

State Grants
The actual amount of state grants awarded to any student is contingent on the availability of funds. The University cannot guarantee any funding from the state grant sources listed, as the list is subject to change without notice based upon changes in state budgetary constraints, state law or regulation and/or University participation. Where a work or other requirement is included in order to preclude the conversion of a scholarship or grant to a loan, the University makes no representation or warranty as to whether a graduate will be able to obtain such employment or fulfill such other requirement.
For information regarding the grants offered by the University; how to apply, eligibility, deadlines, etc., see list of programs and their respective websites and phone numbers at http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-informati.html.
For additional specific eligibility information, the institution may contact you directly when determining grant eligibility.

Addendum
Institutional Grants

University of Phoenix is committed to providing financial assistance opportunities through institutional grant programs for potential and current students. For more information visit http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/institutional-grants.html

Thinking Ahead Grant

The Thinking Ahead Grant is for new students enrolled in a bachelor’s degree program. The grant award is a credit to student’s University account to pay applicable tuition and electronic course materials fees not covered by federal and state financial aid. The uncovered amount must be between $200 and $1,500 per award year. Students must have an expected family contribution (EFC) of $12,500 and must maintain continuous enrollment. Eligibility is reviewed and determined after federal financial aid is processed. Grant terms and conditions are as follows:

- The grant is awarded in up to two disbursements per academic year.
- The grant cannot be applied to failed or withdrawn courses.
- The grant is calculated using maximum federal financial aid eligibility, regardless of amount borrowed.
- You are responsible for any remaining direct costs after student financial aid and grant amounts are applied.
- The grant is applied directly to your student account as a credit. No check or other cash monies will be given or refunded to you at any time.

Institutional Scholarships

The Center for Scholarship Excellence (CSE) is a department of University of Phoenix. The CSE is committed to assisting with financial support through institutional and external scholarship programs. The CSE encourages students to borrow responsibly as they work towards their educational goals.

University of Phoenix has a comprehensive scholarship website at http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/scholarships.html to meet the needs of students. This website features scholarships offered by University of Phoenix, scholarship resources, tips, suggestions, articles, an external scholarship search engine and much more.

University of Phoenix funds institutional scholarships http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/scholarships/institutional-scholarships.html. The CSE creates and manages them. The University often partners with nonprofit organizations to promote scholarship programs. These scholarships are available to potential students, current students or alumni.

The CSE website, http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/scholarships/institutional-scholarships.html, is updated regularly for institutional scholarships, qualifications, and selection criteria specific to University of Phoenix current and potential students as opportunities become available.

External Scholarships

Private outside entities fund external scholarships http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/scholarships/external-scholarships.html. Many are available to University of Phoenix students and the general population. Depending on the external scholarship requirements, student eligibility may be need-based, merit-based or credit-based. The Center for Scholarship Excellence (CSE) evaluates external scholarship programs, determines applicability to the University student populations, and communicates these opportunities to students and campuses.

Private Student Loans

Private student loans may be available to both students and parents who are not eligible for federal financial aid or who need assistance beyond their financial aid eligibility. These loans are made privately through lenders and other financial institutions and are subject to a credit review and individual lender terms and conditions. Eligibility is determined by the lender and amounts are limited to the cost of education minus other aid. These loans are not subsidized or guaranteed by the federal government. The University recommends private loans only be considered after applying for federal financial aid.

To assist with finding the right lender for a private loan, visit the Student Lending Analytics website, http://www.studentlendinganalytics.com/alternative_loan_options.html. Student Lending Analytics has developed a list of private loan options to serve schools and their students who need a focused resource for help in finding a private student loan. A student may choose any eligible lender; the University will process the request accordingly. Contact the lender for specific terms and conditions.

Application Process

The following documentation is required:

- MyApply® application process at https://myapply.phoenix.edu/Apply/Login.aspx
- Student Financial Agreement Form
- Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form, and only if, a student chooses this option

Admissions and program requirements vary by state. Please refer to the Academic Catalog (http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/degree-programs/academic-catalog.html) for state and/or program specific information.

Federal Financial Aid Application Process

A student can apply for federal financial aid (http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/apply_online.html) after submitting an application for admission to the local campus or via MyApply® and registering for courses in an eligible degree program. During the application process, the following forms may be completed for federal financial aid grants and loans:

- Current award year Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)
- University of Phoenix Financial Aid Application
- Federal Stafford Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN)
- Entrance Counseling

Addendum
The average processing time for financial aid awards is 90 days. The University highly recommends using the online financial aid application process at https://faw.phoenix.edu/. This access allows a student to complete and electronically sign required financial aid documents, including the FAFSA® and MPN. Students interested in utilizing financial aid programs should complete all required application materials each academic year. An academic year is defined as the period of time a student successfully completes a minimum of 24 credit hours and 30 weeks of instructional time. A student should reapply for financial aid prior to the start of each new academic year.

Financial Aid Reapplication Process

The University notifies students when new award year paperwork is required, provided the student is considered enrolled. Returning students may be proactive and submit completed paperwork.

Verification

A federal financial aid student may be chosen to participate in the verification process by the U.S. Department of Education Central Processing System. The Central Processing System prints an asterisk next to the expected family contribution (EFC) on the Institutional Student Information Report (ISIR), Student Aid Report (SAR), or SAR Acknowledgement to identify the student has been selected for verification.

The purpose of verification is to maintain the integrity of federal financial aid programs by verifying the information provided by students and parents on financial aid applications. Federal regulations require verification be completed. Verification is not required to be completed in cases where the student is awarded only non-need-based aid such as unsubsidized Stafford Direct loans and PLUS loans.

If a student is selected for verification, the University will request the student to provide all applicable IRS issued federal tax return transcript(s) and the verification worksheet. Additional documents may be required by the University to complete the verification process. A student will receive written notification from the University of verification requirements and the timelines for completion of the process.

Failure to comply with request for verification documents can result in the inactivation of the federal financial aid application.

Professional Judgment

The University may exercise discretion to accommodate special circumstances, with respect to some aspects of eligibility, using Professional Judgment. Professional judgment allows the University to treat a student individually when the student has special circumstances not sufficiently addressed by standard procedures.

The University uses professional judgment on a case-by-case basis. Special circumstances will include conditions that differentiate an individual student from a whole class of students. The University will not accept professional judgments made for a student by another school, but will independently review the circumstances and, if appropriate, document the professional judgment decision.

The decision of the University regarding professional judgment is final and cannot be appealed to the U.S. Department of Education.

A student should contact a finance advisor if interested in submitting a professional judgment request.

Note: The University will complete Verification before exercising professional judgment for students who have been selected for Verification.

\[
\text{Satisfactory Academic Progress}\\
\text{Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for Federal Financial Aid}
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Financial aid satisfactory academic progress (SAP) is based on federal regulations and is intended to provide early intervention for students facing academic challenges and help students successfully complete their program of study.

Grade Point Average (GPA)

A cumulative program GPA is calculated using only grades earned at the University for the student’s primary program of study.

Pace of Completion (Pace)

Students must earn at least 67 percent of the credit hours attempted toward completion of the primary program of study. Credit hours taken at other institutions and accepted toward students’ primary program of study at the University are included in both attempted and completed credit hours when measuring pace of completion.

The pace of completion is calculated using the following formula:

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\text{Pace} = \frac{\text{Cumulative number of credit hours successfully completed}}{\text{Cumulative number of credit hours the student attempted}}
\]

Maximum Time Frame

The maximum timeframe to complete the program cannot exceed 150 percent of the published length of a program, measured in credit hours attempted, for undergraduate and graduate students. Progress is evaluated cumulatively for students’ primary program of study at the end of each completed payment period.

Evaluation

The University evaluates SAP for the student’s primary program of study, based on a completed payment period (generally, at least 12 credit hours and 15 weeks of instruction). As a result of the evaluation, a student is assigned a SAP status.

Regular (RG)

Students meeting all three of the financial aid SAP components defined above have regular (RG) financial aid status and are eligible for federal financial aid.

Financial Aid Warning (FW)

Students who are on a regular (RG) status and, at the end of the next payment period, do not meet all three of the financial aid SAP components defined above, are automatically placed on financial aid warning (FW) status.

The University will disburse federal financial aid funds to students with an FW status for one payment period.

Addendum
Reestablishing Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress

Students on a financial aid warning (FW) status can retain eligibility without filing an appeal by meeting all three of the financial aid SAP components defined above by the end of the FW payment period.

Students who reach a financial aid disqualification (FD) status can change their status only through the financial aid SAP appeal process. Students may not regain eligibility for federal financial aid by merely paying for courses or sitting out for an increment.

Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeals

Students placed on financial aid disqualification (FD) status may appeal the disqualification to regain eligibility for federal financial aid, if there are extenuating circumstances. Through the financial aid SAP appeal process, federal financial aid reinstatement may be possible if the appeal is approved and the student is placed on financial aid probation (FP) status.

### Status What to do

**Financial Aid Disqualification (FD)**

**It is highly recommended students contact their finance advisor prior to submitting an appeal. The finance advisor will be able to answer questions and provide specific time-frames for SAP appeals**

Submit an appeal packet, along with supporting documentation directly to the Professional Judgment fax line at 877.290.8683. The packet must include:

- Professional Judgment SAP appeal template, hand signed and dated. (The SAP appeal template can be found at http://www.faw/phoenix.edu/ or by contacting your finance advisor.)

- A detailed explanation and timeline corresponding to courses in which SAP standards were not met and how the situation has been resolved.

- Supporting documents for all issues mentioned in statement.

- Provide a statement explaining, in detail, the steps that will be taken and resources that will be used to ensure remaining courses are successfully completed.

Approval and/or reinstatement of financial aid eligibility is not guaranteed.

The Professional Judgment Team reviews all appeals on a case-by-case basis. Approval is only granted when there are significant extenuating circumstances. All decisions made by the Professional Judgment Team are final.

The University allows students to have a maximum of two approved appeals during enrollment at the University. The appeals cannot be consecutive and will only be considered if extenuating circumstances exist. Some examples of extenuating circumstances are death of a relative, an injury or illness of the student, or other special circumstances.

Students granted an appeal will be placed on financial aid probation (FP) status and have financial aid eligibility reinstated for one probationary payment period, based on that appeal. The University will disburse federal financial aid funds to students on financial aid probation (FP) status for one payment period, provided all other eligibility requirements are met. The student must meet University financial aid SAP standards to maintain federal financial aid eligibility.

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Financial Aid

Disqualification (FD)

Students on financial aid warning (FW) status who do not meet all three of the financial aid SAP components (defined above) at the end of the next completed payment period, are not eligible for additional federal financial aid and will be placed on financial aid disqualification (FD) status.

Students placed on FD status are **not eligible for federal financial aid** but may be eligible to appeal this status for consideration of significant extenuating circumstances.

Financial Aid Probation (FP)

Students who successfully appeal an FD status are placed on financial aid probation (FP) status.

The University will disburse federal financial aid funds to students with an FP status for one probationary payment period, provided all other eligibility requirements are met.
Cost of Attendance Policy

A student’s cost of attendance (COA) is established solely for use in calculating federal financial aid eligibility and awarding financial aid, for a specific period of enrollment. The University reviews and, if necessary, updates each component annually, referencing the College Board website at http://professionals.collegeboard.com/higher-ed, the National Retail Federation Survey, and actual institutional data. The University uses estimated monthly living expenses, and an average cost of tuition, electronic course materials, and books*. Amounts used in this year’s federal cost of attendance (COA) are as follows:

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* Other expenses include allowances for room and board, transportation, loan fees and miscellaneous educational expenses.

Tuition

Average tuition rates are updated annually for all online and local campuses. The tuition expense used for the COA is an average based on modality and degree level. The University documents how averages are calculated and makes this information available upon request. If a student’s period of enrollment is less than a full academic year, the tuition will be adjusted to match the number of months in the remaining period of enrollment.

Electronic Course Materials and Books

The University charges a flat fee for each enrolled course.

Living Expense

- Room and board allowance
- Transportation (excluding Online students)
- Loan Fees
- Miscellaneous expenses

The monthly living expense component is based on the lower living expense amount published annually by the College Board (http://professionals.collegeboard.com/higher-ed); and used for students of all regions and states. The University calculates an average loan fee by performing separate calculations for undergraduates and graduate students. The monthly living expense is then multiplied by the number of months in the academic year/loan period. Students receiving military housing assistance will have a reduction in the living expenses based on the amount of the assistance. If a student’s period of enrollment is less than a full academic year, the living expense component will be adjusted to match the number of months in the remaining period of enrollment.

Tribal Budget

The University prepares a separate tribal budget for students who receive tribal funding. The tribal budget consists of actual tuition rates and may include a child or dependent care average obtained from the National Association of Childcare Resource & Referral Agency (NACCRRA). The University averages the weekly and hourly cost of each childcare type for each state.

Leave of Absence

A leave of absence (LOA) is a temporary interruption in a student’s program of study, whether necessitated by a planned or an unanticipated event or circumstance. An approved LOA is not required if a student is not in attendance only for a scheduled institutional break. However, a scheduled break may occur during an approved LOA.

For more detailed information regarding actual tuition fees for programs and locations visit http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/tuition_and_fees.html or contact a finance advisor.

The academic year cost of attendance is based on the following:

- Nine months for Associate degree-seeking students
- Ten months for Bachelor’s degree-seeking students
- Twelve months for Graduate students
- Twelve months for Doctorate students

If a student’s period of enrollment is less than a full academic year, the COA will be adjusted to match the number of months in the remaining period of enrollment. The COA will not increase due to the student failing or withdrawing from one or more courses in the academic year.

The University COA is comprised of the following components:
Generally, the student must submit an LOA request and any supporting documentation on or before the start of the LOA. However, if unforeseen circumstances prevent the student from providing a prior written request for the LOA, the University may grant the LOA request, if appropriate.

Required Documentation

**Leave of Absence Request Form**
Provide to the campus finance advisor a completed, signed, and dated LOA Request Form on or before the start of the requested LOA. The LOA Request Form is available for download from the Financial Aid Website (FAW) at, https://faw.phoenix.edu/

**Written Request**
Provide to the campus finance advisor a written, signed, and dated request, on or before the start of the requested LOA, including the reason for the LOA.

**Unofficial Withdrawal**
If a student is out of attendance due to an unforeseen circumstance and considered an unofficial withdrawal and the campus can document the reason and decision for the LOA prior to the return calculation being performed, the student will be placed on an approved LOA. However, if the student is an unofficial withdrawal and the campus does not document the reason prior to the calculation being performed, the student will be considered an unofficial withdrawal.

** LOA Components**

**Length**
Length of an LOA is the number of days between the LOA start date and the LOA reentry date. The first day of the initial LOA is used when determining the start date for the 12-month period. If a student is granted an LOA due to unforeseen circumstances, the beginning date of the approved LOA is the first date the student was unable to attend class because of the unforeseen circumstance.

**Extension**
The student may request an LOA extension if the request is made before the scheduled reentry date. An extension request must be written, signed, and dated and provided to the campus finance advisor on or before the scheduled reentry date. The student must demonstrate good cause for an LOA extension. Student Financial Services - Operations will make the final determination on any LOA extension request.

**Disbursements**
The University may disburse Pell, IASG, FSEOG and Perkins loan funds to a student on an LOA. Federal financial aid funds that are part of a credit balance created before a student began an LOA may be paid to a student, since those funds were disbursed before the student went on the LOA.

**Failure to Return**
A student who is granted an approved LOA remains in an in-school status for federal financial aid repayment purposes. However, if a student on an approved LOA fails to return, the University must report the student’s change in enrollment status to loan holders as of the withdrawal date.

A possible consequence of not returning from an LOA is that the grace period for a federal financial aid loan program might be exhausted in whole or in part. Therefore, before the University will grant an LOA for a student who is receiving federal financial aid, the student must acknowledge possible consequences for failure to return at the end of an LOA, including the possible exhaustion of all or part of the student’s grace period.

**Financial Aid Awarding**
For students who have completed all required financial aid application materials, the University will evaluate student eligibility for federal, state, and institutional aid programs.

If a student is eligible, Student Financial Services - Operations calculates an estimated financial aid award and provides notification to the student. The notification includes eligibility information for each financial aid program awarded, as well as the amount and anticipated disbursement dates. This notification may be electronic.

Generally, financial aid awards are divided into two payment periods; 12 credits each. Payment periods are based on individual course schedules and follow academic year requirements.

Federal Pell Grant eligibility for an undergraduate student is estimated before originating a subsidized or unsubsidized Direct Loan. In addition, an unsubsidized Direct Loan is not originated without first determining the need for a subsidized Direct Loan. However, if the amount of the subsidized Direct Loan is $200 or less and the amount can be included as part of an unsubsidized Direct Loan, the University is not required to originate a separate subsidized loan.

For a dependent student, the University may originate and disburse Parent PLUS funds without determining federal Pell Grant and subsidized Direct Loan eligibility. For a graduate student, the University must determine graduate/professional maximum unsubsidized Direct Loan eligibility before originating a Grad PLUS loan.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) eligibility for undergraduate students is determined by the expected family contribution (EFC) for the current award year. Awards are made beginning with the lowest EFC until program funds are obligated.

Federal Perkins loan eligibility for undergraduate and graduate students is determined by the expected family contribution (EFC) for the current award year. Awards are made beginning with the lowest EFC until program funds are obligated.

State grant program eligibility is determined by each state authority. The University is notified of student eligibility by the state authority.
Institutional grant and scholarship eligibility determination will vary.

**Schedule Requirements**

An academic year is defined as a minimum of 24 credits and 30 weeks of instructional time. The academic year begins with the first eligible course of a degree program and ends when a student successfully completes the credits and weeks of instructional time requirements. An academic year has no calendar time constraints and continues through periods of nonattendance that are less than 180 days until both the credit and weeks requirement are met. A week of instructional time includes at least one academic related activity for federal financial aid.

Students who overlap courses more than twice within an academic year, or Associate degree students who take more than two courses concurrently, may need to complete more than 24 credits to complete 30 weeks of instructional time. In addition, the academic policy of the University prohibits a student from taking more than two courses concurrently without written approval from the campus Director of Academic Affairs. Due to overlapping courses, there will be more credit hours included in the academic year and federal financial aid may not completely cover the cost of attendance and related charges.

Federal regulations prohibit payment for auditing a course or payment for any course an assigned grade is not used in computing requirements for graduation. This includes repeats of grades D or better, unless a higher grade is required, withdrawals and courses that are not applicable to the declared degree objective. This does not apply to repeats of required courses that a student has failed.

**Financial Aid Disbursements**

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<td>Grad PLUS</td>
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<td>Successfully completes ½ weeks and credits in academic year or program and has posted attendance for the 2nd payment period</td>
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Varies
Dependent on individual state requirements

Application of Funds

Federal financial aid and/or state assistance funds are retained at the time of disbursement to pay allowable academic year or payment period charges owed to the University. Allowable charges are defined as tuition (including Independent Study and state sales tax) and electronic course material.

Federal Financial Aid funds may only be used to pay for costs the student incurs for the period for which the federal financial aid funds are provided. However, the University may use current-year federal financial aid funds to satisfy prior award year allowable charges for a total of not more than $200.

Authorization to Apply Federal Financial Aid Funds

If a student authorized the University through completion of the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form, the University also retains federal financial aid funds for unpaid estimated future charges owed to the University for the payment period. Future charges are defined as allowable charges that have not been posted to the student account.

The University will not require or coerce the authorization. If the student or parent chooses to cancel or modify the authorization, the cancellation or modification is not retroactive. Funds retained for incurred allowable charges and prior year charges prior to the University receiving the authorized cancellation will remain on account. If cancellation or modifications have been requested, subsequent disbursements will be processed according to most recent authorization.

In addition, any excess funds formerly authorized to be retained by the University for estimated future charges will be sent to the student or parent borrower 14 days after the University receives the cancellation or modification.

There are three options to notify the University regarding Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form:

1. Initial notification
   - The student is prompted to answer authorization to apply funds questions when completing the financial aid application process on the Financial Aid Website.
   - When a student signs and submits the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form, they no longer have access to make corrections.

2. Update/Change Authorization to Apply to Future Charges
   - If student or parent wants to update or change the original authorization to apply funds, they may submit an updated Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form at any time. This form is available for print from the Financial Aid website.
   - Student or parent completes and faxes form to finance advisor for processing.
   - When an update is submitted, it is only in effect for future disbursements and the authorizations are not retroactive.

3. Signed statement
   - The University will accept a signed statement from a student or parent outlining any changes to the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form at any time.
   - Student Financial Services - Operations (SFS-O) processes the request accordingly.
   - When an update is submitted, it is only in effect for future disbursements and authorizations are not retroactive.
Notwithstanding any authorizations obtained from the student or parent, the University must pay any remaining federal financial aid funds to the student (or in the case of a PLUS loan, the parent or student if authorized by the parent) on or before the end of the academic year or loan period as appropriate.

**Disbursement for Books and Supplies**

Pell eligible students may use Pell funds to purchase books if those funds could have been disbursed 10 days prior to the beginning of the payment period and disbursed funds would create a federal financial aid credit balance. The student will be provided with the lesser of the presumed credit balance or amount needed for the books as determined by the University by the 7th day of the payment period. This will be provided to the student in the form of a book voucher.

The credit balance will be provided as a book voucher. Students receiving funds through this method do not need to provide written authorization and may opt out of receiving a book voucher. If a student opts out of receiving the voucher, the credit balance will be sent to them approximately two weeks after all federal financial aid funds have been disbursed.

**Cancellation of Federal Financial Aid**

The student (or parent in the case of a Parent PLUS loan) must inform the University if all or a portion of federal financial aid funds are to be canceled. The student or parent must submit a signed and dated statement or complete a Financial Aid Change Form, located on the financial aid website (FAW) at https://faw.phoenix.edu/.

The University may return the loan funds, cancel the loan, or both, provided the cancellation request is received within the required timeframes. If the University receives a student or parent request for cancellation after these dates, the University may, but is not required to, honor the request. Regardless of when the request is received, the University informs the student or parent in writing of the outcome of the request. When processing a loan cancellation request, the University must return the funds (if received) and/or cancel the loan, or both as appropriate. The University is not responsible for returning any portion of a loan that was disbursed to a student or parent directly before the request for cancellation was received.

**State**

A payment period is defined according to individual state requirements. The payment period determines when funds are disbursed and the exact amount to be disbursed.

**Attendance**

**Class Attendance**

Attendance at class meetings is required. Students are responsible for scheduling and planning ahead for any absences that may occur during a course to the extent possible.

**Local Campus**:

Most local campus classes meet four (4) hours per week. Students are in attendance at the local campus workshops or classes if they physically attend the local campus workshop meeting at any time during the scheduled class and sign the attendance roster. Attendance at the scheduled campus class meetings is mandatory.

**Directed Study**:

Attendance in Directed Study courses is tracked in the same manner for both the local campus and online modalities. A Directed Study student receives automatic attendance for a class week if she or he posts one (1) message to any of the course forums during the scheduled class week. Deadlines for attendance are based on Mountain Standard Time.

**FlexNet®**

FlexNet® students are in attendance at the local campus workshops if they physically attend the local campus workshop meeting during the scheduled class hours and sign the attendance roster. They are in attendance during online class weeks if they post to any of the class forums on two separate days based on Mountain Standard Time within the online class week. Attendance for the online weeks of a FlexNet® course is tracked automatically.

Attendance is mandatory in all University courses; however, circumstances do occasionally arise which prevent a student from attending class. The University’s unexcused absence policy allows unexcused absence(s) to be granted based on the number of workshops within a course (refer to the chart below). An unexcused absence may affect the final course grade due to the missed opportunity to earn participation points.

Unexcused absences will result in an automatic withdrawal (W) grade if students miss more than the maximum allowed absences. Refer to the chart below:

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Faculty requests for a withdrawal/failing (WF) grade will be approved for extenuating circumstances only and will be administered by the Registrar’s Office. Requests should be submitted to the Registrar’s Office by sending the approved Official Grade/Attendance Change Form.

**Academically Related Activities**

To maintain continuous attendance and financial aid eligibility, the following activities that occur on or after the course start date and on or before the course end date will be considered academic related activities. Academic related activities (ARAs) determine a student’s enrollment status with the University. Students can maintain continuous enrollment by ensuring no more than 14 days elapse between posting attendance at an academic related activity.

**For Online/Directed Study Students:**

- All OLS Postings in a course (includes discussions, assignments, and quizzes, learning team activities)

**For Local Campus Students:**

- Physical Attendance; verified by a signed attendance roster
- Assignments posted via the assignment link
- Learning Team Acknowledgements via assignment link

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Addendum
For Local Campus students in FlexNet® Courses:
- Online Learning System (OLS) posts occurring during Online workshop week will be counted as an academic related activity

Financial Options and Policies

Finance Options
The Financial Options Guide can be viewed at http://cdn-static.phoenix.edu/content/dam/altcloud/tuition/financial-options-guide.pdf

Cash Plan
The Cash Plan requires all tuition and electronic course materials fees to be paid in full prior to the start of each course. For more information, please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/private-student-loans.html

Federal Financial Aid Plan
The Federal Financial Aid Plan is available to students receiving federal grants, federal loans or both to pay for tuition in an eligible degree or a certificate program. To learn more, please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/federal_financial_aid.html

Military or Government Billing Plan
Under the Military or Government Billing Plan, University of Phoenix directly bills the military or other government agency for a student's tuition. For more information, please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/colleges_divisions/military/military-financial-options.html

Third-Party Billing Plan
Under the Third-Party Billing Plan, University of Phoenix directly bills an approved employer for a student's tuition. To learn more, please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/tuition-deferral-plan.html

Tuition Deferral Plan
The Tuition Deferral Plan is available for students whose employers offer to repay some or all of their employees' tuition. The plan is also available to students receiving benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or U.S. Department of Defense. For more information, please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/tuition-deferral-plan.html

Supplemental Funding
Private Student Loans
Private student loans are credit-based funding source provided by outside, nonfederal lenders to pay for the cost of attendance not covered by any other financial aid. To learn more, please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/private-student-loans.html

Tribal Funding
Several American Indian tribal nations provide funding for the tuition of a student who is a recognized member. For more information, please visit https://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/private-student-loans.html

Financial Policies

Changing Financial Plans
The student may request a tuition credit from University of Phoenix when he or she drops a course due to extenuating circumstances. In a 12-month period, credit for no more than two blocks in an associate degree program may be applied. The credit is non-transferable to other students and may be used at any University of Phoenix campus.

Meeting Financial Plan Obligations
Students who primarily attend a physical University of Phoenix campus are subject to financial approval by their primary campus prior to enrolling in a course. Tuition and all applicable fees for each course must be paid according to the terms and conditions outlined in the primary financial option selected on the Student Financial Agreement form. Students who do not comply with the primary financial option term will not be allowed to attend classes. Students are required to clear any indebtedness to the University before grades and transcripts will be issued or the degree awarded.

Electronic Course Materials and Books Fees
Electronic course materials and books for each course must be paid at the time they are ordered or in accordance with a student's stated payment option. Electronic course materials fees, unless prohibited by law, are nonrefundable. The student who drops a course will be granted access to the electronic course materials for that course if retaken within six months of the course's original start date.

State Tax
Various states require universities to collect a tax on tuition, fees, digital goods or access to digital information. The University will collect the appropriate tax on tuition, fees and electronic course materials fees charged to the student in these states. Please contact a finance advisor for the most updated list of states requiring this tax.

Tuition Credit Policy
The student may request a tuition credit from University of Phoenix when he or she drops a course due to extenuating circumstances. In a 12-month period, credit for no more than two single courses for a bachelor or higher degree, or credit for no more than two blocks in an associate degree program may be applied. The credit is non-transferable to other students and may be used at any University of Phoenix campus.

Payment Policies
Payments are accepted on the student website (https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/portal/portal/public/login.aspx) by check, credit card or debit card. Finance advisors can also process credit card or debit card payments. The student can mail a check, certified check or money order payment to the following address:

Apollo Group/Corporate Processing
P.O. Box 29887
Phoenix, AZ 85038-9887
If a credit card or a debit card is provided with a completed Authorization to Charge form, tuition and electronic course materials fees will be charged to that card. Automatic payments are set prior to each course upon request. The University is not responsible for fees or penalties incurred as a result of payment with a debit card or other restrictive payment cards. The student should contact his or her financial institution for account balances, daily transaction limits and other restrictions.

**Returned Check Fees**

Returned checks will result in an additional processing fee of $25, unless prohibited by law.

**Late Payment Fees**

Payments must be made in accordance to the selected finance plan. If tuition payment is not received within the terms and conditions of the selected finance plan, fees up to $25 will be assessed to the student account, unless otherwise restricted by law. Late fees are due immediately upon invoicing.

**Veterans Educational Benefits**

Students who are entitled to U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) education benefits must make initial contact with a campus veterans affairs certifying official. A formal application for admission to the University should be completed before applying for DVA education benefits. Applications for veteran education benefits should be sent to a local campus-certifying official for submission to the DVA.

Each University of Phoenix program segregated by instructional modality (classroom based or distance education), requires separate State Approving Agency (SAA) approval for the training of veterans or eligible persons. A student should contact a local campus for information on current approvals.

DVA education benefit eligibility and payment rates vary depending on each individual’s military history and educational program being pursued. Only the DVA can determine eligibility of DVA education applications. For more information, a student should contact a DVA representative, toll free at 1.888.GIBILL.1 (888.442.4551) or review http://www.gibill.va.gov

Students receiving Chapter 30, 32, 33, 35, 1606 and 1607 benefits while attending University of Phoenix directed study courses have Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DSST-DANTES) approval for tuition reimbursement. For more information on this program, a student should contact the Educational Service Officer on the military base.

University of Phoenix does not participate in the DVA education benefits program. Applications for DVA education benefits during the probation period. The veteran will be informed of the probation, and a notation to the student DVA file will be recorded when the probationary period commenced.

**Academic Probation**

Academic probation shall occur when a grade point average (GPA) falls below acceptable levels. Undergraduate degree- and certificate-seeking students must maintain a program GPA of 2.0. Graduate and doctoral students must maintain a program GPA of 3.0. Probation lasts for a period of four consecutive courses. Any coursework taken concurrently will be applied to the three-consecutive-course period. Veteran students will continue to receive DVA education benefits during the probation period. The veteran will be informed of the probation, and a notation to the student DVA file will be recorded when the probationary period commenced.

**Academic Disqualification**

Academic disqualification (AD) will result if a student fails to clear an academic probation status within four courses from the onset of probation. Veteran students will not be eligible for DVA educational benefits after disqualification. The DVA and student will be notified of the disqualification. To reapply, a formal application for admission must be submitted in accordance with University admission procedures. In addition, applicants should explain the reasons for the scholastic deficiencies; the manner in which the intervening time has been spent; and why they should be given favorable consideration for readmission. The readmission file will be reviewed by the Student Appeals Center and a decision reached regarding readmission. If approved, the student would be required to complete all program requirements in effect at the time of readmission. An application for DVA education benefits will also be necessary to re-establish benefits with University of Phoenix.

**Military Tuition Assistance**

To obtain federal military tuition assistance, visit the education office to receive college counseling and develop an education plan. From that point, a student can submit a military tuition assistance request http://www.phoenix.edu/colleges_divisions/military/military-financial-options/tuition-assistance.html

A student can currently receive 100 percent of federal tuition assistance from military service, with a $250 cap per semester hour, and a $4,500 annual limit.
If a student wants to apply for military tuition assistance, a student will need to submit a completed authorization form to a Military Advisor at least two weeks before a course start date.

**DVA Tuition Assistance Top-Up Benefit**

Active duty students who request to use the Tuition Assistance Top-Up (TATU) benefit program should direct all questions or concerns to the DVA at 1.888.GI.BILL.1 (1.888.442.4551) or online at http://www.gibill.va.gov/ University of Phoenix VA certifying official is not involved in the processing of any TATU request. For more information about VA Tuition Assistance and financial options, go to http://www.phoenix.edu/colleges_divisions/military-financial-options/tuition-assistance.html

**Readmission of Servicemembers**

Any student whose absence from the University is necessitated by reason of service in the uniformed services is entitled to readmission if the following criteria are met:

- The student (or an appropriate officer of the Armed Forces or official of the Department of Defense) gives verbal or written notice to the University’s Military Division verifying that the student’s absence from the University was necessitated by service in the uniformed services.
- The cumulative length of the absence and of all previous absences from the University by reason of service in the uniformed services does not exceed five years.

Note: A student who submits an application for readmission to the University must provide documentation to establish that the student has not exceeded the specified service limitations and that the student’s eligibility for readmission has not been terminated. Examples of documentation to verify that the student is still within the acceptable service limitations include the student’s deployment paperwork or a letter from the commanding officer that includes the student’s dates of service.

- The student submits verbal or written notification of intent to reenroll.

Note: If the student’s last date of attendance with the University is more than 365 days in the past, the student must complete an updated admissions application and Enrollment Agreement in accordance with the University reentry policy. The Military Division should then submit these completed documents along with the Servicemembers Readmission Form. The student may remain in original program/version without appeal; provided the cumulative length of absence does not exceed five years and that the program has not been expired.

A student’s eligibility for readmission under this section by reason of such student’s service in the uniformed services terminates upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- A separation of such person from the Armed Forces (including the National Guard and Reserves) with a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge, OR
- A dismissal of such person permitted under section 1161(a) of Title 10, USC, OR
- A dropping of such person from the roles pursuant to section 1161(b) of Title 10, USC.


Note: If the student does not submit a notification of intent to reenroll within the time limits, the student is subject to the University established leave of absence policy and general practices.

**Accreditation, Licensures, Reviews, and Approvals**

University of Phoenix is accredited, reviewed and/or approved by federal, state and international agencies, as well as private accreditation bodies.

**Federal**

U.S. Department of Education, Certificate of Eligibility

**State and International Licensures**

University of Phoenix is approved to operate in most U.S. states, territories and possessions, either through licensure, registration, general or specific approvals or annual extension of exemption.

- Alabama Commission on Higher Education
- Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education
- Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education
- Arkansas Department of Higher Education
- State of California
- Colorado Department of Higher Education, Commission on Higher Education
- Department of Higher Education, State of Connecticut
- Delaware Department of Education
- Government of the District of Columbia, Education Licensure Commission
- Florida Commission for Independent Education
- Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission
- State of Hawaii, Office of the Governor
- Idaho State Board of Education
- Illinois Board of Higher Education
- State of Indiana Commission on Proprietary Education (COPE)
- Iowa College Student Aid Commission
- Kansas Board of Regents
- Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education
- State of Louisiana Board of Regents
- Maryland Higher Education Commission
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Higher Education
- State of Michigan Department of Education, Postsecondary Services
- Minnesota Office of Higher Education
- Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation
- State of Missouri Coordinating Board of Higher Education
- Montana Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education
- Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
- Nevada State Commission on Postsecondary Education
- New Jersey Commission on Higher Education
- New Mexico Higher Education Department
- Board of Governors for the University of North Carolina
- Ohio Board of Regents
- Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
- Oregon Office of Degree Authorization
- Pennsylvania Department of Education
- Council on Higher Education
- Consejo de Educación Superior de Puerto Rico/Puerto Rico Council on Higher Education
- South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
- South Dakota Board of Regents
- Tennessee Higher Education Commission
- Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
- Utah System of Higher Education State Board of Regents
• The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia
• State of Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board
• State of Wisconsin Educational Approval Board
• Wyoming Department of Education

For additional information on state and international licensures visit http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/accreditation.html

Regional Accreditation
University of Phoenix is regionally accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC/NCA).

HLC/NCA
230 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago IL 60604-1413
Phone: (312) 263-0456 | (800) 621-7440 | Fax: 312-263-7462
http://www.ncahlc.org

Program Accreditation
University of Phoenix is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) to offer business degrees in Associate of Arts in Business Foundations, Associate of Arts in Accounting, Bachelor of Science in Business, Master of Business Administration, Master of Management, Doctor of Business Administration, and Doctor of Management.

ACBSP
11520 W. 119th St.
Overland Park, KS 66213
(913) 339-9356
http://www.acbsp.org

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

CCNE
One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 887-6791
http://www.aacn.nche.edu/accreditation/

College of Education/Education Programs
The Master of Arts in Education program with options in Elementary Teacher Education and Secondary Teacher Education has been approved for initial accreditation by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC) for a period of five years, from December 20, 2007 to December 20, 2012.

TEAC
One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 320
Washington, DC 20036-0110
(202) 466-7236
http://www.teac.org

In addition, the College of Education has approval for education programs through the following state agencies:
• Arizona Department of Education
• California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)
• Colorado Department of Education (CDE)
• Hawaii Teacher Standards Board (HTSB)
• Idaho State Department of Education
• Indiana Department of Education (IDOE)

• Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
• New Mexico Public Education Department (NM PED)
• Nevada Department of Education (NDE)
• Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
• Puerto Rico Department of Education
• Texas Education Agency (TEA)
• Utah State Office of Education (UTOE)

(Programs vary by state. Not all programs are approved in all states.)

College of Social Sciences Programs
The Master of Science in Counseling Program with a specialization in Community Counseling (Phoenix and Southern AZ campuses) and the Master of Science in Counseling Program in Mental Health Counseling (UT campus) are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

CACREP
1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 510
Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: (703) 535-5990
http://www.cacrep.org

Additional Information
A student can view additional information at www.phoenix.edu/about_us/accreditation.html.
To obtain a copy of University accreditation and license documents, or information on how to contact any of the agencies that regulate the University, contact the Apollo Legal Department at 602.557.8232.

Complaint Information
Students have the right to file a complaint with the appropriate state approval/licensing entities, and/or the institution’s regional accrediting agency. However, prior to filing a complaint with an outside agency, we request that students exhaust all avenues of complaint internally within the University. Please see the section entitled Dispute Resolution Policy and Procedure for additional information.

Academic Programs, Facilities and Instructional Personnel Information
Academic program offerings and instructional facilities vary according to geographic area and delivery mode at the local campus or Online Campus. Not all programs are available at all locations.

Academic Programs
University of Phoenix offers undergraduate and graduate programs in business and management, information systems and technology, criminal justice and security, human services, nursing and health care, social and behavioral sciences, natural sciences, the humanities and education. Detailed information regarding academic programs offered at specific instructional facilities is located at

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http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/degree-programs.html, and the appropriate online academic catalog at https://www.phoenix.edu/programs/degree-programs/academic-catalog.html. Admissions and program requirements vary by state. Please refer to the Academic Catalog for state and/or program specific information.

**Academic Program Improvement**

University of Phoenix pursues a strategy of continuous quality improvement in relation to its academic programs. This strategy is implemented through assessment programs designed to measure student learning at various levels within the University. Multiple types of assessment are utilized to create as comprehensive a picture as possible of the strengths and potential challenges to student learning. Resulting data can be used to improve academic programs and enhance the overall academic experience.

During each fiscal year from September 1 to August 31, the colleges and schools within the University follow pre-established plans to conduct programmatic assessment. Plan progress is monitored quarterly through the fiscal year. The process for assessment of academic programs uses the following four phases:

1. **Assessment Planning**
2. **Collecting Evidence and Analyzing Data**
3. **Implementing Improvement**
4. **Monitoring Effectiveness of Improvements**

By utilizing this assessment process, the colleges and schools are able to evaluate academic programs, identify areas for potential change, modify assessment plans as needed, communicate changes in academic programs to faculty and students, and pursue continuous quality improvement.

Students or potential students may obtain a copy of the improvement plan for a specific program by contacting the University of Phoenix Office of Academic Administration

University of Phoenix Office of Academic Administration
1625 W. Fountainhead Parkway
Mail Stop: AA-S402
Tempe, AZ 85282
800.366.9699

**Disability Services**

University of Phoenix recognizes and accepts its obligations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of a disability and requiring the University to provide reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified disabled students in all University programs and activities. The University of Phoenix Disability Services Office provides services to students with appropriate documentation for temporary health issues or a permanent disability. Students with a temporary or permanent disability seeking disability services from the University have the responsibility to both self-disclose and request accommodation through the campus disability services advisor. Communication with faculty or other staff members does not constitute self-disclosure or an accommodation request. Confirmation through documentation from a health care provider is required prior to accommodations being determined and fulfilled.

**Obtain Information**

The campus disability services advisor is responsible for managing the accommodation process, including any negotiations regarding services, and finalizing appropriate student accommodations. Additional information and a list of campus disability services advisors are located at http://www.phoenix.edu/students/disability-services.html

**General Contact Information**

Direct all questions regarding admissions, academics, financial options, facilities or general institutional issues to the following offices:

- **Central Administration**
  1625 West Fountainhead Pkwy
  Mail Stop: CF-SX03
  Tempe, AZ 85282-2371
  (800) 366-9699

- **Online Campus**
  University of Phoenix
  3157 E. Elwood St
  Mail Stop: CF-B105
  Phoenix, AZ 85034
  866.766.0766

- **University Services Support Center**
  4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway
  Mail Stop: CF-L503
  Phoenix, AZ 85040
  800.866.3919
  480.446.4600
  Fax: 480.303.5832

Campus contact information is located at http://www.phoenix.edu/campus-locations.html.

**Faculty**

University faculty members are accomplished managers, technology leaders, professional educators, corporate executives, financial officers, human services professionals and leaders in other professional areas who also possess advanced degrees. A list of faculty may be obtained at each local campus. To find a local campus, go to http://www.phoenix.edu/campus-locations.html
Faculty profiles can be found at http://www.phoenix.edu/faculty/our_faculty.html

**Credit Transfer**

Information regarding criteria used to evaluate the transfer of credit earned at another institution is located at www.phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information/previous_college_education.html

**Articulation Agreements**

A list of institutions University of Phoenix has established articulation agreements can be viewed at www.phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information/articulation.html

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Corporate Articulations
A list of corporations that University of Phoenix has established articulation agreements can be viewed at http://www.phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information/transfer_credit.html

Reverse Transfer Agreements
University of Phoenix has established reverse transfer agreements with partnering institutions. With a Reverse Transfer Agreement in place, University of Phoenix will notify the partner transfer institution and provide directory information for students meeting certain credit requirements that indicate the student may be eligible to earn an Associate degree from the transfer institution. The transfer institution may pursue communication with the student to discuss requirements and may award the Associate degree to the student per their discretion.

Graduation Rates
In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must publish information regarding graduation rates as defined by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). This graduation measure includes only undergraduate degree- and/or certificate-seeking students who have never attended another institution of higher learning, and graduate within 150 percent of the normal time to completion. Data are collected on the number of students entering the institution as first-time, full-time (FTFT) degree- and/or certificate-seeking undergraduate students in a particular cohort year. Graduation rates are disaggregated by race and ethnicity, gender and federal financial aid grant or loan funds. The graduation rates shown below represent students from the 2005-06 cohort and the percentages of those students who graduated by August 31, 2011.
For the graduation rates, please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/graduation-rates.html.

Retention Rates
In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must make available information regarding retention rates of degree- and/or certificate-seeking first-time, full-time (FTFT) undergraduate students entering the institution. Retention rate is a measure of the rate at which students persist in their educational program at an institution, expressed as a percentage. For the retention rates, please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/retention-rates.html.

Student Diversity
In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must make available information regarding student diversity as defined by the IPEDS. Data reported are for enrolled full-time students. For further details please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/student-diversity.html.

Types of Education Graduates Enroll
In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must make available information regarding the types of graduate and professional education in which graduates of the institution four-year degree programs enrolled.
Approximately 17% of students who completed a bachelor’s degree from University of Phoenix between July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 went on to enroll in a graduate or professional program at the University of Phoenix. The majority of these students enrolled in the following programs:
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Psychology
- Master of Science in Accountancy
- Master of Science in Administration of Justice and Security
- Master of Information Systems

The data is derived from the IPEDS Completions Survey (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 data) and the IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey (August 1, 2011 to October 31, 2011 data).

Forty-three percent of University of Phoenix alumni indicated they are attending, or plan to attend, graduate school.
- Of this 43%, 71% are currently pursuing a graduate degree at the University of Phoenix
- Of this 43%, 20% plan to pursue a graduate degree at the University of Phoenix

Based on responses from the Alumni Association’s 2011 survey, the following represents the type of industry in which our alumni work:

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The following represents occupations of University alumni:

- Construction: 1%
- Tourism/Hotels/Entertainment: 1%
- Real Estate: 1%
- Restaurant: 1%
- Legal: 1%
- Personal Services: 1%
- Other: 19%
- Executive, Manager, Administrator: 16%
- Teacher/Educator/Education Administrator: 8%
- Admin Support, Records/Data Processor: 7%
- Sales or Marketing Representative: 5%
- Registered Nurse/Other Nursing Professional: 5%
- Technician/Technologist: 5%
- Computer Programmer/Systems Analyst: 3%
- Accountant: 3%
- Other Health Professional: 3%
- Engineer/Architect: 2%
- Business Consultant: 2%
- Business Owner: 2%
- Psychologist, Counselor, Social Worker: 2%
- Protective Services (Police, Fire, Security): 2%
- Military Personnel: 1%
- Food or Personnel Service: 1%

Survey completed in 2011 between January 17 and February 11; a total of 27,416 alumni respondents.

**Withdrawing From the University**

Circumstances may necessitate withdrawal from the University. A student who received, or is eligible to receive federal financial aid funds provided certain criteria are met, and subsequently officially or unofficially withdraws is subject to a Return of Title IV (R2T4) Calculation as required by federal regulations.

**Official Withdrawals**

There are two ways students can withdraw from the University:
1. Complete the self-service Official Withdrawal automated process via the University eCampus website at https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/portal/portal/public/login.aspx,
2. Notify the designated campus offices of Enrollment Services, Academic Services, and Financial Services.

**Withdrawal Date**

The withdrawal date for official withdrawals is the last date of academic attendance or attendance at an academic related activity determined from University attendance records.

**Date of Determination**

The date of determination (DOD) for students who officially withdraw from the University is the latter of the student's withdrawal date or the date of notification.

**Rescission of Official Withdrawal**

Students who want to rescind their intent to withdraw may complete the Official Withdrawal Rescind request via the University eCampus website at https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/portal/portal/public/login.aspx

Students who rescind their intent to withdraw must provide an electronic or written statement to the University stating their intent to return to the University, remain in academic attendance and continue to participate in academic related activities through the end of the payment period. If the student subsequently withdraws after rescinding intent to withdraw, the withdrawal date is the latter of the date the student first provided notification to the University or the last date of academic attendance or academic related activity determined from the University’s attendance records. The date of determination for students who rescind their intent to withdraw and subsequently withdraw from the University, without official notification, is no greater than 15 days after the student’s official last date of academic attendance or attendance at an academic related activity.

**Unofficial Withdrawals**

Students who do not provide official notification to the University of their intent to withdraw are considered unofficial withdrawals after 14 consecutive days of nonattendance at an academic related activity. If a student requests an extension of the course he/she is currently attending and his/her intent is to complete the course, the days in the extension period will not count towards the 14 days of nonattendance at an academic related activity.

Students on an institutional scheduled break of five or more consecutive days will not have the days of the break count towards the 14 consecutive days of nonattendance at an academic related activity.
Withdrawal Date
The withdrawal date for a student who ceases attendance at the University, including a student who does not return from an approved leave of absence, is the last date of academic attendance or attendance of an academic related activity determined from University attendance records. In the case of a student who has received an approved leave of absence, the University will review the student record on or after their originally approved return date. The review determines if the student reentered as scheduled, or did not reenter as scheduled and must be withdrawn for the purposes of the Return of Title IV (R2T4) calculation and deferment processing.

Date of Determination
The date of determination (DOD) for students who unofficially withdraw from the University is the greater than 15 days after the official last date of attendance or when a student fails to return from an approved leave of absence.

Administrative Withdrawals
Students who are withdrawn from the University for failure to meet admission, academic, candidacy, financial or code of conduct policies are considered administrative withdrawals.

Withdrawal Date
The withdrawal date for students who are administratively withdrawn is the last date of academic attendance or attendance at an academic related activity.

Date of Determination
The date of determination (DOD) for students who are administratively withdrawn from the University is the date the University determines the withdrawal occurred.

Return of Federal Financial Aid
Federal regulations specify how the University must calculate the amount of federal financial aid earned when a student withdraws from the University. The requirements for federal financial aid are separate from the Institutional Refund Policy and State Refund Policy.

The percentage amount of federal financial aid a student earned in a payment period is calculated as follows:

Total Number of Calendar Days Completed in Payment Period
Total Number of Calendar Days in Payment Period = Percent Earned

The amount of federal financial aid a student earned is determined on a rate-of-progression basis. When the student completes more than 60 percent, the student earns all the assistance scheduled for that payment period.*

Federal Financial Aid Credit Balance
If a student withdraws from the University, any federal financial aid credit balance will be released to the student or returned to a federal financial aid program prior to performing the Return of Title IV (R2T4) Calculation.

Upon completion of applicable refunds, any remaining federal financial aid credit balance will repay any grant overpayment owing to the student as result of the current withdrawal. Within 14 days of the date the University performs the Return of Title IV (R2T4) Calculation, the University will pay any remaining federal financial aid credit balance in one or more of the following ways:

- Pay authorized charges at the University
- Reduce federal financial aid loan debt to the student (or parent in the case of a PLUS loan) with authorization

Contact a finance advisor for more information about R2T4 requirements.

Refund Policy

Institutional
The following provisions pertain to all refund policies applied by the University unless specifically stated otherwise.

Students who begin a program under Registered (R) status, pending the completion of admission file and are subsequently denied admission, are eligible for a refund of the full tuition amount of the course in which they are currently enrolled. Tuition is not refunded for any completed course. A tuition refund can be requested in writing from a local campus.

Students who withdraw from a course prior to the start date will receive a 100 percent refund for that course. Students who have completed 60 percent or less of the course are eligible for a pro rata refund.

Example of a refund on attendance for a 5-week course:

- Attend 1 week 80% refund due
- Attend 2 week 60% refund due
- Attend 3 week 40% refund due
- Attend 4 week no refund due

Example of a refund on attendance for a 6-week course:

- Attend 1 week 83% refund due
- Attend 2 week 67% refund due
- Attend 3 week 50% refund due
- Attend 4 week no refund due

Example of a refund on attendance for a 7-week course:

- Attend 1 week 89% refund due
- Attend 2 week 78% refund due
- Attend 3 week 67% refund due
- Attend 4 week 56% refund due
- Attend 5 week 44% refund due
- Attend 6 week no refund due

State
If a student attends a class in one of these states, the specific state refund policy will be applied in addition to the University Institutional Refund Policy. In the event that there is a conflict in the policies, the state policy will supersede the general University policy, unless the University policy is better for the student's situation. These policies are outlined below.

Arizona
Students in the state of Arizona will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy except students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.

California
If University of Phoenix no longer offers educational services for students in the state of California, prior to a student completing a course of instruction, a partial refund may be available. The student should contact:

Department of Consumer Affairs
1625 North Market Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95834
(800) 952-5210

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Florida
Students in the state of Florida will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:
• Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• The University will retain $45 of the application fee for students who withdraw from the University prior to the start of their program and after the three-day cancellation period.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.

Georgia
Students in the state of Georgia will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:
• Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• Students providing written notification of withdrawal prior to the first class session or have been out-of-attendance for more than 14 days will receive a full refund of tuition paid for the unattended course.
• Refunds are paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.
• A student who is out-of-attendance for more than 14 days is considered withdrawn.

Indiana
Indiana has established refund policies that differ from the University Institutional Refund Policy. If a student attends a class in Indiana, the Indiana state refund policy will be applied. The University must make the proper refund no later than 31 days of the request for cancellation or withdrawal. A student is entitled to a full refund if one or more of the following criteria are met:
• The student cancels the Enrollment Agreement within six business days after signing.
• The student does not meet the University minimum admission requirements.
• The student’s enrollment was procured as a result of a misrepresentation in the written materials utilized by the University.

Iowa
Students in the state of Iowa who withdraw from a course prior the start date will receive a 100 percent refund of tuition for that course. Students who withdraw from a course after the start date will receive a pro-rata refund of tuition for the course until they have attended 100 percent of the course. Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.

Kentucky
Students in the state of Kentucky will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:
• A student who cancels enrollment anytime before the start of the first class session will receive a full refund of all monies paid.
• The University may retain 10 percent of the tuition agreed upon in the Enrollment Agreement or $100, whichever is less, for students who fail to attend in the enrollment period for which advanced payment was made.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.

Addendum
• A student who is out-of-attendance for more than 14 days is considered withdrawn.

**Louisiana**

Students in the state of Louisiana will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:

• Students who cancel enrollment anytime before the start of the first class session will receive a full refund of all monies paid, except the application fee, which is non-refundable.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.
• The University may retain an administrative fee, not to exceed 15 percent of total tuition and fees paid.

**Minnesota**

Students in the state of Minnesota will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions: Refunds for state aid programs and non-state aid programs are calculated on a proportional basis using the state mandated or institutional refund policy. To calculate the minimum refund due to the State Grant Program, the SELF Loan Program, and other aid programs (with the exception of the Student Work Study Program), the Higher Education Services Office Refund Calculation Worksheet of the Minnesota State Grant manual is used.

**Ohio**

Students in the state of Ohio will have tuition refunded using the University’s Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:

• Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid if they withdraw within five calendar days of signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• A student who withdraws before the first class and after the five-day cancellation period is obligated for the registration fee.
• To cancel enrollment, a student must notify the local campus in writing on or before the five-day cancellation period after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• Refunds will be paid no later than 30 days after cancellation.

**Oregon**

Students in the state of Oregon will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy except all fees, including application fees, assessment fees, student service fees, and book fees are non-refundable.

**South Carolina**

Students in the state of South Carolina will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:

• Students have a right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within 72 hours excluding weekends and legal holidays after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• A full refund of all monies will be made to any applicant not accepted by the University.
• After the 72-hour cancellation period, the University may retain up to $100 if the student does not attend a course.
• The University may retain an administrative fee up to $100.
• Refunds will be paid within 40 days of a student’s official withdrawal.

**Wisconsin**

Students in the state of Wisconsin will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:

• Students have the right to cancel enrollment until midnight of the third business day after receipt of notice of acceptance and is entitled to a full refund of any tuition paid.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.
• If the University cancels or discontinues a course or educational program stated in the Enrollment Agreement, the University will refund all monies paid for that course or program.

The refund policy of the state where Online students reside will be used to calculate their refund amount. The refund policy of the state where Ground students attend class will be used to calculate their refund amount.

**Copyright Infringement and Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Policy**

**Copyright Law**

Copyright is a form of legal protection provided by U.S. law, Title 17 U.S.C. §512(c) (2), that protects an owner’s right to control the reproduction, distribution, performance, display and transmission of a copyrighted work. The public, in turn, is provided with specific rights for fair use of copyrighted works. Copyrighted works protect original works of authorship and include:

• Books, articles and other writings
• Songs and other musical works
• Movies and Television productions
• Pictures, graphics and drawings
• Computer software
• Pantomimes and choreographic works
• Sculptural and architectural works

Specific information on copyright law and fair use may be found at the following sites:

• The U.S. Copyright Office: http://www.copyright.gov
• The Electronic Frontier Foundation fair use frequently asked questions: http://eff.org/IP/eff_fair_use_faq.php.

**Copyright Infringement**

The copyright law provides the owner of copyright in a work the exclusive right to the following:

• Reproduce the work in copies
• Prepare derivative works based upon the work
• Distribute copies of the work to the public by sale or other transfer of ownership, or by rental, lease, or lending
• Perform the work publicly
• Display the copyrighted work publicly
• Perform the work publicly by means of a digital audio transmission in the case of sound recordings

The copyright law states, “anyone who violates any of the exclusive rights of the copyright owner is an infringer of the copyright or right of the author.”

Generally, under the law, one who engages in any of these activities without obtaining the copyright owner's permission may be liable for infringement.
Peer to Peer File Sharing

Peer-to-Peer (P2P) file sharing is a general term that describes software programs that allow computer users, utilizing the same P2P software, to connect with each other and directly access digital files from one another’s hard drives. Many copyrighted works may be stored in digital form, such as software, movies, videos, photographs, etc. Through P2P file sharing it has become increasingly easy to store and transfer these copyrighted works to others thus increasing the risk that users of P2P software and file-sharing technology will infringe the copyright protections of content owners. If P2P file-sharing applications are installed on your computer, you may be sharing someone else’s copyrighted materials without realizing they are doing so. As a user of the University network, recognizing the legal requirements of the files that you may be sharing with others is important. You should be careful not to download and share copyrighted works with others.

The transfer and distribution of these works without authorization of the copyright holder is illegal and prohibited.

Violations and Penalties under Federal Law

In addition to University sanctions under its policies as more fully described below, anyone found liable for civil copyright infringement may be ordered to pay either actual damages or statutory damages affixed at not less than $750 and not more than $30,000 per work infringed. For willful infringement, a court may award up to $150,000 per work infringed. A court can, in its discretion, also assess costs and attorneys’ fees. For details, see Title 17, United States Code, Sections 504, 505.

Willful copyright infringement can also result in criminal penalties, including imprisonment of up to five years and fines of up to $250,000 per offense.

University Plans to Effectively Combat Unauthorized Distribution of Copyrighted Material; Student Sanctions

A student’s conduct in the University classrooms and websites is subject to and must fully conform to the University Student Code of Conduct policy, its Acceptable Use policy and any other applicable University policies.

The University may monitor traffic or bandwidth on the networks utilizing information technology programs designed to detect and identify indicators of illegal P2P file sharing activity. In addition to, or as an alternative, the University may employ other technical means to reduce or block illegal file sharing and other impermissible activities.

The University will also provide for vigorous enforcement and remediation activities for those students identified through the University Digital Millennium Copyright Act policy as potential violators or infringers of copyright.

Disciplinary sanctions will be based on the seriousness of the situation and may include remediation based on a comprehensive system of graduated responses designed to curb illegal file sharing and copyright offenses through limiting and denial of network access or other appropriate means. These sanctions may be in conjunction with additional sanctions through the University Student Code of Conduct, its Acceptable Use Policy and any other University policy applicable to the particular situation.

Students who are subject to professional codes of conduct that apply to their enrollment at the University shall be sanctioned according to the requirements of the respective code.

Education and Awareness

The University uses a variety of means to inform students, faculty, and other network users about copyright laws and the response to copyright infringement claims by the University.

The University informs its campus community through the Consumer Information Guide and other periodic communications that unauthorized distribution of copyrighted material, including unauthorized P2P files sharing, may subject students and faculty to civil and criminal liabilities and the extent of the possible liabilities. The Consumer Information Guide, http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information.html is available on the University website, is provided to potential students and employees, and is sent by email on a yearly basis to current students, faculty and employees.

Legal Sources for Online Music and Videos

The following links are online sources that provide information on legal access to copyrighted music and videos:

- EDUCAUSE is an association of colleges and universities, which maintains a list of legal media sources: http://www.educause.edu/legalcontent
- Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) provides a list of legal motion picture and video sources: http://www.mpaa.org/contentprotection/get-movies-tv-shows
- The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) provides a list of legal music sources: http://www.riaa.com/toolsforparents.php?content_selector=legal-music-services

The Legal Sources for online music and videos is reviewed annually by the Vice President of IT Security; the most recent review was completed in April 2012.

Digital Millennium Copyright Act Policy

The University computer networks, including its online library and classroom environment are critical assets. Accordingly, University of Phoenix respects the rights of the copyright owners and expects its faculty, staff, students, and other network users to comply with U.S. copyright laws. Federal law prohibits the reproduction, distribution, public display or performance of copyrighted materials over the Internet without permission of the copyright owner, except in compliance with fair use or other copyright applicable statutory exceptions. For more information on copyright law, please refer to the University’s Copyright Infringement and Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Policy.

In addition to sanctions that may be applicable under the University Student Code of Conduct Policy, the Acceptable Use of Computing Resources Policy or other policies, University of Phoenix may terminate the network accounts or access to users who have repeatedly infringed on the copyrights of others. University of Phoenix, in compliance with the federal Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA), has established a mandated process for receiving and tracking alleged incidents of copyright infringement.

The University has designated an agent who will investigate notices of alleged copyright infringement and take appropriate actions. Such actions may include terminating repeat infringers accounts under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA). The copyright infringement notices must be given in writing, preferably by email, or by U.S. mail to the agent listed below:

Addendum
If a valid DMCA notification is received, the University will respond under this process by taking down the infringing content found on our networks. On taking down content under the DMCA the University will take reasonable steps to contact the owner of the removed content so that a counter notification may be filed. Upon receiving a valid counter notification, the University will generally restore the content in question, unless the University receives notice from the notification provider that a legal action has been filed seeking a court order to restrain the alleged infringer from engaging in the infringing activity. Please note that the DMCA provides that you may be liable for damages including costs and attorneys' fees if you falsely claim that someone is infringing on your copyright. Alternatively, you can also be liable for damages including attorneys' fees if you materially misrepresent that an activity is infringing on the copyright of another. Therefore, the University recommends contacting an attorney if you are unsure whether your work or the work of another is protected by copyright laws.

**Filing Notice of Alleged Infringement**

Following is the process for filing a notification under the DMCA. Notice must be given in writing to the designated agent as specified above and contain the following information:

- Provide your name, address, telephone number and email address, and a statement that you consent to the jurisdiction of Federal District Court for the judicial district in which you reside, or for any address outside the United States, for any judicial district, in which the service provider may be found and that you will accept service of process from the person who provided notification to the University of the alleged infringement or an agent of such person.

- Provide the following statement: "I swear, under penalty of perjury, that I have a good faith belief that the material identified above was removed or disabled as a result of a mistake or misidentification of the material to be removed or disabled."

- The notice must be signed.

Upon receiving a valid counter notification, the University will provide the person who filed the original notification with a copy of the counter notice and inform them that the material will be reinstated or access to it restored between 10 and 14 business days following receipt of the counter notice, pursuant to the DMCA unless the University receives notification that legal action to seek a court order restraining the alleged infringer from further engaging in the infringing activity has been filed.

**Vaccinations and Immunizations**

Information regarding program admissions requirements, including immunization requirements for designated states is located at http://www.phoenix.edu/admissions/admission_requirements.html.

**Campus Safety Policies**

The University Campus Safety policies have been prepared to protect its members' safety and well-being and to satisfy the requirements of the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act and Clery Act. The information included relates to the following:

- Annual crime statistics
- Available counseling programs
- Crime prevention
- Drug and alcohol abuse
- Emergency Mass Notification
- Health risks
- Information related to campus safety
- Legal affects of drug and alcohol use
- Prohibited use or distribution of drugs and alcohol
- Safety and awareness

The information is intended to provide a general description of University of Phoenix campus safety policies; however, it is not intended to serve as a contractual agreement between the University and the recipient. Additionally, the University will disseminate and publicize, for each of its campus locations, crime statistics from the most recent calendar year and two preceding calendar years. Please visit http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_safety_policies.html or http://cdn.assets-phoenix.net/content/dam/altcloud/doc/about_uopx/Campus-Safety-Policies.pdf to access a PDF file of University of Phoenix Campus Safety Policies.
Campus Crime Statistics

This report is compiled in conjunction with University of Phoenix Campus Safety Policies. The following statistics are in accordance with definitions used in the Uniform Crime Reporting System of the Department of Justice and FBI, as modified by the Hate Crime Statistics Act. The data includes all crimes reported to the University of Phoenix campus security authority. If a crime has occurred and has not been reported, it cannot be reflected in the following statistics. For this reason, University of Phoenix encourages everyone to report all crimes to their designated campus security authority and local law enforcement agency.


University of Phoenix expressly reserves the right to modify or to adopt additional campus policies and procedures relating to campus safety, at anytime without notice.

The Federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires colleges and universities to issue a statement advising the campus community where state law enforcement agency information concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. The Act also mandates that sex offenders who are already required to register in a state to provide notice of each institution of higher education in that state at which the offender is employed or is a student.

To learn the identity of registered sex offenders on or near a campus, or anywhere in the United States, visit the Sex Offender databases at http://www.sexoffender.com or http://nsopr.gov. You can search by city, county, or zip code. This information is collected by other agencies and this institution cannot guarantee this information is correct or complete. The information provided here is intended to be in compliance with the Clery Act and for campus safety purposes only. It should not be used to intimidate, threaten, or harass. Misuse of this information may result in prosecution.

Apollo Group, Inc., and University of Phoenix have established an emergency mass notification process that includes emergency escalation processes, mass notifications and supporting systems. These processes enable Apollo, and its subsidiary educational institutions to contact or send notices, alerts or warnings without delay to employees for Apollo, and University of Phoenix faculty, and students in an emergency, dangerous or otherwise high-risk situation at a University site.

Apollo and University of Phoenix maintain emergency management policies, procedures and systems to protect lives and property, and to continue necessary critical functions and essential services.

An emergency is defined as a situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of someone in the University community at a University site or that significantly disrupts Apollo programs and activities.

The Emergency Mass Notification policy applies to all officers and employees for Apollo, Apollo’s U.S. based subsidiaries, faculty, and students of University of Phoenix in an emergency, dangerous or otherwise high-risk situation at a University site.

The policy can be viewed in it’s entirety in the Campus Safety Policies at http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_safety_policies.html, or by requesting a printed copy from your local campus.

University of Phoenix campus security authorities assist in the safety of the University community by serving as contacts for University security issues. Contact information for all campus security authorities can be viewed at www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_safety_contact_list.html.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

Drug abuse affects all aspects of American life. It threatens the workplace, our homes, our schools and our community. The U.S. Department of Education requires institutions of higher education to implement a drug prevention and awareness program for their students and employees through the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act.

All students are expected to conduct themselves as mature adults and as members of an academic community. The consumption of alcohol or drugs while attending class or meeting with campus personnel is prohibited and may be subject to disciplinary action. All drug and alcohol abuse policies, prevention and referrals can be found in the Campus Safety Policies Manual located at http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_safety_policies.html

Standards of Conduct

The University community must adhere to a code of conduct that recognizes the unlawful manufacture, sale, delivery, unauthorized possession or use of any illicit drug is prohibited on property owned or otherwise controlled by University of Phoenix. If an individual associated with the University is apprehended for violating any drug or alcohol related law when on University property, or participating in a University activity, the University will fully support and cooperate with federal and state law enforcement agencies. Underage possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted on property owned or controlled by the University and the state laws will be enforced.

Also, intentionally or knowingly selling, or intentionally or knowingly furnishing alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21, or to persons obviously inebriated, is not permitted on property owned or controlled by the University.

Federal guidelines state the grantee must certify that he or she will not engage in unlawful activities related to controlled substances during the period covered by the grant.

Federal Financial Aid Penalties for Drug Violations

Federal guidelines focus strongly on illicit drug use and distribution. The Higher Education Opportunity Act states students convicted for an illicit drug violation can be denied federal financial aid for a specific period, in addition to other legal penalties.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) asks students if they have been convicted of a drug-related offense, "Have you ever been convicted of possessing or selling illegal drugs?" If you answer "yes," complete and submit this application, and we will send you a worksheet in the mail for you to determine if your conviction affects your eligibility for aid.

Failure to answer the question automatically disqualifies students from receiving federal financial aid. Answering this question falsely could result in fines, imprisonment or both.

Addendum
More information about federal penalties and sanctions is located at www.usdoj.gov/dea/agency/penalties.htm

**Penalties for Drug Convictions:**

If the student was convicted of both possessing and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility are different, the student will be ineligible for the longer period.

**Possession of Illegal Drugs:**

- First offense, a student loses eligibility for federal financial aid for one year from the date of conviction.
- Second offense, a student loses eligibility for federal financial aid for two years from the date of conviction.
- Third offense and subsequent offenses, a student is indefinite ineligibility for federal financial aid from the date of conviction.

**Sale of Illegal Drugs:**

- First offense, a student loses eligibility for federal financial aid for two years from the date of conviction.
- Second offense and subsequent offenses, a student is indefinite ineligibility from the date of conviction.

**How to Regain Eligibility**

A student can regain eligibility for federal student aid funds the day after the period of ineligibility ends or upon successful completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program or passes two unannounced drug tests given by such a program.

A student can regain eligibility for federal student aid funds the day after the period of ineligibility ends or upon successful completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program that must

- Include at least two unannounced drug tests;
- AND
- Have received or be qualified to receive funds directly or indirectly under a federal, state, or local government program.

Students denied eligibility for an indefinite period can regain it after successfully completing a rehabilitation program, passing two unannounced drug tests from such a program, or if a conviction is reversed, set aside or removed from the student’s record so that fewer than two convictions for sale or two convictions for possession remain on the record.

In such cases, the nature and dates of the remaining convictions will determine when the student regains eligibility. The student is responsible to certify that a rehabilitation program was successfully completed. As with the conviction question on the FAFSA®, the University is not required to confirm the reported information unless conflicting information is determined.

**Convictions During Enrollment**

Federal regulations require enrolled students convicted of a drug offense after receiving federal financial aid to notify Student Financial Services - Operations (SFS-O) immediately, become ineligible for further federal financial aid and repay federal financial aid received after the conviction.

**Institutional Sanctions for Alcohol and Drug Violations**

Any member of the University community found consuming or selling alcohol or drugs on University property shall be subject to discipline on a case-by-case basis.

- Discipline will be based on the seriousness of the situation.
- A case may result in dismissal from the University.
- In all cases, the University will abide by local, state and federal sanctions regarding unlawful possession of drugs and the consumption of alcohol.
- Additional state penalties and sanctions may also apply.
- The University has adopted a zero tolerance policy regarding underage drinking.

**Title II of the Higher Education Act-Academic Year 2009-2010 Report**

In compliance with Title II of the Higher Education Act (HEA), University of Phoenix has submitted institutional questionnaires that detail the University’s program offerings, student demographics and student performance in those states where the University has teacher education programs that have produced program completers also known as graduates. University of Phoenix provides professional preparation for teachers in multiple states. This is an overview of the information contained in the Institutional Report for University of Phoenix.
The following policy is effective as of September 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the Academic Policies section of this catalog.

**Admitted (AM) Status**

The Office of Admissions and Evaluation in University Services grants a student Admitted status after all documents have been received, the applicant’s admission file has been officially reviewed, and all admission requirements have been met. **Students in all programs must attain admitted status and be officially evaluated by the completion of their fourth University course.** This provides the University the necessary information to develop individualized program schedules for each student and provides an opportunity for an admission decision to be made early in the program. **Students who are unable to obtain an official admission status by the completion of their fourth University course will be administratively withdrawn from the University and placed on Admission Deadline Exceeded (DE) admission status.**

**State Boards**

The University of Phoenix is regulated by a large number of state regulatory bodies across the country. The following is a list of those regulatory bodies, with contact information.

- **In Alabama,** the student may contact the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education, PO Box 302130, Montgomery, AL 36130-2130; telephone (334) 242-2959.
- **In Arkansas,** the student may contact the Arkansas State Board for Private Postsecondary Education, 1400 W. Washington, Room 260, Phoenix, AZ 85007, telephone (602) 542-2399, website: www.azppse.gov.
- **In Arizona,** the student may contact the Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education, 400 W. Washington, Room 260, Phoenix, AZ 85007, telephone (602) 542-2399, website: www.azppse.gov.
- **In California,** the student may contact the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, C/O Department of Consumer Affairs, PO Box 980818, W. Sacramento, CA 95798-0818; telephone (916) 431-6959, (888) 807-7589.
- **In Colorado,** the student may contact the Department of Higher Education, Commission on Higher Education, 1300 Broadway Road, Second Floor, Denver, CO 80203; telephone (303) 866-2723, (303) 866-4209.
- **In Delaware,** the student may contact the Delaware Department of Education, The Townsend Building, 401 Federal St., Suite 2, Dover, DE 19901-3639; telephone (302) 735-4000, 302-735-4120.
- **In Florida,** the student may contact the Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400; telephone (850) 245-3200.
- **In Georgia,** the student may contact the Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission, 2082 East Exchange Place, Suite 220, Tucker, GA 30084; telephone (770) 414-3306.
- **In Hawaii,** the student may contact the Business Registration Division of the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, P.O. Box 40, Honolulu, HI 96810; telephone 808-586-2744.
- **In Idaho,** the student may contact the Idaho State Board of Education, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037; telephone (208) 332-1587.
- **In Illinois,** the student may contact the Illinois Board of Higher Education, 431 East Adams Street, Second Floor, Springfield, IL 62701-1418; telephone (217) 557-7355, website: www.ibhe.org.
- **In Indiana,** the student may contact the State of Indiana Commission on Proprietary Education (COPE), 302 W. Washington Street, Room E201, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2767; telephone (317) 464-4400.
- **In Iowa,** the student may contact the Iowa College Student Aid Commission, 603 E. 12th Street, 5th Floor, Des Moines, IA 50319; telephone (515) 725-3400.
- **In Kansas,** the student may contact the Board of Regents, 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, KS 66612-1368; telephone (785) 296-4936, 785-296-4917.
- **In Kentucky,** the student may contact the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 320, Frankfort, KY 40601-8204; telephone (502) 573-1555 ext. 350.
- **In Louisiana,** the student may contact the State of Louisiana Board of Regents, P.O. Box 3677, Baton Rouge, LA 70821; telephone (225) 342-4253.
- **In Maine,** the student may contact the Maine State Board of Education (MSBE), 23 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04332; telephone (207) 624-6616.
- **In Maryland,** the student may contact the Maryland Higher Education Commission, 6 N. Liberty St., Baltimore, MD 21201; telephone (800) 974-0203.
- **In Maryland,** the student may also contact the Maryland Office of the Attorney General, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202; telephone (410) 576-6300 or (888) 743-0023; TDD (410) 576-6372; www.oag.state.md.us.
- **In Massachusetts,** the student may contact the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education, One Ashburton Place, Suite1401, Boston, MA 02108-1696; telephone (617) 994-6937.
- **In Michigan,** the student may contact the Michigan Department of Education, P.O. Box 30008 (or) 608 W. Allegan, Lansing, MI 48909; telephone (517) 373-9235.
- **In Minnesota,** the student may contact the Minnesota Office of Higher Education, 1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55108; telephone (651) 259-3975, (800) 657-3866.
- **In Mississippi,** the student may contact the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning Commission Proprietary School and College Registration Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211; telephone (601) 432-6997.
- **In Missouri,** the student may contact the State of Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education, 205 Jefferson Street, Jefferson City, MO 65101; telephone (573) 751-2361.
- **In Nebraska,** the student may contact the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, P.O. Box 95005, Lincoln, NE 68505-5005; telephone (402) 471-0020, (402) 471-2847.
- **In Nevada,** the student may contact the Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education, 3663 E. Sunset Road, Suite #202 , Las Vegas, NV 89120; telephone (702) 486-7330.
In New Jersey, the student may contact the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education, 20 W. State Street, PO Box 542 Trenton, NJ 08625-0542; telephone (609) 292-4310, (609) 984-2709.

In New Mexico, the student may contact the New Mexico Higher Education Department, 2048 Galisteo Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505-2100; telephone (505) 476-8400.

In North Carolina, the student may contact the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, General Administration, 910 Raleigh Road Chapel Hill, NC 27515-2688; telephone (919) 962-4538.

In Ohio, the student may contact the Ohio Board of Regents, registration number 1154320, 30 E. Broad Street, 36th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-3414; telephone (614) 466-6000.

In Oklahoma, the student may contact the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104-3603; telephone (405) 225-9100, (405) 225-9142.

In Oregon, the student may contact the Oregon Office of Degree Authorization, 1500 Valley River Dr. Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401; telephone (541) 687-7478.

In Pennsylvania, the student may contact the Pennsylvania Department of Education, 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333; telephone (717) 783-6785.

In Puerto Rico, the student may contact the Consejo de Educacion Superior de Puerto Rico / Puerto Rico Council on Higher Education, PO Box 19900, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00919-1900; telephone (787)-724-7100 ext 2022 or ext 2016.

In South Carolina, the student may contact the Nonpublic Postsecondary Institution Licensing, 1333 Main Street, Suite 200, Columbia, SC 29201; telephone (803) 737-2281.

In Tennessee, the student may contact the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, Parkway Towers, Suite 1700, 404 James Robertson Pkwy, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0830; telephone (615) 741-3605.

In Texas, the student may contact the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, PO. Box 12788, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711; telephone (512) 427-6520.

In Utah, the student may contact the Utah System of Higher Education State Board of Regents, 60 South 400 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1284; telephone (801) 321-7103.

In Virginia, the student may contact the Commonwealth of Virginia Council of Higher Education, James Monroe Building, 101 North Fourteenth Street, Richmond, VA 23219; telephone (804) 225-2600.

In Washington, the student may contact the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board, PO Box 43430, Olympia, WA 98504-3430; telephone (360) 753-7869, 360.753.7866.

In Washington DC, the student may contact the Government of the District of Columbia Education Licensure Commission, 810 1st Street, NE, 2nd Fl., Washington, DC 20002; telephone (202) 727-2824.

In West Virginia, the student may contact the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, 1018 Kanawha Boulevard East, Suite 700, Charleston, West Virginia, 25301, telephone (304) 558-2101.

In Wisconsin, the student may contact the Wisconsin Educational Approval Board, 201 W. Washington Ave., 3rd Floor, Madison, WI 53703; telephone (608) 266-1996, (608) 266-1996.

In Wyoming, the student may contact the Wyoming Department of Education, Hathaway Bldg., 2Floor, 2300 Capitol Avenue, Cheyenne, WY 82002-0050; telephone (307) 777-5712. You may obtain a copy of the University’s accreditation and/or license documents, or information on how to contact any of the agencies that regulate the University, by contacting Apollo Legal Services at (602) 557-8119.

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ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of September 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the University of Phoenix School of Business-Graduate section of this catalog.

**Residency Requirements for the MSA**

The University requires completion of a minimum of 21 graduate level credits at the University to meet residency requirements. Students who complete the Graduate Accounting Certificate and wish to enroll in the MSA program can apply courses towards the MSA program requirement.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of August 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the Academic Policies section of this catalog.

**Admission Statuses**

**Graduate Provisional (PV) Status**

Students who meet all admission requirements in graduate programs except the minimum GPA requirement of 2.50 or 3.00 (see program specific admissions requirements) may be admitted on Provisional status if their entrance GPA is between 2.0 and 2.49 or 2.50 and 2.99 depending on the program of interest. Students admitted on provisional status must achieve a GPA of 3.0 in their University of Phoenix course work at the end of their fourth completed program applicable course to be unconditionally admitted and placed on Admitted status. Failure to meet the minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 by the fourth completed program applicable course will result in a DA (Disqualified Admission) student academic status. Students who are disqualified from their program are not eligible to reenter that program for a minimum of three years and are not eligible for readmission into an alternate program until the lapse of six months from the date of disqualification.

**Program Academic Statuses**

**Program-Disqualification**

Effective for new enrollments March 1, 2009 and later Students provisionally admitted (PV) who fail to meet the minimum requirement for admission (AM), will be placed on Program Disqualification (PD) program academic status and Disqualified Admission (DA) academic status. Students who are disqualified from their program are not eligible to reenter that program for a minimum of three years. Students disqualified for admission are not eligible for readmission into an alternate program until the lapse of six months from the date of disqualification.

Students may appeal to reenter into the program from which they were disqualified (PD) or any updated version of the program after a lapse of three years.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

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Purposes

1. To facilitate cognitive and affective student learning—knowledge, skills, and values—and to promote use of that knowledge in the student’s workplace.
2. To develop competence in communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and information utilization, together with a commitment to lifelong learning for enhancement of students’ opportunities for career success.
3. To provide instruction that bridges the gap between theory and practice through faculty members who bring to their classroom not only advanced academic preparation, but also the skills that come from the current practice of their professions.
4. To provide General Education and foundational instruction and services that prepare students to engage in a variety of university curricula.
5. To use technology to create effective modes and means of instruction that expand access to learning resources and that enhance collaboration and communication for improved student learning.
6. To assess student learning and use assessment data to improve the teaching/learning system, curriculum, instruction, learning resources, counseling and student services.
7. To be organized as a for-profit institution in order to foster a spirit of innovation that focuses on providing academic quality, service, excellence, and convenience to the working student.
8. To generate the financial resources necessary to support the University’s mission.

The following information is also located in the Consumer Information section of the catalog:

Program Accreditation

College of Nursing Programs

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

CCNE
One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 887-6791
http://www.aacn.nche.edu/accreditation/
ADDENDUM - UPDATED FACILITIES

The following update is effective as of August 1st, 2012. The new/updated information is underlined and will supercede the existing addresses located in the Facilities section of this catalog.

Florida Campuses

Oakleaf II Learning Center
9785 Crosshill Blvd
Jacksonville, FL 32222-5823
904 779-4500
904 779-4501 FAX

East Orlando Learning Center
1900 N. Alafaya Trail
Orlando, FL 32826-4717
407 563-1500
407 563-1560 FAX

Westshore Learning Center - Tampa
4805 Independence Parkway
Suite 110
Tampa, FL 33634-7535
813 626-7911
813 977-1449 FAX
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of August 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the Graduate School of Business section of this catalog.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MM

The University requires that the majority of coursework in the Required Course of Study be completed through the University. Also known as the residency requirement, the University requires completion of a minimum of 30 graduate level credits at the University.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 12 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to waive a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course that meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years with a "B" (3.0) or better; and
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses may not be waived from the degree program: MGT 527, MGT 598

The School of Advanced Studies offers a bridge opportunity for masters degree students who are interested in taking doctoral courses as part of the masters degree program. The School of Advanced Studies has created a bridge opportunity for master’s degree students who are interested in taking doctoral courses as part of the master’s degree program. Our goal is to encourage students to enroll in doctoral programs at University of Phoenix.

In this bridge program, a master’s degree student would be allowed to substitute up to two graduate level courses with doctoral level courses. Students who choose this option would then be eligible to waive these courses in the doctoral program since they were already taken in the master’s degree program.

All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of "B-" or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a "B-" will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED COURSE DESCRIPTION

The following course description is effective as of August 1st, 2012. Please see the updated information below. The new information is underlined and will supersede the existing policy located in the Undergraduate College of Information Systems and Technology section of this catalog.

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Software Engineering

POS 409 ................................................................. 3 credits
.NET II
This course extends the facilities of the .NET family of languages. The course focuses on the C# language. Topics covered include designing C# applications, writing and debugging programs, data files and database connectivity.
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of August 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the College of Nursing section of this catalog.

College of Nursing

The College of Nursing was established to respond to the educational needs of registered nurses and health care professionals. The College offers working nurses and health care professionals opportunities to participate in degree programs developed to broaden their professional horizons. These programs are designed specifically for nurses and health care professionals who desire a repertoire of skills and knowledge necessary to respond effectively to today’s dynamic health care environment. They also equip students with essential skills necessary to assume a leadership role in resolving the challenges being faced by health care organizations and personnel.

Each program has a blend of theory and practice which fosters a learning environment that allows students to build their knowledge base and to effectively and creatively apply what they have learned.

The MSN Programs are developed for nurses who want to ground their professional nursing decisions and actions with appropriate nursing theories, research principles, and practices. The MSN curriculum builds on baccalaureate education through the development of advanced practice roles of caregiver, teacher, and manager of care. In addition, there is a MSN/FNP Program and FNP Post-Masters Certificate available at selected University of Phoenix campuses. Students/Candidates in the College of Nursing may be required to take a proctored exam as part of their curriculum.

The MSN/MHA and MSN/MBA/HC Dual Degree Programs allow nurses to blend advanced nursing concepts with business and management skills need in health care today.

Nursing Programs

All Master of Science in Nursing programs should address the accreditation by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)*

* For more information about accreditation, please contact CCNE at One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036; (202)887-6791.
The following policy is effective as of August 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the Graduate Nursing section of this catalog.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN/MHA

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

• An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelors degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.

• A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

• Current employment in a nursing or healthcare role or access to an appropriate healthcare organization environment in which to complete the work related course assignments.

• Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
  • Guam
  • American Samoa
  • Northern Mariana Islands
  • US Virgin Islands

• Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the U.S. and its territories must change to the International version of the degree -MSN/I. The International version of the MSN/I does not offer any specializations such as Informatics or Health Care Education. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree. Students must: 1) notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days of their moving outside the country; 2) update their profile to reflect the new international address; and 3) have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

Note: Nurses with a Puerto Rico License must obtain US licensure for admission

• Signed Criminal Background Check Disclosure
• Signed Acknowledgement of Criminal Conviction Prohibition for Placement and Licensure
• Signed FERPA Release/Drug Test or Failure to Test Results
ADDENDUM - UPDATED POLICY

The following policy is effective as of August 1st, 2012. Please see the updated policy information below. The new information is underlined and will supercede the existing policy located in the Graduate Nursing section of this catalog.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN/INF

- An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelors degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- Current employment is not a requirement for admission.
- Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
  - Guam
  - American Samoa
  - Northern Mariana Islands
  - US Virgin Islands

- Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the U.S. and its territories must change to the International version of the degree -MSN-I. The International version of the MSN/I does not offer any specializations such as Informatics or Health Care Education. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree. Students must: 1) notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days of their moving outside the country; 2) update their profile to reflect the new international address; and 3) have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

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- Signed FERPA Release/Drug Test or Failure to Test Results
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Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN/ED

- An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- Current employment is not a requirement for admission.
- Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
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  - American Samoa
  - Northern Mariana Islands
  - US Virgin Islands
- Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the US, and its territories must change to the International version of the degree -MSN-I. The International version of the MSN/I does not offer any specializations such as Informatics or Health Care Education. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree. Students must: 1) notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days of their moving outside the country; 2) update their profile to reflect the new international address; and 3) have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

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Master of Science in Nursing

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program, accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)* enhances the knowledge and skills of registered nurses with baccalaureate degree preparation. The program prepares nurses for advanced practice to function in leadership roles in practice and educational settings. Advanced nursing theory and research provide the foundation for nurses to influence the future of nursing and health care.

Students complete core courses in advanced nursing content and process, as well as on leadership skills. Specializations assist students to concentrate on developing increased knowledge and/or skills in specific area of content or advanced practice role. Thirty-nine credits are required for completion of the degree.

The course sequence will be completed in the order determined by the University. The University reserves the right to modify and/or resequence the curriculum as necessary. All course work must be completed satisfactorily or be repeated. All courses that do not meet the required minimum grade must be repeated.

* For more information about accreditation, please contact CCNE at One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036, (202)887-6791.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/msn.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN

- An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelors degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
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- Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
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- Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the U.S. and its territories must change to the International version of the degree -MSN-I. The International version of the MSN/I does not offer any specializations such as Informatics or Health Care Education. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree. Students must: 1) notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days of their moving outside the country; 2) update their profile to reflect the new international address; and 3) have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

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Beginnings -- A Brief History

In 1976, the leading edge of the Baby Boom generation was just turning 30. That same year saw the introduction of the first personal computer, the Apple I – an event that signaled the birth of a new economic system in which intellectual capital would eventually supplant industrial might as the dominant economic force. These milestones marked the beginning of a sea of change in higher education, though many (perhaps even most) within that system did not recognize it at the time.

Considered together, these phenomena suggested that the jobs that would make up the workforce of the future were only just beginning to be created or imagined. In order to fill those jobs, the bulk of the new workforce would require higher-level knowledge and skills than those needed in a manufacturing economy. At the same time, the largest-ever age cohort of the population, adult learners, would be going through the stages of life during which they would be most affected by the coming economic dislocation and would need advanced education to adapt to these changes.

It was in this historical context in 1976 that Dr. John Sperling, a Cambridge-educated economist and professor-turned-entrepreneur, founded University of Phoenix. Sperling anticipated the confluence of technological, economic, and demographic forces that would in a very short time herald the return of ever larger numbers of adult learners to formal higher education.

In the early 1970s, at San Jose State University in San Jose, California, Sperling and several associates conducted field-based research in adult education. The focus of the research was to explore teaching/learning systems for the delivery of educational programs and services to adult learners who wished to complete or further their education in ways that complemented both their experience and current professional responsibilities. At that time colleges and universities were organized primarily around serving the needs of the 18-22 year-old undergraduate student. That is not all surprising, given that the large majority of those enrolled were residential students of traditional college age, just out of high school. According to Sperling, adult learners were invisible on the traditional campus and were treated as second-class citizens.

Other than holding classes at night (and many universities did not even do this), no efforts were made to accommodate their needs. No university offices or bookstores were open at night. Students had to leave work during the day to enroll, register for classes, buy books or consult with their instructors and advisors. Classes were held two or three nights per week and parking was at the periphery of a large campus. The consequence, according to Dr. Sperling, was that most adult learners were unable to finish a four-year program in less than eight years, or a two-year program in less than four years (Tucker, 1996, p. 5).

Sperling’s research convinced him not only that these underserved learners were interested in furthering their educational goals, but also that this group differed from their more traditional counterparts in significant ways. He saw a growing need for institutions that were sensitive to and designed around the learning characteristics and life situations of a different kind of learner population.

He suggested ways for institutions to pioneer new approaches to curriculum and program design, teaching methods, and student services. These beliefs eventually resulted in the creation of University of Phoenix, and they continue to this day to inspire the University’s mission, purpose, and strategies.

As an institution, University of Phoenix is unique in its single-minded commitment to the educational needs of non-traditional students, who in fact today make up the majority (73 percent) of all college enrollees. This focus informs the University’s teaching and learning model approach to designing and providing student services, and academic and administrative structure. It also guides the institution as it plans and prepares to meet the needs of the next generation of learners.

Over the last three and a half decades, the University of Phoenix has been cause-driven working to build an institution with the agility to address directly the shifting economic and academic challenges that many students face. Dr. Sperling’s predictions concerning the innovations higher education would be required to make have come to pass. Today roughly 45 percent of all college students work at least part-time and approximately one quarter of all students have dependent children. The educational tenets set forth by Dr. Sperling in 1976 now apply to the majority of college students in the United States.

The University’s growth over the last thirty-five years has been fueled by constant innovation, and ongoing efforts to improve the learning experience through advanced technology. The University has grown from a degree-completion institution serving an audience of mostly middle managers wishing to complete their education and excel in the workplace, to a comprehensive university serving students of all ages from the associate through the doctoral degree levels.

Ownership Information

University of Phoenix, Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Apollo Group, Inc. (the “Parent”). The Parent’s voting stock (Class B Common Stock) is 100 percent held by management. The Parent has one class of non-voting stock (Class A Common Stock) which is publicly traded on the NASDAQ Stock Exchange under the symbol “APOL”. The Parent files quarterly and annual financial statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission and these are available to the general public. The University’s central administration offices are located in Phoenix, Arizona.

Mission

The Mission of University of Phoenix is to provide access to higher education opportunities that enable students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals, improve the productivity of their organizations, and provide leadership and service to their communities.

Purposes

1. To facilitate cognitive and affective student learning--knowledge, skills, and values -- and to promote use of that knowledge in the student’s work place.
2. To develop competence in communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and information utilization, together with the commitment to lifelong learning for enhancement of students’ opportunities for career success.  
3. To provide instruction that bridges the gap between theory and practice through faculty members who bring to their classroom not only advanced academic preparation, but also the skills that come from the current practice of their professions.
4. To provide General Education and foundational instruction and services that prepare students to engage in a variety of university curricula.

5. To use technology to create effective modes and means of instruction that expand access to learning resources and that enhance collaboration and communication for improved student learning.

6. To assess student learning and use assessment data to improve the teaching/learning system, curriculum, instruction, learning resources, counseling and student services.

7. To be organized as a for-profit institution in order to foster a spirit of innovation that focuses on providing academic quality, service, excellence, and convenience to the working student.

8. To generate the financial resources necessary to support the University’s mission.

Accreditation and Affiliations

Regional Accreditation
University of Phoenix is regionally accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association.

The Higher Learning Commission
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, Illinois 60604-1413
Phone: 800.621.7440 | 312.263.0456 | Fax: 312.263.7462
http://www.ncahlc.org

Program Accreditation

University of Phoenix School of Business and Business Programs

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools & Programs (ACBSP) to offer business degrees in Associate of Arts in Business Foundations, Associate of Arts in Accounting, Bachelor of Science in Business, Master of Business Administration, Master of Management, Doctor of Business Administration, and Doctor of Management.

Accreditation Council for Business Schools & Programs (ACBSP)
11520 W. 119th Street
Overland Park, KS 66213
(913) 339-9356
http://www.acbsp.org

College of Nursing and Nursing Programs

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing degree programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530
Washington, DC 20036-1120
(202) 887-6791
http://www.aacn.nche.edu/accreditation/

The University also maintains voluntary memberships with numerous educational organizations, including the American Council on Education, the Association of American Colleges, the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education, the American Association for Higher Education, National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration, the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning, the College and University Personnel Association, the Arizona Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, the Independent Colleges and Universities of Arizona, the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, National League for Nursing, the National Board for Certified Counselors, the National Association for Foreign Student Admissions, the National Association of Veterans Program Administrators, the Service Members Opportunity College, and Defense Activity for Non–Traditional Support. Additionally, the University maintains memberships in various professional, program specific organizations.

Academic Programs

Undergraduate programs at University of Phoenix are offered in business and management, nursing and health sciences, education, criminal justice, social sciences, natural sciences, humanities, and information technology. Undergraduate students are required to complete general education requirements that are distributed across traditional liberal arts categories and interdisciplinary components. General Education requirements are described in greater detail in the Undergraduate Programs section of the catalog. Not all programs are offered at all campuses. Specific programs offered are listed later in this catalog.

Enrollment and Student Profile

As of the third quarter ending May 31, 2011, University of Phoenix had an enrollment of over 398,000 students and had expanded to in excess of 230 campuses and learning centers in 40 U.S. States as well as locations in the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Additionally, University of Phoenix offers degree programs globally through its online delivery system.

According to students responding to a registration survey during fiscal year 2010, the average student is in his or her mid-thirties (32 for undergraduates and 37 for graduates). Gender of entering students is approximately 68 percent female and 32 percent male. Approximately 46 percent of entering students reporting belonged to an ethnic minority.

Currently, based on student selection, across University of Phoenix, approximately 33 percent of the students are seeking undergraduate business or management degrees and 9 percent are seeking graduate business or management degrees. Enrollments in selected other University of Phoenix degree programs include: 16 percent in health sciences and nursing, 11 percent in social and behavioral sciences, 9 percent in education, and 8 percent in technology.
University Library

The University of Phoenix Approach to Library Services
As busy working professionals, our students and faculty members know how difficult it can be to travel to a distant library and match their schedules to library building hours. To accommodate student and faculty needs, University of Phoenix offers its library services online. This online distribution of information is well suited to the needs of today’s “knowledge workers” and offers a functional version of the types of information systems University of Phoenix students and faculty will be expected to use throughout their careers. The core of our library web site is the University Library, a collection of resources available to all students and faculty at any time and from virtually any location where an Internet connection is available. In addition to our University Library, the library maintains selected links to other worthwhile sites on the web and provides user education and research assistance.

The online distribution of information is not only optimally matched to the needs of working professionals, but also allows for equitable sharing of library resources among students and faculty members at all University of Phoenix learning centers and in our distance education programs. Instead of encountering disparities in library resources between large and small learning centers and between on-campus and online students, University of Phoenix library patrons enjoy access to the same broad spectrum of resources regardless of where and how they attend class.

University of Phoenix provides a comprehensive digital library for students at all locations. For more information, please see your Library Handbook or contact the University Library at library@phoenix.edu.

What is in the University Library?
Thousands of scholarly journals and periodicals holding full-text articles relevant to each University of Phoenix degree program are contained in the University Library’s resources. Financial reports on over 10,000 public companies and a variety of directories and other reference publications are also available. In addition, the University Library has a collection of multimedia available, including videos, images, and audio files, on a variety of topics. Many of the resources found in the University Library are commercial products held by the University through license agreements with content providers and are not accessible to the general public like web pages found through an Internet search engine.

Getting Started with the University Library
To get started using the University Library, students and faculty members should follow these steps:

• Visit the student and faculty website https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/. This is the same website used to obtain course modules, grades, and other University of Phoenix resources and services.
• After logging into the student and faculty website, select the Library tab and then the University Library link to enter the University Library.
• Select an appropriate resource and begin research.

Electronic Reserve Readings
In addition to the University Library resources for research by topic, University Library staff members also maintain Electronic Reserve Readings for individual courses. These pages provide links to materials relevant to the course curriculum. Links to Electronic Reserve Readings, when available, are listed on course pages within eCampus.

Additional Resources for Help
• The Library Handbook includes detailed information and helpful tips on conducting research.
• Ask a Librarian is a service found in the University Library that allows users to direct specific reference or research strategy questions to University Library staff.
• Request a Specific Document is a service found in the University Library that allows users to request a document or book that is not available in the University Library. Specific timelines and rules apply to this service.
• View the Research Tutorial is a feature in the University Library that allows users to learn research skills by participating in an interactive web-based research activity.
• Choose Resources by Subject on the homepage of the University Library website contains overviews of research recommendations for specific subject areas.
• Search FAQs on the homepage of the University Library contains a searchable form to obtain answers to “Frequently Asked Questions” received by the library.

How to Contact the University Library
Student Technical Support 1-877-832-4867
Email library@phoenix.edu
International students and faculty can reach Tech Support at 1-602-387-2222. Callers should identify themselves as international students or faculty and give a call back number. Tech Support will call back to minimize phone charges.

Current Resources of the University Library
For a current list of resources in the University Library, please refer to the Library Handbook. Students, staff, and faculty can also view the full listing of the University Library’s resources by clicking the View All Resources Alphabetically link on the University Library homepage.
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THE UNIVERSITY’S TEACHING AND LEARNING MODEL

The mission of University of Phoenix is to provide access to higher education opportunities that enable students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals. As a result, the University’s teaching and learning model is grounded in the theoretical and empirical literature of learning and cognitive psychology. The University employs best practice from recent education literature, as well as best service practices that enhance the academic experience for students who are new to higher education. This combination increases student retention and successful degree completion.

Active Learning

The model is based first on the assumption that the learner’s active involvement in the learning process is essential to good practice. Thus, in all modalities University of Phoenix classrooms are intended to be dynamic learning spaces. Instructors are expected to serve as facilitators of learning who manage the learning process by engaging learners in a variety of activities (lectures being but one) that lead students to an understanding of course content and the development of academic and professional competence. By involving students in a variety of learning activities, respect is demonstrated for diverse ways of learning and knowing. Interaction and participation in classes and Learning Teams is expected of those students in the bachelor and master degree programs. Students pursuing an associate degree at the Online Campus (excluding AACR & AAPF) are involved in collaborative learning activities, but are not required to participate in formal Learning Teams.

Collaboration

The effectiveness of cooperation and collaboration in enhancing learning is well and widely documented. Structures that encourage and facilitate collaboration are central to the University’s teaching and learning model. Working students frequently come to formal learning activities with greater life and work experience. This means that learners themselves can be invaluable resources in enhancing their own and others’ learning. Traditional pedagogy emphasizes a top-down, vertical transfer of information. Students with rich and varied experience find benefit in instructional practices that encourage collaboration. This adds a robust horizontal dimension to the learning exchange as students teach and learn from one another. Good practice in education capitalizes on this dimension to the students’ advantage.

Emphasis on Application and Relevance

There is wide agreement in the literature that students learn best when bridges are built between new knowledge and the learners’ experience. Practices that encourage reflection and application are based on the recognition that a learner’s experience provides a context through which he or she is more able to construct meaning from new information. It also makes learning relevant to the learners. In University of Phoenix courses, students’ experiences and current circumstances are intertwined with subject matter in class discussions as well as in individual, team and other collaborative assignments. Real-world relevance is critical to basic comprehension as well as to maintaining student interest. Students very often say they are able to apply at work the next day what they learned in class the night before.

University-Wide Learning Goals

The University’s faculty leadership has established five broad learning goals that guide curriculum development, instruction, learning assessment, and program evaluation and improvement. The University Learning Goals are:

1. Professional Competence and Values
2. Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
3. Communication
4. Information Utilization
5. Collaboration

The intent is to help all University graduates attain levels of theoretical and practical disciplinary knowledge appropriate to the levels of degrees or credentials they are earning, while developing competence in essential intellectual and social processes that will enable graduates to practice their professions successfully.

Curriculum

The University’s curriculum is faculty-developed and centrally managed by a team of college staff and instructional designers with objectives and outcomes that are carefully defined. Individual instructors have the responsibility to expand and enhance the basic curriculum by augmenting it with current resources and practices. The curriculum is under continual content and quality review.

Convenience of Time and Place

University of Phoenix classroom programs are offered at times and in places that are convenient to adult learners. Classes are held primarily in the evening and on weekends when learners are most likely to need access. The University’s goal is to make access to programs and services convenient to its student population. Wherever possible, campuses and learning centers are located at strategic locations near major freeways and thoroughfares that permit convenient access.

Access

Access in the 21st Century means many different things. To the student in rural America or the working parent with children at home, access may be possible only through an Internet connection. Those students usually work toward their degrees through the Online Campus or through courses offered via FlexNet®, a combination of classroom and online learning. The University’s goal is to make access to programs and services available to all those who wish to avail themselves of them and to work to completion of a degree program.

Program Format

University of Phoenix is a non-term institution and does not operate according to a traditional academic calendar. New student cohorts can begin at any time. Typically, graduate courses at University of Phoenix meet for six consecutive weeks and undergraduates courses meet for five weeks. Classes meet once per week for four (4) hours. When a course ends, the next course usually begins the following week. This intensive calendar allows students to achieve their educational goals in a more time-efficient manner. The University’s low student/faculty ratio and class size that averages 13-15 students facilitate active learning and collaboration and encourage time-on-task.
As a rule, bachelor and graduate degree seeking students take only one course at a time. This allows them to focus attention and resources on one subject, a structure that enhances learning and helps students balance ongoing professional and personal responsibilities.

Associate degree students enrolled at the Online Campus (excluding AACR & AAPF) enroll in two courses concurrently for nine consecutive weeks. The longer course length allows students to complete two courses concurrently and keeps the weekly workload at a manageable level.

**Learning Teams**

In addition to regular course instructional sessions, bachelor’s and master’s level students meet weekly in Learning Teams. Learning Teams are small groups of three to six students drawn from within the larger cohort. Learning Teams are an essential design element in the University’s teaching and learning model through which students develop the ability to collaborate -- an ability expected of employees in information-age organizations and one of the University’s primary learning goals. Due to the unique teaching and learning model and objectives, students enrolled in an associate degree program at the Online Campus (excluding AACR & AAPF) do not participate in Learning Teams, but are encouraged to collaborate and participate in classroom assignments.

All students enrolled in degree programs and/or designated certificate programs using the learning team model must meet learning team attendance policies.

Learning teams are required to meet weekly. Teams may meet in-person or via teleconference, real-time electronic conferencing, or asynchronous meeting in the classroom team forums.

Students must indicate their participation in the learning team meetings and/or assignment deliverables. Online students must indicate their participation by posting each week in the learning team forum. Students attending a local campus must acknowledge participation in their learning team each week in the Assignments section of eCampus.

**Faculty**

University of Phoenix faculty members are accomplished managers, technology leaders, professional educators, corporate executives, financial officers, healthcare and human services professionals and leaders in other professional arenas. A listing of faculty may be obtained at each local campus and/or in the appendix pages at the end of this catalog. Current contact information for each campus may be found at http://www.phoenix.edu.

**Staff Screening**

All external candidates must have a new background check submitted each time they are being considered for a position with the University. The background check must be completed prior to the start date.

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**Student Technology Recommendations and Competencies**

In an effort to assist students with adequate preparation for their course work at the University of Phoenix, technology recommendations and competencies have been established. These recommendations and competencies are in effect for the School of Advanced Studies, School of Business, College of Education, College of Information Systems and Technology, Colleges of Arts and Sciences, College of Nursing, College Extension, and the School of Continuing Education. To that end, students will need to access and use the hardware and software as described below. Additional recommendations and competencies may be required for particular courses/programs. Students using software and hardware other than that recommended must still meet the technology competencies. Please note that due to the rapid rate of change in information technology, hardware and software competencies will be updated on a regular basis. Some courses in the College of Information Systems and Technology may require additional software.

**Technology Recommendations**

**Hardware & Peripherals**

You are required to have access to a computer with the following:

- A processor of 2 GHz or faster
- 1GB RAM or greater
- 80GB hard drive or greater
- Cable/DSL connection or better
- Monitor and video card with 1024x768 or greater resolution
- Sound card with speakers
- CD ROM
- Inkjet or laser printer
- Microphone

**Software/Applications**

You will need access to and competence on the following applications:

- Operating system
  - Windows® XP or later
  - Mac OS 10.4 or later, with a Microsoft Windows partition required for some courses.
- Microsoft Office 2003 or later(PC), Office 2004 (Mac)
- Microsoft® Project (for selected courses)
- Internet Browser
  - Microsoft® Internet Explorer version 7.0 or later
  - Mozilla Firefox 3.5 or later
  - Google Chrome 7.0 or later
  - Apple Safari 5.0 or later
- Adobe® Reader 9.0 or later
- Adobe Flash plug-in 10.0 or later
- System is enabled to allow installation of browser plug-ins as required
- Local administrative privileges to Operating System may be required
- A current anti-virus application (updated regularly)
- E-mail address
- Internet service provider (ISP) account with broadband access

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For the College of Information Systems and Technology, access to additional software is required. Please look for updated software requirements on your resource page. The following software is currently used:

**University of Phoenix Provided Access**
(Provided via virtual student desktop for specific courses)
- Microsoft® Access
- Microsoft® Visual Studio.NET
- Microsoft® SQL Server
- Red Hat LINUX
- Adobe® Flash Professional
- Adobe® Dreamweaver
- Adobe® Photoshop
- Adobe® Acrobat Standard
- LabSim from TestOut

**Student Must Establish Access**
- ALICE Software (for selected courses; free download)
- Citrix Online Plug-in (latest version)
- JAVA® JRE, JDK (for selected courses)
- Visual Logic (for selected courses; free download)
- For the Master of Science in Nursing/Family Nurse Practitioner and the Post Masters Family Nurse Practitioner programs, the University requires the following:
  - Handheld computing devices (i.e. PDA, PPC, Smartphone, Ipad)

Note: Due to the rapid rate of change in information technology, the hardware and software requirements and technology skills may be updated.

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- Handheld computing devices (i.e. PDA, PPC, Smartphone, Ipad)

Note: If you need to purchase a computer, the University recommends a portable laptop or notebook for classroom use. The School of Advanced Studies requires Doctoral students to bring a laptop computer to residencies. You may be eligible for student discounts on hardware and software. There is more information on your student website, [https://ecampus.phoenix.edu](https://ecampus.phoenix.edu).

**Technology Competencies**
Students attending the University of Phoenix are expected to have the ability to complete the following activities:
- Access course and program material on the Web.
- Correspond with University of Phoenix staff, students, and faculty using e-mail and the Web.
- Complete, send, and receive assignments to faculty or other students using e-mail and attachments/files.
- Read/print e-mail and attachments/files from students, staff, and faculty.
- Use the University of Phoenix Electronic Library also known as the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and/or Internet for research and completion of course assignments.
- Prepare and conduct presentations in the classroom using presentation equipment.
- Use the appropriate software for the course. (The University uses as standards Microsoft® Office products including MS® Word, MS® Project, MS® Excel, MS® Power Point, etc.)
- Use CD ROMs when required as part of course assignments.
- Use an appropriate anti-virus application to insure the files transmitted and received are virus free.

**Online Learning System**
The University's Online Learning System (OLS) is a computer- and web-based learning environment that has replaced the traditional classroom for many University of Phoenix students. It offers a convenient medium for faculty-to-student and student-to-student interaction. An easy-to-use, easy-to-access system, OLS allows students “to go to class” to engage in individual and group discussion or lectures, anytime or any place! OLS works with most Internet Service Providers. It features a familiar "Windows" type format, which makes navigation fast and easy. A full set of capabilities allows students to complete 100% of their education and administration online (Doctoral students are required to attend residencies). In addition to participating in the full range of class meeting and study group activities, students can communicate with instructors, interact with classmates, and conduct their research online. They can also:
- Register for classes
- Pay their tuition
- Order their books
- Meet with a representative
- Obtain their grades
- Request transcripts and more

Even without the new software, students can log on to our Web site from any Internet Service Provider – so they can check their e-mail and access student services from any location and computer.

**Distance Education**
The University of Phoenix recognizes that adult professionals are sometimes faced with obstacles that prevent continued commitment to classroom instruction. Students may be employed in remote areas, may be traveling extensively on the job, or may have been transferred on the job following the start of a degree program. Because the University of Phoenix was developed to provide educational services to adult learners, distance education options were developed to allow these students to continue their life-long learning when faced with such obstacles. Distance education options include computer–based educational modalities that are group-based. The same rigor expected in the classroom exists for distance education students when completing curriculum goals, objectives, and outcomes.

**FlexNet®**
Select University of Phoenix locations offer degree programs through the University’s FlexNet program. This learning modality combines the online and campus-based classroom experiences into one. Through FlexNet, students attend the first and last night of class at one of the University’s campus-based locations, while the remaining nights of class are conducted online.
Group-Based Online Education

The Online computer–based educational delivery system has extended the boundaries of the classroom. It is an outgrowth of the University’s recognition of the technological transformation of the workplace. The Online program utilizes the Online Learning System (OLS) that makes group learning possible independent of time and location. Rather than gathering in a classroom, students and instructors interact electronically and asynchronously. Unlike other forms of distance learning, such as directed study, online education is interactive and participative. Online students can complete their University studies from virtually anywhere in the world.

Structure

Students in the group-based Online program benefit from the same quality, real world-oriented education that as distinguished the University of Phoenix since it was founded. Students become active members of a learning group of between 7-20 adult learners, and work in smaller learning teams each week on required projects and assignments. Students complete one course at a time, then move on to the next course in the same way as students who meet face-to-face.

Process

When students are admitted to the program, they are provided with all the information needed to connect to the Online Learning System. Prior to the start of the first class, students become familiar with the system through an Online orientation. At this time, group members will become acquainted through an exchange of professional and academic backgrounds. Additionally, students will be introduced to their first instructor who will explain the nature of the course and give the first assignment. Each week’s instruction begins with a general class meeting. Here, the instructor introduces all the material to be studied, gives assignments, and answers questions.

Key Features of the Group-Based Online Program

Interactive Learning

Computer conferencing exchanges are student-centered, involving dynamic and extensive sharing of ideas, opinions, and information. As a result, knowledge building occurs as students examine one another’s written arguments and positions. In the face-to-face classroom environment the instructor often produces 60–80% of the oral exchanges. Research shows that in the online learning environment, the instructor produces only 10–15% of the verbal interactions. In this way, adult learners are much more actively involved in their own education, an element that the University of Phoenix has found to be essential to adult learning programs.

Equitable Participation

As anyone who has attended a traditional classroom setting knows, one or two students can often dominate any class discussion, while more reserved students sit silently. In the Online setting, no one readily dominates. While some students might spend more time communicating, everyone must participate. Participation, therefore, is more equitably distributed and active for everyone, as each student has equal access to the “floor.”

Time and Place Independent

All communications in the University’s Online computer–conferencing system are asynchronous rather than real-time. While this naturally imposes some limitations, it has been found that asynchronous communications result in increased access for students since they can control the time and place for their participation. They enjoy far greater flexibility since activities need not be simultaneous. Asynchronous communication also enables both students and faculty to synthesize material at their own pace and to provide well thought out responses free of the pressure of instantaneous feedback.

OLS is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, enabling adult learners to choose the times when they believe they are best prepared to engage in particular learning activities and spend as long as they wish working on them. The result is that the Online adult learner has increased control and has more options than in the classroom.

(Note: There are two scheduled downtimes a month. They occur on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Sunday.)

Computer Text-Based Communications

All of the Online communications are text-based, and the users (students and faculty) are able to maintain an ongoing common transcript which greatly enhances opportunities for reflective interaction. At any time they choose, students can review and reflect on the transcripts they have stored in their computers. These archives invite students to organize and reorganize the body of ideas being developed in their class.

(Note: There are two scheduled downtimes a month. They occur on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Sunday.)

Services Provided

Through OLS, students are able to contact the Learning Resource Center to request literature searches and have them forwarded directly to their personal “inbox” on the Online Learning System. The University staffs a technical support help desk 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

Confidentiality

The electronic computer–conferencing system shall be maintained by an employee of the University (System Operator) who is required by University policy to uphold the confidentiality of any messages she/he may review in the process of tracking overall system usage, and ensuring that the system is functioning properly. The Director of Academic Affairs, the Vice President, Executive Director/Department Chairs, and certain university administrators may review the archives of class meetings and to assist in the resolution of grade disputes, grievances, and charges of academic dishonesty, if required.

Policy on the Illegal use of OLS

The University of Phoenix retains the right to monitor the Online Learning System conferencing system, via the System Operator, in order to verify appropriateness of use. Illegal activities are expressly prohibited and include such things as distribution of “pirated” software, distribution of unauthorized surveys, exchange of “hot” billing numbers for long distance charges, and messages that are pornographic, slanderous, or offensive by community standards. Illegal activity will be deleted by the System Operator and the originating of such messages may be denied system access on a suspended or permanent basis.
UNIVERSITY POLICIES

Calendar

The educational mission of the University of Phoenix is to provide access to higher education opportunities that enable students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals, improve the productivity of their organizations, and provide leadership and service to their communities. A student could begin a degree program in virtually any month of the year. This calendar allows the adult student to balance the demands of career, family, and education.

Students qualifying for financial aid may receive a new award each academic year. An academic year is defined as the period of time in which a student completes at least 24 credit hours and 30 weeks of instructional time. Therefore, students may have their eligibility assessed for grants and/or loans several times during their program of study. The average processing time for financial aid is 90 days. Students should reapply for financial aid prior to the start of each new academic year.

2012-2013 Holiday Calendar

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*This is considered an institutionally scheduled break.

Course Cancellation

The University of Phoenix may be required to cancel courses or programs when necessary. In addition, courses or programs may not begin on their scheduled start dates in the event of certain circumstances, such as faculty unavailability or insufficient enrollment. In such situations, the University will work with students in an effort to provide them with the opportunity to reschedule or to transfer to a comparable University course or program if available. Any payments made for canceled courses that have not started or are currently in process will be refunded or applied to another University course or program. All attempts will be made to address such cancellations with registered students as early as possible.

Directed Study

Under certain circumstances students may need to complete a course via directed study. Students should contact their campus for information about availability, requirements, or additional fees that may apply. A maximum of twelve credits completed via directed study may be applied to degree requirements.

 Concurrent Enrollment

Because of the intensive nature of the University’s courses, students are not encouraged to concurrently enroll in courses at the University of Phoenix or to enroll in courses at other institutions while enrolled in University courses. However, students are given the opportunity to concurrently enroll in a limited number of courses. Under no circumstances may an associate degree student enrolled at the Online Campus (excluding AACR & AAPF) be concurrently enrolled in more than three (3) courses at any given time. Concurrent enrollment in a third course is prohibited for new students in the first two blocks. Enrollment is considered from the start date of any course through the end date of the course. Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence. Under no circumstances may an undergraduate or graduate student be concurrently enrolled in more than two (2) courses at any given time. Concurrent enrollment is prohibited for new students in the first two courses of any University of Phoenix program. Enrollment is considered from the start date of any course through the end date of the course. Under no circumstances may BSN clinical nursing courses be taken concurrently with any other courses. Courses taken concurrently with other institutions will not be limited.

Dual Enrollment

Any student planning to complete both an associate of arts degree and a baccalaureate degree must complete all 60 required credits of the associates degree and meet admission requirements for their chosen degree before enrolling in any University baccalaureate degree program. There is no dual enrollment between Degree Seeking Students from University of Phoenix and Online Associate programs with the exception of AAPF.

Multiple University Degrees

Students may earn additional undergraduate or additional graduate degrees from the University of Phoenix. These students are treated the same as if they held a degree from another regionally accredited, or approved nationally, accredited institution and must meet residency requirements toward the additional degree. The following requirements must be met to complete degree programs:

- Students must complete an application for each program. (Another application fee is not required).
- Only one degree in a specific discipline may be earned. In most cases additional MAED degrees may be earned due to the unique specializations. Students may not earn both an MAED/TED-E & MAED/TED-S.
The required course of study for each program must be completed as approved by the University. Residency must be met for each degree. Graduate students must complete a minimum of 18 credits toward an additional degree as outlined by each College. Undergraduate students must complete a minimum of 30 credits of the additional degree’s required course of study in order to meet residency. A student holding one University of Phoenix Undergraduate degree may earn a different degree by applying the credits earned from the first degree toward the additional degree; however, students must still meet all additional residency requirements (30 credits), along with the general education and minimum credit requirements in effect for the additional degree at the time of enrollment.

- Students must successfully complete any project required for each program.
- A diploma application must be completed for each program. Students may earn only one certificate per program.

Students who have earned a graduate degree in Business or Management may not receive a certificate or concentration in the same area of focus. Example: a student may not earn an MBA/PM and a PM certificate; however, students who have completed a certificate may return to receive an MBA degree with a concentration in the same area as the completed certificate or another approved concentration.

**Maximum Credit Load**

Undergraduate students may earn a maximum of 39 credits in a twelve (12) month period.

Graduate students may earn a maximum of 33 credits in a twelve (12) month period.

Credits attempted and earned beyond the maximum allowable limits will be transcripted but will not apply toward degree completion requirements. Courses taken concurrently at other institutions will not be counted towards this total and will not be limited in any way.

**Course Credits**

All credits issued for successfully completed University of Phoenix course work are in semester credits. Courses numbered 100-299 carry undergraduate, lower division credit. Courses numbered 300-499 carry undergraduate, upper division credit. Courses numbered 500-599 carry graduate credit. Professional courses numbered 600-699 may be applied to either undergraduate or graduate credit requirements. Courses numbered 700-799 carry Doctoral credit.

Most courses are three semester credits. Each three-credit course in a five-week session shall consist of 45 hours of student class work. This includes 20 hours of classroom instruction. Required learning team hours constitute the remaining class work requirement. Please note: Hours at University of Phoenix are based on a full 60 minutes, compared with the traditional 50-minute clock hour.

In addition to the class work requirement, students typically complete at least two hours of individual student work out of class for each hour of class work. This time typically consists of individual study time, reading, research and writing.

**Student Identification Numbers**

All students are assigned a unique student identifier called an Individual Record Number (IRN). This is the primary number students use to obtain campus, web and voice response services. A letter and ID card will be mailed upon request.

**Name and Social Security Number Changes**

The University requires documentation of legal name and social security number changes. The following forms of identification will be accepted: marriage license, divorce decree, passport, Social Security Card or court order. A social security card issued by Social Security Administration is required for changes in social security numbers.

**Duplication of Credit**

Duplication occurs when students take the same course more than once or take a course that duplicates the content of a satisfactorily completed course. The grade and credit earned for the most recently completed course will apply toward academic standing and the total number of credits required for degree completion. The previously completed course will remain on the permanent transcript, but will not be applied toward academic standing or the total number of credits required for degree completion.

**Course Audit Policy**

At some campuses, and upon approval of the campus Director of Academic Affairs, a student may choose to audit a course. Courses that have been audited will be transcripted with the grade of “AU” and will not earn the student any credit. Students auditing a course are considered passive participants and will not be held responsible for study group work or class assignments. They must follow all other University policies for non–auditing students, including class attendance. Audited courses do not qualify the student for financial aid. Students will be required to pay a one (1) credit hour tuition charge consistent with the program rate for each audited course.

The Online campus does not allow external auditing due to the unique nature of an Online classroom environment.

**Re–Entry Students**

Students who have been out of attendance for a period of more than one (1) year from the last date of positive recorded class attendance in a program applicable course are considered re-entry students and are subject to the following policies:

- Re-entry students who re-enter into the most current program/program version offered in their state or jurisdiction do not require submission of an appeal for re-entry.
Transfer of Credit

Academic credit earned for degree level courses appearing on an official transcript from an institution that offers associate degrees or higher, which was accredited, or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended, by a regional or national accrediting body, or a foreign institution recognized/authorized by the country’s Ministry of Education, will be reviewed for transfer into the University with a minimum grade of C-. For program specific transfer requirements see individual program descriptions as additional conditions may apply for the transfer of credit towards specific program degree requirements. Transfer credit will be evaluated according to University policies and accepted subject to the approval of the University’s Central Office of Admissions & Evaluation.

Graduate level coursework from institutions that hold accreditation through the American Bar Association or that have been provisionally approved for accreditation may also be reviewed for transfer into the University. Coursework from ABA accredited institutions that are not from a Graduate level program (i.e. JD, LLB, LLM) will not be accepted. Paralegal degrees are not considered Graduate level programs.

Transfer credits that are based on a different unit of credit or calendar system than the one prescribed by University of Phoenix are subject to conversion before being transferred. Only course evaluations performed by the University’s Central Office of Admissions & Evaluation or Prior Learning Assessment division are final. Any preliminary reviews by campus personnel are unofficial and not binding, and subject to change.

The acceptable regional accreditation bodies are:
- Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- New England Association of Schools and Colleges
- Higher Learning Commission of North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- Western Association of Schools and Colleges

The acceptable national accreditation bodies are:
- Association of Biblical Higher Education (formerly Accrediting Associate of Bible Colleges)
- American Academy of Liberal Arts
- Association of Advanced Rabbinical and Talmudic Schools
- Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools
- Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools
- Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges
- Association of Theological Schools
- Council on Occupational Education
- Distance Education and Training Council
- Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools
- National Accrediting Commission of Cosmetology Arts & Science
- Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training

For a description of the type and amount of credit that can be applied toward an undergraduate degree, see individual program descriptions. Students will have up to 90 days from notification of Transfer Credit decisions to submit an appeal with the Student Appeals Center.

Transferability of credit is at the discretion of the accepting institution. It is the student’s responsibility to confirm whether or not credits earned at the University of Phoenix will be accepted by another institution of the student’s choice.

Students transferring from Meritus University will have earned credit totals for Prior Learning and Canadian Forces credit assessments honored at University of Phoenix. Applicability of assessed credits in transfer for Meritus University students will still be defined by the program requirements of the chosen program that the student is entering at University of Phoenix.

Students transferring to University of Phoenix into specified undergraduate bachelor degree programs with a previously completed regionally accredited Associate of Arts degree from a Community College will be considered as having satisfied their lower division elective and general education requirements (up to the amount of credits earned in the Associate of Arts degree), which will make the student ready to begin their Required Course of Study at University of Phoenix. Students who take advantage of this policy will still need to meet all pre-requisite or state specific content requirements as outlined in the Academic Progression and General Education Requirements sections of the catalog for their chosen program.

Not all programs are eligible for this policy. Please check with a campus representative to determine which programs are eligible.

Students who take advantage of this policy and then change to a program that is not eligible for this policy will have courses individually evaluated for applicability towards degree requirements (as the policy will not carry forward into the new degree program).

Nondiscrimination Policy

The University of Phoenix is guided by the principle of equal opportunity and respect for others. The University is firmly committed to providing equal opportunity in its educational programs, activities, and employment practices and will not tolerate any discrimination or harassment of any kind with regard race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, disability, veteran status, or any other category protected by federal, state, or local law. More specifically, the University complies with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and regulations, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1974, and any other applicable federal, state, or local law.

Conduct deemed to be in violation of this policy is prohibited and will not be tolerated by the University of Phoenix. Retaliation, in any form, against the person raising such a concern will also not be tolerated by the University of Phoenix.

Discrimination Procedures:

1. Students, faculty or staff alleging discrimination must present their grievance within six weeks.
   a. Allegations of sex discrimination must be presented to Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President and Title IX Coordinator, Office of Dispute Management, 4615 E. Elwood Street, Mailstop AA-S401, Phoenix, AZ 85040, 602.557.3391, Camie.Pratt@phoenix.edu or designee.
Harassment Policy

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Students which would violate this policy includes, but is not limited to:

- Sexually offensive conduct.
- Conduct on the part of faculty, staff, or students which would violate this policy includes, but is not limited to:
  - Unwelcome or unwanted sexual advances,
  - Requests for sexual favors,
  - Any suggestion, whether overt or subtle, that a grade or other academic achievement is dependent upon the granting of sexual favors or submission to sexual requests,
  - Unwelcome physical contact, including patting, pinching, hugging, kissing, fondling, etc.,
  - Offensive verbal conduct, including sexually explicit jokes, comments, innuendo, or other tasteless action that would offend a reasonably sensitive person,
  - The display of sexually offensive pictures, posters, illustrations, or objects,
  - Slurs, jokes, or ridicule based on race, ethnic or national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability.

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i. The Title IX Coordinator or their designee will manage efforts to conduct a prompt, thorough and impartial investigation and make a determination on whether the party presented a factual connection between the allegation of harassment and the alleged actions.

ii. If the Title IX Coordinator finds that there is a factual connection between the allegation of harassment and the alleged actions then one of the following procedures will be followed:

- If the accusation is against a faculty then the Faculty Code of Conduct procedures apply.
- If the accusation is against a student then the Student Code of Conduct procedures apply.
- If the accusation is against an employee then the Title IX Coordinator or their designee will contact Human Resources and human resources policies for processing claims of discrimination will be followed.

iii. In instances where it is determined that a formal process is not appropriate the student, faculty or employee may be warned or counseled regarding the allegation.

iv. Timeframe for Conducting Title IX complaints:

- Investigation - a prompt, thorough, and impartial investigation will be conducted within 60 days barring any unusual complexity.
- Opposing parties will receive notice of the outcome of the complaint within 30 days of the close of the investigation.
- Opposing parties shall be afforded the opportunity to appeal within 10 days of receiving notice of the outcome.

b. All other discrimination claims must be presented to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs, Campus Director of Operations, Campus Director of Student Services, or their respective designee.

i. Campus Director of Academic Affairs, Campus Director of Operations, or Director of Student Services, or their respective designee will conduct a prompt, thorough and impartial investigation and make a determination on whether the student presented a factual connection between the allegation of discrimination and the alleged actions.

ii. If the appropriate director or designee finds that there is a factual connection between the allegation of discrimination and the alleged actions then one of the following procedures will be followed:

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Communication Resources

Obtain Information

The campus disability services advisor is responsible for managing the ADA process, including negotiations, and finalizing appropriate student accommodations. Additional information and a list of campus disability services advisors are located at http://www.phoenix.edu/students/disability-services.html.

Disability Services

University of Phoenix recognizes and accepts its obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of a disability and requiring the University to provide reasonable accommodations and academic adjustments to qualified disabled students in all University programs and activities. The University of Phoenix Disability Services Office provides services to students with temporary health issues or a permanent disability.

Students have the responsibility to both self-disclose and request accommodation through the campus disability services advisor. Communication with faculty or other staff members does not constitute fulfilling the University ADA accommodation requirements. Confirmation through documentation from a health care provider is required prior to accommodations or adjustments being determined and fulfilled. The University must receive verification through documentation from a health care provider prior to the determination and fulfillment of accommodations.

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General Requirements of Users

Users of University computing and communication resources must:

- Comply with this policy and all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.
- Not intentionally compromise the confidentiality, integrity or availability of University computing and communication resources.
- Not attempt to circumvent the University’s physical, technical, or administrative security measures.
- Abide by the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct (for students) or the provisions of the Faculty Standards (for faculty members).
- Be truthful and accurate in personal identification.
- Respect the rights and privacy of others.
- Maintain the security of their user resource accounts.
- Comply with the terms of use of any University or third-party service provider website(s).

Intellectual Property

Users must adhere to applicable intellectual property law, and the terms and conditions of any and all software licensing agreements and/or copyright laws as specified by the vendor or licensor. Explicitly:

- Unauthorized use of University trademarks or logos and other protected trademarks and logos is prohibited.
- Infringing upon the copyright, trademark, patent, or other intellectual property rights of others in computer programs or electronic information (including plagiarism and unauthorized use or reproduction) is prohibited.
- The unauthorized storing, copying or use of audio files, images, graphics, computer software, data sets, bibliographic records and other protected property is prohibited except as permitted by law.

Privacy & Security

The University strives to maintain the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of its systems, networks, and data. The University implements policies to ensure that access to sensitive data is restricted to those individuals who have a need-to-know. The following sections describe how Information Security Personnel may monitor computing and communication resources for violations of this acceptable use policy.

Monitoring

System and network activities of users are routinely logged and monitored. These activities include:

- Use of accessed accounts
- Time and duration of network activity
- Web pages accessed and duration of access
- Network software accessed
- Volume of data storage and transfers
In the case of a suspected violation of this policy, University officials may authorize Information Security Personnel to conduct a more detailed investigation to gather evidence on the suspected violation.

**Restriction of Access to Computing and Communication Resources**

Access to University computing and communication resources is a privilege that may be wholly or partially restricted without prior notice and without consent of users:

- If required by applicable law or policy.
- If a reasonable suspicion exists that there has been or may be a violation of law, regulation, or policy.
- If required to protect the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of computing and communication resources.
- Conditions for Permitting Inspection, Monitoring, or Disclosure

The University may permit the inspection, monitoring, or disclosure of e-mail, computer files, and network transmissions when:

- Required or permitted by law, including public records law, or by subpoena or court order.
- The University or its designated agent reasonably believes that a violation of law or policy has occurred.
- Necessary to protect the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of computing and communication resources.

**Confidentiality**

Confidentiality of e-mail and other network transmissions can not be completely assured. Therefore, all users should exercise caution when sending personal, financial, confidential, or sensitive information by e-mail or across the Internet.

**Responsibility to Inform User of Unauthorized Access or Disclosure**

If the University believes unauthorized access to or disclosure of private user information has occurred, the University will make reasonable efforts to inform the affected user, except when notification is impractical or when notification would be detrimental to an investigation of a violation of law or policy.

**Violations and Enforcement**

**Reporting Violations**

Any actual or suspected violation of this policy should immediately be brought to the attention of the system administrator of the equipment or facility most directly involved. Alternatively, a report may be made directly to Apollo Internal Audit or Apollo Information Security and Compliance.

**Apollo Group Internal Audit**

M/S AA-B309
4615 E. Elwood St.
Phoenix, AZ 85040
FAX: (480) 929-7499
e-mail: internalaudit@apollogrp.edu

**Apollo Group Information Security & Compliance**

M/S AA-B103
4615 E. Elwood St.
Phoenix, AZ 85040
FAX: (480) 379-3555
e-mail: infosec@apollogrp.edu

**Response to a Reported Violation**

Upon receiving notice of a violation, the University may temporarily suspend a user’s privileges or move or delete the allegedly offending material pending further investigation.

A person accused of a violation will be notified of the charge and have an opportunity to respond before the University imposes a permanent sanction. Appropriate cases will be referred to the University disciplinary process appropriate to the violator’s status (i.e., faculty member or student) or to appropriate law enforcement authorities.

In addition to sanctions available under applicable law and University policies, the University may impose a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of access privileges to computing and communication resources.

The University may temporarily suspend any account, whether or not the account user is suspected of any violation, if it is believed to be necessary to preserve the integrity of University computing and communication resources. The University will provide appropriate notice to the account user. Servers and computers that threaten the security of University systems will be removed from the network and allowed to reconnect only with the approval of Information Security Personnel.

In the event of any inconsistency or conflict between this policy and any other terms or conditions students may be subject to, the University reserves the right to resolve such conflicts in its sole discretion.

**Violation Examples**

This list below contains examples of actions considered to be a violation of this policy. It is not intended to be all-inclusive, nor does it represent all possible violations in a particular circumstance or the applicability of any other law or policy to those facts.

- Unlawful communications, including threats of violence, obscenity, pornography, and harassing communications.
- Unauthorized, anonymous communication is prohibited. (All users are required to cooperate with appropriate University personnel or other authorized personnel when investigating the source of anonymous messages.)
- Misrepresenting or forging the identity of the sender or the source of electronic communication.
- Altering the content of a message originating from another person or computer with intent to deceive.
- Use of University computing and communication resources for private business or commercial activities.
- Fund-raising or advertising on behalf of non-University organizations.
- The unauthorized reselling of University computing and communication resources.
- Unauthorized acquisition attempts to acquire and use the user id or passwords of others.
- Interference with or disruption of the computer or network accounts, services, or equipment of others.
- The intentional propagation of computer “worms” and “viruses,” the sending of electronic chain mail, denial of service attacks, and inappropriate “broadcasting” of messages to large numbers of individuals or hosts.
- Failure to comply with requests from appropriate University officials to discontinue activities that threaten the operation or integrity of computers, systems or networks, or otherwise violate this policy.
• Revealing passwords or otherwise permitting the use by others (by intent or negligence) of personal accounts for computer and network access without authorization is prohibited.
• Altering or attempting to alter files or systems without authorization.
• Unauthorized scanning of networks for security vulnerabilities.
• Attempting to alter any University computing or networking components (including, but not limited to, bridges, routers, and hubs) without approval or beyond one’s level of authorization.
• Negligent or intentional conduct leading to disruption or damage of University data, systems or networks.
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CONSUMER INFORMATION

Access to Education Records
FERPA regulations require the University to comply with students' rights to inspect and review their academic records by responding within 45 days from the time the University receives a written request to access their records. However, University Services will respond to students' requests to review their records within 14 days from receipt of the request. Students should submit their request to the University Registrar and specify the record or records the student wishes to receive copies of or inspect.

Note: Under FERPA, a student is defined as an individual who is or has attended an educational institution. Students with at least one positive attendance, or Y, posted are considered a student.

Education records are defined as all records, files, documents and materials containing information directly related to a student, and maintained by an educational institution.

The following are not interpreted as education records:
- Personal records maintained by an individual; must be kept in the sole possession of the individual and are not accessible to others.
- Records of the law enforcement unit of an educational institution.
- Personnel records; records related to a person as an employee not used for any other purpose.
- Medical records
- Records created after the student is no longer a student; alumni records.

Releasable Information - Directory
In compliance with FERPA, a University designated representative without prior written or authorized electronic consent of the student can release the following education record information, provided the student does not have a FERPA Hold Request Form on record.

- Student name
- Home address
- Email address
- Home telephone number
- Year of birth
- Dates of attendance at the University
- Dates of admission to the University
- University programs of study
- University degree completion dates and type of degrees earned
- Current enrollment status (full-time and withdrawn)
- Most recent previous institutions attended and degree(s) earned
- Grade level (freshman, sophomore, junior or senior)
- Photographs
- Honors and awards received
- Participation in officially recognized activities

If a student submits written or authorized electronic requests via a FERPA Hold Request form that directory information not be released to a third party. No information can be released, absent a judicial order or a lawfully issued subpoena. A FERPA Hold Request is valid throughout the student’s enrollment.

To remove a FERPA Hold Request, the student must complete and submit a FERPA Hold Release form to the Registrar’s Office.
To remove previously authorized parties from record, the student completes and submits a FERPA Rescind form listing all parties to whom information should no longer be released.

Information Not Released - Non-Directory

In compliance with FERPA, the following student information must not be released by the University without prior written or authorized electronic consent of the student, a judicial order, or a lawfully issued subpoena. The student’s signature on the written requests shall be verified before acting upon the request:

- Place of birth*
- Month and day of birth*
- Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Record Number (IRN) or Personal Identification Number (PIN) **
- Grades or grade point averages
- Course schedules
- Employment information including: employer, position held, work address, or work telephone number.
- Academic performance information, such as academic suspension, probation, disqualification, or academic dishonesty charges.
- Admission information including test scores or entry grade point averages.
- Financial and accounting information
- Gender*
- Race*
- Ethnicity*
- Citizenship*
- Country of origin*

*Although this information may be disclosed without prior written consent according to FERPA, the University policy is to maintain the confidentiality of this student information. The University will notify students to provide contact information directly to a third party when this information is requested.

**Student IRNs, SSNs or PINs should not be released to a third party, unless necessary to perform a required task, for example the Student Financial Agreement, FBI request, etc.

Note: Non-directory information can only be released to third parties via telephone or in-person if the student has provided written or authorized electronic consent including a security word. If the student does not complete the release information, including security word, information is not released via telephone or in-person.

Note: All third party inquiries, including parents, require a FERPA Release Form on file unless the third party meets one of the definitions under FERPA allowing access without prior written or authorized electronic consent from the student, for example power of attorney, etc. The University can release information to school officials with legitimate educational interest. The University may release information under the following conditions:

- School officials with legitimate educational interest
- Person or company with whom the University has contracted as its agent to provide a service instead of using University employees or officials such as Apollo Group, Netnet Scholarship Management, Aptimus, Protiviti, ACS, ECMC Solutions, National Student Clearinghouse, Paradigm, Inc., Education Sales Management, Double Positive, Hills Consulting Group, SCRIP-SAFE, Student Outreach Solutions, i3, Inside Track, Salesforce, Iron Mountain, Intraedge, ITC InfoTech, Outsell Y-Connecting, collection agencies (CS, ARS, States Recovery, FMS, Account Control Technology-Act, Avante USA, Capital Management Systems, FCBS, NARS Call Center Solutions, National Enterprise Systems, Northland Group, Penta Group, Redline Recovery, Tate and Kirlin, and Windham Professionals), Cenveo and other services.
- Other schools to which a student seeks or intends to enroll
- Specified officials for audit and evaluation purposes
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student
- Organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school
- Accrediting organizations
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies
- State and local authorities, pursuant to state law
- The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in compliance with the Student Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) program
- Under “Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT ACT) of 2001,” Section 507 amends FERPA and allows institutions to disclose without consent or knowledge of the student personally identifiable information from the student’s education records to the Attorney General of the United States or to his designee in response to an ex parte order in connection with the investigation or prosecution of terrorism crimes specified in 2332b(g)(5)(B) or an act of domestic or international terrorism as defined in Section 2331 of Title 18 United States Code. Institutions that, in good faith, produce information from education records in compliance with an ex parte order issued under this amendment “shall not be liable to any person for that production.”
- Under the Campus Sex Crime Prevention Act, institutions are permitted to disclose information concerning registered sex offenders who are required to register under the Violent Crime Control & Law Enforcement Act
- The institution may disclose the results of a disciplinary proceeding if the student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense and he or she has been found to have violated the institution’s policies and procedures with respect to the allegation. Disclosures may only be made if the institution determines the student did violate its policies and such disclosures must only include the name of the student, violation committed and any sanction imposed by the institution against the student.
- The institution must, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence, or a non-forcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the institution against the student who is the alleged perpetrator of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the crime or offense, the institution must provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim’s next of kin, if so requested.
- The disclosure is to organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, educational agencies or institutions.
- If a student initiates legal action against an educational institution, the institution may disclose to the court, without a court order or subpoena, the student’s education records that are relevant for the institution to defend itself.
• The disclosure is to parents of a dependent student as defined in Section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
• A school official has a legitimate educational interest if:
  • Performing a task specified in his or her job description or contract
  • Performing a task related to a student’s education
  • Providing a service or benefit relating to a student or a student’s family
  • Representing a school in which a student seeks to enroll
  • Disclosing information to federal and state authorities auditing compliance of federal or state support programs
  • Disclosing information in connection with financial aid; to determine financial aid eligibility; amount of aid, conditions for the aid, or to enforce the terms of conditions of the aid
  • Disclosing information to state and local officials to whom this information is specifically allowed to be disclosed pursuant to state laws if the allowed disclosure concerns the juvenile justice system and the system’s ability to effectively serve the student whose records are released
  • Performing studies on behalf of educational institutions
  • Disclosing information to accrediting organizations carrying out research purposes must contact the Campus Director of Operations
  • Students requesting demographic or personally identifiable information on other University of Phoenix students for survey or research purposes must contact the Campus Director of Operations and Academic Affairs when approved through the Human Subjects Committee in the Office of the Provost.
  • The University shall retain a record of student information disclosed to a third party if disclosure does not fall under a FERPA exception. This information is made on University computer system containing dates, names and reasons for release. Students shall have reasonable access to their educational records and may request to review and challenge the contents, which they feel to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of their privacy or other rights. FERPA regulations require the University to comply with the students’ right to inspect and review their academic records by responding within 45 days from the time the University receives a written request to access their records.

However, University Services will respond to student’s requests to review their records within 14 days from receipt of the request. Students should submit their request to the University Registrar and specify the record or records they wish to receive copies of or inspect.

Student Right to Access

Student wishing to review their educational records shall submit a written request to the Registrar specifying the records to be reviewed. Only records covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act will be made available.

If necessary, the Registrar’s Office will work with a campus designee so that the student can review the record.

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Students who wish to review their records at a campus location must present photo identification before access to educational records is allowed. For copies of records from the student’s file, students must fill out and submit the Student Request for Information from Files form. Distance education students must submit a written request specifically outlining which record they would like to review. Upon verification of the student’s signature, the records will be released.

A designated University official must be present when a student wishes to review their records at a campus location. This includes documents on file or student history notes that do not reference other student information. Printed files requested by the student and mailed from the Registrar’s Office will not include history notes from any record systems.

Procedure

Students alleging their University records are inaccurate or misleading, or who allege violations of FERPA, may present their challenges to the University Registrar.

Students have the right to correct record-keeping errors, but not to seek to overturn administration decisions and assessments. The registrar shall review students’ challenges and, when appropriate, amend students’ records accordingly. Students will be notified within 14 days of the registrar’s actions and based on the action may request a formal hearing.

Student must submit request for amendment in writing to the registrar identifying the specific portion of his or her record he or she wants changed and why he or she believes it’s inaccurate or in violation of his or her privacy. The registrar will respond to the request within 14 days.

If the University denies the request to change the record, the registrar will notify the student of the decision and advise them of their right to challenge the information.

Students’ request for a formal hearing must be made in writing and submitted to the University Services. The registrar will arrange for a hearing, and notify the student within 14 days from the receipt of the request of the date, place and time of the hearing. A hearing panel appointed by the registrar shall represent the University. The panel shall consider all relevant evidence supporting students’ allegations of inaccurate or misleading information in students’ records. Decisions of the panel will be final.

The University can disclose personally identifiable information, directory, and non-directory, without student consent if the disclosure meets one of the following conditions:
• This disclosure is to other school officials whom the University determines have legitimate educational interest.
• The disclosure is to officials of other schools where the student seeks or intends to enroll.
• The disclosure is, subject to requirements of 34 CFR §99.35, to authorized representatives of the Comptroller General of the United States, Secretary, or state and local educational authorities.
• The disclosure is in connection with financial aid the student has applied for or received, if the information is necessary for such purposes as to determine the following:
  • Eligibility for aid
  • Amount of aid
  • Conditions for aid
  • Enforce terms and conditions of the aid
The University will provide a written decision within 14 days of the hearing based on evidence presented at the hearing and will include a summary of evidence presented and the rationale for the decision.

If the University decides that the challenged information is not misleading, inaccurate or in violation of the student’s privacy rights, it will notify the student within 14 days of his or her right to place in the record a statement commenting on the challenged information or a statement of reasons for disagreeing with the decision.

The statement will be maintained as a part of the student’s record as long as the contested portion is maintained. If the University discloses the contested portion of the record, it must also disclose the statement.

If the University decides the information is inaccurate or in violation of the student’s right of privacy, it will amend the record and notify the student within 14 days, in writing, that the record has been amended.

Students may not inspect and review the following absent a judicial order or legally issued subpoena:

- Confidential letters and recommendations for which they have waived their rights of inspection
- Educational records containing information about more than one student
  - Access is permitted only to that part of the record concerning the inquiring student
- Records of instructional, supervisory, administrative, and certain educational personnel, which are in the possession of the originator
- Records connected with an application to attend the University if the application was denied, for example, a student is enrolled in an undergraduate program and applies for admission to a graduate program but is denied.

University of Phoenix cannot deny students access to their records. Copies do not need to be provided, unless by not providing copies, the students’ rights are denied.

The University may release foreign transcripts to students.

The University reserves the right to deny transcripts or copies of records not required to be made available by FERPA in any of the following situations, absent a judicial order or legally issued subpoena:

- Student has an unpaid financial obligation with the University.
- The University issues transcripts for students who have filed for bankruptcy provided University of Phoenix obtains a copy of the bankruptcy petition filed with the courts.

Students have the right to file a complaint with the FERPA office in Washington, D.C. Inquiries should be directed to:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-5920

For a period of 25 years following the death of a student, education records of deceased students may only be released to the executor of the estate (written authorization required) or immediate family members (notarized affidavit required) defined as: spouse or legally recognized domestic partner, parents, legal guardians (court document required), children (over the age of 18), and siblings. Beyond this time, requests for these records may be released to anyone after review and approval from the Registrar’s Office.

The Student Verification Process (SVP) is required for inbound and internally transferred phone calls that request the release of or update to any student record information. The Student Verification Process is not required for outbound phone calls provided those calls are to contact numbers in our student academic systems and the student verifies his/her identity. A government issued photo ID or University of Phoenix issued photo ID can be used in place of the SVP for in-person requests.

The University is required to provide students a copy of its FERPA policy annually and upon written request from the student.

Potential students can review the University FERPA Policy within this document, http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information.html.

Current students can also obtain a copy of the FERPA policy in their student catalog at https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/portal.portal/public/login.aspx.

Solomon Act

University of Phoenix complies with the Solomon Act, which provides certain information to military recruiters. Information that may be released includes:

- Student name
- Home address
- Email address*
- Telephone listing
- Age (Date of Birth)
- Place of birth*
- Level of education
- Academic major
- Degrees received*
- Most recent educational institution attended*

*This information may be released only when available.

Procedure

1. Request is routed from campus or corporate department to the Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department at the following address:

   University of Phoenix
   Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department
   4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway Mail Stop: CF-L302
   Phoenix, AZ 85040
   Fax: (480) 643-1015

2. Within 15 days of a request by the recruiter, the Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department will make contact with the requestor and discuss the necessary information requested, our method for determining costs, and our basis for concluding that such charges are reasonable and customary.

3. The Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department routes specific report details to the Office of the Registrar.

4. The Office of the Registrar processes request of information and routes report back to the Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department within 72 business hours.

5. The Apollo Ethics & Compliance Department sends the information to the requestor.

6. Documentation will be made and kept verifying each occurrence of report fulfillment.
Privacy Policy

Our Privacy Philosophy

University of Phoenix is committed to protecting your privacy when you visit our Site(s). We want you to know what Information we collect, how we use it, and how you can request that this Information be updated or corrected.

Certain University Site(s) may be subject to additional privacy policies (collectively “Additional Policies”). In the event of any direct conflict between any Additional Policies and this policy, the Additional Policies shall control. The University reserves the right to resolve any conflicts between policies in its sole discretion. The University reserves the right to amend or otherwise modify this Privacy Policy at any time, visit http://www.phoenix.edu/copyright-legal/privacy_policy.html periodically to check for updates.

Scope

Our Privacy Policy covers any visitor to our Site(s), including current and potential students. This policy applies to both online and offline collection, storage, processing, and transfer of Personal Information.

Definitions

As used in this Privacy Policy, the following terms have the following meanings:

- “Business Associates” means third party service providers which Apollo Group, Inc. or the University may contract with to provide services on their behalf including those related to the Site(s) or for transactions occurring on the Site(s) including, but not limited to, Social Networking, hosting, web analytics, lead generation, business or financial services.
- “Educational Partners” means our parent, the Apollo Group, Inc., and its subsidiaries including educational companies or institutions that Apollo Group, Inc. or its subsidiaries may be providing educational or other related services to under contract.
- “Financial Information” means specific Personal Information of a financial nature such as your credit card number.
- “Information” means any Information collected and includes “Personal Information”, “Financial Information”, “Web Analytical Information” or any other Information collected from you through our site(s).
- “Marketing Information” means your Web Analytical Information and your Personal Information such as your name, address, email address, and telephone number that the University collects uses and discloses for the marketing and promotional purposes as disclosed in this Privacy Policy.
- “Personal Information” means Information that may be used, alone or in combination, to identify a specific individual and includes Financial Information.
- “Site” or “Sites,” means the University website located at http://www.phoenix.edu/ html, as well as any other University-controlled or authorized Sites (including, without limitation, any business associate site), regardless of domain name or IP address.
- “Social Network”, means various Internet communication technologies provided on Sites that facilitate conversation and interaction between people online and includes, but is not limited to, blogs, discussion forums, wikis, chat sessions, news groups, etc.
- “Social Network Content” (or “SNC”) means user-generated content you consent to share via a Social Network and includes, but is not limited to, Personal Information, including digital sounds and pictures that you upload to a Social Network. It also includes your Personal Information that may be displayed on other users’ Social Network pages.
- “University”, “we”, “us”, and “our” refer to the University of Phoenix and its parent company Apollo Group, Inc.
- “Unrelated Entities” means third parties that are not Educational Partners and who are not providing services to Apollo Group, Inc. or University of Phoenix as Business Associates.
- “Web Analytical Information” means internet generated Information we collect when you visit our Sites. This Information may be linked with marketing and Personal Information. When linked with other Information identifying you personally, either alone or in combination with other Information, then such Information also will be considered Personal Information.

Information We Collect

We collect various types of Information from you through our Sites, when we talk to you on the phone and in person with University representatives. Some of this Information is collected automatically through various web and internet technologies including Social Networking tools used by the University. Other Information is collected when you provide it in response to an advertisement, a survey, a request for Information, when you register for our educational or other services, or when you set up a Social Network profile.

Information Collected Automatically

Each time you visit one of our Sites, Web Analytical Information is automatically gathered. In general, this Information does not identify you personally. Examples of Web Analytical Information include, but are not limited to:

- IP address
- Collection Date
- Publisher Name
- Connection Speed
- Day of Week Time of Day (hour)
- Language settings
- Country, State, DMA, City (relating to IP address, if available)
- Domain (.com, .net, .mil, .org, .edu, etc.)

Our collection of Web Analytical Information lets us see how users are finding, and navigating our Sites, and it tells us which pages users visited most often so we can make our Sites more useful and relevant. This Information may be linked with personal Information to accomplish the purposes described in this Privacy Policy.

Information You Provide to Us

In addition to the Web Analytical Information automatically collected when you visit our Sites, the University also collects, uses and discloses Personal Information that you provide to us voluntarily when you respond to an advertisement or survey, register for our educational or other services, order merchandise or services from us, set up a Social Network profile, request Information regarding one of our educational programs, etc. While the exact nature of the Personal Information may vary depending on the type of response or service requested, the following is a non-exclusive list of the types of Information that may be collected to the extent it is necessary and applicable for the intended purposes:

- First, Middle and Last Name, Previous Names
- Street Address, City, State, Country, Postal Code
• Date of Birth
• Place of Birth
• Gender
• Race
• Ethnicity
• Country of origin
• Employment
• Native Language
• Address Type
• Email address
• Valid Day or Evening Telephone Number
• Cell Phone Number
• Confirmation of the age of majority
• Campus (based on postal code list)
• Apollo Institution interested in
• Current degree program of interest
• Current modality of interest (online, on-ground or Flexnet)
• Publisher Code (SiteID)
• Citizenship (Visa Types, Date of Issue - if you want to add this)
• Amount of Previous Credits
• Military Affiliation
• Credits earned
• Prior Education History
• High School Diploma
• Lead Source
• Individual Record Number (IRN) or Social Security Number
• Credit Card Number Other Financial Information
• Social Networking Content
• Other Information after you become a University student such as course assignments, grades and other educational records relating to your enrollment at the University and that may be required to be collected in the normal course of your studies.

How We Use This Information

Marketing Information
We use marketing Information to help us better plan our Sites and services to meet your needs; to measure and improve our Site(s) services and features, to communicate with you by email, postal mail, telephone, cellular/mobile phone, PDA devices, and/or on applications for mobile phones such as iPhone or Blackberry about products or services that may be of interest to you, to provide you with customer support, to prevent potentially illegal activities (including illegal downloading of copyrighted materials in accordance with our Copyright Infringement policy), and to enforce our Terms of Use. We also use a variety of technological systems to detect and address anomalous activity and to screen content to prevent certain abuses such as spam. These efforts may on occasion result in permanent suspension or termination of Site functionality for some users.

Personal Information
The University recognizes that by choosing to provide us with your Personal Information, you are demonstrating your trust in us and we take that trust seriously. We will not sell, rent or lease your Personal Information to others.
We may collect, use and disclose Personal Information for the following purposes:
• to determine your admissibility and to register you for your selected educational programs
• to provide requested products and services

Other Information
• for our internal marketing purposes, which includes, but is not limited to, sending you material about products, services, updates, etc. that we think may be of interest to you
• for fostering communication and collaboration among members of the University community through Social Networks
• for sharing with our Educational Partners who may contact you with respect to their educational or marketing services;
• for sharing with our Educational Partners or Business Associates who are performing services on our behalf
• to analyze how Sites and services are being accessed and used;
• to improve Site and service performance and delivery
• to analyze risk and business results
• to obtain payment for services that we provide to you
• to maintain business records for reasonable periods
• to provide to Educational Partners, Business Associates or Unrelated Entities in connection with the contemplated or actual reorganization, merger, acquisition, financing, securitization, insuring, sale or other disposal of all or part of our business or assets, including for the purposes of determining whether to proceed with such transaction or fulfilling any records or other reporting requirements to such parties. In the event of any actual reorganization, merger, or acquisition such Information may be transferred as part of the transaction to the acquirer
• and/or as may be required or permitted by legal, regulatory, industry self-regulatory, insurance, audit, or security requirements applicable to the University, our Educational Partners, or our Business Associates.

Express Consent to Receive Pre-Recorded Voice Messages, Text Messages and Calls Using an Autodialer
In connection with the uses set forth above, we may use an automatic telephone dialing system, artificial or prerecorded voice messages, or text messages to provide you with various communications. Further, when you provide us with a cellular, wireless, or mobile telephone number as your contact number, you agree that you are providing us with your express consent to receive calls using an automated dialing system, prerecorded voice messages or text messages related to your enrollment. If you do not wish to receive these updates on your cellular or mobile phone, please provide us with a LAN-based telephone number.

Financial Information
Your Financial Information will be used to conclude your registration or other transaction you have initiated with us. It will not be sold, rented, or otherwise transferred to an educational partner, business associate or unrelated entity outside of this purpose, except in the case of a reorganization, merger or acquisition of our shares or assets or those of our parent company Apollo Group, Inc.

Student Educational Records
If you are or subsequently become a student at the University, your educational records are subject to the U.S. federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), state laws and the University policies. Students have the right to limit access to FERPA-defined directory Information about them. To obtain a copy of the University FERPA policy, go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information.html. You may also contact us via one of the below methods:
Location of Information Processing
Because we operate in multiple jurisdictions, including the United States and Canada, some Educational Partners and Business Associates may be located outside of the jurisdiction in which you reside. In such cases, your Personal Information may be collected, used, disclosed, stored and processed in these other jurisdictions for the purposes described in this Privacy Policy. The data protection and other laws of the United States and other countries might differ from your jurisdiction. While we require our Educational Partners and Business Associates to use your Personal Information only to perform the services we have retained them to provide and take reasonable steps to ensure that your privacy is protected in accordance with applicable laws. Please be advised that, by using our Sites, your Information may be transferred across borders and will be subject to the laws of those other jurisdictions, including lawful requirements to disclose Personal Information to government authorities.

Opt-Out
You may opt-out of our collection, use and disclosure of your Personal Information at any time, subject to contractual, academic, legal or technical restrictions and reasonable notice. Note that if you opt-out of certain uses of your Personal Information, we may no longer be able to provide certain products or services. You may not be permitted to opt-out to certain necessary collection, uses and disclosures, for example, but not limited to, educational announcements, maintaining reasonable academic, business and transaction records and disclosures to government entities as required for us to comply with applicable laws. To opt-out please email Ethics.Compliance@apollolgr.edu. You can choose to no longer receive marketing communications from us and you may express your choice where indicated on the applicable email or other communication or visit http://awhpsmmta01.universityofphoenix.com/webdocs/UnsubscribeEmail.html. Please note, however, that such a request will only remove you from our list and the list of any Business Associate performing services on our behalf. We are not responsible for the use any other party may make of the Information once it has been transferred in accordance with this Policy and you will need to contact such entity to have your Information removed from their database.

You may change various user settings related to sharing your Personal Information contained in any user profile you set up as part of Social Network activities furnished by us, subject to contractual, academic, legal or technical restrictions and reasonable notice. Note that your withdrawal from Social Network activities might prevent us from providing you with certain products or services. Students who desire to prevent release of their directory and educational record information in accordance with FERPA may place a FERPA Hold on their academic file. Current students can obtain a copy of the FERPA policy at https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/portal/portal/public/login.aspx. Potential students can review the University FERPA Policy within this document.

Our Security Measures
We will take commercially reasonable measures to secure and store your Information to protect against the loss, misuse, and alteration of the Information under our control. We utilize industry standard security measures when accepting your credit card Information during the online ordering process, as well as whenever we ask you to log in to any of our Site(s). Unfortunately, no data transmission over the internet can be guaranteed to be completely secure. As a result, although we will utilize such measures, we do not guarantee you against the loss, misuse, or alteration of Information under our control, and you provide Information to us at your own risk. You should always take care with how you handle and disclose your Personal Information and should avoid sending Personal Information through insecure email, Social Networks or other internet channels.

Monitoring of Communications
We may monitor and retain all incoming and outgoing communications for training of our representatives and for quality assurance purposes. To the extent such communications are selected, they are only retained as long as necessary to adequately discharge these purposes, unless a specific communication needs to be retained for legal reasons. If you prefer that your communications not be retained for any reason, please advise your representative.

Internet Technologies Used
Cookies, web beacons and other relevant internet technologies are used on our Sites to allow us to accomplish the uses set out above as well as to deliver Sites messaging and to keep track of your Information. These small pieces of program code reside in your computer and browser and can be removed. If you desire to remove such technologies you may do so, but this may render our Sites unusable to you. You can opt out of cookies or the other internet technologies used by disabling these features in your browser program. Consult your browser’s Help menu for assistance in changing cookie settings or removing cookie files.

Children’s Privacy
We are very sensitive to the issue of children’s privacy. Our Sites are neither developed for, nor directed at children under 13. If you believe your child has provided us with Personal Information, or registered at one of our Sites and would like to have this Information removed, please visit http://awhpsmmta01.universityofphoenix.com/webdocs/UnsubscribeEmail.html.

Site Hosting and Links from Our Sites to Other Websites
Some of our Sites may be hosted by our Business Associates or contain links to external websites hosted by Educational Partners and Unrelated Entities. When you access these Sites or external websites, the providers of the websites may have access to your Personal Information and may apply their own policies on how your Personal Information is used. Please make sure to read the policies of any sites you visit on the internet carefully. Please be aware that we are not responsible for the privacy practices or the content of any sites or external websites that we do not control directly and the collection, use and disclosure of Information about you by Educational Partners, Business Associates and Unrelated Entities will be subject to the policies applicable on those other sites or external websites.
Privacy Policy Changes
University of Phoenix may update this Privacy Policy or revise it from time to time. If you are concerned about how your personal Information is used or disclosed, you should contact us as described below or check back at this Site periodically to obtain a current copy of this Privacy Policy. We urge you to review this Privacy Policy frequently to obtain the current version. Your continued provision of Personal Information or use of our services following any changes to this Privacy Policy constitutes your acceptance of such changes. If we intend to use Information that personally identifies you in a manner materially different from what we stated at the time it was collected, we will attempt to notify you at least 30 days in advance. You will be given a choice as to whether or not previously provided Information may be used in a new way.

How to Access Your Information and Contact Us
If you want access to or wish to update any of your Personal Information or have any questions about our privacy practices, please contact our Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer at Ethics.Compliance@apollogrp.edu or Apollo Group, Inc
Attn: Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer
4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway
Phoenix, AZ 85040 USA

FEDERAL, STATE AND INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

General Requirements
General eligibility requirements for financial aid are as follows:
• Student must be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen
• Student must be enrolled in an eligible program
• Student cannot also be enrolled in elementary or secondary school
• Student must have a high school diploma or general educational development (GED) credential
• Student must make satisfactory academic progress (SAP)
• Student must meet enrollment status requirements
• Student must have resolved any drug conviction issue
• Student must have timely registered for Selective Service, if required by law.
• Submit a current award year Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
For additional eligibility requirements go to http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/financial_options/financial-aid-options-non-citizens.html

Federal Grant Programs

Federal Pell Grant
A Federal Pell Grant is awarded based on financial need for each student. Need is primarily based on adjusted gross income (AGI) and family size. Other factors such as assets and the number of family members in college are also taken into account. The exact eligibility amount is calculated when the University receives and processes an Institutional Student Information Record (ISIR) from the U.S. Department of Education.
Pell Grants are awarded only to undergraduate students who have not earned a bachelor’s or professional degree. The maximum Pell Grant for the 2011-2012 award year is $5,550.

Survivors of Servicemembers Grant
Effective for the 2009-2010 award year, students who have a Pell Grant eligible expected family contribution (EFC) may be eligible for the Survivors of Servicemembers Grant. Student will be treated as a student who has a zero EFC and will be awarded the maximum Federal Pell Grant scheduled award if the following criteria apply and is otherwise eligible:
• Parent or guardian died as a result of military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001

Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant
Effective for the 2010-2011 award year, students who do not have a Pell Grant eligible expected family contribution (EFC) may be eligible for the Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant (IASG), equal to the maximum Federal Pell Grant award for the award year, if the following criteria apply and is otherwise eligible:
• Parent or guardian died as a result of military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001
• Student must be less than 24 years old or was enrolled in a postsecondary program, at least part time, at the time of the parent or guardian’s death
The amount of the IASG award is the same as the maximum Pell Grant for the award year, adjusted for enrollment status and cost of attendance (COA). All other federal financial aid will be awarded based on the student’s calculated EFC of the student.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant
The Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) is awarded to undergraduates having exceptional financial need, with priority given to Federal Pell Grant recipients with the lowest expected family contribution (EFC). The maximum annual award for each student will be $500. The minimum FSEOG amount is $100. This amount is disbursed equally in two payment periods within the award year. Students will be awarded FSEOG based on the availability of funds at the University. The University cannot guarantee every eligible student will receive a FSEOG award.

Teacher Education Assistance College of Higher Education Grant
The Teacher Education Assistance College of Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program is a non-need based program that provides up to $4,000 per year to students who meet the following criteria:
• Enrolled in an eligible TEACH program at University
• Have a cumulative 3.25 GPA
• Sign an Agreement to Serve (ATS) and complete all counseling requirements
Grant recipients must agree to teach for at least four years within eight years of finishing a teacher preparation program and to teach high-need subjects in designated schools that serve low-income students. Recipients who do not complete the four-year teaching obligation will have the grant converted to an unsubsidized Direct Loan that must be repaid with interest from the date the loan was issued.

**Federal Perkins Loan Programs**

**Federal Perkins Loan**

The Federal Perkins Loan is a deferred payment, deferred interest loan, administered by the University, awarded to undergraduate, graduate and professional students with exceptional financial need. The maximum annual award amount for each student is $4,000. This amount is disbursed equally in two payment periods within the award year. Students are awarded based on availability of funds at the University. The University cannot guarantee every eligible student will receive a Perkins loan award. This loan is made with government funds, with a share contributed by the University.

**Terms and Conditions**

Students who receive a Federal Perkins Loan are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Perkins Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN).

An interest rate of 5 percent per annum begins to accrue and repayment begins nine months after the borrower graduates or withdraws from the University. The monthly payment amount depends on the amount of debt and length of repayment period. The minimum monthly payment is $40. This loan must be repaid to the University.

A Perkins Loan borrower is not charged any fees. However, after repayment begins, if a payment is skipped, late, or less than a full payment, a late charge can apply. If the borrower continues to not make payments as required, the borrower will pay collection costs. Under certain conditions, borrower can receive a deferment or forbearance on loan(s), as long as the loan is not in default. Further information is presented during the required Perkins Loan entrance and exit counseling process.

**Federal Stafford Direct Loan Program (DL)**

Loans made through this program are referred to as Direct Loans (DL). Eligible students and parents borrow directly from the U.S. Department of Education. Direct Loans include subsidized and unsubsidized loans, PLUS Loans, and Consolidation Loans. These loans are paid directly to the U.S. Department of Education. A subsidized loan is awarded based on financial need. Borrower will not be charged any interest before repayment begins or during deferment periods. The federal government subsidizes the interest during these periods.

An unsubsidized loan is not awarded based on need. Borrower will be charged interest from the time the loan is disbursed until it is paid in full. If interest is allowed to accrue while student is in school or during other periods of non-payment, it will be added to the principal amount and additional interest will be based on that higher amount. Borrower can choose to pay the interest as it accrues.

The amounts borrowed depend on student grade level and dependency status at the University.

A student whose parent cannot obtain a parent loan for undergraduate student (PLUS) loan is allowed to borrow additional unsubsidized federal Direct Stafford amounts. Student dependency status will be determined based on answers to questions on the FAFSA.

**Terms and Conditions**

For more information on loan terms and conditions, refer to the Borrower’s Rights and Responsibilities section of the Federal Direct Stafford/Ford Loan MPN.

After a student submits a completed MPN, an award letter is sent from the University and a disclosure statement from the lender informing the student of the types and amount of student loans awarded for the loan period. When the funds are received, the University confirms eligibility and current registered courses. Any changes and/or breaks in attendance or failure to start class as scheduled may prevent federal financial aid funds from being disbursed.

Loans are processed for an academic year, which is a minimum of 24 credits and 30 weeks of instructional time. A student can reapply for subsequent loans after successfully completing these requirements. The University will disburse federal financial aid funds in at least two disbursements. A student is eligible for the first disbursement at the beginning of the payment period and the second disbursement occurs after the midpoint of the academic year. To meet eligibility standards for second and subsequent loan disbursements, the student must successfully complete the previous credits and meet the calendar and instructional week midpoint of the loan period, as well as maintain satisfactory academic progress (AP) according to University policy. Schedule changes and/or lack of attendance may delay the timing of scheduled disbursements.

**Federal Stafford Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Student**

If a student is a dependent undergraduate student, a parent may apply for a Federal Stafford Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Student (PLUS) loan to assist with the educational expenses of a student. The application process includes completion and submission of a PLUS loan application by the parent(s). The application process is completed through the Federal Stafford Direct Loan Program. This loan is based on credit worthiness as determined by the U.S. Department of Education.

The yearly limit is equal to the cost of attendance (COA) minus any other financial aid received. Interest is charged on the loan from the date first disbursement is made until the loan is paid in full. The parent borrower has the option to begin repayment either within 60 days from date loan is fully disbursed or wait six months after the dependent student (on whose behalf the parent borrowed) ceases to be enrolled at least half-time basis.

Parents have the option of deferring repayment on Parent PLUS loans while the undergraduate student (on whose behalf the parent borrowed) is in school and for a six-month grace period after the student graduates or drops below full-time enrollment. This change is effective for Parent PLUS loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2008. Payments can also be deferred if the parent(s) themselves are enrolled in college. The parent(s) will need to submit an application for an in-school deferment.

Before the deferment option on the Parent PLUS loan was added on July 1, 2008, some lenders allowed parents to defer payments on the PLUS loan while the student is in school by granting one of several types of forbearances. In each case the forbearance allows a full or partial suspension of payments for up to one year at a time. The discretionary forbearance can be renewed each year; the economic hardship deferment and excess debt burden forbearances each have a three-year time limit. The deferments and forbearances are still available for all Parent PLUS loans.
Note: Interest on the Parent PLUS loan is not subsidized and continues to accrue while deferred or in forbearance and is capitalized when the loan enters repayment.

Terms and Conditions
Students whose parents receive a PLUS loan are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Stafford Direct PLUS Loan Application and MPN.

Federal Stafford Direct PLUS Loan Program
Graduate and professional students are now eligible to borrow under the Federal Stafford Direct Loan Program. Graduate and professional students can borrow an amount up to the cost of attendance (COA) minus other financial assistance. The terms and conditions applicable to parent PLUS loans also apply to graduate PLUS loans.
Applicants are required to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and are given an opportunity to request the maximum eligibility under the Federal Stafford Direct Loan Program before applying for a graduate PLUS loan.

Terms and Conditions
Students who receive a graduate PLUS loan are subject to the terms and conditions disclosed on the Federal Stafford Direct PLUS Loan Application and MPN.

Education Loan Interest Rates
All Direct Loan and FFEL Program loans with a first disbursement date that is on or after July 1, 2006 have fixed interest rates that will remain the same throughout the life of the loan.
Loans that were first disbursed before July 1, 2006 have variable interest rates that are adjusted each year on July 1. For subsidized and unsubsidized loans first disbursed before July 1, 2006, the variable interest rate will never be more than 8.25%. For PLUS loans first disbursed before July 1, 2006, the variable interest rate will never be more than 9.00%.

Fixed Rates:
Direct Loan and FFEL Program Loans First Disbursed on/after July 1, 2006
Note: Effective July 1, 2010, the only loans that can be made are Direct Loans.

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Unsubsidized Loans for all students

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Note: Beginning with loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2006, the interest rate on all Stafford Loans in both the FFEL Program and in the Direct Loan Program was fixed at 6.8 percent. That rate continues to apply to all unsubsidized Stafford Loans and to subsidized Stafford Loans for graduate and professional students. Starting with loans first disbursed between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009, the interest rate on subsidized Stafford Loans for undergraduate students was reduced to 6.0 percent, with additional reductions each year through June 30, 2012.

Variable Rates:
Direct Loan and FFEL Program Loans First Disbursed Between July 1, 1998 and June 30, 2006
These rates were calculated based upon statutory formulas and equal the bond equivalent rate of the 91-day Treasury bills auctioned on May 31, 2011, plus certain statutory percentage additions. The 91-day Treasury bills were auctioned at 0.061 percent, rounded to 0.06 percent.
Notes: Interest rates on Stafford and PLUS loans first disbursed before July 1, 1998 are calculated using different statutory formulas, percentage add-ons, or both. Generally, interest rates on Consolidation Loans are fixed rates calculated based on the weighted average of the loans being consolidated rounded up to the next higher 1/8 of one percent, not to exceed 8.25 percent. To access information on your federal loans, go to www.nslds.ed.gov. Interest rate on a borrower’s loan may be changed to 6.0 percent during the borrower’s active duty military service. Additionally, this law applies to borrowers in military service as of August 14, 2008. Borrower must contact the creditor, or loan holder, in writing to request the interest rate adjustment and provide a copy of the borrower’s military orders.

**Loan Payment Calculator**

Loan Payment Calculators may be used by students or potential students to calculate monthly payments under the standard and extended repayment plans, www.finaid.org/calculators/loannpayments.phtml or www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/directloan/calc.html.

**Federal Financial Aid Programs**

**Entrance Counseling**

The University ensures loan entrance counseling is conducted online at the U.S. Department of Education website, https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/index.action, before a borrower takes out a loan. Entrance counseling generally includes the following:

- An explanation of the use of a master promissory note (MPN)
- Importance of repayment obligation
- Description of consequences of default
- Sample repayment schedules
- Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
- Other terms and conditions

**Exit Counseling**

The University ensures loan exit counseling is conducted online at the U.S. Department of Education National Student Loan Database (NSLDS) website, http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nsls_SA/, within 15 days of completion of a program or withdrawal from the University. Exit counseling generally includes the following:

- An explanation of the use of a MPN
- Importance of repayment obligation
- Description of consequences of default
- Sample repayment schedules
- Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
- Other terms and conditions

**Perkins Loan Counseling**

The University ensures Perkins loan counseling is conducted online at the Mapping Your Future website, http://mappingyourfuture.org/oslc/. Perkins loan counseling generally includes the following:

- Importance of repayment obligation
- Explanation of repayment terms
- Description of consequences of default
- Sample repayment schedules
- Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
- Other terms and conditions

**TEACH Grant Counseling**

The University ensures initial and subsequent Teacher Education Assistance College of Higher Education (TEACH) Grant counseling is conducted online at the TEACH Grant website, https://teach-at.s.ed.gov/ats/index.action. TEACH Grant counseling generally includes the following:

- TEACH Grant Program and service obligations
- Information in reference to a borrower’s rights and responsibilities
- Other terms and conditions

**Student Financial Aid Rights and Responsibilities**

Students receiving federal financial aid have varying rights and responsibilities. In accordance with the Borrower’s Rights and Responsibilities Statement, http://www.ideal.ed.gov/pubs/dlrigh.pdf, attached to the Master Promissory Note (MPN) the student has the right to the following:

- Written information on loan obligations and information on rights and responsibilities as a borrower
- A copy of the MPN, either before or at the time loan is disbursed
- A grace period and an explanation of what this means
- Notification, if in grace period or repayment, no later than 45 days after a lender assigns, sells or transfers the loan to another lender
- A disclosure statement, received before repayment begins, that includes information about interest rates, fees, the balance owed, and a loan repayment schedule
- Deferment or forbearance of repayment for certain defined periods, if qualified and requested
- Prepayment of loan in whole or in part anytime without an early-repayment penalty
- Documentation that loan is paid in full

In accordance with the Borrower’s Rights and Responsibilities Statement, http://www.ideal.ed.gov/pubs/dlrigh.pdf, attached to the Master Promissory Note (MPN) the student has the responsibility for the following:

- Completing exit counseling before leaving school
- Repaying loan according to repayment schedule even if not completed academic program, dissatisfied with the education received, or unable to find employment after graduation.
- Notifying lender or loan servicer if:
  - Move or change my address
  - Change telephone number
  - Change name
  - Change SSN
  - Change employers, employer’s address or telephone number
- Make monthly payments on loan after grace period ends, unless a deferment or forbearance
- Notifying lender or loan servicer of anything that might later change eligibility for an existing deferment or forbearance

**Student Loan Code of Conduct**

The University protects students with established loan policies. University of Phoenix follows federal regulations that govern student loan requirements.
The Student Loan Code of Conduct creates and maintains uniform student loan practices that focus on the best interest of the student borrowers. It also manages relationships between school employees, learning institutions, lender advisory board members and student loan organizations.

University of Phoenix encourages students to review the Student Loan Code of Conduct at http://cdn-static.phoenix.edu/content/dam/altcloud/doc/tuition/Student-Loan-Code-of-Conduct.pdf to learn about loan regulations.

Students should contact the University by email at PLL@phoenix.edu with any questions about the information in this document.

Statement of Educational Purpose

The parent or student signing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAPSA) certifies that (1) will use federal and/or state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education, (2) are not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, (3) do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, (4) will notify your college if you default on a federal student loan and (5) will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one college for the same period of time.

The parent or student, signing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAPSA) agrees, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. This information may include U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file. Also, you certify that you understand that the Secretary of Education has the authority to verify information reported on this application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies. If you sign any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a Personal Identification Number (PIN), you certify that you are the person identified by the PIN and have not disclosed that PIN to anyone else. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to $20,000, sent to prison, or both.

Referrals to the Office of Inspector General

University of Phoenix is required by law to make referrals to the Office of Inspector General of any cases of suspected fraud and abuse involving the federal financial aid programs.

State Grants

The actual amount of state grants awarded to any student is contingent on availability of funds. The University cannot guarantee any funding from the state grant sources listed as the list is subject to change without notice based upon changes in state law or regulations and/or University participation. Where a work or other requirement is included in order to preclude the conversion of a scholarship or grant to a loan, the University makes no representation or warranty as to whether a graduate will be able to obtain such employment or fulfill such other requirement.

Institutional Grants

University of Phoenix is committed to providing financial assistance opportunities through institutional grant programs for potential and current students.

Thinking Ahead Grant

The Thinking Ahead Grant is directed toward new students with an expected family contribution (EFC) of $12,500 or less and has a minimum unmet need of $200. The grant award is applied to unmet direct costs, not to exceed $1,500 per award year, of a bachelor's degree program for students maintaining continuous enrollment. Eligibility is reviewed and determined after federal financial aid certification.

Institutional Scholarships

The Center for Scholarship Excellence (CSE) is a department of University of Phoenix. The CSE is committed to assisting with financial support through institutional and external scholarship programs. The CSE encourages students to borrow responsibly as they work towards their educational goals.

University of Phoenix has a comprehensive scholarship website at http://phoenix.edu/scholarships to meet the needs of our students. This website features scholarships offered by University of Phoenix, scholarship resources, tips, suggestions, articles, external scholarship search engine and much more.

Institutional scholarships are just one type of scholarship. University of Phoenix funds institutional scholarships. The CSE creates and manages them. The University often partners with nonprofit organizations to promote scholarship programs. These scholarships are available to potential students, current students or alumni.

Private outside entities fund external scholarships. Many are available to University of Phoenix students and the general population. Depending on the external scholarship requirements, student eligibility may be need-based, merit-based or credit-based. The CSE will evaluate external scholarship programs, determine applicability to the University student populations, and will communicate these opportunities to students and campuses.

The website, http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/scholarships/institutional-scholarships.html, is updated regularly for institutional scholarships, qualifications, and selection criteria specific to University of Phoenix current and potential students as opportunities become available.

Private Student Loans

Private student loans are available to students who are not eligible for federal financial aid loans or who need assistance beyond their financial aid eligibility. These loans are made privately through banks and other financial institutions and are subject to interest rates and other terms.

To assist with finding the right lender for a private loan, visit the Student Lending Analytics website, www.studentlendinganalytics.com/alternative_loan_options.html.
Student Lending Analytics has developed a list of private loan options to serve schools and their students who need a focused resource for help in finding a private student loan. A student may choose any eligible lender; the University will process the request accordingly.

**Application Process**

The following documentation is required:
- MyApply® application process at https://myapply.phoenix.edu/Apply/Login.aspx
- Student Financial Agreement Form
- Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form if, and only if, a student chooses this option

**Federal Financial Aid Application Process**

A student can apply for federal financial aid after submitting an application for admission to the local campus or via MyApply® and registering for courses in an eligible degree program. During the application process, the following forms may be completed for federal financial aid grants and loans:
- University of Phoenix Financial Aid Application
- Current award year Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Federal Stafford Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN)
- Entrance Counseling

The average processing time for financial aid awards is 90 days. The University highly recommends using the online financial aid application process at https://faw.phoenix.edu. This access allows a student to complete and electronically sign required student financial aid documents, including the FAFSA.

Students qualifying for financial aid may apply for a new award each academic year (the period of time a student successfully completes a minimum of 24 credit hours and 30 weeks of instructional time). Therefore, the student may have eligibility assessed for grants or loans several times during a program of study. A student should reapply for financial aid prior to the start of each new academic year.

For more information on federal financial aid eligibility go to http://www.phoenix.edu/tuition_and_financial_options/financial_options/financial-aid-options-non-citizens.html

**Reapplication Process**

The University notifies students when new award year paperwork is required, provided the student is considered enrolled. Returning students may be proactive and submit completed paperwork.

**Cancellation of Federal Financial Aid**

The student or parent must inform the University if all or a portion of federal financial aid funds are to be canceled. The student or parent must submit a signed and dated statement; or complete a Financial Aid Cancellation form; or complete Financial Aid Change form, located on the financial aid website (FAW), https://faw.phoenix.edu/.

The University may return the loan funds, cancel the loan, or do both, provided that the cancellation request is received within the required timeframes. If the University receives a student or parent request for cancellation after these dates, the University may, but is not required to, honor the request. Regardless of when the request is received, the University informs the student or parent in writing of the outcome of the request.

When processing a loan cancellation request, the University must return the funds (if received) and/or cancel the loan, or do both as appropriate. The University is not responsible for returning any portion of a loan that was disbursed to a student or parent directly before the request for cancellation was received.

**Verification**

A federal financial aid student may be chosen to participate in the verification process by the U.S. Department of Education Central Processing System, following procedures established by federal regulations. Central Processing System prints an asterisk next to the expected family contribution (EFC) on the ISIR, Student Aid Report (SAR), or SAR Acknowledgement to identify students selected for verification.

If a student is selected for verification, the University will request a copy of tax returns signed by the student and, if applicable, a student's parent or parents or spouse, and a verification worksheet. Additional documents may be requested by the University to complete the application process. A student will receive written notification from the University of verification requirements and the timelines for completion of the process.

Failure to comply with request for verification documents can result in disqualification for federal financial aid.

**Professional Judgment**

The University may exercise discretion to accommodate special circumstances, with respect to some aspects of eligibility, using Professional Judgment. Professional judgment allows the University to treat a student individually when the student has special circumstances not sufficiently addressed by standard procedures. The University uses professional judgment on a case-by-case basis. Special circumstances will include conditions that differentiate an individual student from a whole class of students. The University will not accept professional judgments made for a student by another school, but will review the circumstances and, if appropriate, document the professional judgment decision. The decision of the University regarding professional judgment is final and cannot be appealed to the U.S. Department of Education.

The University will complete Verification before exercising professional judgment.
Satisfactory Academic Progress

Satisfactory Academic Progress for Federal Financial Aid

Financial aid satisfactory academic progress (SAP) is based on federal regulations and is intended to provide early intervention for students facing academic challenges and help students successfully complete their program of study.

Evaluation

The University evaluates SAP for the student’s primary program of study, based on a completed payment period (generally, at least 12 credit hours and 15 weeks of instruction).

Regular (RG)

Students meeting all three of the financial aid SAP components defined above have regular (RG) financial aid status and are eligible for federal financial aid.

Financial Aid Warning (FW)

Students who are on a regular (RG) status and, at the end of the next payment period, do not meet all three of the financial aid SAP components defined above, are automatically placed on financial aid warning (FW) status.

The University will disburse federal financial aid funds to students with an FW status for one payment period.

Financial Aid Disqualification (FD)

Students on financial aid warning (FW) status who do not meet all three of the financial aid SAP components (defined above) at the end of the next completed payment period, are not eligible for additional federal financial aid and will be placed on financial aid disqualification (FD) status.

Students placed on FD status are not eligible for federal financial aid but may be eligible to appeal this status for consideration of significant extenuating circumstances.

Reestablishing Academic Progress

Students on a financial aid warning (FW) status can retain eligibility without filing an appeal by meeting all three of the financial aid SAP components defined above by the end of the FW payment period.

Students who reach a financial aid disqualification (FD) status can change their status only through the financial aid SAP appeal process. Students may not regain eligibility for federal financial aid by merely paying for courses or sitting out for an increment.

The University will notify students when their financial aid status changes.
Federal Financial Aid Appeals

Students placed on financial aid disqualification (FD) status may appeal the disqualification to regain eligibility for federal financial aid, if there are extenuating circumstances. Through the financial aid SAP appeal process, federal financial aid reinstatement may be possible if the appeal is approved and the student is placed on financial aid probation (FP) status.

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| Financial Aid Disqualification (FD) | **It is highly recommended students contact their finance advisor prior to submitting an appeal. The finance advisor will be able to answer questions and provide specific time-frames for SAP appeals** Submit an appeal packet, along with supporting documentation directly to the PJ fax line at 877-290-8683. The packet must include: • Professional Judgment SAP appeal template, hand signed and dated. (The SAP appeal template can be found at www.faw.phoenix.edu or by contacting your campus advisor.) • A detailed explanation and timeline corresponding to courses in which SAP standards were not met and how the situation has been resolved. • Supporting documents for all issues mentioned in statement. • Provide a statement explaining, in detail, the steps that will be taken and resources that will be used to ensure remaining courses are successfully completed. Approval and/or reinstatement of financial aid eligibility is not guaranteed.

The Professional Judgment Team reviews all appeals on a case-by-case basis. Approval is only granted when there are significant extenuating circumstances. All decisions made by the Professional Judgment Team are final.

The University allows students a maximum of two approved appeals during enrollment at the University. The appeals cannot be consecutive and will only be considered if significant extenuating circumstances exist.

If the appeal is approved the student is placed on financial aid probation (FP) status and eligible for federal financial aid for one additional payment period.

- The University will disburse federal financial aid funds to students on financial aid probation (FP) status for one payment period, provided all other eligibility requirements are met.
- The student must meet University financial aid SAP standards at the end of the subsequent payment period to maintain federal financial aid eligibility.

Cost of Attendance Policy

A student’s cost of attendance (COA) is established for use in calculating amounts of federal financial aid awards and packaging aid. The COA consists of various components to determine eligibility for a period of enrollment. The University reviews and, if necessary, updates each component annually, referencing the College Board website, http://professionals.collegeboard.com/higher-ed, the National Retail Federation Survey and reviewing actual institutional data. If an annual adjustment is deemed nominal at 5 percent or less, the University may opt to maintain the COA used in the prior award year.

The average monthly living expense, electronic course materials and book estimates used in the federal cost of attendance (COA) are as follows:

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Contact a local campus for detailed information regarding actual tuition and fee information.

Policy

The University uses an average monthly cost of living expense based on the following:

- Nine months for associates degree-seeking students
- Ten months for bachelor’s degree-seeking students
- Twelve months for graduate students

The University’s COA is made up of the following components:

Tuition

Average tuition rates are obtained annually for Online campus programs and local campus programs at each degree level. The tuition expense for the COA is an average based on modality and degree level. The University documents how averages are calculated and makes this information available upon request. If a student’s period of enrollment is less than a full academic year, costs will be adjusted to match the period of enrollment.

Electronic Course Materials and Books

The University charges a flat fee for each enrolled course, for the period of enrollment.

Living Expense

- Housing
- Transportation excluding Online students
- Miscellaneous

The monthly living expense component is based on an average between moderate and low, as published by the College Board. This average is used to calculate a monthly living expense amount used for students of all regions and states. The monthly living expense is then multiplied by the months in the loan period, based on degree level. Students receiving military housing assistance will have a reduction in living expenses in the amount of the housing allowance.
Remaining Periods
Remaining periods of enrollment will be prorated if the loan period contains less than 24 credit hours. Proration is calculated by dividing the number of remaining instructional weeks by four, rounding up that result, and multiplying it by the monthly living expense amount.

The COA will not increase if a remaining period needs to be extended due to the student failing or withdrawing from a course(s) in the prorated period.

Loan Fees
The University calculates an average loan fee as one of the components in the COA by performing a separate calculation for undergraduate and graduate students.

School Supplies
The University computes an average supply fee by reviewing the National Retail Federation Survey; designed to gauge consumer behavior and shopping trends related to back-to-college spending. This documentation is available for review, upon request.

Tribal Budget
The University prepares a separate tribal budget for students who receive tribal funding. The tribal budget consists of actual tuition rates for the tuition component and may include a child or dependent care average component obtained from the National Association of Childcare Resource and Referral Agency (NACCRRA). The University averages each childcare type for weekly and hourly cost for each state. Documentation is available for review, upon request.

Leave of Absence
A leave of absence (LOA) is a temporary interruption in a student’s program of study, whether necessitated by a planned or an unanticipated event or circumstance. An approved LOA is not required if a student is not in attendance only for a scheduled break. However, a scheduled break may occur during an approved LOA.

An LOA must meet certain conditions to be approved. An LOA may be approved if the University determines that the LOA Request meets all requirements and conditions of the University policy and federal regulations (34 CFR 668.22(d)), including that there exists a reasonable expectation the student will return to the University at the end of the LOA period. Students must follow this LOA Policy when requesting the LOA. If an LOA does not meet the requirements and conditions of University policy and applicable federal regulations, the student may be withdrawn from the University in accordance with the University’s withdrawal policy. Upon withdrawal, the University is required to perform a Return of Title IV (R2T4) Calculation.

Generally, the student must submit an LOA request and any supporting documentation on or before the start of the LOA. However, if unforeseen circumstances prevent the student from providing a prior written request for the LOA, the University may grant the LOA request, if appropriate.

Leave of Absence Request Form
Provide to the campus finance advisor a completed, signed, and dated LOA Request Form on or before the start of the requested LOA. The LOA Request Form is available for download from the Financial Aid Website (FAW), https://faw.phoenix.edu/

Written Request
Provide to the campus finance advisor a written, signed, and dated request, on or before the start of the requested LOA, including the reason for the LOA.

Unofficial Withdrawal
If a student is out of attendance due to an unforeseen circumstance and considered an unofficial withdrawal and the campus can document the reason and decision for the LOA prior to the return calculation being performed, the student will be placed on an approved LOA. However, if the student is an unofficial withdrawal and the campus does not document the reason prior to the calculation being performed, the student will be considered an unofficial withdrawal.

Length
Length of an LOA is the number of days between the LOA start date and the LOA reentry date. The first day of the initial LOA is used when determining the start date for the 12-month period. If a student is granted an LOA due to unforeseen circumstances, the beginning date of the approved LOA is the first date the student was unable to attend class because of the unforeseen circumstance.

Extension
The student may request an LOA extension if the request is made before the scheduled reentry date. An extension request must be written, signed and dated and provided to the campus finance advisor on or before the scheduled reentry date. The student must demonstrate good cause for an LOA extension. Apollo Financial Aid (AFA) will make the final determination on any LOA extension request.
Disbursements The University may disburse Pell, IASG, FSEOG and Perkins loan funds to a student on an LOA. Federal financial aid funds that are part of a credit balance created before a student began an LOA may be paid to a student, since those funds were disbursed before the student went on the LOA.

Coursework The University will allow students returning from an LOA to complete coursework started prior to the LOA with no additional charges.

Failure to Return
A student who is granted an approved LOA remains in an in-school status for federal financial aid repayment purposes. However, if a student on an approved LOA fails to return, the University must report the student’s change in enrollment status to loan holders as of the withdrawal date. A possible consequence of not returning from an LOA is that the grace period for a federal financial aid loan program might be exhausted in whole or in part. Therefore, before the University will grant an LOA for a student who is receiving federal financial aid, HEA program loan recipient, the student must acknowledge possible consequences for failure to return at the end of an LOA, including the possible exhaustion of all or part of the student’s grace period.

Terms and Conditions

Prior Loan Deferments
If a student is registered and attending classes at the University, a student may have federal financial aid loans from previous colleges deferred. Deferment forms can be obtained from the lender if the loan is from another school. All deferment forms must be returned to the Student Finance Advisor, who will forward the forms to University Services in Phoenix, Arizona, for processing to the holder of the student’s loan. The loan holder makes the final determination of granting a student’s deferment request. Students receiving federal financial aid funds may also obtain deferments while serving in the Peace Corps; under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act; and as a volunteer for a tax-exempt organization of demonstrated effectiveness in the field on community service.

Borrowers must formally request a deferment through the procedures established by the holder of their loan or loans. Detailed information regarding deferments may be viewed at www.studentaid.ed.gov or www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/DirectLoan/postpone.html.

Receiving a deferment is not automatic; therefore, a student or a student’s parent must apply for it.

Loan Consolidation
A consolidation loan may help make payments more manageable by combining several federal student loans into one loan with one monthly payment. A student will need to apply for a loan consolidation and choose a repayment plan. Repayment plans include the following: standard, extended, graduated, income-contingent for direct loans, income-sensitive for Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), or income-based.


Loan Forgiveness Information
Under certain circumstances, the federal government will cancel all or part of an educational loan. To qualify, a student must complete at least one the following:
- Perform volunteer work
- Perform military service
- Teach or practice medicine in certain types of communities
- Meet other criteria specified by the forgiveness program


Application of Funds
The University will only apply federal financial aid funds to allowable charges. Allowable charges are defined as tuition (including Direct Study and state sales tax), electronic course materials, and California Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) Assessment Fee (if applicable).

Federal financial aid and state assistance funds are retained at the time of disbursement to pay allowable charges owed the University because of monies returned to the student or parent, or returned to the federal financial aid or state assistance program.

Authorization to Apply Financial Aid Funds
The University applies federal financial aid funds to a student account for current tuition, electronic course materials, and directed study fees including state sales tax for the payment period and prior year charges up to $200.

If a student authorized the University, through completion of the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form during the financial aid application process, the University also retains federal financial aid funds for unpaid estimated future charges owed to the University for the loan period/academic year. Future charges are defined as allowable charges that have not been charged to a student account.

If a student is eligible to receive any remaining funds for the payment period, the credit balance funds are returned to the student in a living expenses check. At that time, the student is notified of the disposition of funds the University retained. Total processing time is approximately two weeks from date the University receives funds from the lender.

The University will not require or coerce the authorization and will notify the student or parent they may cancel or modify the authorization at any time. If the student or parent chooses to cancel or modify the authorization, the cancellation or modification is not retroactive. Funds retained for incurred allowable charges and prior year charges retained prior to the University receiving the authorized cancellation will remain on account. If modifications have been requested, subsequent disbursements will be processed according to remaining authorizations.

There are three options to notify the University regarding Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form:
- Initial notification on financial aid website (FAW), https://faw.phoenix.edu/
- The student is prompted to answer authorization to apply funds questions when completing the financial aid application process.
- When a student electronically signs and submits the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form, they no longer have access to make corrections on the FAW for that award year.
- Update or Change Authorization to Apply to Future Charges
  - If a student or parent wants to update original authorization to apply funds, they can submit signed and dated statement outlining any changes to the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form at any time. Student completes and faxes to AFA for processing. A submitted update is only in effect for future disbursements and the authorizations are retroactive.
- Signed statement
  - The University will accept a signed statement from a student or parent outlining any changes to the Authorization to Apply to Future Charges form at any time.
  - AFA processes the request accordingly.
  - A submitted update is only in effect for future disbursements and authorizations are not retroactive.

Federal Financial Aid Credit Balance
Whenever the University credits federal financial aid funds to a student’s account, and those funds exceed the student’s allowable charges, a federal financial aid credit balance occurs. The order in which funds are credited does not matter. The University will pay the excess federal financial aid funds directly to the student as soon as possible, but no later than 14 days after the balance occurred on the student’s account. The University will not require a student to take any actions to obtain his or her credit balance.

Timeline to Issue a Federal Financial Aid Credit Balance
If there is no authorization on file, excess funds will be issued by the University to the student within 14 days of the date that funds are disbursed (applied to the student’s account, or in the case of a check, the date that the check is signed by the student or parent). If the student or parent cancels their authorization to retain excess funds, the University will return any federal financial aid funds on account to the student or parent within 14 calendar days of receiving the request for cancellation. The cancellation request or modification is not retroactive and it takes effect on the date the University receives it from the student/parent.

Timeline to Issue Federal Financial Aid Credit Balance for Book Voucher
Pell eligible students with a federal financial aid credit balance that meets the criteria of funds that could have been disbursed 10 days prior to the beginning of the payment period will be provided the lesser of the amount of the credit balance or the amount needed by the student as determined by the University. These funds will be supplied to the student in the form of a book voucher no later than the 7th day of the payment period. Students may opt out of this offer by declining the book voucher.

Treatment of Unclaimed Federal Financial Aid Credit Balance
If the University is unable to locate a student to pay a credit balance and has exhausted all possible avenues to find the student, the University will return the credit balance to the federal financial aid programs.

The University will return any unclaimed federal financial aid credit balance issued by check to the applicable federal financial aid programs no later than 240 days after the check issued date. If the funds were issued via electronic funds transfer (EFT) and subsequently rejected, the University will return the funds to the applicable federal financial aid programs no later than 45 days after the funds were returned or rejected.

Financial Aid Awarding
The law requires financial aid administrators to determine whether a student is eligible for grant programs prior to loan programs of federal student aid (PSA) to reduce the need for borrowing. The University estimates Federal Pell Grant Program eligibility as Estimated Financial Assistance (EFA) when making Campus-Based awards. Pell Grant eligibility for an undergraduate student is estimated before originating a subsidized or unsubsidized Direct loan for that student. In addition, an unsubsidized Direct Loan is not originated without first determining the need for a subsidized Direct Loan. However, if the amount of the subsidized Direct loan is $200 or less and the amount can be included as part of an unsubsidized Direct Loan, the University is not required to originate a separate subsidized loan.

For a dependent student, the University may originate a Parent PLUS and disburse Parent PLUS funds without determining the Pell Grant and subsidized Direct Loan eligibility for a student. Determining Pell eligibility is not relevant for Grad PLUS, but (unlike Parent PLUS) the University must determine a graduate/professional maximum subsidized/unsubsidized Direct loan eligibility before the student applies for PLUS.

Schedule Requirements
An academic year is defined as a minimum of 24 credits and 30 weeks of instructional time. The academic year begins with the first eligible course of a degree program and ends when a student successfully completes the credits and weeks time requirement. An academic year has no calendar time constraints and continues through periods of non-attendance that are less than 180 days until both credit and weeks requirement are met. A week of instructional time includes at least one academic related activity for federal financial aid.

Overlapping Courses
Students who overlap courses more than twice within an academic year, or associate degree students who take more than two courses concurrently, may need to complete more than 24 credits to complete 30 weeks of instructional time. In addition, the academic policy of the University prohibits a student from taking more than two courses concurrently without written approval from the campus Director of Academic Affairs. Due to overlapping courses there will be more credit hours included in the academic year, federal financial aid may not completely cover the cost of attendance and related charges.

Audits, Withdrawals, Non-Required Courses and Repeats
The law prohibits payment for auditing a course or payment for any course for which an assigned grade is not used in computing requirements for graduation. This includes repeats of grades D or better, unless a higher grade is required, withdrawals, and courses that are not applicable to the declared degree objective. This does not apply to repeats of required courses that a student has failed.
Financial Aid Disbursements

Federal
A student can receive the first disbursement of federal financial aid funds at the start of program or academic year. The student becomes eligible to receive a disbursement of federal financial aid funds for the second payment period when they successfully complete one-half the weeks of instructional time and one-half the credit hours in the academic year, program or the remaining portion of a program more than one-half of an academic year but less than a full academic year.

First-time, first-year undergraduate borrowers will not have the first installment disbursed until 30 calendar days after the program of study academic year begins.

Disbursement for Books and Supplies
Pell eligible students who have completed all student eligibility requirements 10 days prior to the start of the academic year/payment period and will have a federal financial aid credit balance may request to use Pell funds to purchase books and supplies. The student will be provided with the lesser of the credit balance or amount needed for the books and supplies as determined by the University by the 7th day of the payment period.

The credit balance will be provided as a book voucher. Students receiving funds through this method do not need to provide written authorization and may opt out of receiving a book voucher. If a student opts out of receiving the voucher, the credit balance will be sent to them approximately two weeks after all federal financial aid funds have been disbursed.

State
Term based or payment period disbursements are determined by each state. Payment periods are paid in installments during the course of a program of study to help meet the cost in each payment period. The payment period determines when funds are disbursed and the exact amount to be disbursed. The regulations provide a separate payment period definition for each type of academic programs. Programs that measure progress in credit hours and have academic terms, for credit-hour term programs, the payment period is the term. In the case of programs that measure progress in credits without academic terms, the school is required to either divide the program’s academic year, program or portion of a program into payment periods.

Attendance
Students must be considered enrolled and attending the University to maintain federal financial aid eligibility.

Class Attendance
Attendance at class meetings is required. Students are responsible for scheduling and planning ahead for any absences that may occur during a course to the extent possible.

Local Campus: Most local campus classes meet four (4) hours per week. Student/learners are in attendance at the local campus workshops if they physically attend the local campus workshop meeting at any time during the scheduled class and sign the attendance roster. Attendance at the scheduled campus class meetings is mandatory.

Directed Study: Attendance in Directed Study courses is tracked in the same manner for both the local campus and online modalities. A Directed Study student/learner receives automatic attendance for a class week if she or he posts one (1) message to any of the course forums during the scheduled class week. Deadlines for attendance are based on Mountain Standard Time. FlexNet® FlexNet® student/learners are in attendance at the local campus workshops if they physically attend the local campus workshop meeting during the scheduled class hours and sign the attendance roster. They are in attendance during online class weeks if they post to any of the class forums on two separate days based on Mountain Standard Time within the online class week. Attendance for the online weeks of a FlexNet® course is tracked automatically.

Attendance is mandatory in all University courses; however, circumstances do occasionally arise which prevent a student from attending class. The University’s unexcused absence policy allows unexcused absence(s) to be granted based on the number of workshops within a course (refer to the chart below). An unexcused absence may affect the final course grade due to the missed opportunity to earn participation points. Unexcused absences will result in an automatic withdrawal (W) grade if students miss more than the maximum allowed absences. Refer to the chart below:

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Faculty requests for a withdrawal/failing (WF) grade will be approved for extenuating circumstances only and will be administered by the Registrar’s Office. Requests should be submitted to the Registrar’s Office by sending the approved Official Grade/Attendance Change Form.

Academically Related Activities (ARA)
To maintain continuous attendance and financial aid eligibility, the following activities that occur on or after the course start date and on or before the course end date will be considered academically related activities. Academically Related Activities (ARAs) determine a student’s enrollment status with the University. Students can maintain continuous enrollment by ensuring no more than 14 days elapse between posting attendance at an academically related activity.

For Online/Directed Study Students:
- All OLS Postings in a course (includes discussions, assignments, and quizzes, learning team activities)
For Local Campus Students:
• Physical Attendance: verified by a signed attendance roster
• Assignments posted via the assignment link
• Learning Team Acknowledgements via assignment link

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FlexNet® Courses:
• Online Learning System (OLS) posts occurring during Online workshop week will be counted as an academic related activity

Financial Policies and Procedures

Finance Plans
Cash Plan
The Cash Plan requires all tuition and electronic course materials fees to be paid in full prior to the start of each course.

Federal Financial Aid Plan
The Federal Financial Aid Plan is available to students receiving federal grants, federal loans or both to pay for tuition in an eligible degree or a certificate program.

Military or Government Billing Plan
Under the Military or Government Billing Plan, University of Phoenix directly bills the military or other government agency for a student’s tuition.

Third-Party Billing Plan
Under the Third-Party Billing Plan, University of Phoenix directly bills an approved employer for a student’s tuition.

Tuition Deferral Plan
The Tuition Deferral Plan is available for students whose employers offer to repay some or all of their employees' tuition. The plan is also available to students receiving benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Supplemental Funding
Private Student Loans
Private student loans are credit-based funding source provided by outside, nonfederal lenders to pay for the cost of attendance not covered by any other financial aid. Private student loans are credit-based funding source provided by outside, non-federal lenders. Eligibility and terms and conditions are determined by the lender.

Tribal Funding
Several American Indian tribal nations provide funding for the tuition of a student who is a recognized member.

Learn more about ways students help finance their education online at www.phoenix.edu/content/altcloud/en/tuition_and_financial_options/tuition_and_fees.html.

Payment Policies
Tuition for each course must be paid according to the terms and conditions outlined in the primary financial option selected on the Student Financial Agreement form. Students who do not comply with the primary financial option term will not be allowed to attend classes.

A student may be administratively withdrawn for failure to make payment in a timely manner, preventing the student from attending future class sessions, until the amount owed is paid in full or satisfactory payment arrangements are made.

All applicable fees are due and payable as incurred. Electronic course material and books for each course must be paid at the time they are ordered or in accordance with a student’s stated payment option. Students are required to clear any indebtedness to the University before grades and transcripts will be issued or the degree awarded.

All costs of collection, court costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees will be added to delinquent accounts collected through third parties. University of Phoenix may obtain a current credit report as needed to support decision to defer tuition payment or to assist in collection of amounts owed.

All tuition, fees and payment policies are subject to change.

Students who primarily attend a University of Phoenix campus other than University of Phoenix Online are subject to financial approval by their primary campus prior to enrolling in a course.

Processing and Late Fees
A late fee is assessed for every course for which the student's tuition payment has not been received according to the terms of the primary financial option selected. A processing fee is charged for checks returned for any reason.

Tuition Deferrment Options
Tuition and fees can be deferred up to 60 days from the start of a course if the following information is provided prior to a student's course start date:
• A signed Tuition Reimbursement Certification and Authorization Form along with a valid credit card or debit card
• A completed Student Authorization Form

Both of these forms can be found in the Student Authorization and Agreement section of the Financial Options Guide.

Financial Options Guide
The Financial Options Guide has been updated and can be reviewed at http://cdn-static.phoenix.edu/content/dam/altcloud/tuition/financial-options-guide.pdf

Financial Obligation
The University does not impose penalties on students who are unable to meet financial obligations due to delays caused by the University.

Drop Credit Policy
The student may request a tuition credit from University of Phoenix when he or she drops a course due to extenuating circumstances.

Eligibility Requirements
If the student drops from a course and earns a W grade, the student may be eligible for a tuition credit. In a 12-month period, credit for no more than two single courses for a bachelor or higher degree, or credit for no more than two blocks in an associate degree program may be applied.

The 12-month period begins on the end date of the first dropped course for which the student receives a tuition credit. If the student receives a tuition credit, the student must complete at least one course with a grade other than W or WF prior to qualifying for a second tuition credit.

Apollo Group, Inc., employees, spouses, dependents and faculty members are not eligible for the tuition credit.

Deadlines
The student must submit the request within 59 days from the end date of the dropped course. The W grade does not have to post prior to submission. The tuition credit is valid for up to 60 days from the end date of the dropped course.
Credit Amount
The tuition credit applies to the course taken immediately following the dropped course. If the amount of the credit is greater than the tuition rate of the course subsequently taken, the University will apply the remaining credit to another course. Both courses must start within 60 days from the end date of the dropped course. The student may use the credit at any University of Phoenix campus. The credit cannot be transferred to another student. No cash refunds will be given.

Veterans Educational Benefits

Students who are entitled to U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) education benefits must make initial contact with a campus veteran affairs certifying official. A formal application for admission to the University should be completed before applying for DVA education benefits. Application for veteran education benefits should be sent to a local campus-certifying official for submission to the DVA.

Each University of Phoenix program segregated by instructional modality (classroom based or distance education), requires separate State Approving Agency (SAA) approval for the training of veterans or eligible persons. A student should contact a local campus for information on current approvals. DVA education benefit eligibility and payment rates vary depending on each individual’s military history and educational program being pursued. Only the DVA can determine DVA education applications eligibility. For information, a student should contact a DVA representative, toll free at (888)-GI-BILL-1 (888-442-4551) or review http://www.gibill.va.gov.

Directed study courses have Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DSST-DANTES) approval for tuition reimbursement. For more information on this program, a student should contact the Educational Service Officer on the military base. University of Phoenix does not participate in the DVA education advanced payment program.

More information about veterans’ benefits can be reviewed at http://www.phoenix.edu/colleges_divisions/military.html. Visit the Department of Veterans Affairs website, www.gibill.va.gov, for additional information on educational entitlements.

Credit for Prior Education and Training
Credit for prior education or training must be evaluated and reported to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) prior to the start of week 25 of enrollment. The DVA may not always pay DVA education benefits after week 24 if the DVA records indicate the student has a large amount of transfer credits. Please ensure all prior education transcripts, DD-295, DD-214, Army/American Council on Education Registry Transcript System (AAETS), Coast Guard institute transcripts, and Sailor/Marine/American Council on Education Registry transcripts are submitted for evaluation in a timely manner. The student is responsible to ensure all transcripts are submitted to the University. Academic credit earned for courses appearing on an official transcript from a nationally accredited or candidate for accreditation college or university will be evaluated according to University policies and accepted subject to the approval of the University Office of Admissions and Evaluation.

Transfer credits based on a different unit of credit than the one prescribed by University of Phoenix are subject to conversion before being transferred. Only the official transcript and course evaluations performed by the University Office of Admissions and Evaluation or Prior Learning Assessment Center are final. Any preliminary reviews by campus personnel are unofficial, not binding and subject to change.

DVA Standard of Academic Progress Requirements
To receive DVA education benefits, a student must maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP) and conduct. Accordingly, benefits will be terminated for individuals who are disqualified, suspended or expelled from the University.

Academic Probation
Academic probation shall occur when a grade point average (GPA) falls below acceptable levels. Undergraduate degree-seeking students must maintain a program GPA of 2.0. Graduate and doctoral students must maintain a program GPA of 3.0. Probation lasts for a period of four consecutive courses. Any coursework taken concurrently will be applied to the three consecutive course period. Veteran students will continue to receive DVA education benefits during the probation period. The veteran will be informed of the probation, and a notation to the student DVA file will record when the probationary period commenced.

Academic Disqualification
Academic disqualification (AD) will result if a student fails to clear an academic probation status within four courses from the onset of probation. Veteran students will not be eligible for DVA educational benefits after disqualification. The DVA and student will be notified of the disqualification. To reapply, a formal application for admission must be submitted in accordance with University admission procedures. In addition, applicants should explain the reasons for the scholastic deficiencies; the manner in which the intervening time has been spent; and why they should be given favorable consideration for readmission. The readmission file will be reviewed by the Student Appeals Center and a decision reached regarding readmission. If approved, the student would be required to complete all program requirements in effect at the time of readmission. An application for DVA education benefits will also be necessary to reestablish benefits with University of Phoenix.

Military Tuition Assistance
To obtain federal military tuition assistance, visit the education office to receive college counseling and develop an education plan. From that point, a student can submit a military Tuition Assistance request, http://www.phoenix.edu/colleges_divisions/military/military-financial-options/tuition-assistance.html

A student can currently receive 100 percent federal tuition assistance from military service, with a $250 cap per semester hour and a $4,500 annual limit.

If a student wants to apply the military tuition assistance, a student will need to submit a completed authorization form to a Military University Representative at least two weeks before a course start date.
DVA Tuition Assistance Top-Up Benefit

Active duty students requesting to use the Tuition Assistance Top-Up (TATU) benefit program should direct all questions or concerns to the DVA at 1-888-GI-BILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) or online at www.gibill.va.gov/. University of Phoenix VA certifying official is not involved in the processing of any TATU request.

For more information about VA Tuition Assistance and financial options, go to www.phoenix.edu/colleges_divisions/military/military-financial-options/tuition-assistance.html.

Readmission of Servicemembers

Any student whose absence from the University is necessitated by reason of service in the uniformed services is entitled to readmission if the following criteria are met:

- The student (or an appropriate officer of the Armed Forces or official of the Department of Defense) gives verbal or written notice to the University’s Military Division verifying that the student’s absence from the University was necessitated by service in the uniformed services.
- The cumulative length of the absence and of all previous absences from the University by reason of service in the uniformed services does not exceed five years.

Note: A student who submits an application for readmission to the University must provide documentation to establish that the student has not exceeded the specified service limitations and that the student’s eligibility for readmission has not been terminated. Examples of documentation to verify that the student is still within the acceptable service limitations include the student’s deployment paperwork or a letter from the commanding officer that includes the student’s dates of service.

Exception: The University may not delay or attempt to avoid readmission of a student under this section by demanding documentation that does not exist, or is not readily available, at the time of readmission.

- The student submits verbal or written notification of intent to reenroll.

Note: If the student’s last date of attendance with the University is more than 365 days in the past, the student must complete an updated admissions application and Enrollment Agreement in accordance with the University reentry policy. The Military Division should then submit these completed documents along with the Servicemembers Readmission Form to eXp. The student may remain in original program/version without appeal provided the cumulative length of absence does not exceed five years and that the program has not been expired.

A student’s eligibility for readmission under this section by reason of such student’s service in the uniformed services terminates upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- A separation of such person from the Armed Forces (including the National Guard and Reserves) with a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge, OR
- A dismissal of such person permitted under section 1161(a) of Title 10, USC, OR
- A dropping of such person from the roles pursuant to section 1161(b) of Title 10, USC, http://uscode.house.gov/download/title_10.shtml.

Note: If the student does not submit a notification of intent to reenroll within the time limits, the student is subject to the University established leave of absence policy and general practices.
GENERAL INFORMATION

Accreditation, Licensures, Reviews, and Approvals
University of Phoenix is accredited, reviewed and/or approved by federal, state and international agencies, as well as private accreditation bodies.

Federal
U.S. Department of Education, Certificate of Eligibility

State and International Licensures
University of Phoenix is approved to operate in most U.S. states, territories and possessions, either through licensure, registration, general or specific approvals or annual extension of exemption.
- Alabama Commission on Higher Education
- Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education
- Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education
- Arkansas Department of Higher Education
- State of California
- Colorado Department of Higher Education, Commission on Higher Education
- Department of Higher Education, State of Connecticut
- Delaware Department of Education
- Government of the District of Columbia, Education Licensure Commission
- Florida Commission for Independent Education
- Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission
- State of Hawaii, Office of the Governor
- Idaho State Board of Education
- Illinois Board of Higher Education
- State of Indiana Commission on Proprietary Education (COPE)
- Iowa College Student Aid Commission
- Kansas Board of Regents
- Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education
- State of Louisiana Board of Regents
- Maryland Higher Education Commission
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Higher Education
- State of Michigan Department of Education, Postsecondary Services
- Minnesota Office of Higher Education
- Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation
- State of Missouri Coordinating Board of Higher Education
- Montana Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education
- Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
- Nevada State Commission on Postsecondary Education
- New Jersey Commission on Higher Education
- New Mexico Higher Education Department
- Board of Governors for the University of North Carolina
- Ohio Board of Regents
- Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
- Oregon Office of Degree Authorization
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Education
- Consejo de Educación Superior de Puerto Rico/Puerto Rico Council on Higher Education
- South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
- South Dakota Board of Regents
- Tennessee Higher Education Commission
- Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
- Utah System of Higher Education State Board of Regents
- Commonwealth of Virginia State Counsel of Higher Education
- The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia
- State of Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board
- State of Wisconsin Educational Approval Board
- Wyoming Department of Education

For additional information on state and international licensures visit http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/accreditation.html

Private

Regional Accreditation
University of Phoenix is regionally accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC/NCA).

HLC/NCA
230 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago IL 60604-1413
Phone: (312) 263-0456 | (800) 621-7440 | Fax: 312-263-7462
http://www.ncahlc.org

Program Accreditation
University of Phoenix School of Business/Business Programs
University of Phoenix is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) to offer business degrees in Associate of Arts in Business Foundations, Associate of Arts in Accounting, Bachelor of Science in Business, Master of Business Administration, Master of Management, Doctor of Business Administration, and Doctor of Management.

ACBSP
11520 W. 119th St.
Overland Park, KS 66213
Phone: (913) 339-9356
http://www.acbsp.org

College of Nursing/Nursing Programs
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

CCNE
One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530
Washington, DC 20036-1120
Phone: (202) 887-6791 Fax: (202) 887-8476
http://www.aacn.nche.edu/accreditation/

College of Education/Education Programs
The Master of Arts in Education program with options in Elementary Teacher Education and Secondary Teacher Education has been approved for initial accreditation by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC) for a period of five years, from December 20, 2007 to December 20, 2012.
academic programs through the following state agencies:

- Arizona Department of Education
- California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)
- Colorado Department of Education (CDE)
- Hawaii Teacher Standards Board (HTSB)
- Idaho State Department of Education
- Indiana Department of Education (IDOE)
- Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED)
- Nevada Department of Education (NDE)
- Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission
- Puerto Rico Department of Education
- Texas Education Agency (TEA)
- Utah State Office of Education (UTOE)

(Programs vary by state. Not all programs are approved in all states.)

College of Social Sciences/Counseling Programs
The Master of Science in Counseling Program with a specialization in Community Counseling (Phoenix and Southern AZ campuses) and the Master of Science in Counseling Program in Mental Health Counseling (UT campus) are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). The Master of Science in Counseling Program in Mental Health Counseling (Phoenix and Southern AZ campuses) and the Master of Science in Counseling Program in Mental Health Counseling (UT campus) are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

CACREP
1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 510
Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: (703) 535-5990
http://www.cacrep.org

Additional Information
A student can view additional information at www.phoenix.edu/about_us/accreditation.html.

Academic Program and Instructional Facilities Information and General Contact Information
Academic program offerings and instructional facilities vary according to geographic area and delivery mode at the local campus or Online Campus. Not all programs are available at all locations.

Academic Programs
University of Phoenix offers undergraduate and graduate programs in business and management, information systems and technology, criminal justice and security, human services, nursing and health care, social and behavioral sciences, natural sciences, the humanities, and education. Detailed information regarding academic programs offered at specific instructional facilities is located at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/degree-programs.html.

Academic Program Improvement
University of Phoenix pursues a strategy of continuous quality improvement in relation to its academic programs. This strategy is implemented through assessment programs designed to measure student learning at various levels within the University. Multiple types of assessment are utilized to create an as comprehensive a picture as possible of the strengths and potential challenges to student learning. Resulting data can be used to improve academic programs and enhance the overall academic experience. During each fiscal year from September 1 to August 31, the colleges and schools within the University follow pre-established plans to conduct programmatic assessment. Plan progress is monitored quarterly through the fiscal year. The process for assessment of academic programs uses the following four phases:

1. Assessment Planning
2. Collecting Evidence and Analyzing Data
3. Implementing Improvement
4. Monitoring Effectiveness of Improvements

By utilizing this assessment process, the colleges and schools are able to evaluate academic programs, identify areas for potential change, modify assessment plans as needed, communicate changes in academic programs to faculty and students, and pursue continuous quality improvement.

Students or potential students may obtain a copy of the improvement plan for a specific program by contacting

University of Phoenix Office of Academic Administration
4615 E. Elwood St.
Mail Stop: AA-S402
Phoenix, AZ 85040

Disability Services
University of Phoenix recognizes and accepts its obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of a disability and requiring the University to provide reasonable accommodations and academic adjustments to qualified disabled students in all University programs and activities. The University of Phoenix Disability Services Office provides services to students with temporary health issues or a permanent disability.

Students have the responsibility to both self-disclose and request accommodation through the campus disability services advisor. Communication with faculty or other staff members does not constitute fulfilling the University ADA accommodation requirements. Confirmation through documentation from a health care provider is required prior to accommodations or adjustments being determined and fulfilled.
Obtain Information

The campus disability services advisor is responsible for managing the ADA process, including negotiations, and finalizing appropriate student accommodations. Additional information and a list of campus disability services advisors are located at http://www.phoenix.edu/students/disability-services.html

General Contact Information

Direct all questions regarding admissions, academics, financial options, facilities or general institutional issues to the following offices:

Central Administration
1625 West Fountainhead Pkwy
Tempe, AZ 85282-2371
(800) 366-9699

Online Campus
University of Phoenix
1625 West Fountainhead Pkwy
Tempe, AZ 85282-2371
866.766.0766

Transfer Center
1625 West Fountainhead Pkwy
Tempe, AZ 85282-2371
800.866.3919
480.446.4600
Fax: 480.303.5832

Campus contact information is located at http://www.phoenix.edu/campus-locations.html.

Personnel

Faculty
University faculty members are accomplished managers, technology leaders, professional educators, corporate executives, financial officers, human services professionals and leaders in other professional areas who also possess advanced degrees. A listing of faculty may be obtained at each local campus. To find a local campus, go to www.phoenix.edu/campus_locations/campus_locations.aspx. Faculty profiles can be found at www.phoenix.edu/faculty/our_faculty.html.

Credit Transfer

Information regarding criteria used to evaluate the transfer of credit earned at another institution is located at www.phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information/previous_college_education.html

Articulation Agreements

A list of institutions University of Phoenix has established articulation agreements can be viewed at www.phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information/articulation.html

Corporate Articulations

A list of corporations that University of Phoenix has established articulation agreements can be viewed at http://www.phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information/transfer_credit/corporate_articulation.html

Reverse Transfer Agreements

University of Phoenix has established reverse transfer agreements with partnering institutions. With a Reverse Transfer Agreement in place, University of Phoenix will notify the partner transfer institution of or certificate-seeking students who have never attended another institution of higher learning, and graduate within 150 percent of the normal time to completion. Data are collected on the number of students entering the institution as first-time, full-time (FTFT) degree- and/or certificate-seeking undergraduate students in a particular cohort year. Graduation rates are disaggregated by race and ethnicity, gender and federal financial aid grant or loan funds. For the graduation rates, please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/graduation-rates.html.

Retention Rates

In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must make available information regarding graduation rates as defined by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). This graduation measure includes only undergraduate degree- and/or certificate-seeking students who have never attended another institution of higher learning, and graduate within 150 percent of the normal time to completion. Data are reported on the number of students entering the institution as first-time, full-time (FTFT) degree- and/or certificate-seeking undergraduate students in a particular cohort year. Graduation rates are disaggregated by race and ethnicity, gender and federal financial aid grant or loan funds. For the graduation rates, please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/graduation-rates.html.

Student Diversity

In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must make available information regarding student diversity as defined by the IPEDS. Data reported are for enrolled full-time students. For further details please go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/student-diversity.html.

Types of Education Graduates Enroll

In accordance with the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended, each postsecondary educational institution must make available information regarding the types of graduate and professional education in which graduates of the institution four-year degree programs enrolled. Approximately 18% of students who completed a bachelor’s degree from the University of Phoenix between July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010 went on to enroll in a graduate or professional program at the University of Phoenix. The majority of these students enrolled in the following programs:

- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Psychology
- Master of Science in Accountancy
- Master of Management
- Master of Information Systems
The data is derived from the IPEDS completion survey (July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010 data) and the IPEDS Fall Enrollment survey (fall 2009 data).

**Alumni Attending Graduate School**

Forty-three percent of University of Phoenix alumni indicated they are attending, or plan to attend, graduate school.

Of this 43%, 71% are currently pursuing a graduate degree at the University of Phoenix.

Of this 43%, 20% plan to pursue a graduate degree at the University of Phoenix.

**Working Alumni**

Based on responses from the Alumni Association's 2011 survey, the following represents the type of industry in which our alumni work:

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**Alumni Occupations**

The following represents occupations of University alumni:

- Other 19%
- Executive, Manager, Administrator 16%
- Teacher/Educator/Education Administrator 8%
- Admin Support, Records/Data Processor 7%
- Sales or Marketing Representative 5%
- Registered Nurse/Other Nursing Professional 5%
- Technician/Technologist 5%
- Computer Programmer/Systems Analyst 3%
- Accountant 3%
- Other Health Professional 3%
- Engineer/Architect 2%
- Business Consultant 2%
- Business Owner 2%
- Psychologist, Counselor, Social Worker 2%
- Protective Services (Police, Fire, Security) 2%
- Military Personnel 1%
- Food or Personnel Service 1%

Survey completed in 2011 between January 17 and February 11; a total of 27,416 alumni respondents.
Withdrawing From the University
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Circumstances may necessitate withdrawal from the University. A student who received, or is eligible to receive federal financial aid funds provided certain criteria are met, and subsequently officially or unofficially withdraws is subject to a Return of Title IV (R2T4) Calculation as required by federal regulations.

Official Withdrawal
 Withdrawal Date
 Students who provide official notification of their intent to withdraw must complete the Official Withdrawal Rescission form via the University e-Campus website, https://ecampus.phoenix.edu/portal/portal/public/login.aspx, or notify the designated campus offices of Enrollment Services, Academic Services, and Financial Services to be considered official withdrawals. The withdrawal date for official withdrawals is the last date of academic attendance or attendance at an academically related activity determined from University attendance records.

Date of Determination
 The date of determination for students who officially withdraw from the University is the latter of the student’s withdrawal date or the date of notification. The University will return federal financial aid for which it is responsible no later than 45 days after the date the University determines the student has withdrawn.

Rescission of Official Notification
 Students who rescind their intent to withdraw must provide an electronic or written statement to the University stating their intent to reenroll as scheduled and complete the payment period. If the student subsequently withdraws after rescinding intent to withdraw, the withdrawal date is the latter of the date the student first provided notification to the University or the last date of academic attendance or academically related activity determined from the University’s attendance records. The date of determination for students who rescind their intent to withdraw and subsequently withdraw from the University, without official notification, is no greater than 15 days after the student’s official last date of attendance. Students who want to rescind their intent to withdraw must complete the Official Withdrawal Rescission form via e-Campus.

Unofficial Withdrawal
 Withdrawal Date
 Students who do not provide official notification to the University of their intent to withdraw are considered unofficial withdrawals after 14 consecutive days of nonattendance at an academically related activity. If a student requests an extension of the course he/she is currently attending and his/her intent is to complete the course, the days in the extension period will not count towards the 14 days of nonattendance at an academically related activity. In addition, students on an institutionally scheduled break of greater than five days or who have been granted an inclement weather exception will not have the days count towards the 14 days of nonattendance at an academically related activity.

The withdrawal date for a student who ceases attendance at the University, including a student who does not return from an approved leave of absence, is the last date of academic attendance or attendance at an academically related activity determined from the University’s attendance records. In the case of a student who has received an approved leave of absence, the University will review the student record on or after their originally approved return date.

The review determines if the student reentered as scheduled, or did not reenter as scheduled and must be withdrawn for the purposes of the Return of Title IV (R2T4) calculation and determent processing.

Date of Determination
 The date of determination for students who unofficially withdraw from the University is no greater than 1) 15 days after the official last date of attendance; or 2) when a student fails to return from an approved leave of absence. The University will return the amount of federal financial aid funds for which it is responsible no later than 45 days after the date the University determines the student has withdrawn.

Administrative Withdrawal
 Withdrawal Date
 Students who are withdrawn from the University due to failure to meet admission, academic, candidacy, financial or code of conduct policies are considered administrative withdrawals. The withdrawal date for students who are administratively withdrawn is the last date of academic attendance or attendance at an academically related activity.

Date of Determination
 The date of determination for students who are administratively withdrawn from the University is the date the University determines the withdrawal. The University will return federal financial aid funds for which it is responsible no later than 45 days after the date of the administrative withdrawal.

Return of Federal Financial Aid

The requirements for federal financial aid when a student withdraws are separate from the Institutional Refund Policy and State Refund Policy. Therefore, a student may still owe funds to the University for unpaid institutional charges. Federal regulations specify how the University must determine the amount of federal financial aid earned when a student withdraws from the University.

The percentage amount of federal financial aid a student earned in a payment period is calculated as follows:

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\text{Total Number of Calendar Days Completed in Payment Period} \\
\text{Total Number of Calendar Days in Payment Period}
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The amount of federal financial aid a student earned is determined on a rate-of-progress basis. For example, if a student completes three out of 12 credit hours in the payment period, the student has earned 25 percent of the payment period the student was scheduled to receive. When the student completes more than 60 percent of the payment period, the student earns all the assistance scheduled for that payment period.

A federal financial aid credit balance created during the payment period will not be released to the student nor returned to a federal financial aid program prior to performing the R2T4 Calculation. The University retains these funds even if, under the 14-day credit balance payment requirements, funds are otherwise required to be released. The University will perform the R2T4 Calculation, including any existing federal financial aid credit balance for the period in the calculation as disbursed aid.
The University will include any federal financial aid credit balance as disbursed aid. Although not included in the R2T4 Calculation, any federal financial aid credit balance from a prior period that remains on a student account when a student withdraws will be included as federal financial aid for purposes of determining the amount of any final federal financial aid credit balance when a student withdraws. Upon completion of any applicable refund policies, any federal financial aid credit balance will be allocated first to repay any grant overpayment owed by a student as result of the current withdrawal. Within 14 days of the date that the University performs the R2T4 Calculation, the University will pay any remaining federal financial aid credit balance in one or more of the following ways:

- Pay authorized charges at the University
- Reduce federal financial aid loan debt to the student or parent for a PLUS loan with student/parent authorization

The University will determine the results of the application of its refund policy before allocating a federal financial aid credit balance. However, the University is not required to complete its refund process, for example making a refund to a student, before completing the steps for allocating the federal financial aid credit balance.

If the University is unable to locate the student or parent when attempting to pay a credit balance, it will return the funds to the federal financial aid programs. The U.S. Department of Education does not specify the order of return to the federal financial aid programs for a credit balance, the University will return funds to federal financial aid programs in the appropriate order as describe in procedure and in the best interest of the student.

The calculation for unearned federal financial aid is as follows:

- Total amount disbursed + amount that could have been disbursed - amount of federal financial aid earned = amount of unearned federal financial aid that must be returned

The calculation of earned federal financial aid includes all student financial aid grants and loan funds that were disbursed or that could have been disbursed to a student.

In addition, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) program funds are excluded if the following resources are used as a matching source:

- University scholarships
- Tuition waivers
- State scholarships and grants
- Funds from foundations or other charitable organizations

The non-federal share of FSEOG program funds will be included if the University meets its matching share requirement with institutional funds.

**Return of Unearned Federal Financial Aid**

When a return of federal financial aid is due, the University and the student may both have a responsibility for returning funds. The University will return the lesser of the following amount to the appropriate federal financial aid programs:

- The total amount of unearned aid; or
- The amount equal to the total University charges incurred by the student for the payment period multiplied by the percentage of unearned aid

University charges incurred by the student will include tuition, fees, books and directed study including state sales tax initially assessed the student for the entire payment period. Initial charges will only be adjusted by those changes the University makes prior to the student withdrawal. If after the student withdraws, the University changes the amount of University charges it assessed a student, or decides to eliminate all institutional charges, those changes affect neither the charges nor aid earned in the calculation. Although University charges may not have actually charged due to the student’s withdrawal in the payment period, the University will use the actual charges to date, to include full tuition, fees, books and directed study (including sales tax) for each course for the payment period, and estimate remaining charges based on the students’ primary campus.

Charges should not reflect Withdrawn (W) grade adjustments. After the University has allocated its portion of unearned funds, the student must return assistance owed in the same order specified above for the University. The amount of assistance that the student is responsible for returning is calculated by subtracting the amount returned by the University from the total amount of unearned federal financial aid to be returned. The student, or parent in the case of funds due to a parent PLUS Loan, must return or repay, as appropriate, the amount determined to any federal financial aid program in accordance with the terms of the loan; and any federal grant program as an overpayment of the grant. The amount of a grant overpayment due from a student is limited to the amount by which the original grant overpayment amount exceeds one-half of the total federal grant funds received by the student.

**Timelines for Return of Federal Financial Aid**

The University will return the amount of federal financial aid for which it is responsible no later than 45 days after the date the University determines the student has withdrawn.

**Timeframe for Returning Unclaimed Credit Balance**

If the University attempts to disburse a credit balance by check and the check is not cashed, the University must return the funds no later than 240 days after the date the University issued the check. If a check is returned to the University, or an electronic funds transfer (EFT) is rejected, the University may make additional attempts to disburse the funds, provided those attempts are made no later than 45 days after the funds were returned or rejected. When a check is returned or an EFT is rejected and the University does not make another attempt to disburse the funds, the funds must be returned before the end of the initial 45-day period.

**Program and/or Version Changes**

Program and/or version changes that result in one or more courses that are not accepted towards the new program or version may result in a recalculation of the academic year. As a result of that recalculation, there may not be enough federal financial aid funds to cover tuition costs for the newly defined academic year. This situation may increase the shortfall or personal contribution needed to cover cost of attendance and related charges.

**Institutional Refund Policy**

The following provisions pertain to all refund policies applied by the University unless specifically stated otherwise.

Students, who begin a program under Registered (R) status, pending the completion of admission file and are subsequently denied admission, are eligible for a refund of the full tuition amount of the course in which they are currently enrolled. Tuition is not refunded for any completed course. A tuition refund can be requested in writing from a local campus. Students who withdraw from a course prior to the start date will receive a 100 percent refund for that course. Students who have completed 60 percent or less of the course are eligible for a pro rata refund.
Example of a refund on attendance for a 5-week course:
- Attend 1 week 80% refund due
- Attend 2 weeks 60% refund due
- Attend 3 weeks 40% refund due
- Attend 4 weeks no refund due

Example of a refund on attendance for a 6-week course:
- Attend 1 week 83% refund due
- Attend 2 weeks 67% refund due
- Attend 3 weeks 50% refund due
- Attend 4 weeks no refund due

Example of a refund on attendance for a 9-week course:
- Attend 1 week 89% refund due
- Attend 2 weeks 78% refund due
- Attend 3 weeks 67% refund due
- Attend 4 weeks 56% refund due
- Attend 5 weeks 44% refund due
- Attend 6 weeks no refund due

State Refund Policies

If a student attends a class in one of these states, the specific state refund policy will be applied in addition to the University Institutional Refund Policy. These policies are outlined below.

**Arizona**

Students in the state of Arizona will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy except students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.

**California**

If University of Phoenix no longer offers educational services for students in the state of California, prior to a student completing a course of instruction, a partial refund may be available. The student should contact:

Department of Consumer Affairs
1625 North Market Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95834
(800) 952-5210

**Florida**

Students in the state of Florida will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:

- Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
- The University will retain $45 of the application fee for students who withdraw from the University prior to the start of their program and after the three-day cancellation period.
- Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student's official withdrawal.

**Georgia**

Students in the state of Georgia will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:

- Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.

- Students providing written notification of withdrawal prior to the first class session or have been out-of-attendance for more than 14 days will receive a full refund of tuition paid for the unattended course.
- Refunds are paid within 30 days of a student's official withdrawal.
- A student who is out-of-attendance for more than 14 days is considered withdrawn.

**Indiana**

Indiana has established refund policies that differ from the University Institutional Refund Policy. If a student attends a class in Indiana, the Indiana state refund policy will be applied. The University must make the proper refund no later than 31 days of the request for cancellation or withdrawal. A student is entitled to a full refund if one or more of the following criteria are met:

- The student cancels the Enrollment Agreement within six business days after signing.
- The student does not meet the University minimum admission requirements.
- The student's enrollment was procured as a result of a misrepresentation in the written materials utilized by the University.

If the student has not visited the University prior to enrollment and, upon touring the University or attending the regularly scheduled orientation or classes, the student withdrew from the program within three days.

A student withdrawing from an instructional program after starting the instructional program at the University and attending one week or less, is entitled to a refund of 90 percent of the cost of the financial obligation, less an application or enrollment fee of 10 percent of the total tuition, not to exceed $100.

A student withdrawing from an instructional program, after attending more than 25 percent but equal to or less than 50 percent of the duration of the instructional program, is entitled to a refund of 50 percent of the cost of the financial obligation, less an application or enrollment fee of 10 percent of the total tuition, not to exceed $100.

A student withdrawing from an instructional program, after attending more than 50 percent but equal to or less than 60 percent of the duration of the instructional program, is entitled to a refund of 40 percent of the cost of the financial obligation, less an application or enrollment fee of 10 percent of the total tuition, not to exceed $100.

A student withdrawing from an instructional program, after attending more than 60 percent of the duration of the instructional program, is not entitled to a refund.

Example of a refund on attendance for a 5-week course:
- Attend 1 week 90% refund due
- Attend 2 weeks 50% refund due
- Attend 3 weeks 40% refund due
- Attend 4 weeks no refund due

Example of a refund on attendance for a 6-week course:
- Attend 1 week 90% refund due
- Attend 2 weeks 50% refund due
- Attend 3 weeks 50% refund due
- Attend 4 weeks no refund due
Example of a refund on attendance for a 9-week course:
Attend 1 week 90% refund due
Attend 2 weeks 75% refund due
Attend 3 weeks 50% refund due
Attend 4 weeks 30% refund due
Attend 5 weeks 25% refund due
Attend 6 weeks no refund due

Kansas or Missouri
Students in the states of Kansas or Missouri will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:
• Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid if they withdraw within three business days after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• To cancel enrollment, a student must notify the local campus in writing on or before the three-day period. After the three-day period, all fees, including applications fees, assessment fees, and book fees, are non-refundable.
• A tuition refund must be requested in writing to the student’s local campus.

Kentucky
Students in the state of Kentucky will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:
• A student who cancels enrollment anytime before the start of the first class session will receive a full refund of all monies paid.
• The University may retain 10 percent of the tuition agreed upon in the Enrollment Agreement or $100, whichever is less, for students who fail to attend in the enrollment period for which advanced payment was made.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.
• A student who is out-of-attendance for more than 14 days is considered withdrawn.

Louisiana
Students in the state of Louisiana will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:
• Students who cancel enrollment anytime before the start of the first class session will receive a full refund of all monies paid, except the application fee, which is non-refundable.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.
• The University may retain an administrative fee, not to exceed 15 percent of total tuition and fees paid.

Minnesota
Students in the state of Minnesota will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy with the following exception:
Refunds for state aid programs and non-state aid programs are calculated on a proportional basis using the state mandated or institutional refund policy. To calculate the minimum refund due to the State Grant Program, the SELF Loan Program, and other aid programs (with the exception of the state Work Study Program), the Higher Education Services Office Refund Calculation Worksheet of the Minnesota State Grant manual is used.

Ohio
Students in the state of Ohio will have tuition refunded using the University’s Institutional Refund Policy with the following exceptions:
• Students have the right to a full refund of all monies paid if they withdraw within five calendar days of signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• A student who withdraws before the first class and after the five-day cancellation period is obligated for the registration fee.
• To cancel enrollment, a student must notify the local campus in writing on or before the five-day cancellation period after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• Refunds will be paid no later than 30 days after cancellation.

Oregon
Students in the state of Oregon will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy except all fees, including application fees, assessment fees, student service fees, and book fees are non-refundable.

South Carolina
Students in the state of South Carolina will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:
• Students have a right to a full refund of all monies paid, including application and materials fees, if they withdraw within 72 hours excluding weekends and legal holidays after signing the Enrollment Agreement.
• A full refund of all monies will be made to any applicant not accepted by the University.
• After the 72-hour cancellation period, the University may retain up to a $100 if the student does not attend a course.
• The University may retain an administrative fee up to $100.
• Refunds will be paid within 40 days of a student’s official withdrawal.

Wisconsin
Students in the state of Wisconsin will have tuition refunded using the University Institutional Refund Policy including the following exceptions:
• Students have the right to cancel enrollment until midnight of the third business day after receipt of notice of acceptance and is entitled to a full refund of any tuition paid.
• Refunds will be paid within 30 days of a student’s official withdrawal.
• If the University cancels or discontinues a course or educational program stated in the Enrollment Agreement, the University will refund all monies paid for that course or program. The refund policy of the state where Online students reside will be used to calculate their refund amount.

The refund policy of the state where Ground students attend class will be used to calculate their refund amount.
Copyright Infringement and Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Policy

Copyright Law
Copyright is a form of legal protection provided by U.S. law, Title 17 U.S.C. §512(c) (2), that protects an owner’s right to control the reproduction, distribution, performance, display and transmission of a copyrighted work. The public, in turn, is provided with specific rights for fair use of copyrighted works. Copyrighted works protect original works of authorship and include:

- Books, articles and other writings
- Songs and other musical works
- Movies and Television productions
- Pictures, graphics and drawings
- Computer software
- Pantomimes and choreographic works
- Sculptural and architectural works

Specific information on copyright law and fair use may be found at the following sites:
- The U.S. Copyright Office: http://www.copyright.gov
- The Electronic Frontier Foundation fair use frequently asked questions: http://eff.org/IP/eff_fair_use_faq.php.

Copyright Infringement
The copyright law provides the owner of copyright in a work the exclusive right to the following:

- Reproduce the work in copies
- Prepare derivative works based upon the work
- Distribute copies of the work to the public by sale or other transfer of ownership, or by rental, lease, or lending
- Perform the work publicly
- Display the copyrighted work publicly
- Perform the work publicly by means of a digital audio transmission in the case of sound recordings

The copyright law states, “anyone who violates any of the exclusive rights of the copyright owner is an infringer of the copyright or right of the author.”

Generally, under the law, one who engages in any of these activities without obtaining the copyright owner’s permission may be liable for infringement.

Peer to Peer File Sharing
Peer-to-Peer (P2P) file sharing is a general term that describes software programs that allow computer users, utilizing the same P2P software, to connect with each other and directly access digital files from one another’s hard drives. Many copyrighted works may be stored in digital form, such as software, movies, videos, photographs, etc. Through P2P file sharing it has become increasingly easy to store and transfer these copyrighted works to others thus increasing the risk that users of P2P software and file sharing technology will infringe the copyright protections of content owners.

If P2P file-sharing applications are installed on a student’s computer, the student may be sharing someone else’s copyrighted materials without realizing they are doing so. As a user of the University network, recognizing the legal requirements of the files that a student may be sharing with others is important. A student should be careful not to download and share copyrighted works with others.

The transfer and distribution of these works without authorization of the copyright holder is illegal and prohibited.

Violations and Penalties under Federal Law
In addition to University sanctions under its policies as more fully described below, anyone found liable for civil copyright infringement may be ordered to pay either actual damages or statutory damages affixed at not less than $750 and not more than $30,000 per work infringed. For willful infringement, a court may award up to $150,000 per work infringed. A court can, in its discretion, also assess costs and attorneys’ fees. For details, see Title 17, United States Code, Sections 504, 505.

Willful copyright infringement can also result in criminal penalties, including imprisonment of up to five years and fines of up to $250,000 per offense.

University Plans to Effectively Combat Unauthorized Distribution of Copyrighted Material; Student Sanctions
A student’s conduct in the University classrooms and websites is subject to and must fully conform to the University Student Code of Conduct policy, its Acceptable Use policy and any other applicable University policies.

The University may monitor traffic or bandwidth on the networks utilizing information technology programs designed to detect and identify indicators of illegal P2P file sharing activity. In addition to, or as an alternative, the University may employ other technical means to reduce or block illegal file sharing and other impermissible activities.

The University will also provide for vigorous enforcement and remediation activities for those students identified through the University Digital Millennium Copyright Act policy as potential violators or infringers of copyright.

Disciplinary sanctions will be based on the seriousness of the situation and may include remediation based on a comprehensive system of graduated responses designed to curb illegal file sharing and copyright offenses through limiting and denial of network access or other appropriate means. These sanctions may be in conjunction with additional sanctions through the University Student Code of Conduct, its Acceptable Use Policy and any other University policy applicable to the particular situation.

Students who are subject to professional codes of conduct that apply to their enrollment at the University shall be sanctioned according to the requirements of the respective code.

Education and Awareness
The University uses a variety of means to inform students and faculty about copyright laws and the response to copyright infringement claims by the University.

The University informs its campus community through the Consumer Information Guide and other periodic communications that unauthorized distribution of copyrighted material, including unauthorized P2P file sharing, may subject students and faculty to civil and criminal liabilities and the extent of the possible liabilities; The Consumer Information Guide is available on the University website, is provided to potential students and employees, and is sent by email on a yearly basis to current students, faculty and employees.

Legal Sources for Online Music and Videos
The following links are online sources that provide information on legal access to copyrighted music and videos:

- EDUCAUSE is an association of colleges and universities, which maintains a list of legal media sources: http://www.educause.edu/legalcontent
Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) Policy

The University of Phoenix, in compliance with the federal Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA), has established a mandated process for receiving and tracking alleged incidents of copyright infringement. The University computer networks, including its online library and classroom environment are critical assets. Accordingly, University of Phoenix respects the rights of the copyright owners and expects its faculty, staff, students, interns and any affiliates to comply with the U.S. copyright laws. Federal law prohibits the reproduction, distribution, public display or performance of copyrighted materials over the Internet without permission of the copyright owner, except in compliance with fair use or other copyright applicable statutory exceptions. For more information on copyright law, please refer to the University Copyright and Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Policy.

In addition to sanctions that may be applicable under the University Student Code of Conduct Policy, the Acceptable Use of Computing Resources Policy or other policies, University of Phoenix may terminate the network accounts or access to users who have repeatedly infringed on the copyrights of others. University of Phoenix, in compliance with the federal Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA), has established a mandated process for receiving and tracking alleged incidents of copyright infringement. The University has designated an agent who will investigate notices of alleged copyright infringement and take appropriate actions. Such actions may include terminating repeat infringers accounts under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA). The copyright infringement notices must be given in writing, preferably by email, or by U.S. mail to the agent listed below:

University of Phoenix, Inc.
Attn: Copyright Agent
Subject: Copyright Compliance
4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, CF-K612
Phoenix, AZ 85040
Email: CopyrightAgent@apollogrp.edu

If a valid DMCA notification is received, the University will respond under this process by taking down the infringing content found on our networks. On taking down content under the DMCA the University will take reasonable steps to contact the owner of the removed content so that a counter notification may be filed. Upon receiving a valid counter notification, the University will generally restore the content in question, unless the University receives notice from the notification provider that a legal action has been filed seeking a court order to restrain the alleged infringer from engaging in the infringing activity.

Please note that the DMCA provides that you may be liable for damages including costs and attorneys fees if you falsely claim that someone is infringing on your copyright. Alternatively, you can also be liable for damages including attorneys’ fees if you materially misrepresent that an activity is infringing on the copyright of another. Therefore, the University recommends contacting an attorney if you are unsure whether your work or the work of another is protected by copyright laws.

Filing Notice of Alleged Infringement

Following is the process for filing a notification under the DMCA. Notice must be given in writing to the designated agent as specified above and contain the following information:

• Identify in sufficient detail the copyrighted work that you believe has been infringed upon; for example, a student describes the work that you own.
• Identify the material that you claim is infringing on your copyright as set forth in number 1 and provide detailed information reasonably sufficient to locate the infringing item; for example, provide the link to the infringing information.
• Provide a reasonably-sufficient method of contacting you: phone number, address and email address.
• If possible, please provide any information that you allow the University to notify the alleged infringing party of notice of the alleged infringement.

The following statement must be included in your notice: “I have a good faith belief that the use of the copyrighted materials described above and contained on the service is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or by protection of law.”

The following statement must be included in your notice: “I swear, under penalty of perjury, that the information in the notification is accurate and that I am the copyright owner or am authorized to act on behalf of the owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed.”

The notice must be signed.

Filing Counter Notification of Alleged Infringement

The person or provider of the alleged infringing material may present a counter notification pursuant to the DMCA. Upon proper counter notification, the University may reinstate the removed content. Notice must be given in writing to the designated copyright agent as specified above and contain the following information:

• Identify the material that has been removed. This may include providing the location or the URL when possible.
• Provide your name, address telephone number and email address if available.
• Provide a statement that you consent to the jurisdiction of the federal district court in which you reside, or for any address outside the United States, for any judicial district, in which the service provider may be found and that you will accept service of process from the person who provided notification to the University of the alleged infringement or an agent of such person.

• Provide the following statement: ‘I swear, under penalty of perjury, that I have a good faith belief that the material identified above was removed or disabled as a result of a mistake or misidentification of the material to be removed or disabled.”

The notice must be signed.

Upon receiving a valid counter notification, the University will provide the person who filed the original notification with a copy of the counter notice and inform them that the material will be reinstated or access to it restored between 10 and 14 business days following receipt of the counter notice, pursuant to the DMCA unless the University receives notification that legal action to seek a court order restraining the alleged infringer from further engaging in the infringing activity has been filed.

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Vaccinations and Immunizations

Information regarding program admissions requirements, including immunization requirements for designated states is located at http://www.phoenix.edu/admissions/admission_requirements.html.

Campus Safety Policies

The University Campus Safety policies have been prepared to increase University of Phoenix community’s awareness of current programs that exist to protect its members’ safety and well-being and to satisfy the requirements of the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act and Clery Act. The information included relates to the following:

- Annual crime statistics
- Safety and awareness
- Crime prevention
- Drug and alcohol abuse
- Health risks
- Available counseling programs
- Prohibited use or distribution of drugs and alcohol
- Legal affects of drug and alcohol use
- Emergency Mass Notification
- Information related to campus safety

The information is intended to provide a general description of University of Phoenix campus safety policies; however, it is not intended to serve as a contractual agreement between the University and the recipient. Additionally, the University will disseminate and publicize, for each of its campus locations, crime statistics from the most recent calendar year and two preceding calendar years. Specific campus location statistics are available electronically at www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety.html or by requesting a printed copy from your local campus security authority.

Campus Crime Statistics

Crimes Reported for All Campuses

This report is compiled in conjunction with University of Phoenix Campus Safety Policies. The following statistics are in accordance with definitions used in the Uniform Crime Reporting System of the Department of Justice, FBI, as modified by the Hate Crime Statistics Act. The data includes all crimes reported to the University of Phoenix campus security authority. If a crime has occurred and has not been reported, it cannot be reflected in the following statistics. Therefore, University of Phoenix encourages everyone to report all crimes to their designated campus security authority and local law enforcement agency.

Specific campus location statistics are available electronically at http://www.universityofphoenix.com/about_us/campus_crime_statistics.aspx or by requesting a printed copy from your local campus security authority.

University of Phoenix expressly reserves the right to modify or to adopt additional campus policies and procedures relating to campus safety, at anytime without notice.

Statement of Policy On Sex OFFender Registration

The Federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires colleges and universities to issue a statement advising the campus community where state law enforcement agency information concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. The Act also mandates that sex offenders who are already required to register in a state to provide notice of each institution of higher education in that state at which the offender is employed or is a student.

To learn the identity of registered sex offenders on or near a campus, or anywhere in the United States, visit the Sex Offender database at http://www.sexoffender.com or http://nsopr.gov. You can search by city, county, or zip code. This information is collected and distributed by other agencies and this institution cannot guarantee this information is correct or complete. The information provided here is intended to be in compliance with the Campus Security Act and for campus safety purposes only. It should not be used to intimidate, threaten, or harass. Misuse of this information may result in prosecution.

Emergency Mass Notification Policy

Apollo Group, Inc., and University of Phoenix have established an emergency mass notification process that includes emergency escalation processes, mass notifications and supporting systems. These processes enable Apollo, and its subsidiary educational institutions to contact or send notices, alerts or warnings without delay to employees for Apollo, and University of Phoenix faculty, and students in an emergency, dangerous or otherwise high-risk situation at a University site.

Apollo and University of Phoenix maintain emergency management policies, procedures and systems to protect lives and property, and to continue necessary critical functions and essential services.

An emergency is defined as a situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of someone in the University community at a University site or that significantly disrupts Apollo programs and activities.

The Emergency Mass Notification policy applies to all officers and employees for Apollo, Apollo’s U.S. based subsidiaries, faculty, and students of University of Phoenix in an emergency, dangerous or otherwise high-risk situation at a University site.

The policy can be viewed in its entirety in the Campus Safety Policies at http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_safety_policies.html, or by requesting a printed copy from your local campus.

Campus Security Authority Contact List

University of Phoenix campus security authorities assist in the safety of the University community by serving as contacts for University security issues. Contact information for all campus security authorities can be viewed at www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_security_authority_contact_list.html.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

Drug abuse affects all aspects of American life. It threatens the workplace, our homes, our schools and our community. The U.S. Department of Education requires institutions of higher education to implement a drug prevention and awareness program for their students and employees through the Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act.

All students are expected to conduct themselves as mature adults and as members of an academic community. The consumption of alcohol or drugs while attending class or meeting with campus personnel is prohibited and may be subject to disciplinary action. All drug and alcohol abuse policies, prevention and referrals can be found in the Campus Safety Policies Manual located at http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/campus_safety/campus_safety_policies.html
Standards of Conduct
The University community must adhere to a code of conduct that recognizes the unlawful manufacture, sale, delivery, unauthorized possession or use of any illicit drug is prohibited on property owned or otherwise controlled by University of Phoenix. If an individual associated with the University is apprehended for violating any drug or alcohol related law when on University property, or participating in a University activity, the University will fully support and cooperate with federal and state law enforcement agencies. Underage possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted on property owned or controlled by the University and the state laws will be enforced. Also, intentionally or knowingly selling, or intentionally or knowingly furnishing alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of 21, or to persons obviously intebriated, is not permitted on property owned or controlled by the University.

Pell Grant
Federal guidelines state the grantee must certify that he or she will not engage in unlawful activities related to controlled substances during the period covered by the grant.

Federal Financial Aid Penalties for Drug Violations
Federal guidelines focus strongly on illicit drug use and distribution. The Higher Education Opportunity Act states students convicted for an illicit drug violation can be denied federal financial aid for a specific period, in addition to other legal penalties. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) asks students if they have been convicted of a drug-related offense, "Have you ever been convicted of possessing or selling illegal drugs?" If you answer "yes," complete and submit this application, and we will send you a worksheet in the mail for you to determine if your conviction affects your eligibility for aid.

Failure to answer the question automatically disqualifies students from receiving federal financial aid. Answering this question falsely could result in fines up to $20,000, imprisonment or both. More information about federal penalties and sanctions is located at www.usdoj.gov/dea/agency/penalties.htm

Penalties for Drug Convictions:
If the student was convicted of both possessing and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility are different, the student will be ineligible for the longer period.

Possession of Illegal Drugs:
• For a first offense, a student loses eligibility for federal financial aid for one year from the date of conviction.
• For a second offense, a student loses eligibility for federal financial aid for two years from the date of conviction.
• For a third offense and subsequent offenses, a student is indefinite ineligibility for federal financial aid from the date of conviction.

Sale of Illegal Drugs:
• For a first offense, a student loses eligibility for federal financial aid for two years from the date of conviction.
• For a second offense and subsequent offenses, a student is indefinite ineligibility from the date of conviction.

How to Regain Eligibility
A student can regain eligibility for federal student aid funds the day after the period of ineligibility ends or upon successful completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program or passes two unannounced drug tests given by such a program.

A student can regain eligibility for federal student aid funds the day after the period of ineligibility ends or upon successful completion of a qualified drug rehabilitation program that must
• Include at least two unannounced drug tests;
• Have received or be qualified to receive funds directly or indirectly under a federal, state, or local government program.

Students denied eligibility for an indefinite period can regain it after successfully completing a rehabilitation program, passing two unannounced drug tests from such a program, or if a conviction is reversed, set aside or removed from the student’s record so that fewer than two convictions for sale or three convictions for possession remain on the record.

In such cases, the nature and dates of the remaining convictions will determine when the student regains eligibility. The student is responsible to certify that a rehabilitation program was successfully completed. As with the conviction question on the FAFSA, the University is not required to confirm the reported information unless conflicting information is determined.

Convictions During Enrollment
Federal regulations require enrolled students convicted of a drug offense after receiving federal financial aid to notify Apollo Financial Aid (AFA) immediately, become ineligible for further federal financial aid and repay federal financial aid received after the conviction.

Institutional Sanctions for Alcohol and Drug Violations
Any member of the University community found consuming or selling alcohol or drugs on University property shall be subject to discipline on a case-by-case basis.
• Discipline will be based on the seriousness of the situation.
• A case may result in dismissal from the University.
• In all cases, the University will abide by local, state and federal sanctions regarding unlawful possession of drugs and the consumption of alcohol.
• Additional state penalties and sanctions may also apply.
• The University has adopted a zero tolerance policy regarding underage drinking.

Title II of the Higher Education Act-Academic Year 2009-2010 Report
In compliance with Title II of the Higher Education Act (HEA), University of Phoenix has submitted institutional questionnaires that detail the University’s program offerings, student demographics and student performance in those states where the University has teacher education programs that have produced program completers also known as graduates. University of Phoenix provides professional preparation for teachers in multiple states. For an overview of the information contained in the Institutional Report for University of Phoenix, go to http://www.phoenix.edu/about_us/regulatory/consumer-information/title-ii-hea-pass-rate-information.html.
Candidates in the College of Nursing

The following Supplemental Standards for Candidates in the College of Nursing Programs ("Supplemental Standards") apply to these degree candidates before, during, and after clinical rotations, practicum, and/or preceptorships. The Supplemental Standards address a candidate’s affective attributes and disposition to be nurses, nurse practitioners and/or healthcare providers. A corresponding Professional Dispositions Rubric provides additional guidance.

A candidate’s ability to satisfactorily meet the Supplemental Standards is a matter of ongoing academic judgment made by faculty, campus staff, and campus management.

1. The candidate contributes to a positive climate in the University classroom and all clinical rotations, practicum, and/or preceptorships.
2. The candidate demonstrates mastery of written and spoken language for self-expression, as well as for effective interaction in all settings.
3. The candidate is a thoughtful and responsive listener.
4. The candidate is committed to reflection, assessment, and learning as an ongoing process.
5. The candidate is willing to give and receive help.
6. The candidate is sensitive to community and cultural norms for the degree program, the University classroom, and clinical rotations, practicum, and/or preceptorships.
7. The candidate appreciates and values human diversity and shows respect for others’ varied talents and perspectives.
8. The candidate values the development of critical thinking, independent problem solving, and performance capabilities in himself/herself and those with whom he/she interacts.
9. The candidate demonstrates a commitment to keeping abreast of new ideas and understanding in the nursing and/or healthcare field.
10. The candidate demonstrates a level of responsibility and ethical judgment consistent with professional guidelines developed for these fields and appropriate for professional nurses, nurse practitioners and/or healthcare providers.
11. The candidate maintains the highest ethical standards in interactions with faculty, students, staff, clients, and patients as well as in preparation and submission of required course work, and the completion of tests.
12. The candidate maintains a pattern of exceeding minimal requirements in courses and clinical rotations, practicum, and/or preceptorships.

When it is determined by faculty, campus staff, or campus management that a candidate falls short of meeting any of the above Supplemental Standards, they may file a “Referral Form” with the Campus College Chair, Campus Director of Academic Affairs, or designee. Any candidate who receives one or more referral(s) shall be counseled, remediated, or withdrawn from their program, as appropriate.

Candidates who are separately charged with violating the Student Code of Conduct shall be subject to the policies, procedures, and sanctions for processing such charges. However, a charge under the Student Code of Conduct may also be the basis for a referral on separate academic grounds under these Supplemental Standards. Similarly, an observation under the Referral Process may be the basis for a Student Code of Conduct charge.

Procedure for Processing Referral Forms

The College of Nursing has instituted processes to ensure that candidates are regularly evaluated by the faculty and have access to counseling and advisement on professional requirements. These processes are conducted through collaboration between faculty, campus staff, and campus management who understand the professions and who can offer constructive feedback. It is the intention of the Referral Process to identify a candidate’s deficiencies and promote dialogue on how the candidate can improve and move forward in their program.

During the course of their program, faculty members, through a review of grades and dispositions, will monitor a candidate’s academic progress. The Campus College Chair (CCC), or designee, will serve as the primary point of contact in instances where a remediation plan and/or Candidate Retention Committee are deemed necessary.

A. One Referral

1. Notification of a Referral Form is sent to the candidate in writing by the Campus College Chair or designee identifying the candidate’s deficiencies in meeting the above Supplemental Standards.
2. The candidate must meet with the Campus College Chair or designee to discuss why the referral occurred and whether or not a formal remediation plan or other corrective action is needed.
3. The Campus College Chair or designee may convene a meeting of the Candidate Retention Committee ("CRC") if deemed necessary. If the CRC will be convened, the notification to the candidate shall specifically describe the issue(s) to be discussed and the possible recommendation options available to the CRC.
4. If the CRC will be convened, the candidate shall be provided with ten (10) days to respond to the notification.
5. If the CRC meeting is held, the Committee members shall discuss with the candidate the issues or problems that appear to be hindering his/her academic progress and make one of the following recommendations:
   a. Take no action;
   b. Institute a formal remediation plan; or
   c. Withdraw the student from the program.
Policy on Nursing Ethics and Professional Competence

Expectations for conduct and the standards are discussed in the beginning classes for either the baccalaureate or graduate degree programs. Content supporting this information is provided to students in their program handbooks.

Students’ Right to Privacy

The University of Phoenix maintains compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), as amended. FERPA defines requirements which are designed to protect the privacy of student records maintained by the University. The law requires that:

1. Students should be provided access to official records directly related to them. Students who wish to see their records must make an appointment or submit a written request through the University Registrar’s Office or local campus office.

2. Students may not remove any materials, but are entitled, at their expense, to one copy of any materials contained in their file, unless a disclaimer appears on the document indicating that the student is not to be given a copy, or if the student waived the rights to the document.

3. Students be given the opportunity for a hearing to challenge such records on the grounds that they are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise inappropriate. The right to a hearing under the law does not include any right to challenge the appropriateness of a grade as determined by the faculty member.

4. Students’ written consent must be received prior to releasing personally identifiable student data from their records to other than a specified list of exceptions.

The University is authorized to release public directory information concerning students. Directory information includes the student’s name, address, phone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended by the student. Directory information is subject to release by the University at any time unless the Registrar has received a prior written request from the student specifying that the information not be released.

The University is authorized to provide access to student records to University officials and employees who have legitimate educational interests for such access; these are persons who have responsibilities in the University’s academic, administrative, service, or research functions.

A copy of the University’s FERPA policy is available to students through the Registrar’s Office or the student ecampus website at: [http://ecampus.phoenix.edu](http://ecampus.phoenix.edu)

Education records also will be released pursuant to a judicial order or a lawfully issued subpoena, but only after the student is given reasonable and necessary notification of the University’s intent to comply with the subpoena before release of the records.

Students have the right to restrict disclosure of directory information. Written requests for privacy holds should include name, IRN, address, specific records to be withheld and/or to whom the privacy hold applies, and the student’s signature and date. Requests are valid throughout student’s enrollment unless otherwise notified. Please send or fax your request to: Registrar, University of Phoenix, 4025 South Riverpoint Parkway, Mail Stop CF-L201, Phoenix, AZ 85040, Fax (480) 643-1600.

C. Candidate Retention Committee

1. The CRC is comprised of the Campus College Chair or designee and at least two faculty members.

2. The candidate will be expected to participate in a dialogue with the Committee to exchange ideas on remediation or withdrawal from the program.

3. The candidate will not be permitted to have representation by an attorney or any other third party in this academic meeting.

4. If the CRC recommends that the candidate be withdrawn from the program, and this recommendation is endorsed by the Campus Director of Academic Affairs, the candidate has the right to appeal this decision to the Central Administration Appeals Committee (CAAC) within 10 days of receipt of the decision.

5. The CAAC is generally comprised of at least the Dean and an Associate Dean from the College of Nursing or designee(s), and a Regional Director of Academic Affairs (RDAA).

6. The decision of the CAAC is final.

Policy on Nursing Ethics and Professional Competence

The University of Phoenix Policy on Nursing Ethics and Professional Competence is defined as compliance with the following nursing guidelines:

1. University of Phoenix Professional Nursing Responsibilities.


The policy sets forth expectations and regulations for professional and ethical conduct by students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing degree programs. The policy states that all forms of unethical behavior or professional incompetence are to be reported and reviewed. Reported violations will be addressed through a formal process to the Campus Ethics Committee.
STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The Student Code of Conduct of University of Phoenix supports the University’s mission to provide access to higher education opportunities that enable students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals, improve the productivity of their organizations, and provide leadership and service to their communities.

Students are expected to conduct themselves ethically, honestly, and with integrity as responsible members of the University’s academic community. This requires the demonstration of mutual respect and civility in academic and professional discourse. A University is a marketplace of ideas and, in the search for truth, it is essential that freedom exists for contrary ideas to be expressed. Accordingly, students are expected to respect the rights and privileges of others and to foster an environment conducive to learning. Students are accountable for their actions and are required to work independently, as well as collaboratively with teams, in achieving learning goals and objectives.

By virtue of membership in the University’s academic community, students accept an obligation to abide by this Student Code of Conduct. Conduct, either on or off-campus, that is determined to impair, interfere, or obstruct the opportunities of others to learn or that disrupts the mission, processes, or orderly functions of the University will be deemed misconduct and shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Misconduct for which students are subject to disciplinary action includes, but is not limited to, the following enumerated violations:

1. Actions, oral statements, and written statements which threaten or violate the personal safety of any member of the faculty, staff, or other students.
2. Harassment that has the effect of creating a hostile or offensive educational environment for any student, faculty, or staff member.
3. Sex discrimination/harassment that has the effect of creating a hostile or offensive educational environment for any student, faculty, or staff member. This includes, but is not limited to, sex discrimination, sexual harassment, unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature, unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal and nonverbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature including sexual violence.
4. Stalking, persistently pursuing another person that has the effect of imposing unwelcomed contact and/or communication.
5. Disruptive behavior that hinders or interferes with the educational process.
6. Violation of any applicable professional codes of ethics or conduct.
7. Failure to promptly comply with any reasonable directive from faculty or University officials.
8. Failure to cooperate in a University investigation.
9. Carrying of weapons on campus, at campus-sanctioned events, or when meeting with campus personnel. (This policy is not applicable to students who are law enforcement officers required by law to carry firearms at all times).
10. Using, dealing in, or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs while in class, at campus-sanctioned events, or when meeting with campus personnel.
11. Failure to maintain confidentiality and respect the privacy of personal or professional information communicated about clients, one’s employer, other students or their employers.
12. Falsification, alteration or invention of information, including, but not limited to, any third party document used to apply for financial aid, or lying during a University investigation.
13. Violation of the Student Code of Academic Integrity.
14. Violation of the policy on Acceptable Use of University Computing and Communication Resources for Students and Faculty.
15. Hazing (any action which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any University-sanctioned organization).
16. Violation of University regulations and policies (in addition to those regulations and policies covered by items 1-15 above).
17. Violation of federal, state, provincial, or local laws or regulations that impacts the University’s educational environment.

Student Code of Academic Integrity

University of Phoenix is an academic community whose fundamental mission is the pursuit of intellectual growth. Achievement of this mission is dependent upon the development of autonomous thought and respect for the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty threatens the integrity of individual students as well as the University’s academic community. By virtue of membership in the University’s academic community, students accept a responsibility and obligation to abide by this Student Code of Academic Integrity, which is a part of the Student Code of Conduct. Academic integrity violations include all forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to the following:

a. Plagiarism - Intentional or unintentional representation of another’s words or ideas as one’s own in an academic exercise.

Examples of plagiarism include but are not limited to:

- The exact copy of information from a source without proper citation and without use of quotation marks or block quotation formatting. If any words or ideas used in a class posting or assignment submission do not represent the student’s original words or ideas, the student must distinguish them with quotation marks or a freestanding, indented block quotation (for a quotation of 40 or more words), followed by the appropriate citation in accordance with the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association. When a student copies information from a source, he or she must acknowledge the source with quotation marks or block quotes irrespective of whether or not the source has been formally published.
- Paraphrasing statements, paragraphs, or other bodies of work without proper citation using someone else’s ideas, data, language, and/or arguments without acknowledgement.
- Presenting work as the student’s own that has been prepared in whole or in part by someone other than that particular student. This includes the purchase and/or sharing of work.
- Failure to properly cite and reference statistics, data, or other sources of information that are used in one’s submission.
A. Alleged Violations:

Code of Conduct:

Procedure for Processing Alleged Violations of the Student Code of Conduct:

1. Alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct shall be subject to a fair and impartial process in determining whether or not a violation has occurred.

2. An alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct may result in a warning or it may be subject to review by a committee as described below.

B. Investigation:

1. Alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct shall be investigated in a prompt, thorough, impartial, and reasonable manner.

2. The investigation shall gather relevant evidence, including, but not limited to, pertinent documents and statements from witnesses. Title IX investigations will be conducted within 60 days barring any unusual complexity.

3. While an alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct is being investigated, a student may be removed from class, campus-sanctioned events, and other University functions after review and consultation with Apollo Legal Services and/or the Office of Dispute Management.

C. Notification:

1. A student who is charged with a violation of the Student Code of Conduct shall be notified of the specific charge(s) in writing by United Parcel Service (UPS) and/or by additional means which may validate proof of receipt, and shall be given ten days to submit a written response to the designated University official. (Note: If this is a drug and/or alcohol related offense you must also notify the Office of Dispute Management.)

2. Failure of a student to respond to the Charging Letter shall result in suspension from the University following completion of the current course if the student is then actively attending classes and is not subject to immediate suspension.

3. In those instances where the campus determines the conduct does not warrant a Charging Letter, it may choose to issue a Warning Letter and/or provide counseling to the student. Note: A Warning Letter is not appealable.

4. In Title IX cases the complainant(s) shall be notified of the conduct procedures and notified of when and if a Charge Letter or Warning is sent to the respondent(s).

D. Student Response:

1. A student response acknowledging guilt will be sent to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs, the Campus Director of Operations, the Registrar (only in violations relating to student records) or their designee who will determine the appropriate sanctions.

2. In Title IX cases, a student response acknowledging guilt will follow the Title IX committee process outlined below.

3. A student response denying the charge(s) will follow the committee process outlined below.
E. Committees:

1. Campus Committee:
   a. After the campus investigation is completed and the student has responded to the Charging Letter, a Campus Committee shall be convened to review the file and make findings and recommendations to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or the Campus Director of Operations (a designee may be appointed if the Director has recused himself/herself).
   b. The Campus Committee shall be chaired by a full-time campus administrator.
   c. The Campus Committee composition shall be at least three impartial individuals who have no prior involvement with the student or the investigation: a campus administrator, a faculty member, and a student representative.
   d. The Campus Committee shall use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof (more likely than not) to weigh the evidence and make a recommendation to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or designee about whether a violation occurred and what sanction, if any, is warranted.

2. Registrar’s Committee:
   a. After the Apollo Ethics and Compliance Department’s investigation is completed and the student has responded to the Charging Letter, a Registrar’s Committee shall be convened to review the file and make findings and recommendations to the Registrar (a designee may be appointed if the Registrar has recused himself/herself).
   b. The Registrar’s Committee shall be chaired by an Associate Registrar or Director from the Registrar’s Office (or designee).
   c. The Committee composition shall be at least three impartial individuals who have no prior involvement with the student or the investigation: an Associate Registrar (or designee), Director or Operations Manager from the Registrar’s Office or designee, a Director from University Services (or designee), and the Director of Student Financial Aid programs or Director of Student Financial Accounting or Campus Director of Finance, as appropriate.
   d. The Registrar’s Committee shall use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof (more likely than not) to weigh the evidence and make a recommendation to the Registrar or designee about whether a violation occurred and what sanction, if any, is warranted.

3. Title IX Committee:
   a. After the investigation is completed and the student has responded to the Charging Letter, opposing parties will be afforded the opportunity to present written witness statements for inclusion in the Title IX Case Packet.
   b. The Title IX Committee shall be convened to review the file and make findings and recommendations to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or the Campus Director of Operations (a designee may be appointed if the Director has recused himself/herself).
   c. The Title IX Committee shall be chaired by a full-time campus administrator or designee.
   d. The Title IX Committee composition shall be at least three impartial individuals who have no prior involvement with the parties or the investigation: a director (or designee), a faculty member, and a student.
   e. The Title IX Committee shall use the preponderance of the evidence standard of proof (more likely than not) to weigh the evidence and make a recommendation to the Director of Academic Affairs or designee about whether a violation occurred and what sanction, if any, is warranted.

F. Committee Process:

1. Students shall be afforded the opportunity to address the Committee to make a statement in their defense. This may be done via teleconference. (Note: In Title IX cases opposing parties are afforded the opportunity to separately address the committee to make a statement).
2. Students are not entitled to representation by an attorney or any other third party at any point in the process. However, in accordance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), in cases of an alleged sex discrimination/harassment, opposing parties are entitled to have third parties present during the committee process. (Note: The third party cannot be an attorney).
3. Tape, digital, or other electronic recording of the committee meeting is not permitted.
4. The Committee members are given a “Case Packet” with all relevant information for the committee meeting, including any written response received from the student. In Title IX cases, the Case Packet will include opposing parties’ statements, all evidence discovered during the investigation, and any written witness statements the parties have submitted.
5. The Committee members sign a standard Confidentiality Statement for Committee Members and, after the Committee’s deliberations; the Case Packets are collected and destroyed in order to maintain confidentiality.

G. Decision:

1. For campus cases, the Committee Chair delivers a summary report, generally containing Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommendations, to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or the Campus Director of Operations (or designee), who has the ultimate authority to accept, reject, or modify the recommendations of the Campus Committee and render the decision.
2. For Registrar cases, the Committee Chair delivers a summary report, generally containing Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommendations, to the Registrar (or designee), who has the ultimate authority to accept, reject, or modify the recommendations of the Registrar’s Committee and render the decision.
3. For Title IX cases, the Committee Chair delivers a summary report, generally containing Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommendations, to the Campus Director of Academic Affairs or the Campus Director of Operations (or designee), who has the ultimate authority to accept, reject, or modify the recommendations of the Title IX Committee and render the decision.
4. The decision shall be communicated to the student by the decision maker. The decision shall be delivered by United Parcel Service (UPS) and/or by additional means which may validate proof of receipt. In Title IX cases, opposing parties will receive notice of the outcome of the complaint within 30 days of the close of the investigation. (Note: If this is a drug and/or alcohol related offense you must also notify the Office of Dispute Management.)
5. In accordance with the requirements under the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), upon written request, the University of Phoenix will disclose to an alleged victim of a crime of violence, or a non-forcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearing conducted by the institution against the student(s) who is/are the alleged perpetrator of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the alleged crime or offense, the University of Phoenix will provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim’s next of kin, if so requested.

6. In accordance with the requirements under the HEOA, in cases of an alleged sex discrimination/harassment, opposing parties will be informed of the committee determination, including any sanction that is imposed.

7. Any decision which affects a student’s enrollment or academic status shall be communicated to the Registrar’s Office for records update.

H. Sanctions:

1. If a violation is found, disciplinary sanctions shall be based on the seriousness of the situation and may include, but are not limited to, documented counseling by a University staff member, loss of academic credit, action plan (must be approved by the Office of Dispute Management), suspension and/or expulsion.

2. A recommendation of expulsion by the decision maker shall be automatically reviewed by the Student Discipline Review Committee in the Office of Dispute Management and must be endorsed before the campus communicates that sanction to the student.

I. Appeals:

1. In those instances where students are found to be in violation of the Student Code of Conduct after receiving a Charging Letter, they may appeal the decision to the Student Discipline Review Committee (SDRC) in the Office of Dispute Management (ODM) within ten days of receiving the campus decision. In Title IX cases, opposing parties shall be afforded the opportunity to appeal within ten days of receiving notice of the outcome and if an appeal is filed each party shall receive notice of the other party's appeal.

2. The SDRC is usually comprised of a senior manager from the University, a Regional Director of Academic Affairs, and an Associate or Assistant Dean from the accused student’s college (or their respective designee). The decision of the SDRC is final and shall be communicated directly to the student and the campus, except in the case of a decision by the SDRC supporting a campus recommendation of expulsion (see H.2. above).

3. If the sanction against the student is expulsion, the review of the appeal shall be conducted by the Senior Management Review Committee (SMRC) in the Office of Dispute Management. The SMRC is usually comprised of the Provost, the Vice President of University Services, and the Dean of the accused student’s college (or their respective designee). The decision of the SMRC is final and shall be communicated directly to the student and the campus.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The following policy and procedures are to be used to resolve disputes by both current and former students of the University. Students are encouraged to bring the concerns outlined below to the attention of the appropriate individual/department, as set forth in Step One below. These individuals/departments will investigate and resolve such concerns accordingly. A covered dispute is subject to the conditions below and may be submitted to the formal Dispute Resolution Procedures set forth in this section if not satisfactorily resolved through the prior intervention of Step One.

In connection with the University policies identified in Step One below, this policy is intended to address disputes between a student and the University and create a framework by which students and the University can resolve all such disputes arising from a student’s interactions with the University. Although the University strongly recommends utilization of the resources identified in Step One to resolve such disputes, the only dispute resolution policy that is mandatory is the arbitration policy. Arbitration is the exclusive means by which all covered disputes asserted by either a student (whether current or former) or the University, involving justicable disputes and/or any justicable matter arising from the student’s interactions with the University, shall be decided and finally resolved.

Claims and/or disputes covered by this policy fall into one of two levels:

- Level One disputes involve alleged violations of state or federal law, any statutory or common law tort claim or alleged breach of contract claim, claims of discrimination or harassment pursuant to state or federal law, or any other issue of a substantial nature. If not resolved sooner, Level One disputes may be processed through all three steps of the following Dispute Resolution Procedures.

- Unless such issue involves a violation of law, issues of a lesser nature, for example, Student Code of Conduct violations, general student grievances, academic issues and grade disputes, etc. are considered Level Two disputes and if not resolved sooner may be processed only through Step One of the following Dispute Resolution Procedures.

Step One: Internal Resolution

Students should first attempt to resolve any dispute or issue related to the following subject matters, or like subject matters, by contacting the following individuals/departments, and utilizing the process set forth in the corresponding section(s) of the Academic Catalog, as referenced below. Please note that the information provided below represents only the initial contact with whom such disputes should be reported. Students should carefully consult the Academic Catalog to gain a fuller understanding of the processes associated with reporting and resolving disputes related to these subject matters.
• Allegations of sex discrimination or sexual harassment: Camie Pratt, Associate Vice President and Title IX Coordinator, Office of Dispute Management ("ODM"). See Nondiscrimination Policy and Harassment Policy in Academic Catalog.

• Allegations concerning all other forms of discrimination: Campus Director of Academic Affairs, Campus Director of Operations, Campus Director of Student Services, or their respective designee. See Nondiscrimination Policy and Harassment Policy in Academic Catalog.

• Student Code of Conduct Violations, other than sex discrimination and sexual harassment: Registrar. See Student Code of Conduct section in Academic Catalog.

• General Student Grievances (other than sex discrimination and sexual harassment): Office of Dispute Management. See General Student Grievances section in Academic Catalog.

• Student Grievances relating to financial aid, account balances, or collections: Campus Management. See General Student Grievances section in Academic Catalog.

• Academic Issues: Student Appeals Center in ODM. See Student Appeals Center Section in Academic Catalog.

• Grade Disputes: Director of Academic Affairs or designee. See Grade Disputes section in Academic Catalog)

Step Two: Mediation

Step Three: Binding Arbitration

1. This Binding Arbitration provision ("Arbitration Agreement") is governed by the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. and evidences a transaction involving commerce. This Arbitration Agreement is a condition of becoming enrolled with the University. This Arbitration Agreement applies to any covered dispute arising out of or related to the student's interactions with the University. Nothing contained in this Arbitration Agreement shall be construed to prevent or excuse the student from utilizing the University's existing internal procedures for resolution of complaints, as set forth in Step One above, and this Arbitration Agreement is not intended to be a substitute for the utilization of such procedures. Except as it otherwise provides, this Arbitration Agreement is intended to apply to the resolution of disputes that otherwise would be resolved in a court of law, and therefore this Arbitration Agreement requires all such disputes to be resolved only by an arbitrator through final and binding arbitration and not by way of court or jury trial. Such disputes include without limitation disputes arising out of or relating to interpretation or application of this Arbitration Agreement, including the enforceability, revocability or validity of the Arbitration Agreement or any portion of the Arbitration Agreement. Regardless of any other terms of this Arbitration Agreement, claims may be brought before an administrative agency if applicable law permits access to such an agency notwithstanding the existence of an agreement to arbitrate. Such administrative claims include without limitation claims or charges notwithstanding the existence of an agreement to arbitrate. Such administrative claims include without limitation claims or charges brought before the U.S. Department of Education, State Boards of Education, or the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs.

2. Notwithstanding any other language in this Arbitration Agreement, a student's Enrollment Agreement, the Academic Catalog or any other University policy or practice, this Arbitration Agreement will not be unilaterally revised, modified or eliminated by the University with respect to any covered dispute after that dispute has been submitted to arbitration pursuant to this Arbitration Agreement. The University will not revise, modify or eliminate this Arbitration Agreement without giving at least thirty (30) days written notice to Students.

3. The parties shall select the neutral arbitrator and/or arbitration sponsoring organization by mutual agreement. If the parties cannot mutually agree to an arbitrator and/or arbitration sponsoring organization, the arbitration will be held and the arbitrator selected under the auspices of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA"). Except as provided in this Arbitration Agreement, the arbitration shall be held in accordance with the then current Commercial Arbitration Procedures of the AAA. The AAA rules are available at (www.adr.org). However, nothing in said rules or procedures and/or any modification thereto shall affect the enforceability and validity of the Class Action Waiver, including but not limited to, the provision that the enforceability of the Class Action Waiver may be determined only by a court and not by an arbitrator. Unless the parties jointly agree otherwise, the arbitrator shall be either an attorney who is experienced in the subject matter at issue and licensed to practice law in the state in which the arbitration is convened, or a retired judge.
4. The party bringing the claim must demand arbitration in writing and deliver the written demand by hand or first class mail to the other party within the applicable statute of limitations period. Any demand for arbitration made to the University shall be provided to the Legal Department, at 4025 S. Riverpoint Parkway, Mail Stop: CF-KX01, Phoenix, Arizona 85040. The arbitrator shall resolve all disputes regarding the timeliness or propriety of the demand for arbitration. A party may apply to a court of competent jurisdiction for temporary or preliminary injunctive relief in connection with an arbitrable controversy, but only upon the ground that the award to which that party may be entitled may be rendered ineffectual without such provisional relief.

5. In arbitration, the parties will have the right to conduct adequate civil discovery, bring dispositive motions, and present witnesses and evidence as needed to present their cases and defenses, and any disputes in this regard shall be resolved by the arbitrator.

6. **CLASS ACTION WAIVER:** There will be no right or authority for any dispute to be brought, heard or arbitrated as a class, collective or representative action or as a class member in any purported class, collective action or representative proceeding ("Class Action Waiver"). Notwithstanding any other clause contained in this Arbitration Agreement, the preceding sentence shall not be severable from this Agreement in any case in which the dispute to be arbitrated is brought as a class, collective or representative action. Notwithstanding any other clause contained in this Arbitration Agreement, any claim that all or part of the Class Action Waiver is unenforceable, unconscionable, void or voidable may be determined only by a court of competent jurisdiction and not by an arbitrator.

7. Each party will pay the fees for his, her or its own attorneys, subject to any remedies to which that party may later be entitled under applicable law. The University shall initially bear the administrative costs associated with the conduct of the Arbitration, subject to: (1) a one-time payment by the student toward these costs equal to the filing fee then required by the court of general jurisdiction in the state where the student in question attended the University; and (2) any subsequent award by the Arbitrator in accordance with applicable law.

8. The Federal Rules of Evidence shall apply. The arbitrator shall have jurisdiction to hear and rule on pre-hearing disputes and is authorized to hold pre-hearing conferences by telephone or in person, as the arbitrator deems necessary. The arbitrator shall have the authority to entertain a motion to dismiss and/or a motion for summary judgment by any party and shall apply the standards governing such motions under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and applicable federal common law.

9. Within 30 days of the close of the arbitration hearing, any party will have the right to prepare, serve on the other party and file with the arbitrator a brief. The arbitrator may award any party any remedy to which that party is entitled under applicable law, but such remedies shall be limited to those that would be available to a party in his or her individual capacity in a court of law for the claims presented to and decided by the arbitrator, and no remedies that otherwise would be available to an individual in a court of law will be forfeited by virtue of this Arbitration Agreement. The arbitrator will issue a decision or award in writing, stating the essential findings of fact and conclusions of law. Except as may be permitted or required by law, as determined by the arbitrator, neither a party nor an arbitrator may disclose the existence, content, or results of any arbitration hereunder without the prior written consent of all parties. A court of competent jurisdiction shall have the authority to enter a judgment upon the award made pursuant to the arbitration.

10. It is against University policy for any student to be subject to retaliation if he or she exercises his or her right to assert claims under this Arbitration Agreement. If any student believes that he or she has been retaliated against by anyone at the University, the student should immediately report this to ODM.

11. This section entitled "Binding Arbitration" is the full and complete agreement relating to the formal resolution of student-related disputes in arbitration. Except as stated in paragraph 6, above, in the event any portion of this Arbitration Agreement is deemed unenforceable, the remainder of this Arbitration Agreement will be enforceable. If the Class Action Waiver is deemed to be unenforceable, the University and the student agree that this Arbitration Agreement is otherwise silent as to any party’s ability to bring a class, collective or representative action in arbitration.
Admission Statuses

Academic Advisement

All students are provided the opportunity to communicate with a representative throughout the duration of their program. This advisement can provide students with a preliminary evaluation of their academic status prior to admission and the requirements they must satisfy for both admission to and the completion of their degree program. All students are notified of their official transfer of credits at the time of matriculation and may view their official transfer credit evaluation and progress toward degree completion at any time on their student website. Student services available on the student website include transfer credit summaries, official grades, program GPA, access to update demographic information, and the ability to request transcripts. Guidance on degree completion progress and options may also be discussed at any time with a representative.

Registration

Registration and payment of tuition are required prior to the start of each course. A new application fee is not required for students transferring from WIU. Students who register in a financial aid eligible program may qualify for financial aid in accordance with federal regulations.

Students must sign an Enrollment or Disclosure Agreement for the degree program which they intend to pursue. Students who change programs or who reenter after an absence of one year or more must sign a new Enrollment or Disclosure Agreement.

The student’s enrollment agreement defines the student’s curriculum and degree requirements. The executed enrollment agreement will be effective for a one-year time period from the date signed. If the student has not started their program within this timeframe, the student will be required to submit new admissions paperwork (application and Enrollment Disclosure Agreement) and update to the most recent version available at their campus.

Admission Statuses

There are twelve types of admission statuses at the University of Phoenix representing a student’s standing: Registered, Registered with International Credentials, Admission Deadline Exceeded, Conditional, Orientation Pending, Graduate Provisional, Admitted, Deferred, Non-Degree, Denied for Cause, Denied, and Re-entry. Applicants to certain degree programs are permitted to begin their course of study under Registered, Registered with International Credentials and Provisional admissions statuses, but are not considered unconditionally admitted until the Office of Admissions and Evaluation grants a status of Admitted and all transfer credits are reviewed for applicability to the degree program.

Official decisions regarding admission and academic statuses may be delivered to students via the student website or US Mail.

Admitted (AM) Status

The Office of Admissions and Evaluation in University Services grants a student Admitted status after all documents have been received, the applicant's admission file has been officially reviewed, and all admission requirements have been met. All materials to obtain admission should be submitted by the end of the second course. No student may enroll in the fourth course without admission being granted. This provides the University the necessary information to develop individualized program schedules for each student and provides an opportunity for an admission decision to be made early in the program.

Graduate Provisional (PV) Status

Students who meet all admission requirements in graduate programs except the minimum GPA requirement of 2.50 or 3.00 (see program specific admissions requirements) may be admitted on Provisional status if their entrance GPA is between 2.0 and 2.49 or 2.50 and 2.99 depending on the program of interest. Students admitted on provisional status must achieve a GPA of 3.0 in their University of Phoenix course work at the end of their fourth completed program applicable course to be unconditionally admitted and placed on Admitted status. Failure to meet the minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 by the fourth completed program applicable course will result in a DA (Disqualified Admission) student academic status and a PD (Program Disqualification) program academic status. Students who are disqualified from their program are not eligible to reenter that program for a minimum of three years and are not eligible for readmission into an alternate program until the lapse of six months from the date of disqualification.

Registered (RR) Status

Students qualify for registered status upon completion of the application for admission and payment of the application fee (if applicable). Qualified degree-seeking students in the business, human services, management, education, counseling, computer information systems, psychology or nursing programs may attend a maximum of four courses under registered status. The University makes no guarantees of a favorable admission to students enrolled in course work under registered status.

Registered International Credentials (RI) Status

Students using copies of international academic credentials qualify for registered with international credentials status upon completion of the application for admission and payment of the application fee (if applicable). Students will not be granted unconditional admission using copies of international credentials until verification of the credentials or an original international academic record is received. Qualified degree-seeking students in the business, human services, management, education, counseling, computer information systems, psychology or nursing programs may attend a maximum of four courses under registered status. The University makes no guarantees of a favorable admission to students enrolled in course work under registered with international credentials status.
Orientation Pending (OP) Status
Undergraduate degree applicants with less than 24 credits of previ-
ous college credit/experience as listed on their admissions applica-
tion will be granted Orientation Pending (OP) admitted status after
all admission documents have been received, the admission file
has been reviewed, and all admission requirements for the chosen
program have been met. As a condition of admission, students on
Orientation Pending (OP) admitted status must satisfactorily com-
plete the University Orientation prior to gaining unconditional
admission status.
Deferred Admission (DF) Status
Students will be granted deferred admission (DF) if documents or
information required for admission (AM) are missing from the file.
Students will remain on DF status until the required documents or
information is received. Students on DF status cannot attend class
and will be administratively withdrawn from the university until
the status is resolved.
Conditional (CD) Status
Students who are high school seniors who have not yet graduated
may be granted conditional status upon completion of the admis-
sion application and payment of any required fees. Scheduling for
students is not permitted under this status, and upon completion
of high school, students may apply for admission to a specific asso-
ciate degree program.
Non-Degree (ND) Status
Individuals interested in taking coursework at the University, but
not interested in pursuing a degree, may register as non-degree
students. Non-degree students enrolling in single courses within a
degree or certificate program must meet the admissions require-
ments for the respective college or school. An approved list of
courses is available on www.phoenix.edu under Individual
Courses.
Students may also register for single courses for credit that are not
currently part of a degree program or for non-credit bearing
courses resulting in Continuing Education Units (CEU), Profes-
sional Development Units (PDU), or Contact Hours. Non-degree
status may be granted upon completion of the application. Place-
ment on this status for a student is determined by the campus in
which the student seeks to complete non-degree coursework.
Admission Deadline Exceeded (DE) Status
Students who are unable to attain admitted status by the comple-
tion of their fourth university course will be placed on Admission
Deadline Exceeded (DE) status and be administratively withdrawn
from the University.
Denied for Cause (DC) Status
Applicants for admission who have violated a University policy or
procedure or committed some other act which, if he or she were
already a student, would subject him or her to sanctions for violat-
ing the Student Code of Conduct will be placed on denied for
cause status (DC) and will be administratively withdrawn from the
university.
The University will not admit applicants who show by their
actions that they are unable to meet the University’s expectations
for adherence to the Student Code of Conduct.
Denied Admission (DN) Status
Applicants who do not meet the minimum requirements for
admission to a program will be placed on denied admission status
and be administratively withdrawn from the university.
Re-entry Required (RE) Status
Students who were previously admitted (AM, PV, IV, OP) into a
program but have not posted positive attendance in a course for
365 days will be placed on Re-entry Required (RE) admission sta-
tus. Students placed on Re-entry Required (RE) status will be
required to re-enter the most current program/version in their
state or jurisdiction and submit an admission application, enroll-
ment agreement and any other documents as required by the new
program.
Student Academic Statuses

Academic Disqualification
Academic Disqualification results when students on academic pro-
bation fail to achieve the minimum grade point average at the con-
clusion of the probationary period of four (4) consecutive courses.
Students who have been Academically Disqualified will be admin-
istratively withdrawn from the university and are not eligible for
readmission until the lapse of six months from the date of disquali-
fication. The date of disqualification will be the course end date of
the final course completed within the AF sequence. No exceptions
to the 6 month disqualification will be granted by the Student
Appeals Center (SAC). Upon the conclusion of the 6 month dis-
qualification students can petition the Student Appeal Center to
return. The student may be required to retake or replace the
course(s) with the lowest grade(s) earned. Students on Academic
Disqualification may not transfer to another degree program or
major until they have fulfilled the requirements for reentry as
determined by a SAC appeal. The University will note the date a
student is placed on and removed from Academic Disqualification
on the permanent transcript. The existing schedule will be deleted
and scheduling will be restricted for students placed on Academic
Disqualification.
Scholastic Disqualification
Each degree program may have specific Progression Requirements.
Failure to meet those Progression Requirements will result in Schol-
astic Disqualification. For example, Scholastic Disqualification
results when a student fails to earn a specified minimum grade in a
required progression course. Students who have been Scholasti-
cally Disqualified will not be allowed to continue in their degree
program until they have fulfilled the requirements for progression
as determined by University policy. The University will note the
date a student is placed on and removed from Scholastic Disquali-
fication on the permanent transcript. The course that placed the
student on Scholastic Disqualification, or its equivalent, may be
scheduled, but all other scheduling will be restricted. Students that
fail their second attempt of a course for progression in their degree
program will be placed on Scholastic Suspension. Students may
appeal to the Student Appeal Center to petition to have the Scho-
lastic Suspension removed. The University will note the date a stu-
dent is placed on and removed from Scholastic Suspension on the
permanent transcript.
For details about the Progression Requirements in your degree pro-
gram, you should carefully review your Program Handbook. If
you have any questions about Progression Requirements or Schol-
lastic Disqualification, you should talk to your Academic Repre-
sentative or College Campus Chair.
Level 1 Candidate Status

Level 1 Candidate status is determined at the time of matriculation and is based on the admissions requirements for the desired program. Not all programs have a candidate status requirement.

1S: Level 1 Candidate Status Satisfied: Student has met the admissions requirements and has been admitted.

1N: Level 1 Candidate Status Not Satisfied: Student has not met the admissions requirements, has been denied admission, and therefore does not meet the requirements to achieve Level 1 Candidate Status. Students in a 1N Candidate Status should not attend class.

Level 2 Candidate Status

Level 2 Candidate status is a review of additional requirements needed for the student to progress in their program past a certain point, as designated in program policy.

2S: Level 2 Candidate Status Satisfied: Student has met the additional requirements by the specified deadline indicated in the program requirements.

2N: Level 2 Candidate Status Not satisfied: Student has not met the additional requirements by the specified deadline indicated in the program requirements. A candidate status of 2N restricts the student from attending any future courses until the requirements are met and the student will be administratively withdrawn from the university.

Academic Probation

Academic Probation shall occur when a student’s grade point average falls below acceptable levels. Probation lasts for a period of four consecutive program applicable courses following the course whose grade caused the student’s GPA to fall below the minimum requirement for the program. Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during the four course AP sequence. Associate degree students enrolled at the Online Campus should continue traditional block scheduling format with concurrent enrollment in two courses (excluding AACR & AAPF). In graduate programs, the four course sequence excludes any undergraduate prerequisite courses. Financial Aid and VA students will continue to receive funds during the probationary period.

Program Disqualification

Effective for new enrollments March 1, 2009 and later-Students provisionally admitted (PV), who fail to meet the minimum requirement for admission (AM), will be placed on Program Disqualification (PD) program academic status and Disqualified Admission (DA) academic status. Students who are disqualified from their program are not eligible to reenter that program for a minimum of three years. Students disqualified for admission are not eligible for readmission into an alternate program until the lapse of six months from the date of disqualification. Students may appeal to reenter into the program from which they were disqualified (PD) or any updated version of the program after a lapse of three years.

Student Falsification of Information

All students applying for admission to the University have the responsibility to submit a complete and accurate application package including all academic and professional credentials required. Submitting incomplete, false, or misleading information may be grounds for dismissal at any time.
General Student Grievances
The University has a responsibility to protect the rights of students and ensure compliance with its nondiscrimination policy by providing a process for those who desire to file a grievance against the University, including any claim of discrimination. Students who are alleging discrimination or harassment, please refer to the Nondiscrimination Policy section or Harassment Policy sections of this catalog.

Other grievances must be submitted in writing to ODM, which will determine the appropriate course of action or render a decision. Grievances relating to financial aid, account balances, or collections must be reviewed by campus management before being submitted to ODM. When such a grievance is received by ODM, the student will be provided guidance to file an appeal to be reviewed by the Financial Grievance Committee (FGC) for a final decision if it cannot be resolved informally.

Student Appeals Center (SAC)
The Student Appeals Center (SAC) is an avenue by which students may request exceptions to academic policy via an appeal. Upon receipt, a SAC appeal is routed to the appropriate decision maker; these individuals have the authority to make exceptions to University policy based upon a student's individual circumstances. Decisions are based upon maintaining the academic integrity of the institution. It is incumbent upon the student to provide their Academic Representative with an appeal letter and all relevant documents and statements of support. The Academic Representative will submit all of this information to SAC electronically.

State Boards
The University of Phoenix is regulated by a large number of state regulatory bodies across the country. The following is a list of those regulatory bodies, with contact information:

- In Alabama, the student may contact the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education, PO Box 302130, Montgomery, AL 36130-2130; telephone (334) 242-2959.
- In Arizona, the student may contact the Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education, 1400 W. Washington, Room 260, Phoenix, AZ 85007; telephone (602) 542-2399; website: www.azrppse.gov.
- In Arkansas, the student may contact the Arkansas Department of Higher Education, 114 East Capitol, Little Rock, AR 72201-3818; telephone (501) 371-2065.
- In California, the student may contact the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, C/O Department of Consumer Affairs, PO Box 980818, W. Sacramento, CA 95798-0818; telephone (916) 431-6959, (888) 370-7589.
- In Colorado, the student may contact the Department of Higher Education, Commission on Higher Education, 1500 Broadway Road, Second Floor, Denver, CO 80203; telephone (303) 866-2723, (303) 866-4209.
- In Delaware, the student may contact the Delaware Department of Education, The Townsend Building, 401 Federal St., Suite 2, Dover, DE 19901-3639; telephone (302) 735-4000, 302-735-4120.
- In Florida, the student may contact the Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400; telephone (850) 245-3200.
- In Georgia, the student may contact the Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission, 2082 East Exchange Place, Suite 220, Tucker, GA 30084; telephone (770) 414-3306.
- In Hawaii, the student may contact the Business Registration Division of the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, P.O. Box 40, Honolulu, HI 96810; telephone 808-586-2744.
- In Idaho, the student may contact the Idaho State Board of Education, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037; telephone (208) 332-1587.
- In Illinois, the student may contact the Illinois Board of Higher Education, 431 East Adams Street, Second Floor, Springfield, IL 62701-1418; telephone (217) 557-7355; website: www.ibhe.org.
- In Indiana, the student may contact the State of Indiana Commission on Proprietary Education (COPE), 302 W. Washington Street, Room E201, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2767; telephone (317) 464-4400, (317) 232-1324.
- In Iowa, the student may contact the Iowa College Student Aid Commission, 603 E. 12th Street, 5th Floor, Des Moines, IA 50319; telephone (515) 725-3400.
- In Kansas, the student may contact the Board of Regents, 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 520, Topeka, KS 66612-1368; telephone (785) 296-4976, 785-296-4917.
- In Kentucky, the student may contact the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 320, Frankfort, KY 40601-8204; telephone (502) 573-1555 ext. 350.
- In Louisiana, the student may contact the State of Louisiana Board of Regents, P.O. Box 3677, Baton Rouge, LA 70821; telephone (225) 342-4253.
- In Maine, the student may contact the Maine State Board of Education (MSBE), 23 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0023; telephone (207) 624-6616.
- In Maryland, the student may contact the Maryland Higher Education Commission, 839 Bestgate Road, Suite 400, Annapolis, MD 21401-3013; telephone (800) 974-0203.
- In Massachusetts, the student may contact the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education, One Ashburton Place, Suite1401, Boston, MA 02108-1696; telephone (617) 994-6937.
- In Michigan, the student may contact the Michigan Department of Education, P.O. Box 30008 (or) 608 W. Allegan, Lansing, MI 48909; telephone (517) 373-9235.
- In Minnesota, the student may contact the Minnesota Office of Higher Education, 1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55108; telephone (612) 259-3975, (800) 657-3866.
- In Mississippi, the student may contact the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning Commission Proprietary School and College Registration Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211; telephone (601) 432-6997.
- In Missouri, the student may contact the State of Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education, 205 Jefferson Street, Jefferson City, MO 65101; telephone (573) 751-2361.
- In Nebraska, the student may contact the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, P.O. Box 95005, Lincoln, NE 68509-5005; telephone (402) 471-0020, (402) 471-2847.
• In Nevada, the student may contact the Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education, 3663 E. Sunset Road, Suite #202, Las Vegas, NV 89120; telephone (702) 486-7330.
• In New Jersey, the student may contact the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education, 20 W. State Street, PO Box 542 Trenton, NJ 08625-0542; telephone (609) 292-4310, (609) 984-2709.
• In New Mexico, the student may contact the New Mexico Higher Education Department, 2048 Galisteo Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505-2100; telephone (505) 476-8400.
• In North Carolina, the student may contact the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, General Administration, 910 Raleigh Road Chapel Hill, NC 27515-2688; telephone (919) 962-4538.
• In Ohio, the student may contact the Ohio Board of Regents, registration number 1154320, 30 E. Broad Street, 36th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-3414; telephone (614) 466-6000.
• In Oklahoma, the student may contact the Oklahoma State Regents of Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104-3603; telephone (405) 225-9100, (405) 225-9142.
• In Oregon, the student may contact the Oregon Office of Degree Authorization, 1500 Valley River Dr. Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401; telephone (541) 687-7478.
• In Pennsylvania, the student may contact the Pennsylvania Department of Education, 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333; telephone (717) 783-6785.
• In Puerto Rico, the student may contact the Consejo de Educacion Superior de Puerto Rico / Puerto Rico Council on Higher Education, PO Box 19900, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00910-1900; telephone (787)-724-7100 ext 2022 or ext 2016.
• In South Carolina, the student may contact the Nonpublic Postsecondary Institution Licensing, 1333 Main Street, Suite 200, Columbia, SC 29201; telephone (803) 737-2281.
• In Tennessee, the student may contact the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, Parkway Towers, Suite 1700, 404 James Robertson Pkwy, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0830; telephone (615) 741-3605.
• In Texas, the student may contact the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, P.O. Box 12788, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711; telephone (512) 427-6520.
• In Utah, the student may contact the Utah System of Higher Education State Board of Regents, 60 South 400 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84101-1284; telephone (801) 321-7103.
• In Virginia, the student may contact the Commonwealth of Virginia
  Council of Higher Education, James Monroe Building, 101 North Fourteenth Street, Richmond, VA 23219; telephone (804) 225-2600.
• In Washington, the student may contact the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board, PO Box 43430, Olympia, WA 98504-3430; telephone (360) 753-7869, 360.753.7866.
• In Washington DC, the student may contact the Government of the District of Columbia Education Licensure Commission, 810 1st Street, NE, 2nd Fl., Washington, DC 20002; telephone (202) 727-2824.
• In West Virginia, the student may contact the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, 1018 Kanawha Boulevard East, Suite 700, Charleston, West Virginia, 25301, telephone (304) 558-2101.
• In Wisconsin, the student may contact the Wisconsin Educational Approval Board, 201 W. Washington Ave., 3rd Floor, Madison, WI 53703; telephone (608) 266-1996, (608) 266-1996.
• In Wyoming, the student may contact the Wyoming Department of Education, Hathaway Bldg., 2Floor, 2300 Capitol Avenue, Cheyenne, WY 82002-0050; telephone (307) 777-5712.

You may obtain a copy of the University’s accreditation and/or license documents, or information on how to contact any of the agencies that regulate the University, by contacting Apollo Legal Services at (602) 557-8119.

**Grading Procedures**

Keywords: Forma...l grade reports are available through the student web site upon completion of each course. Grade reports indicate the course taken, credits received, and grade assigned. A student who has failed to make payment for tuition of a course will have the grade withheld until payment is made.

Faculty members are required to post final grades within seven days of completion of the course.

The University has established the following grading guidelines to be complied with by all faculty

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Note: D- is the minimum passing grade for a University course; however, some University programs and courses require higher minimum grades (College of Arts and Sciences, Education, Nursing, Counseling). Minimum grade requirements are documented within policy for those specific programs. Students who receive a grade below the minimum passing grade established for a course will not earn quality points as the grade is considered a failing grade.

A = Outstanding achievement. Student demonstrates intellectual initiative in accomplishing course goals and objectives through high level of originality and creativity.

B = Very good work. Student performance meets designated course goals and objectives by demonstrating understanding of the course materials at an acceptable level.

C = Average work. Student performance demonstrates average comprehension and satisfactory achievement of the course goals and objectives.

D = Unacceptable work. Student performance demonstrates minimum acceptable performance in accomplishing course goals and objectives.

*F = Failing. Student performance demonstrates unsatisfactory or below minimally acceptable achievement in accomplishing course goals and objectives.

Plus or minus grades indicate a high or low end grade that has been assigned.

*I = INCOMPLETE

- Student granted extension to complete assignments. A student who receives an incomplete is given up to five (5) weeks, at the discretion of the faculty, from the scheduled course completion date to complete the course requirements and receive a grade. The student's final grade will be reduced by one full letter grade by the faculty member, regardless of the circumstances under which the Incomplete was granted. Students who do not complete any additional course requirements prior to the new deadline will be awarded the grade earned for the entire course, as though an incomplete grade had not been requested. Faculty members are required to produce completed Incomplete Grade Contracts as needed to enforce the new course completion deadline date.

- Incomplete grades shall be granted for active duty military personnel, regardless of component and including reserve and National Guard personnel who are deployed in operational war zones or in adjacent geographic areas in support of operational war zones. An "operational war zone" is, for purposes of this policy, defined as an area of operations where military personnel are engaged in active conflict or in post-conflict activities. If the student would like an opportunity to complete the course while deployed, an incomplete 'I' grade can be issued instead of a "W" grade. The 'T' grade may be issued with an initial extension of six (6) weeks beyond the traditional five (5) week extension. The practice of requiring final grades to be lowered by one full letter grade as a result of the incomplete 'I' grade shall be waived for deployed students.

*IP = IN PROGRESS

An IP grade may be awarded in the following instances:

- IP grade can only be awarded in qualified courses by the instructor and are allowed additional time to complete requirements.
- IP grade will default to a QC or F, depending on the course, if a letter grade is not posted by the instructor by the end of the IP timeframe.

- Faculty are not required to subtract one letter grade for IP grade awards.
- An IP grade is not calculated into the GPA.

*IX = IN PROGRESS EXTENSION

An IX grade may be awarded in the following instances:

- This grade is only awarded to eligible students who require reasonable accommodations under American Disabilities Act (ADA).
- A new IX course completion date must be determined by the Disability Services Advisor and can range from 5 weeks to 15 weeks.

- Students who require reasonable accommodations will not be penalized one letter grade after completing the course to comply with an academic adjustment granted by the University in accordance with the ADA.

- IP grade will default to an F when the course exceeds its expiration date and no grade has been submitted.

- An IX grade is not calculated into the GPA.

*QC = No grade awarded.

A QC is awarded in the following instances:

- This grade may be used for zero credit courses once the attendance requirement has been satisfied.
- A QC grade may automatically post for certain Doctoral and Counseling courses when the IP period expires and no formal grade has been submitted.

- A QC grade is not calculated into the GPA.

This grade allows students to repeat a course (doctoral dissertations, etc.) without penalizing their GPA.

AU = AUDIT

- Students may register for and audit selected University courses upon campus approval and payment of an audit fee.

- Students who audit a course must meet the following conditions:
  - Students must obtain the campus Director of Academic Affairs approval to enroll in the course.
  - Auditing students are passive participants in the class and are not held accountable for Study Group Task/Team work nor for assignment submission unless otherwise negotiated with the faculty member.
  - Auditing students are governed by all University policies and procedures that apply to non-auditing students.

- Department chairs determine which courses within their department are appropriate for audit.

- Auditing students will receive a designation of “AU” on their permanent record which will not carry any academic credit.

- Auditing students may not change their auditing status after attending one night of the course.

*W = WITHDRAWAL

Student withdrew due to exceeding the maximum allowable absences from the course or has been administratively withdrawn by the university. A "W" grade will be issued in the following scenarios:

- The student recorded positive class attendance in at least one scheduled class and failed to meet the class attendance requirements due to exceeding the maximum allowable absences.
- The student recorded positive class attendance in at least one scheduled class and has been administratively withdrawn from the university and/or program during the course.
Grade Reports and Transcripts

At the end of each course, the faculty member submits and posts grades for each student. Students can view their course information including grades, GPA, program information and scheduled courses online at https://ecampus.phoenix.edu. Students who require grade verification must request an Official Grade Card or may print a grade summary from the student website. University of Phoenix students may also request a grade verification letter through University Services Support Center.

The student’s official transcript is prepared by the Registrar’s Office. The transcript will show the courses, credits, and dates of instruction for each course. Credits awarded from the Prior Learning Assessment will be recorded on the transcripts as the credits are awarded and assessment fees are paid.

Only a summary of credits transferred by institution will be included on the transcript. If you need itemized information for these credits the student must contact the school where the credits were completed.

NOTE: Students may repeat courses. Only the grade and credit for the most recent repetition is used in calculating total hours earned and total cumulative grade-point averages. However, the original and repeated grades remain on the transcript bearing a symbol to show that a particular course has been repeated.

Transcripts will be released only to students who are in good financial standing with the University.

Transcript Request Forms are available at any University of Phoenix campus. Completed forms should be mailed to the Office of the Registrar, University of Phoenix, 4025 S Riverpoint Parkway CF-L201, Phoenix, AZ 85040. The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 requires that all mail-in transcript requests be submitted in writing and be signed by the student.

Students may request official transcripts from the student website (https://ecampus.phoenix.edu) by selecting the Services menu and following the directions for requesting a transcript.

Grade Disputes and Grade Corrections

Students disputing a grade received may contact their Academic Representative, who will assist the student with initiating a grade dispute. However, the decision regarding whether to change the grade rests solely with the faculty member. A grade dispute must be initiated within six (6) weeks of the grade posting date. Grade disputes are not appealable beyond the campus level.

Program Changes

Students wishing to change their program/version must enter into the most current program or version offered in their state or jurisdiction. Students must do this through consultation with their Academic Representative. Students changing into a new program must have documentation on file that meets all admission requirements for the new program being entered. Students who are changing programs to a new program that has employment/work experience/access to work environment requirements must submit a Program Change Addendum. Previously transferred or completed University of Phoenix coursework may not apply to the new program requirements due to differences in degree and content requirements for the new program being entered.

Diploma Application and Degree Conferral

Students must submit a Diploma Application in order for their degree to be conferred. Once students have completed all degree requirements, a Diploma/Certificate Application link will be posted on their student web site at https://ecampus.phoenix.edu under the Important Messages section. If for some reason the link does not appear, students may contact their Academic Representative for a paper copy of the Diploma Application. Once the Registrar’s Office receives the Diploma Application and the student has satisfied all financial obligations to the University, an official audit of the student’s record will be conducted. If all degree requirements have been met, the student will be degree conferred and a Diploma and degree posted transcript will be ordered and mailed to the student.
Posthumous Degrees
The University may present posthumous degrees to the executor of the estate (written authorization required) or immediate family members (notarized affidavit required) of deceased students who were actively enrolled and in good academic and financial standing in a University program at the time of their death. Immediate family members include: spouse, legally recognized domestic partner of the deceased, parents, legal guardians (court document required), children (over the age of 18), and siblings.

Degree Posting
Degrees are posted to students’ transcripts on a monthly basis. A student’s degree will be posted on his or her transcript with the last day of the month in which all degree requirements are completed. Degree requirements are considered to be met when all credit has been posted to the academic record. The student’s individual degree completion date is recorded on the transcript, indicating that all academic requirements for the degree were fulfilled on that date.

Diplomas are ordered bearing the date the degree was posted for all students who have completed degree requirements and who have paid all tuition and fees.

Students who are not eligible for graduation are notified by their Academic Representative of their degree deficiencies.

Graduation with Honors
Bachelor degree students who complete their degree program with a Program Grade Point Average of 3.85 or higher will graduate with Honors distinction. The Honors designation will appear on the University Diploma and permanent transcript.

Participation in Commencement Ceremony
Commencement ceremonies are held at each University campus. Students must also be in good academic and financial standing to be eligible for commencement participation. Associate students who have completed all but 6 credits required for their degree will be permitted to participate in the commencement ceremony. Undergraduate and Graduate students who have completed all but 9 credits required for their degree will be permitted to participate in the commencement ceremony. Doctoral students must satisfy all credit and non credit bearing degree requirements, including a completed dissertation approved by the Dean, prior to commencement eligibility. Certificate students should refer to their local campus for commencement eligibility.

All Bachelors level students who have met the University Honors requirements, and have been degree conferred, will be recognized at commencement ceremonies with the University gold honor cord. (Students must be degree conferred before the ceremony date.)

Program Completion Deadlines
Program completion deadlines have been established for all programs offered by the University and are applicable to all continuosly enrolled students. Program completion deadlines are calculated based on the first date of positive recorded attendance in the first program applicable course and are listed below:

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Disclaimer on Job Placement
The purpose of the degree programs offered by the University of Phoenix is to extend the nature and range of careers available to its students by providing a quality education that integrates theory with practical application. However, the University cannot offer guarantees of job placement, advancement, or continued employment.
Academic Quality and Outcomes Assessment - Ensuring Consistent Quality

Over the last three decades, University of Phoenix has made significant investments in developing and maintaining systems to ensure academic quality. These systems enable the institution to measure and evaluate the University’s effectiveness in meeting its mission and purposes and to use the evidence to continuously improve students’ educational experiences and institutional processes.

The comprehensive nature of the academic quality systems and the data produced, provide the University with significant and meaningful input that is used to review and improve every aspect of the institution. Data gathered from course evaluations and student learning assessments, are used in the curriculum development process, as well as in the creation of faculty development tools. Data gathered from the continuous evaluation of institutional processes and systems are used to streamline processes and to make administrative support systems more user-friendly, continuously building on the analysis of information gathered.

Academic Quality Improvement and Outcomes Assessment

Academic quality improvement is an integral part of the organizational culture at University of Phoenix. The University’s Academic Quality Management System (AQMS) is the mechanism used to ensure that the institution is meeting its mission and purposes through continuous assessments based on a comprehensive array of quality control and assurance instruments. One major component of this system is the assessment of student learning.

Assessment of Student Learning

The University’s search for the best ways to assessment student learning and the use of the resulting evidence to guide continuous quality improvement, led to the adoptions of an academic assessment process. The process is comprised of four ongoing and iterative steps. These include:

• Prepare annual assessment plan for academic programs
• Collect and analyze student learning data
• Implement improvements based on assessment results
• Monitor effectiveness of implemented improvements

The academic assessment process provides the means for governing and monitoring the educational experience of our students, and gathering evidence of student learning. The University’s academic assessment process includes an ongoing combination of cognitive measures, such as course embedded assignments, portfolios, and exams, and affective measures that gather information from students, alumni, and employers. The instruments and measures are designed to provide reliable evidence to support continuous improvement of academic programs.

Assessment of Students Educational Experiences and Institutional Processes

Another major component of the AQMS is the assessment of students’ educational experiences and institutional processes. A cadre of instruments and measures are used to monitor the day-to-day educational systems involving student, faculty, curricular, and administrative services.

By performing interim program diagnoses, evaluating faculty adherence to program standards and practices, and making small-scale resource decisions, information from the AQMS is used formatively for assessing quality and compliance.

AQMS Measures and Instruments

Beginning of Program Survey (BOPS)

During the registration process, students are asked to provide basic background information about themselves on the BOPS. Much of the information from the BOPS is used for analyzing outreach trends and for regulatory reporting. However, the BOPS also contributes to assessment in two important ways. First, it is used to obtain basic demographic information about students: age, gender, race/ethnicity, work experience, occupation, and income. Second, students are asked to provide information about their goals in attending the University by identifying their major academic and professional objectives.

Faculty Grading Practices

Accurate and fair evaluation of student academic performance is an important attribute of an effective educational program. Accordingly, measures of grade variance are reported by program. Grade variance for campus and individual faculty members are reported as elements of feedback for self-improvement and compliance with University standards of good practice.

End-of-Program Survey

Students finishing their degree programs complete an End-of-Program Survey. This survey asks graduating students to evaluate their overall University of Phoenix experience in areas such as quality of the education they received, skills and knowledge, and workplace application, as well as career advancement and progression. University officials use the information from this survey to enhance curriculum, instruction, student services, and overall university operations.

Longitudinal Research

Numerous special studies are undertaken to explore trends and issues of potential significance to academic decision-makers. These studies may include enrollment by campus by academic program, persistence and graduation rates by admission status (first-time; lower- and upper-division transfers), gender and race/ethnicity, class size by rating of faculty and educational effectiveness, etc. Emphasis is placed on examining the nature and extent to which students educational needs and expectations are being met during the enrollment process, throughout their course work, when they graduate, and in their continuing professional development as alumni.

Additional Research Support

Special studies can be conducted on academic policy, program and organizational effectiveness, and marketing issues necessary to support institutional decision-making. Research support may take several forms, including: a) assistance in reviewing and evaluating externally conducted research, b) assistance with project planning and management for internally based research projects, c) assistance with interpretation of secondary databases, d) analysis and reporting on information contained in various institutional databases, and e) information for campus needs (e.g., marketing based on geographical analysis, etc).
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**Career Resources**
- **Education 2 Career (E2C)** - This new job career portal connects alumni with leading companies that are actively looking to hire University of Phoenix graduates. E2C is an interactive site where alumni can upload resumes, interact with recruiters, get job alerts and more.
- **Alumni Career Center** - Alumni Career Center is powered by CareerBuilder, the largest career website in the United States. The career center is fully equipped with a wide variety of tools and resources that can help alumni market their skills to potential employers.

**Alumni Services**
- **Alumni Directory** - The Alumni Directory connects graduates of University of Phoenix in the same industries or geographical locations and builds a foundation that promotes communication and networking.
- **Mentor Program** - One person can make a huge difference in someone's career. Be the one. Be a mentor. The program connects students and alumni in the same field of study, industry or location. You can sign up to become a mentor today on the website.
- **Benefits & Savings** - University of Phoenix has partnered with numerous businesses to offer benefits and savings to alumni. Registered members of the Alumni Association can take advantage of the many businesses that offer special rates through the University Marketplace available through the Alumni Association website.
- **Scholarships** - University of Phoenix alumni have the opportunity to "pay forward" their education by nominating someone for the Paying it Forward® scholarship. Each year, 30 full-tuition Paying it Forward scholarships are awarded to individuals seeking to pursue a bachelor's degree. The Alumni Association also awards thirty-six $3,000 University of Phoenix Alumni Scholarships each year to associate, bachelor’s, master’s or doctoral alumni who are currently enrolled in a subsequent degree program at University of Phoenix. Six full-tuition Forever a Phoenix® scholarships are also awarded each year to alumni who are not currently enrolled in a subsequent degree program to pursue a bachelor’s or master’s degree.
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Admission Procedures

Application Process
Potential students applying for admission to the University’s undergraduate degree programs begin the admission process by submitting a complete and accurate application. An application which is later verified to contain incomplete, false or misleading information may be grounds for dismissal and administrative withdrawal. Once the application has been received by the University, applicants are responsible for ensuring the completion of their admission file. No applicant will be formally accepted for admission until their admission file is complete and officially evaluated. Formal written notice is provided by the central Office of Admissions & Evaluation upon formal acceptance.

The University will advise students which admission file documents are required in order to begin a program of study. Students may attend their first four courses under Registered status. Students, however, must submit all admission documentation and gain unconditional admission status prior to the start of their fifth course. Students failing to submit all documentation prior to the end of the required time frame will be administratively withdrawn until formally admitted by the central Office of Admissions & Evaluation. The University cannot guarantee that a student who begins course work under Registered status will be admitted to the degree program.

Undergraduate students who have served in the military service must submit their Army American Council on Education Registry Transcript System (AARTS) or Sailor/Marine American Council on Education Registry Transcript (SMART), Coast Guard Institute (CGI) or discharge papers (DD214) for review for potential transfer credits. This is a requirement if students will be applying for VA educational assistance.

Applications of individuals who have not gained admission to, or enrolled in the University, will be kept on file for one year. After that time, the applicant is required to submit a new application and materials for admission review.

Transcript Requests of Other Institutions
Because institutions vary in the time they take to respond to transcript requests, all transcripts should be requested immediately upon submission of an application. University staff will process all requests for transcripts on behalf of the student. However, it remains the student’s responsibility to ensure that all transcripts are submitted to the University. Students must sign a “Transcript Request Form” for each transcript being requested from educational institutions and national testing programs.

Official Transcript Time Limits
All official transcripts must show an issuance date not more than one year prior to receipt by the University. This is to ensure that all prior course work is reflected on the transcript. Official foreign records do not have the same time limit issuance requirements, as these documents may be difficult to obtain. This exception does not apply to Canada or U.S. territories.

Foreign Academic Records
Students applying to the University with foreign academic records or credentials may have additional requirements that must be met in order to enroll in courses or gain admission due to the differences in educational systems and document requirements.

All academic records from Afghanistan, Somalia or Turkmenistan must be evaluated by an external evaluation service approved by the University of Phoenix.

An applicant submitting academic records from Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Anguilla, Antigua, Argentina, Armenia, Aruba, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Barbuda, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bermuda, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Brunei/Brunei-Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Cayman Islands, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Costa Rica, Cote d’lvoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Czechoslovakia, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (North Korea), Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, French Guiana, French Polynesia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Laos People’s Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Republic of Moldova, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Montserrat, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, Netherlands Antilles, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Palestine, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Russia (Russian Federation), Rwanda, Saint Barthélemy, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Martin, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, St. Vincent and The Grenadines, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turks and Caicos Islands, Union of Socialist Republics (U.S.S.R.), Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Western Samoa, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zambia or Zimbabwe may be evaluated internally by the central Office of Admissions and Evaluation or evaluated by an external evaluation service approved by the University of Phoenix. Internal evaluation practices utilized by the central Office of Admissions and Evaluation follow standards and practices defined by the National Association of Foreign Student Administrators (NAFSA) and the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). Certain programs that lead to certification may require students to have an evaluation performed by an external evaluation agency that is approved by both the University and the state in which the student seeks certification.
Students using foreign academic records to satisfy an admission requirement will not be eligible to attend classes prior to the University receiving a favorable evaluation from an approved credentials evaluation service or evaluation performed by the Central Office of Admissions & Evaluation. Original academic records or copies of academic records that have been verified as authentic by the issuing institution are required to be on file prior to a student gaining unconditional admission to the University. If the academic records are in another language, a certified English translation or translation performed by the Central Office of Admissions and Evaluation (Spanish and French only) is required. The University will accept translations from the issuing institution or an official translation service.

Non–Native Speakers of English
An applicant who does not have appropriate English language proficiency in an academic environment will not be eligible to attend classes under Registered status. Official documentation with an appropriate score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS), Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE) or Berlitz Online English Proficiency Exam must be submitted with the admission file and admission granted before the applicant may begin the program.

Admission Appeal Process
Any applicant who has been denied admission to the University has the right to appeal the decision to the Student Appeals Center. All appeals, including any evidence to be considered, must be submitted in writing to the Student Appeals Center. The written appeal may consist of a letter of explanation for academic deficiencies, lack of experience, and any other factors which might be of benefit when the Student Appeals Center conducts its review. It is incumbent upon the applicant to submit all relevant documents and statements of support attached to the appeal letter to the Student Appeals Center. The Student Appeals Center will carefully review all materials submitted, and notify the applicant in writing of its decision within ten working days.

Undergraduate Admission Requirements
Most undergraduate programs have additional admission requirements listed within the program specific information. All applicants are expected to meet the following admission requirements:

- Achieved a minimum passing score of 75 on the Test of English as an International Communication (TOEFL) within two years of application to the University.
- Successful completion of the approved ESL series of courses completed at: Canadian College of English Language (CCEL), International Language Schools of Canada (ILSC) or Kaplan.
- Achieved a minimum score of 59 on the Pearson Test of English Academic Exam within two years of application to the University.

The following may exempt a non-native speaker from having to take the TOEFL/TOEIC/IELTS, however official documentation may be required:

- The applicant has successfully completed thirty (30) transferable, academic semester credits at a regionally or nationally accredited college or university in the United States.
- The applicant has successfully completed the equivalent of thirty (30) transferable, academic semester credits at a recognized college or university in a country in which English is the official language.
- The applicant has successfully completed the equivalent of thirty (30) transferable, academic semester credits at a recognized institution where English is the medium of instruction.
- The applicant has previously earned, prior to applying for admission to the University of Phoenix, a U.S. high school diploma or G.E.D. Applicants that list any language other than English as their native language on the admission application and G.E.D is taken, must submit a copy of the G.E.D to verify it was taken in the English version format.
- The applicant has earned the equivalent of a U.S. high school diploma in a country in which English is the official language.
- The applicant has earned the equivalent of a U.S. high school diploma at an institution where English is the medium of instruction.

Applicants who reside in the United States must meet one of the following requirements:

- Be a legal resident of the United States
- Have been granted permanent residency
- Have a valid visa that does not prohibit educational studies
- Have been granted temporary protected status and has been verified through Citizenship and Immigration Service that the country is eligible for TPS status at the time of application sign date. Student must list TPS as the visa type on the admissions application in order for US to verify TPS status.
- Have been granted asylum along with copy of passport and I-94 bearing the stamp indicating the issue and expiration dates of the Asylee status.

Applicants who reside in Canada must meet one of the following requirements:

- Be a legal resident of Canada
- Be a landed immigrant
- Have a valid visa that does not prohibit educational studies
- A completed and signed undergraduate application
• A signed Enrollment/Disclosure Agreement.
• Students, who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the University on the admissions application, are required to complete a University Orientation Workshop (UNIV 100 or UNIV 101) to be officially admitted (AM).

University Orientation Workshops

Students, who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the University on the admissions application, are required to complete a University Orientation Workshop (UNIV 100 for Online or UNIV 101 for local campus).

Students will be granted Orientation Pending (OP) admitted status once all admission documents have been received, the admission file has been reviewed and all admission requirements for the chosen program have been met. Upon successful completion of the Orientation and evaluation of all transfer credits, students on OP status will be updated and the admission status will be updated to Admitted (AM).

Attendance and participation in the Orientation is required. To successfully complete the Orientation and receive an Orientation Complete (OC), students must attend all three weeks and submit all assignments by the Orientation end date.

Students who do not successfully complete the Orientation will receive an Orientation Not Complete (ON) and will remain on Orientation Pending (OP) admission status. Students will be allowed two attempts to successfully complete the Orientation. After a second unsuccessful attempt, participants are required to sit out for a period of six months after the last posted attendance in the second attempt.

Orientation Extended (OX) status is only awarded to eligible students who require special accommodations. The OX status provides students with an additional 3-9 weeks to complete the Orientation Workshop. If a student does not fulfill the Orientation Workshop requirements at the end of the extension period, the OX status will default to Orientation Not Complete (ON) status. Students may request additional extensions.

The Orientation must be successfully completed prior to enrollment in a credit-bearing degree applicable course.

Students, who list more than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the University on the admissions application, are not required to complete a University Orientation Workshop.

Re-entry students who were previously admitted to the University are not required to complete the Orientation upon re-entry to the University.

First-Year Sequence

The following First-Year Sequence is applicable to students starting on or after February 1, 2010. Students who begin courses prior to February 1, 2010 will not be required to complete the First-Year Sequence.

All students entering undergraduate degree programs (other than LVN/BSN, LPN/BSN, BSN, BLS, and BSED/E) who have fewer than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to complete the following First-Year Sequence:

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

GEN 195 (Required as first course) ........................................... 3 credits

Foundation of University Studies

The essential information, skills, tools, and techniques necessary for academic success and personal effectiveness at the University of Phoenix are introduced in this course. The course develops and applies practical knowledge and skills immediately relevant to first-year university students. Course topics include goal setting and planning to achieve academic success and personal effectiveness at the University of Phoenix or Associates First-Year Sequence courses.

Course Descriptions for First-Year Sequence

GEN 195 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Elements of University Studies

This course reinforces the concept that learning effectively and living well involves both the mind and body. It presents the fundamentals of wellness and preventive health including strategic planning to attain and maintain personal optimal health. In addition, physical and mental diseases are discussed along with the negative factors that can affect personal health.

SCI 163 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Elements of Health and Wellness

This course provides an overview of the elements necessary for academic success and personal effectiveness at the University of Phoenix are introduced in this course. The course develops and applies practical knowledge and skills immediately relevant to first-year university students. Course topics include goal setting and planning to attain and maintain personal optimal health. In addition, physical and mental diseases are discussed along with the negative factors that can affect personal health.

FP 120 ....................................................................................... 3 credits

Essentials of Personal Finance

This course provides an overview of the elements necessary for effective personal financial planning and the opportunity to apply the techniques and strategies essential to this understanding. Primary areas of study include creating and managing a personal budget, understanding and paying taxes, working with financial institutions, wise use of credit cards and consumer loans, financing automobiles and homes, and the use of insurance for protecting one’s family and property.

COM 170 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Elements of University Composition and Communication I

This course addresses the key elements necessary for effective academic writing in college. The course begins with focus on pre-writing strategies and builds to drafting and revising essays. In addition, the course includes skill development at the sentence and paragraph level.

Optional Course for the First-Year Sequence:

HUM 114 ~ (Required as last course) ................................. 3 credits

Critical Thinking and Creative Problem Solving

Note: Non-Degree students may not enroll in any of the University of Phoenix or Associates First-Year Sequence courses.
Academic Progression

Students entering the University bachelor degree programs (other than AAEE, LVN/BSN, LPN/BSN, BSN, BLS, and BSED/E) with fewer than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to complete the First-Year Sequence. To enroll in the required course of study students must have a minimum of 24 credits. Students who have 24 credits may select courses in the business foundation. Students must have 60 credits to enroll in the major.

As an alternative, enrollment into major course work also extends to students who have completed 45 credits, of which 21 credits were earned at the University.

Math and English Prerequisites

In line with the mission of the University’s General Education program to ensure that students have reached baseline levels in basic skills before entering into the professional programs, students must satisfy prerequisites in the areas of math and English. Math and English prerequisites may be satisfied in one of the following ways:

• Successful completion of University of Phoenix math and English courses
• Transfer credit may be used by students who have achieved a C- or better in a comparable course of at least 2.67 semester credits completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited institution. Transfer courses used to fulfill math and English prerequisites must be eligible to receive general education credit.
• Achieve a passing score on the College Mathematics CLEP exam and/or a passing score on the College Composition CLEP exam.
• Students in the state of Florida who have passed the CLAST exam will have satisfied math and English prerequisites.

All students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English prerequisites.

Waivers

The University defines a waiver as the substitution of a required course at the University with a course of the same level listed on an official transcript from another institution. Students may find specific course waiver information after the applicable required course of study. Students requesting course waivers must make formal written requests to the central Office of Admissions & Evaluation, utilizing the Request for Course Waiver Form citing the courses they request to be waived, the courses to be transferred into the required course of study, and the university where the courses were completed.

An official catalog course description must accompany the request. The official transcript from the institution where the course was completed must also be submitted, unless it has previously been submitted to the University as part of the application process.

Degree Requirements

Students must complete the minimum number of upper and/or lower division credits that make up the required course of study. Completion of the Comprehensive General Education Program, including a minimum number of credits distributed among Liberal Arts and Interdisciplinary components is also required. Degree requirements may vary by program and may be found after each required course of study.

Degree Completion Options

Bachelor degree seeking students who have successfully completed the required course of study and need additional academic work in order to fulfill the minimum number of credits required for graduation may choose the following options:

• Complete additional upper or lower division elective courses offered by the University of Phoenix;
• Complete approved CLEP, Excelsior, or DANTES examinations;
• Participate in the Prior Learning Assessment process as described in this catalog; or
• Complete approved courses at other regionally or nationally accredited associate degree granting candidates for accreditation college or university.

Students who need additional academic credits to graduate should contact an Academic representative to ensure that there is no duplication or regression of previously completed course work.
General Education

In its commitment to help working adults achieve their professional and personal goals, the University of Phoenix endorses the role of general education in ensuring student success in the classroom, the workplace, and the community. The general education curriculum, which is developed through the College of Arts and Sciences, provides instruction that focuses on skills in communication, critical thinking, and computation, and fosters a philosophical orientation that enables students to function as productive members of society. The University’s general education program embraces four goals:

• To refine students’ abilities to apply problem-solving skills in many settings and contexts.
• To prepare students with competencies needed to fully benefit from and successfully complete their professional programs of study.
• To develop students’ appreciation for and commitment to lifelong learning.
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Undergraduate general education requirements emphasize the mastery of competencies within the respective frameworks of mathematics and physical sciences, life sciences, technology, communication arts, social sciences, and humanities. Students are required to demonstrate proficiency in written and oral communications, in the handling and use of quantitative information, and the application of analytic and synthetic–creative thinking skills. This background provides students with the perspectives needed for meaningful self–examination of personal and social values, as well as enhanced ability to understand and cope with social, technological, and cultural change.

If elective curriculum is being taken cannot duplicate credits earned in the required course of study, credits earned at other institutions, credits earned through national testing programs, or credits awarded through Prior Learning Assessment.

Liberal Arts Components

The liberal arts component of the General Education Program is comprised of traditional liberal arts categories. The number of credits required in each category varies by program and may be found after each program. The purpose of this component is to ensure that students are exposed to a breadth of traditional liberal arts essential to a baccalaureate experience, and is distributed as follows:

Communication Arts, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the Communication Arts primarily focuses on the development and application of writing, speaking, group process, and interpersonal communication skills.

English/Language Arts, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the English/Language Arts primarily focuses on the development and application of writing, speaking, group process, and interpersonal communication skills.

Mathematics, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the mathematics area develops quantitative and analytical skills in the fields of mathematics and advanced logic. The area does not include courses in which mathematics is merely an applied component (such as finance and accounting), nor does it include mathematics foundation courses below the level of college algebra.

Social Sciences, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the social science promotes understanding of human behavior as well as the structure and dynamics of social systems. Emphasis is on the discovery of patterns in social processes and institutions, both past and present. Courses in anthropology, sociology, ethnic and gender studies, geography, political science, psychology, history, and certain communications courses focusing on mass media and society typically satisfy these requirements.

Social Studies, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the social studies promotes understanding of human behavior as well as the structure and dynamics of social systems. Emphasis is on the discovery of patterns in social processes and institutions, both past and present. Courses in anthropology, sociology, ethnic and gender studies, geography, political science, psychology, history, and certain communications courses focusing on mass media and society typically satisfy these requirements.

Humanities, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the humanities focuses on the development of ideas and values, appreciation of cultural and artistic achievements, and the evaluation of human experience. Courses in general humanities, philosophy, literature, fine arts, music, theater, and religious studies normally satisfy requirements in this area. Certain courses in political science and intellectual history emphasizing the development of cultural thought processes may also satisfy humanities requirements.

Fine Arts, credits requirements vary by program
Course work in the fine arts focuses on the development of ideas and values, appreciation of cultural and artistic achievements, and the evaluation of human experience. Courses in general humanities, philosophy, literature, fine arts, music, theater, and religious studies normally satisfy requirements in this area. Certain courses in political science and intellectual history emphasizing the development of cultural thought processes may also satisfy humanities requirements.

Science/Technology, credit requirements vary by program
Course work in the sciences provides students with an understanding of nature and the physical world, along with knowledge of the methods scientists use to study the world around them. Courses in astronomy, biology, chemistry, physics, anatomy and physiology, geology, and environmental science typically satisfy requirements in this area. All students must complete a minimum of three credits in the physical/biological sciences as part of the six credit Science/Technology requirement. Certain courses in geophysics or aerospace studies which emphasize the earth’s physical characteristics, weather, and climate are included in the science category, along with highly specialized course work in the social sciences such as physical anthropology, archaeological field methods, and psychology courses which focus on human physiological processes.

Technology refers to the application of scientific knowledge in making and using tools to enhance materials culture. Course work in the area of technology which satisfies general education requirements includes engineering, materials science, electronics courses that emphasize theory and design, and computer science courses that focus on programming languages and hardware/software engineering. Courses which focus primarily on the social and environmental conflicts which arise over the uses of technology usually satisfy requirements in the social sciences and humanities.
Additional Liberal Arts, credit requirements vary by program
Students will pursue more depth in the liberal arts by selecting two different courses in any of the liberal arts categories listed above. 

Interdisciplinary Component

Interdisciplinary, credit requirements vary by program
To fulfill this requirement, students may select additional general education courses, or they may select from any University courses other than those in their major field. The intent of this requirement is to further increase students’ exposure to the liberal arts and to facilitate their exposure to field of study beyond the necessarily narrow scope of their professional interest. Students are encouraged to explore diverse content areas to add depth to their academic and professional knowledge base.

Professional Development Component

Professional Development, 3 credits
GEN 300, Skills for Professional Development, is required as the first course for all undergraduate students. It is part of the required course of study. This course focuses on the knowledge and skills necessary for a returning adult student to be successful. It also introduces students to the theories of adult learning that underlie their professional programs. *(Note: This requirement can also be filled with GEN 101 for ICS students. ICS students will be required to complete other upper division elective or business credits in the BSB program to satisfy degree requirements. The upper division credit must be business-related for Bachelor of Science in Business students.)*

Integrating Component

Integrating, 3 credits
GEN 480, This is the capstone course for business, health and human services, and information technology undergraduate students. The course provides students with the opportunity to integrate and apply learning from their professional programs of study in a comprehensive manner. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.

BUS 475, The integrated business topics course examines strategic business management while integrating topics from previously completed business foundation coursework. This allows students to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the undergraduate business curricula with a significant emphasis placed on the assessment of individual outcomes to determine content mastery. In addition to the 54 credits in this prescribed General Education program, each major course of study at the University of Phoenix’s includes courses that integrate general education principles. The University of Phoenix’s educational philosophy is based on the integration of theory and practice. Within that philosophical framework, a number of the courses required for the professional programs have a strong general education component.

Prior Learning Assessment

Any credit awards by assessment are limited to elective or general education requirements.

Corporate articulation provides an opportunity for students to earn up to 30 undergraduate semester credits (unless otherwise prescribed by state statutes on non-traditional credit limitations) for professional training obtained through their employer(s). Corporate training is assessed for academic equivalency to college level classroom learning. The recognition of corporate training is a concept based on accepted principles of adult learning and serves to validate the professional competence and learning experience achieved by students outside of a traditional college classroom. Credit awards are applied to associate or bachelor elective or general education areas within degree programs.

Prior Learning Credit

A maximum of 30 Prior Learning credits may be earned as a result of professional training (workshops, seminars, licenses, business and professional courses, and other institutionally-sponsored course work).

The University may award up to 30 undergraduate semester credits for verified college-level learning gained through experience, and submitted in the form of experiential course writing referred to as Experiential Learning Essay. No student may earn more than 60 credits from any combination of experiential learning, national testing, credit by exam, and professional course work and training. Some states may have restrictive state regulations. Students should check with their Academic Advisor.

Faculty Assessment Evaluations

Portfolio evaluations are performed in accordance with the policies of the University, individual state regulatory requirements, the standards of the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning, and the Council for Higher Education Association.

The University maintains a centralized Prior Learning Assessment team within University Services which directs evaluations and controls for the assessment of prior learning for credit.

Prior Learning Assessment Submission and Posting & Fees

Charges arising out of services and the posting of credit awarded for prior learning are separate and apart from tuition and curriculum fees.

When materials are complete, they are sent to Prior Learning Assessment in Phoenix and a non-refundable application fee is required and collected. The evaluation and posting fees apply to credit awarded through Prior Learning Assessment:

Student portfolios are subject to fees related to evaluation and assessment of all portfolio inclusions. The fees may vary depending upon number of items reviewed. Fee structure and information may be viewed at: http://www.phoenix.edu/admissions/prior_learning_assessment_center/prior_learning_assessment_center.aspx.

Transcription of Prior Learning Assessment Credits

Credits awarded are posted to student transcripts by Prior Learning Assessment. Since these credits are a permanent part of a student’s academic record, fees are non-refundable.
Privacy of Portfolio
The University considers all Prior Experiential Learning course writing and Professional Training Portfolios to be confidential. For this reason, access to portfolio submissions is limited to members of the University’s assessment and administrative staff, faculty evaluators, and members of accreditation evaluating teams. However, students may sign a release form which allows the University to use portions of the portfolio material in professional training workshops for counselors and faculty members, and as classroom examples.

Standardized Credit Recommendations
Credits awarded through the assessment process are applicable to University of Phoenix degrees, and may be transferable subject to the receiving institution’s discretion.
Credit awards are applied to Associate or Bachelor elective or general education areas within degree programs. Student degree program admission is required (all other transfer credit applied in the program) prior to portfolio submission.

Estimated Program Length
To determine the number of months it takes to complete the program as designed, add all the credit hours in a given program, divide the result by 24 credit hours and then multiply the result by the number of months in the academic year for the degree (Associates = 9 months in an academic year, Bachelors = 10 months in an academic year, Masters/Doctoral = 12 months in an academic year, Undergraduate Certificate = 10 months in an academic year and Graduate Certificate = 12 months in an academic year). Example: Associate program is 60 credits. Divide 60 credit hours by 24 credit hours (60/24 = 2.5). Then multiply the result by the number of months in the academic year for the degree (2.5 x 9 months = 22.5 months).
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COLLEGES OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Arts and Sciences is responsible for developing and offering liberal arts degree programs as well as general education courses which support the University's undergraduate degree programs. General education course work seeks to broaden students' outlook and to establish a strong foundation for lifelong learning. Program requirements are designed to assist students in developing communications and problem solving skills needed for professional growth, and to strengthen students' appreciation of the larger social, political, scientific, and aesthetic culture.

The colleges work closely with other academic departments and faculty throughout the university to design curricular offerings which reflect the unique character of University of Phoenix students and degree programs.

There are three colleges in Arts and Sciences, the College of Natural Sciences, College of Humanities, and the College of Social Sciences. Arts and Sciences faculty hold graduate degrees and have completed substantial graduate level study appropriate to the academic field in which they are teaching. In addition, many Arts and Sciences faculty members have extensive practical experience in relevant professions.

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES

The College of Humanities offers Bachelor degrees in Communications, History, and English, Associate degrees in Communications and General Studies, and an Associate degree through credit recognition designed for military members. As part of a broad education, coursework in the humanities provides students with knowledge of the arts, history, language, literature, philosophy, religion; skills in communication, independent and analytical thinking, and problem-solving; an ethical framework; and appreciation for the diversity of human experience and expression.

Bachelor of Science in Communication

The following Bachelor of Science in Communication (BS/COM) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Communication (BS/COM) degree program is designed to develop knowledge and skills for effective communication in a variety of public and private work environments. The program was created specifically to build upon personal and professional communication experiences. The BS/COM degree enhances the communication skills necessary for the development of professional competence and values; critical thinking and problem solving; information utilization; and collaboration. The curriculum focuses on the development of core communication competencies. It emphasizes theory and application in the domains of interpersonal, small group, organizational, and mass communication.

All Arts and Sciences faculty are committed to the central role of general education in undergraduate degree programs. In its commitment to help adult learners achieve their professional and personal goals, the University of Phoenix recognizes the role of general education in ensuring students' success in the classroom, the workplace, and the communities in which they live. The general education curriculum prepares students with the foundation skills and philosophical orientation necessary to succeed in their professional programs. It also ensures that students have a broad exposure to the liberal arts, and that they explore diverse content areas to add depth to their academic and professional knowledge base. This preparation includes the development of the basic techniques of intellectual inquiry and self-reflection that guide continuous growth and development of the individual throughout life. The basic tenets of liberal arts - communication, critical thinking, information utilization, collaboration, ethics and professional growth - are integrated throughout the professional curricula, e.g., through writing across the curriculum, the infusion of diversity issues, and a universal focus on critical thinking skills.

BS/COM Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

GEN 300 ................................................................. 3 credits
Skills for Professional Development

COM 100 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Introduction to Communication

COM 200 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Foundations of Interpersonal Communication

COM 225 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Foundations of Mass Communication

COM 310 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Communications: Theories and Practice

COM 330 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Small Groups and Team Communication

COM 350 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Organizational Communication

COM 360 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Intercultural Communication

COM 400 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Media and Society

COM 440 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits
Communication Law
COM 450 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Ethics and Communication
COM 470 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Mediation and Conflict Resolution
COM 480 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Communication Capstone Course

Concentration in Marketing and Sales Communication
The concentration in Marketing and Sales Communication focuses on the science of humanistic interaction in marketing and sales. Emphasis is placed on understanding the psychology of behavior, and the impact that it has on marketing communication tools and strategies. The ethical responsibility associated with customer message management is also emphasized throughout the program.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bs-com-ct.

VCT 420 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Multimedia Development
VCT 320 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Electronic Publishing
VCT 310 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Web Design
VCT 235 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Image Editing & Implementation

Concentration in Culture and Communication
The concentration in Culture and Communication is designed to prepare students with a well-rounded view of diversity in American society. Students will focus on the experiences of people from different cultures and how communication differs by race and gender. In addition, students will gain a global perspective on race, ethnicity, and class in the United States. Students will compare cultural topics such as Asian American, African American, Hispanic American, gender, and their differences.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bs-com-cc.

SOC 262 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Contemporary American Society
SOC 333 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Genders in Society
SOC 335 ~ .................................................................3 credits
The Peoples and Cultures of Asia
SOC 337 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Contemporary Latin American Society
SOC 338 ~ .................................................................3 credits
The African American Experience
COM 403 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Contemporary Communication in a Diverse Society

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study. Please note that within each state, concentration availability may vary by campus location.

Additional Admission Requirements for the BS/COM
- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

Degree Completion Requirements for the BS/COM
- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 42 upper division credits.
  - All students must meet the General Education areas approved by the university.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
  - All students must complete the minimum number of credits required by their degree program.
  - All undergraduate students are required to complete the minimum general education credits required by their program version.

The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Bachelor of Science in Communication and will not reflect the concentrations. The Concentrations are reflected on the transcript only.
General Education Requirements for the BS/COM
A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
Communication Arts, 6 credits
Humanities, 6 credits
Mathematics, 6 credits
Social Sciences, 6 credits
Science/Technology, 6 credits
Must include at least 3 credits in the physical or biological sciences
Additional Liberal Arts, 6 credits
Interdisciplinary Component, 18 credits
Students who lack 67 or fewer general education credits may use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.
For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.
Academic Progression Requirements for BS/COM
All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:
- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course it is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)
- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.
- Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.
- All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.
Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for BS/COM
Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferment. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.
Students in this program may waive a maximum of 27 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferrable coursework. In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.
- Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.
- The course must have been completed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.
- The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.
- The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: GEN 200, GEN 300, COM 480.
Course Descriptions for the BS/COM

GEN 300 .................................................................3 credits

Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

COM 100 ...............................................................3 credits

Introduction to Communication
This course is an introduction to the field of communication with emphasis on the history of communication study, theories important to all areas of communication, the contexts in which communication occurs, and the issues that must be faced by students of communication. The course serves as an introduction to the strands of communication: interpersonal, small groups and teams, mass communication, organization, intercultural, and rhetoric.

COM 200 ...............................................................3 credits

Foundations of Interpersonal Communication
This course includes the application of communication principles, theory, and research to the process of interpersonal communication, includes verbal, nonverbal, listening, conflict management, and communication skills most relevant to a broad range of interpersonal settings.

COM 225 ...............................................................3 credits

Foundations of Mass Communication
This course is a survey of the basic theories upon which our scientific understanding of mass communication is based. Ethical and related problems of mass communication will be studied from contemporary and historical viewpoints, as well as a critical analysis of the performance of the mass media.

COM 310 ...............................................................3 credits

Communications: Theories and Practice
This course explores the various theories of communication that create the foundation for study of communication in the bachelors degree program at the University of Phoenix. Major communication areas examined in this course include intrapersonal, interpersonal, group and teamwork, organizational, intercultural, and mass media. Each area, along with others, will be studied in greater depth in subsequent courses in the degree program.

COM 330 ...............................................................3 credits

Small Groups and Team Communication
This course explores the dynamics of group communication and effective team work. Both social and workplace scenarios will be examined. Analytical techniques will be included to provide effective strategies for communication in these contexts.

COM 350 ...............................................................3 credits

Organizational Communication
This course examines various theoretical frameworks necessary for effective organizational communication. It analyzes the application of communication strategies within organizations in terms of their effectiveness. It provides the infrastructure necessary for the creation and maintenance of successful communication strategies in organizations.

COM 360 ...............................................................3 credits

Intercultural Communication
The purpose of this course is to assist students in understanding and apply the principles of effective intercultural communication in a diverse society and in global commerce. Students will develop an understanding of why and of how cultural issues influence effective communication. This course introduces techniques for improving written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills in response to intercultural settings.

COM 400 ...............................................................3 credits

Media and Society
The development and evolution of contemporary society have become inextricably intertwined with the development and use of electronic media within the past 100 years. This course explores the complex interactions involving society, information, communication, and the electronic media. Controversial topics that media have brought to the fore, and in some cases caused, will be highlighted.

COM 440 ...............................................................3 credits

Communication Law
While ethical decision-making permeates every facet of personal and professional life, this course focuses specifically upon ethical issues that are inherent in personal and public forms of communication. Special emphasis is placed on ethical issues in commercial communication. Ethical decision-making models will be discussed and applied to cases involving various contemporary and controversial communication topics.

COM 470 ...............................................................3 credits

Ethics and Communication
This course focuses on the U.S. legal environment and its specific laws, court decisions, policies, and regulations that address the freedom and responsibilities that come with the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The personal, commercial, and political exercise of free speech, and its regulation, will be analyzed in this course.

COM 450 ...............................................................3 credits

Mediation and Conflict Resolution
Communication is the foundation upon which mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution are based. This course starts with an examination of the theoretical basis for ADR in light of communication theory. Then it focuses upon the effective application of theory and practice to achieve meaningful results and to avoiding conflict in the future.

COM 480 ...............................................................3 credits

Communication Capstone Course
This is the capstone course for students pursuing the bachelor’s of science in communication. The course provides students with the opportunity to integrate and apply learning from their professional programs of study in a comprehensive manner. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.
Advertising and the Media
This course addresses the elements of advertising and the media. Topics include advertising concepts, selection of media, and the use of media and advertising as marketing communications tools. The course also emphasizes the ongoing convergence of media content and commercial messages and how it is redefining marketing communications.

Consumer Psychology and Research
This course focuses on consumer behavior and marketing research. Topics include the cognitive processes underlying consumer choice, descriptive consumer characteristics, and environmental consumer behavior. This course emphasizes the implications of consumer behavior on domestic and global marketing communications.

Marketing Communications
This course provides students with the basic concepts and methods related to marketing communications, including communication theories and the communication mix. Emphasis is placed on the marketing mix variables of product, place, price, and promotion, as well as marketing communications tools.

Psychology of Consumer Behavior
This course examines the cognitive processes underlying consumer behavior and the factors that influence consumer decision making. Topics include perception, learning, motivation, and attitudes.

Foundations of Marketing
This course covers the basics of marketing, including the nature and scope of marketing, the marketing concept, and the marketing management process.

Marketing Communications
This course addresses the elements of advertising and the media. Topics include advertising concepts, selection of media, and the use of media and advertising as marketing communications tools.

Marketing and Sales Message Management
This course focuses on bridging the gap between sales and marketing communications through the use of customer message management. Topics include sales promotion, direct sales, personal selling, and customer relationship management as marketing communications tools.

Public Relations and Message Management
This course focuses on the role of public relations in marketing communications and how it can be used to attain organizational marketing and sales objectives. Topics include media relations, relationship-building strategies, crisis communication, ethics, and the development of public relations messages.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Marketing and Sales Communication

COMM 215 Essentials of College Writing
This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretive and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

GEN 101 Skills for Lifelong Learning
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Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Marketing and Sales Communication

COM 302 Marketing Communications
This course provides students with the basic concepts and methods related to marketing communications, including communication theories and the communication mix. Emphasis is placed on the marketing mix variables of product, place, price, and promotion, as well as marketing communications tools.

COM 349 Consumer Psychology and Research
This course focuses on consumer behavior and marketing research. Topics include the cognitive processes underlying consumer choice, descriptive consumer characteristics, and environmental consumer behavior. This course emphasizes the implications of consumer behavior on domestic and global marketing communications.

COM 352 Advertising and the Media
This course addresses the elements of advertising and the media. Topics include advertising concepts, selection of media, and the use of media and advertising as marketing communications tools. The course also emphasizes the ongoing convergence of media content and commercial messages and how it is redefining marketing communications.

COM 373 Public Relations and Message Management
This course focuses on the role of public relations in marketing communications and how it can be used to attain organizational marketing and sales objectives. Topics include media relations, relationship-building strategies, crisis communication, ethics, and the development of public relations messages.

COM 486 Sales Communications
This course addresses the elements of sales communications. Topics include sales promotion, direct sales, personal selling, and customer relationship management as marketing communications tools.

Courses for the Concentration in Marketing and Sales Communication

CIS 205 Management Information Systems
This course introduces students to the world of information technology. Students will examine the technology concepts included in business systems, networking, and project management and explore the systems development life cycle. Specific topics for the course include: hardware components, software applications, operating systems, databases, programming, as well as the security, privacy, and safety issues associated with information technology.

COM 420 Creativity and Communication
Creativity is described as a process leading to products or processes that are novel, useful, and meaningful. As a result, the designation of “creative” is inextricably tied up with the process of communicating. This course examines contemporary models of communication. Practical application of these theoretical constructs to the development and enhancement of one's creativity is one of the primary focuses of the course.

VCT 235 Image Editing & Implementation
Design elements such as basic composition, style, use of color, textures, graphic manipulation, photographic re-touching and text/font design are introduced. File formats, sizing and packaging for export are covered in this class. Concepts such as pre-press production and printing are introduced. Imaging program, Adobe Photoshop® Elements 3.0 is required for this class.
VCT 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

Web Design
This course focuses on the principles of good web design and the essential role of the web designer in today’s business environment. Topics covered include layout, style, artistic quality, navigation, performance, communication, community, e-commerce and marketing.

VCT 320 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Electronic Publishing
This course presents the essential role of electronic publishing in the delivery of information to today’s businesses and consumers. Most of the course is concerned with methods and techniques involved in the electronic publishing of business presentations, corporate reports, newsletters, training materials, manuals and electronic books, but other information formats such as wikis and blogs are also considered.

VCT 420 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Multimedia Development
This course introduces the fundamentals of developing interactive, multimedia enriched content for delivery across alternative platforms such as the Internet, CDs and handheld devices. The focus is on the integration of animation, audio and video content to maximize communication.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Culture and Communication

SOC 262 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Contemporary American Society
Students in this course will explore the implications of ethnicity, culture, and diversity within the context of society. Students will be introduced to racial and ethnic relations, prejudice, stereotypes, discrimination, and adaptation and conflict in diverse cultures.

SOC 333 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Genders in Society
The objective of this course is to explore gender differences and communication. This course introduces students to gender inclusiveness and sensitivity through the examination of the roles of genders in society. Students will focus on gender communication in business, organizations, family and the media. Additionally, students will explore communication traits of men and women and the impact of miscommunication between genders.

SOC 335 .................................................................................... 3 credits

The Peoples and Cultures of Asia
This course provides students with an overview of the cultural traditions and contemporary development of Asian countries. Course topics include the geography, history, politics, economic development, and social conditions of Asian countries.

SOC 337 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Contemporary Latin American Society
This course introduces the cultural perspectives of Latin America. Students will explore cultural geography, ethnicity, class and culture, gender, and challenges facing Latin America.

SOC 338 .................................................................................... 3 credits

The African American Experience
This course serves as an introduction to the African American experience. This course will explore the social construction of identity, culture and the inequalities African Americans face in popular American culture. Race, class and gender of the African American people will be explored from a historical to modern day perspective.

COM 403 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Contemporary Communication in a Diverse Society
The objective of this course is to focus on the dynamics of human communication across cultures and genders in a multicultural society.
The College of Social Sciences offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs in a number of diverse academic areas including counseling, psychology, and human services. In addition, the college offers a certificate program in mediation.

The College provides innovative educational programs designed to enhance the core knowledge, skills and values essential for students seeking to achieve their academic goals in the field of social sciences. These programs are developed and taught by skilled practitioners who work in their respective fields. Through individual and collaborative work, students can acquire the knowledge and skills needed in today’s working environment.

**Bachelor of Science in Psychology**

The following Bachelor of Science in Psychology (BS/P) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the online classroom at online rates if the program is available via the online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology program provides students with a strong foundation in general psychology. Students will gain insight into the cognitive and affective processes that underlie the individual human experience through an analysis of a variety of theoretical approaches related to human development and behavior. The courses in this program do not have a clinical emphasis and do not lead to professional licensure; instead, they are designed to provide supervisors, managers and other professionals with greater skills in critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and information utilization through the enhanced understanding of human psychology.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bs-p.

**BSP Required Course of Study**

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**Additional Admission Requirements for the BS/P**

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

**Degree Completion Requirements for the BS/P**

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 51 upper division credits.
  - All students must meet the General Education areas approved by the university.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
  - All students must complete the minimum number of credits required by their degree program.

**General Education Requirements for the BS/P**

A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.

- Communication Arts Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Humanities Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Mathematics Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Science & Technology Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Must include at least three (3) credits in the physical or biological sciences
- Social Science Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Interdisciplinary Requirement(s) 18 credits
- Additional Liberal Arts Requirement(s) 6 credits
Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use excess interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use excess interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program. For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

**Academic Progression Requirements for the BS/P**

All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:

- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course it is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University of Phoenix on the applications, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)
- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.

- All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

**Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BS/P**

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix. Students in this program may waive a maximum of 24 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the major, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the major. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the major, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.
- The course must have been completed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.
- The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: GEN 300, PSY 490

**Course Descriptions for the BSP**

GEN 300 ...................................................................................3 credits

**Skills for Professional Development**

This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.
Cognitive Psychology

This course examines theories and research pertaining to the structure (self, person, role, and event schemas) and processes (expectations, attributions, and inferences) underlying self and person perception.

PSY 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

PSY 315 ................................................................. 3 credits

PSY 300 ................................................................. 3 credits

General Psychology

General Psychology is a survey course which introduces the student to the major topics in scientific psychology as applied to human behavior. Applications of these principles will be made to the human experience.

PSY 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

Life Span Human Development

This course focuses on a historical view of human development leading to the current lifespan approach to form an understanding of the developing individual, and it explores influences on human development, ranging from individual models to cross-cultural groups. Emphasis is given to personality, social, intellectual, and physical development, and the major theories used to describe how people change throughout their lifespan.

PSY 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

Learning and Cognition

This course concerns the study of learning from the most basic associationistic ideas to complex cognitive behaviors such as problem solving and thinking. Various ideas regarding the nature of the mind are presented along with the fundamental concepts of learning and conditioning. Strengths and weaknesses of the memory system are discussed as they relate to higher cognitive processes such as language, problem solving, and eyewitness identification.

Neurophysiological correlates of cognitive phenomena and memory disorders are also discussed.

PSY 400 ................................................................. 3 credits

PSY 390 ................................................................. 3 credits

Social Psychology

This course provides a unified view of the field of social psychology organized around the concepts of social influence and power and exchange in social life and explores in-depth human thoughts, feelings, and actions as influenced by other people. Specific topics include socialization, perception of self and others, pro-social and anti-social behavior, attitudes, interpersonal attraction, social influence, and group behavior.

PSY 405 ................................................................. 3 credits

PSY 340 ................................................................. 3 credits

Abnormal Psychology

This course is designed to provide students with an introduction to theories and research concerning abnormal behavior (psychopathology). The course will address such topics as the incidence (frequency) of abnormal behavior of various types; how abnormal behaviors are classified into various diagnostic categories; the etiologies (causes) of psychological disorders; and the variety of methods employed in the treatment of abnormal behavior.

PSY 435 ................................................................. 3 credits

Industrial/Organizational Psychology

This course is designed to introduce the student to the field of industrial/organizational psychology. The emphasis is on the psychological principles and how they can be applied in a work context. Topics will include legal issues in employment, selection of employees, performance appraisal, training, leadership, motivation, and group behavior.

PSY 450 ................................................................. 3 credits

Diversity and Cultural Factors in Psychology

This course is a study of the issues and influences related to gender, sexual orientation, and the major racial/ethnic and cultural groups in the United States and how they affect theoretical and research paradigms in psychology and clinical and counseling practices. The course expands the students’ frame of reference concerning human diversity and applies this knowledge to counseling and research issues in psychology.

PSY 390 ................................................................. 3 credits
PSY 460 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Environmental Psychology**

In this course students will learn about the interaction between people and their environments; how our behavior affects our environment, and how that environment, in turn, influences our own behavior. An emphasis will be placed on developing behavioral solutions for environmental problems.

PSY 475 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Psychological Tests and Measurements**

This course will cover the basic principles, research, and theories on testing and measurement of psychological constructs. It is expected that students complete the course with knowledge of various techniques for psychological testing; a familiarity of several professionally developed tests; the ability to develop, administer, and interpret certain tests; and knowledge of measurement theory which includes reliability and validity.

PSY 480 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Elements of Clinical Psychology**

This course is intended to provide the beginning psychology student with an overview of the theory and practice of clinical and counseling psychology. The course includes reference to major theories of personality, assessment, and psychotherapy. Topics include psychodynamic, cognitive/behavioral, and biological theories of normal and abnormal psychological processes, and the assessment of behavior, abilities, and personality. Therapies covered include a variety of psychoanalytic approaches, and humanistic, biological, cognitive/behavioral, and child and family therapies.

PSY 490 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Capstone Course in Psychology**

This is the capstone course for undergraduate psychology students. The course provides students with the opportunity to integrate and apply learning from their psychology program of study in a comprehensive manner. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.

COMM 215 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Essentials of College Writing**

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GEN 200 ................................................................................... 3 credits

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GEN 101 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Skills for Lifelong Learning**

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The Bachelor of Science in Human Services is intended to give graduates knowledge and basic skills to work in the human services industry. The Bachelor of Science in Human Services is an integrated program combining academic instruction in the foundations of human services such as counseling, social work and psychology with applied skills for students whose goal is a career in the growing field of human services. This major is designed to be an applied degree, which teaches strategies and techniques of intervention and good management practices for intervention at individual, family, group, organization, and community levels. Human services graduates are prepared to provide services in a variety of community settings. This program takes an interdisciplinary approach to the development of a student’s knowledge and skills and provides instruction in four major areas: theoretical foundations, diversity and population needs, research and program evaluation, and intervention methods and skills. Students obtain a background in social work, enabling them to work in managed care, government agencies, and other provider organizations. For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bshs.

**Required Course of Study for the BSHS**

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

BSHS 301 ................................................................. 3 credits

Introduction to Human Services

BSHS 311 ................................................................. 3 credits

Models of Effective Helping

BSHS 321 ................................................................. 3 credits

Communication Skills for the Human Services Professional

BSHS 331 ................................................................. 3 credits

Professional, Ethical, and Legal Issues in Human Services

BSHS 341 ................................................................. 3 credits

Field Experience/Part I

BSHS 351 ................................................................. 3 credits

Technology in Human Services
A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.00.

**Degree Requirements for the BSHS**

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

**Degree Requirements for the BSHS**

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 63 upper division credits.
  - A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.00.
  - A minimum of 120 total credits that include a minimum of 63 upper division credits. Students must satisfy all required courses of study and general education requirements. Any remaining credits may be satisfied by elective coursework.

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- BSHS 491 ~ .............................................................................. 3 credits
- GEN 480 ~ .............................................................................. 3 credits
- Interdisciplinary Capstone Course

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### Additional Admission Requirements for the BSHS

- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.

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BSHS 301  .................................................................3 credits

Introduction to Human Services

This course is designed to give adult learners an overview of expectations for academic success in the Bachelor of Science in Human Services program. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles. Students will gain knowledge of skills needed to demonstrate critical thinking, make oral presentations, function in learning teams, conduct research, and write academic papers in the format of the Publication Manual for the American Psychological Association. Students will be introduced to the university library and learn how to access its resources successfully. An introduction to the human services profession will be accomplished by studying roles and responsibilities of human services workers.

BSHS 311  .................................................................3 credits

Models of Effective Helping

This course presents an exploration of the major theoretical areas in the helping professions: cognitive, behavioral, affective/humanistic, and systems. Students learn the theoretical basis for each of the major theories, the approach to change, and the techniques and interventions used by practitioners of these theories. The course emphasizes the development of a personal theory and approach to human services and the creation of a resource file containing practical applications of theory-based techniques for use by the human service worker.

BSHS 321  .................................................................3 credits

Communication Skills for the Human Service Professional

This course explores the theory and practice of professional communication skills, including active listening, interviewing, nonverbal communication and presentation skills. Students will develop their interpersonal skills through application of communication techniques and strategies.

BSHS 331  .................................................................3 credits

Professional, Ethical, and Legal Issues in Human Services

Ethical principles and practices of human service workers are examined in accordance with The Community Support Skill Standards for Human Service Workers and the Ethical Standards of Human Service Professionals. Major legal issues in the delivery of human services are examined. The roles, functions, and legal and ethical responsibilities of the human service worker are investigated.

BSHS 341  .................................................................3 credits

Field Experience/Part I

This course provides information and support to assist students in their first field experience placement in a human services organization. Students will conduct interviews, learn to create a learning contract, and develop an understanding of their role in the human services delivery system. Weekly workshops are provided to offer support and supervision of student activities in the field. Students will complete a total of 100 hours of field experience during a ten-week period. Supervision will be provided on a weekly basis in 2-hour group sessions. Students will be exposed to the twelve core competencies of the BSHS program, with an emphasis on participant involvement, communication, community and service networking, as well as education, training, and self development.
BSHS 351 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Technology in Human Services**
This course is a survey of the use of communications technology in Human Services. It examines how technology affects the delivery of Human Services and how technology is used in delivering the service. Students are required to have access to the Internet and have a valid e-mail address to take this course.

BSHS 361 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Child Development**
In this course students learn about human growth and development from conception through adolescence. Physical, cognitive, and psychosocial developmental domains are studied. Within those domains, language development, moral development, and multicultural issues are addressed. Practical application of developmental theory is included to help students appreciate the impact human services workers have on children, adolescents, and their caregivers.

BSHS 371 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Adult and Family Development**
In this course, students learn the physical, social, emotional, and cognitive development of the adult in today's society. They explore each of the major stages of adult development: young adulthood, middle age, and late life. Myths about aging are examined, and current research is reviewed. Factors influencing physical and mental health throughout the life cycle are explored, including those that contribute to developmental problems and those that foster greater life satisfaction and health. Students examine the resources and services for the aged population.

BSHS 381 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Research and Statistics for the Social Sciences**
This course provides an overview of research methods and appropriate use of statistics in the social sciences. The scientific method, research tools, data collection, and analysis will be reviewed. Understanding research and developing the ability to critically evaluate published research reports will be emphasized. Statistical concepts will be reviewed, and students will gain a conceptual understanding of underlying principles of research and statistical analysis. Statistics software will be introduced, and students will compute descriptive and inferential statistical data. Students will practice developing research designs and conducting statistical analyses.

BSHS 391 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Lifelong Learning and Professional Development**
This course will examine the roles of lifelong learning and professional development for human service workers in the helping process. Students will clarify their values and aspirations and develop a plan for their personal professional development. Students will explore both short-term plans and long-range goals and research the requirements and resources for each.

BSHS 401 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Case Management**
This course covers principles, practices, and issues in case management. The diagnosis and treatment of developmental, psychological, and psychiatric problems and treatment resources in least restrictive and most cost effective settings will be examined.

BSHS 411 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Field Experience/Part II**
This course will offer students the opportunity to demonstrate progression in the 12-Core Competency Areas, which are the topics of the course. Students will select placement in a community human services organization and participate in human service delivery. Weekly seminars are provided to offer support and supervision of the student activities while in the field experience. Students will learn to present issues for supervision.

BSHS 421 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Cultural Diversity and Special Populations**
Students will explore rich and unique features of ethnically diverse populations and "special populations," and identify their human services needs. Students will become familiar with available local community services to meet those needs. The development and assessment of cultural competence as it applies to social service agencies and behavioral health professionals is emphasized.

BSHS 431 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Dependency and Addictions**
Students will be introduced to the addictions process involved in alcohol, chemical, and other dependency areas. The role of addiction within society, the criminal justice system, and treatment areas will be explored.

BSHS 441 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Advocacy and Mediation**
This course is designed to explore the potential use and benefits of alternative dispute resolution in human services as a part of the advocacy process. Students will explore the role of the advocate, learn about various dispute resolution models, and identify and practice mediation skills. Attention to overcoming barriers to effective service delivery will be examined. Students will experience the roles of mediator, advocate, and agency representative through role-plays in dyads and small groups.

BSHS 451 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Program Design and Proposal Writing**
This course covers finding federal, state, and private funding for human services programs and agencies and writing proposals to secure funding. Students will practice designing and evaluating programs. Students will use the Internet to explore funding sources and to identify suggestions for developing successful grant proposals.

BSHS 461 .................................................................................. 3 credits  
**Building Community in Organizations**
This course provides a framework for understanding organizations as social communities. Students will learn to identify the essential elements of organizational communities, the managerial implications, the skills necessary to effectively work in organizational communities, and the benefits of working in organizations using the community model. Emphasis will be placed on understanding and developing the skills needed to work effectively in organizations.
BSHS 471 ..................................................................................3 credits

Mental Health and Crisis Intervention Practices
Students will learn about the history and current status of the human services delivery system and the mental health services system. Appropriate protocols for assessing strategies will be examined and explored. Students will explore the skills, techniques, and uses of crisis intervention.

BSHS 481 ..................................................................................3 credits

Working with Groups
The course provides students with knowledge, awareness and skill building in group work. Content emphasizes such areas as different types of groups (task, psycho-educational, counseling, and psychotherapy), group dynamics, group norms and boundaries, leadership styles, and leading and co-leading. Ethics, standards for best practice, principles for diversity-competent group workers, confidentiality, and selection procedures are included as key components for effective group work practice.

BSHS 491 ..................................................................................3 credits

Field Experience, Part III
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GEN 480 ...................................................................................3 credits

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GEN 200 ...................................................................................3 credits

Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

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Skills for Lifelong Learning
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GEN 300 ...................................................................................3 credits

Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

COMM 215 ..............................................................................3 credits

Essentials of College Writing
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The Bachelor of Science in Human Services/Management

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This undergraduate degree program has a 60-credit major course of study. In addition, students must satisfy general education and elective requirements to meet the 120-credit minimum required for completion of the degree.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bshs-m.

**Required Course of Study for the BSHS/M**

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

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The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

**Additional Admission Requirements of the BSHS/M**

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

**General Education Requirements for the BSHS/M**

A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.

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Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use excess interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use excess interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.

For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

**Degree Requirements for the BSHS/M**

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 60 upper division credits.
  - A minimum of 54 credits of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
• A minimum of 120 total credits that include a minimum of 60 upper division credits. Students must satisfy all required courses of study and general education requirements. Any remaining credits may be satisfied by elective coursework.

Academic Progression Requirements for the BSHS/M

All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:

• First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
• GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
• HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
• With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  • University of Phoenix coursework,
  • Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  • University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  • National Testing Programs, and
  • ACE evaluated Military credits.
• The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course. It is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
• Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
• Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.
• Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)
• Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
• Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.

• All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSHS/M

Students must meet the established University residency requirements for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of thirty (30) credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university. 
• The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.
• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements).

This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.
• The course must have been completed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.
• The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived. BSHS 302, GEN 480

Course Descriptions for the BSHS/M

BSHS 302 ..................................................................................3 credits

Introduction to Human Services

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This course in organizational behavior encompasses the study of individual and group behavior in organizational settings. Managing organizational behavior challenges individuals to understand and embrace workforce diversity, elements of change, effective communication, and performance systems. A comprehensive review of these processes, as well as others, will allow students to examine their role in organizations in the new millennium.

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This course explores the rich field of management in theory and practice, and as both a science and an art. The course also addresses the role of managers in the current world of rapid change, increased competitive forces, and increased expectations for the successful performance of employees and organizations. The focus is on some of the ways and means of achieving desired goals. The student will leave this course with a solid background in the nature and work of management and managers. Applications of concepts to current workplace issues will be stressed.

**Human Lifespan Development**

This course presents students with empirical research findings and theoretical frameworks to foster an understanding of the various stages and dimensions of human development across the lifespan. Emphasis is placed on biological, cognitive, emotional, and social development in a timeframe extending from prenatal development through the elder years and on toward eventual end of life and bereavement processes.
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MKT 421 .................................................................3 credits

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This course involves an integrated analysis of the role of marketing within the total organization. Specific attention is given to the analysis of factors affecting consumer behavior, the identification of marketing variables, the development and use of marketing strategies, and the discussion of international marketing issues.

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The foundation of today's technological world is rooted in the natural sciences. As part of any academic program, studying the natural sciences gives students insight into the fundamental processes of nature and provides the basic knowledge needed to understand modern scientific accomplishments. Students also develop the critical thinking, independent thinking, and problem solving skills that form the basis for lifelong learning.

The College of Natural Sciences offers a variety of courses in natural, environmental, and life sciences as well as programs in health administration, environmental sciences, and biology.

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Coursework includes content in some of the following areas: management, finance, legal and ethical parameters, human resources, and information systems. Upon completion of the core curriculum healthcare students have the opportunity to select a concentration that is designed to expand their professional opportunities.

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**BSHA Foundation Courses**

- GEN 200 ~ 3 credits
- Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
- HCS 212 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Vocabulary
- HCS 235 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Delivery in the United States
- HCS 245 ~ 3 credits
- Introduction to Health and Disease

**BSHA Required Course of Study**

- HCS 320 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Communication Strategies
- HCS 325 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Management
- HCS 335 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Ethics and Social Responsibility
- HCS 341 ~ 3 credits
- Human Resources in Health Care
- HCS 483 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Information Systems
- HCS 490 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Consumer - Trends and Marketing
- HCS 405 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Financial Accounting
- HCS 440 ~ 3 credits
- Economics: The Financing of Health Care
- HCS 465 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Research Utilization
- HCS 451 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Quality Management and Outcome Analysis
- HCS 490 ~ 3 credits

Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

**Concentration in Health Management**

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at [http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsha-hm](http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsha-hm).

- HCS 457 ~ 3 credits
- Public and Community Health
- HCS 430 ~ 3 credits
- Legal Issues in Health Care: Regulation and Compliance
- HCS 475 ~ 3 credits
- Leadership and Performance Development
- HCS 455 ~ 3 credits
- Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future
- HCS 446 ~ 3 credits
- Facility Planning
- HCS 449 ~ 3 credits
- Health Administration Capstone

**Concentration in Emergency Management**

This concentration is designed for EMTs, First Responders, Firefighters, or any other emergency personnel that want to expand their knowledge and skills related to emergency management. Focus will be on principles of emergency management, managing emergency response operations, and planning and preparedness of emergency situations.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at [http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsha-em](http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsha-em).

- EMC 310 ~ 3 credits
- Principles of Emergency Management
Concentration in Long Term Care

This concentration is designed to increase skills that are essential when working with various populations requiring long-term care. Courses will focus on aging, legal issues and perspective, gerontology programs and services, as well as alternative living environments for this population.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsha-his.

HCS 433 ~.................................................................................3 credits
Dimensions of Health and the Older Adult

LTC 310 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Social and Community Related Programs and Services

LTC 315 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Long-term Care Administration

Alternative Living Environments

LTC 328 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Legal Perspectives in Aging

HCS 449 ~.................................................................................3 credits
Health Administration Capstone

Concentration in Health Information Systems

This concentration is designed for individuals that want to work with information technology in health care. Focus is on database concepts as well as information network and system design.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsha-his.

HCIS 410 ~ ...............................................................................3 credits
Project Planning and Implementation in Health Care

DBM 381 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Database Concepts

NCT 361 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Network and Telecommunications Concepts

BSA 370 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Systems Analysis and Design

HCIS 420 ~ ...............................................................................3 credits
Information Systems Risk Management in Health Care

HCS 449 ~.................................................................................3 credits
Health Administration Capstone

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study as necessary.

Additional Admission Requirements BSHA

• High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body; GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

• Applicants must be currently employed or have access to a work environment.

• Applicants to the Emergency Management concentration (BSHA/EM) must be currently employed or have prior employment experience in an Emergency Management position such as Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), First Responder, firefighter, or other emergency personnel.

Degree Requirements for the BSHA

• Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  • A minimum of 48 upper division credits
  • A minimum of 54 credits of the 120 must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  • A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
  • Students must satisfy all required courses of study and general education requirements. Any remaining credits may be satisfied by elective coursework.
  • Students will declare a concentration at the time of enrollment.
  • The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Bachelor of Science in Health Administration and will not reflect the concentration. Concentrations are reflected on the transcript only.

General Education Requirements for the BSHA

All students must complete a minimum of 54 credits in the following areas as a part of their minimum 120 credit degree requirement.

Communication Arts Requirement(s) 6 credits
Mathematics Requirement(s); 6 credits
Science & Technology Requirement(s); 6 credits

Must include at least 3 credits in the physical or biological sciences

Humanities Requirement(s); 6 credits
Social Science Requirement(s); 6 credits
Additional Liberal Arts Requirement(s); 6 credits
Interdisciplinary Requirement(s); 18 credits

Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.

For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

Academic Progression Requirements for the BSHA

All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:

• First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
• GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
• HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
• With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  • University of Phoenix coursework,
  • Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  • University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  • National Testing Programs, and
  • ACE evaluated Military credits.
• The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course. It is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
• Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
• Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with the University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.
• Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First-Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)
• Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
• Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study. Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework, certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others. All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSHA

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at the University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of eighteen (18) upper division credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework (national testing program credit, prior learning credit, and military credit may not be used to waive with or without credit coursework in the required course of study).

Students may also waive nine (9) lower division credits from the required course of study.

In order to be granted a waiver with credit, for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
• The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for Information Security & Technology courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better.
• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e., graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver without credit, for a course in the Required Course of Study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution in which the University has entered into an approved articulation agreement with.
• The course must have been completed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved Articulation Agreement.
• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and be approved through the Articulation Agreement.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: GEN 200, HCS 449

Course Descriptions for the BSHA

GEN 200 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Foundations for General Education and Professional Success

This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

HCS 212 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Health Care Vocabulary

This course provides students with a foundational set of basic health care vocabulary that relates to a variety of health care work settings. Students will review terms and concepts related to the structure and professions within the health care delivery systems. In addition, students will also explore terminology related to body systems and common diseases and treatments associated with these systems.
Health Care Delivery in the United States
This course provides a broad overview of the various functions of the United States health care system. The historical evolution of health care is examined. The student is introduced to the various forms of provider models and service delivery systems found in private and public health sectors, including ambulatory, acute, mental, and long-term care. The financing aspects of health care and their influence on health care delivery and quality are outlined.

HCS 235.................................................................3 credits

Health Care Communication Strategies
This course identifies the foundational knowledge and skills to communicate effectively in a variety of health care workplace settings. Students will review basic medical terminology, discuss communication including the development of interpersonal and technology related communication, and the impact of consumer and interdisciplinary communication.

HCS 320.................................................................3 credits

Health Care Management
The course explores fundamental concepts of management theory as applied to healthcare. Students will examine the organizational structure of the health care delivery system and administrative processes such as planning, problem solving, decision making, and quality productivity improvement. Emphasis will also be placed on the major issues and problem areas confronting health service administrators.

HCS 335.................................................................3 credits

Health Care Ethics and Social Responsibility
This course identifies ethical issues in health care. It is designed to encourage students to clarify their personal ethic with regard to health care issues. The various responsibilities involving the managemen of populations whose ethics may be divergent are identified.

HCS 341.................................................................3 credits

Human Resources in Health Care
This course examines the complexities and multiple issues involved in Human Resources management in health care organizations. Students will examine the strategic role of human resource management in response to changes in the health care industry. In addition, issues such as recruitment, retention, performance management, organizational development, and employee relations are examined. Federal, state, and professional regulatory requirements specific to health care are emphasized.

HCS 483.................................................................3 credits

Health Care Information Systems
The course provides an overview of the integration of technology in the health care setting. Students will examine the processes used in the selection, application and evaluation of computer software and hardware. Methods and processes to make informed business decisions related to the application and use of technology in health care will be discussed.

HCS 490.................................................................3 credits

Health Care Consumer - Trends and Marketing
In this course students will have the opportunity to examine the traits, trends and needs of today’s health care consumer. Students will examine current consumer information for readiness, implications for the selection of products and services and differentiation of health care web sources.

Health Care Financial Accounting
This course provides an understanding of the general principles of accounting applied in the health care environment. It includes an overview of sources of revenue for various health care entities. The fundamentals of financial planning, cost concepts, capital budgeting, and management analysis are applied in the health care environment. Issues surrounding the development and management of budgets are also examined.

Economics: The Financing of Health Care
This course provides an overview of the economics of health care. The various payers are examined, including private, state, and federal entities. Issues such as the cost effectiveness of prevention, the management of patients and their diseases, as well as the cost of treatment settings are discussed. Third-party reimbursement from various sources, ranging from for-profit insurance carriers to charitable donations, are reviewed. The health care system’s use of grant funding and research dollars is described.

Health Care Research Utilization
This course introduces students to the purpose and process of research as applied to health care. Students will examine the role of statistics and various research methods. In addition students will analyze the key elements of evidence based research within health care.

Health Care Quality Management and Outcomes Analysis
This course examines the relationships between health care quality and organizational performance management. The student is introduced to the rationale for performance management and the role of the governing body of the health care organization in ensuring compliance with the standards of regulatory and accreditation organizations. Methods for assuring quality in process and outcome management are described, as well as the significance and statistical application of measuring outcomes. Various health care customers are identified. Changing trends in the provision and reimbursement of health care services are reviewed.
COMM 215 ................................................................................. 3 credits

Essentials of College Writing
This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretive and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 101 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Skills for Lifelong Learning
This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.

GEN 300 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access resources successfully.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Health Management

HCS 457 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Public and Community Health
This course provides health care students with an introduction to the development of the public health system and through the epidemiological model students will examine the impact of environmental factors on disease trends as well as communicable disease controls. Students will develop beginning skills in community assessment and health promotion strategies. The course also reflects the advances in population health in the community health field. This course represents the concept that many populations of concern in health programs are not solely defined by geographic location.

HCS 430 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Legal Issues in Health Care: Regulation and Compliance
This course covers the broad range of topics affected by health law and regulation, ranging from patient rights to corporate responsibilities. Public and private health care regulatory agencies are examined as well their impact on the operation of health care as a business. Legal issues ranging from professional malpractice to corporate wrongdoing are also discussed.

HCS 475 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Leadership and Performance Development
This course provides students with an overview of leadership theories to assist in the development of effective leadership skills. Students will discuss workplace change and the leader’s role in the change process as well as examining and analyzing effective performance indicators for staff and organizational goals.

GEN 455 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Healthcare Policy: The Past and the Future
This course will introduce the student to the intricate processes that public policymakers use to influence the health status of a society. The role of economic theory, interest groups, and the various levels of government involved in policymaking will be examined. A historic review of trends will be evaluated, and the challenges of future health care delivery will be examined.

HCS 446 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Facility Planning
This course will introduce students to the legal and regulatory challenges of facility planning and development. Students will analyze facility designs, discuss future health care consumer utilization trends, and as well as examine the regulatory compliance requirements.

HCS 449 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Health Administration Capstone
Students in this course summarize their learning and formulate strategies to manage various challenges they will encounter in the healthcare environment. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Emergency Management

EMC 310 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Principles of Emergency Management
This course will explore the history and evolution of emergency management as well as roles of local, state, regional and national agencies. Topics include roles and organizations comprising emergency management, leadership concepts, and technology and communication challenges.

EMC 330 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Political and Policy issues for Emergency Management
This course examines the political and policy environment which affects emergency management. The course is intended to help emergency managers develop an understanding of local, state, and federal policies are developed and maintained. In addition, legal issues involving state and Federal law effecting emergency operations will be studied.

EMC 340 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Emergency Services and the Community
This course will look at the social dimensions of community responses to disaster related issues. Emphasis will be placed on examining effective community outreach and preparation programs as well as distribution mechanisms for public information. In addition, students will assess demographic implications and their impact on emergency prevention activities and services.
EMC 350.....................................................................................3 credits
Managing Emergency Response Operations
This course focuses on the principles and practices that promote effective disaster response operations in emergency management. Students will examine the roles and responsibilities of the participants in a crisis event, and identify possible problems associated with response operations such as inadequate preparedness measures, safety and site security, and communication. In addition, impact of disaster on response organization and personnel will be discussed.

EMC 320.....................................................................................3 credits
Emergency Preparedness and Planning
This course examines the preparation and planning process for emergency and crisis situations from geographical, national and local levels. Topics will include concepts of response and preparedness, recovery and mitigation strategies, hazard analysis, vulnerability assessment, exposure pathways and response capability assessment.

HCS 449....................................................................................3 credits
Health Administration Capstone
Students in this course will learn and formulate strategies to manage various challenges they will encounter in the health care environment. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Long Term Care

LTC 315.....................................................................................3 credits
Alternative Living Environments
This course focuses on the various formats of care and living environments for the older adult. The cultural and socioeconomic demographics of our current aging population provide different expectations and needs from previous generations. With the changing needs of this population and their families, students will focus on understanding the multidisciplinary continuum of factors to be considered when determining the living and care options available.

LTC 328.....................................................................................3 credits
Legal Perspectives in Aging
This course will look at the diverse legal issues related to today’s older adult. Topics will include age discrimination, advocacy and autonomy, elder and fraud abuse, major life transitions, and end of life decision making.

HCS 449....................................................................................3 credits
Health Administration Capstone
Students in this course summarize their learning and formulate strategies to manage various challenges they will encounter in the health care environment. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Health Information Systems

HCIS 449.................................................................................3 credits
Project Planning and Implementation in Health Care
This course provides the foundation for understanding the broad concepts of successful planning, organization, and implementation within the realm of health care information technology. This course uses real-world examples to support and expand a student’s skills in project management. Topics covered include project scoping, estimating, budgeting, scheduling, tracking and controlling.

DBM 381...................................................................................3 credits
Database Concepts
This course covers database concepts. Topics include data analysis, the principal data models with emphasis on the relational model, entity-relationship diagrams, database design, normalization, and database administration.

NTC 361 ..................................................................................3 credits
Network and Telecommunications Concepts
This course provides an overview of telecommunication systems in a business environment. Topics covered include voice communications, standards, transmission, networks, and internetworking.

BSA 376 ..................................................................................3 credits
Systems Analysis and Design
This course introduces the fundamental, logical, and design considerations addressed during system and application software development. It provides a solid background in information systems analysis and design techniques through a combination of theory and application. The Systems Development Life Cycle will be fundamental to the course.
BSCJA Required Course of Study

CJA 304 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Interpersonal Communications

CJA 314 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminology

CJA 324 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Ethics in Criminal Justice

HCIS 420 ................................................................. 3 credits
Information Systems Risk Management in Health Care

This course identifies and defines the types of risks that information systems professionals need to consider during the development and implementation of health care information systems. This course will survey remedies and prevention techniques available to address risk and security management. Health care organizational policies and current regulatory considerations will also be examined relative to development, implementation and use of computer based information systems.

COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SECURITY

The College of Criminal Justice and Security prepares students for professional and management-related careers in criminal justice and security by applying a multidisciplinary comparative management approach to criminal justice theory and application. Students will be prepared to understand, explain, and predict criminal justice and security concepts and to contribute to the development of public and private policy within communities. Our mission is to enhance the academic preparation and professionalism of the nation’s criminal justice and security communities through access to quality criminal justice and security higher education. The College of Criminal Justice and Security provides innovative, respected, relevant, affordable, and student-focused programs, designed to prepare students for service and leadership in a diverse, global society. Curriculum is delivered by experts who relate both theory and practice in this evolving field. The College has earned respect through continuous improvement driven by a combination of innovation in the field and empirical evidence of learning outcomes, all of which is accomplished through the integrity, teamwork, and creativity of college faculty and staff. We are a respected criminal justice and security college, known for its distinctive strengths in providing superior and relevant educational programs to its students.

It is the student’s responsibility to ascertain whether their past history and conduct may prohibit their placement or participation in the criminal justice and security field. The University makes no guarantee or representation that the student will meet all qualifications for such employment or licensure for the occupation or profession related to the chosen program.

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration

The following Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration (BSCJA) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The mission of the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration is to provide students with a strong foundation in criminal justice principles, concepts, and theories, as well as a practice orientation to justice administration. The degree offers a global perspective, as well as specific concentration areas of criminal justice services delivery. Students will receive core instruction in criminal justice as it is represented in the domains of police, courts, and corrections and then advance to concentrations related to specific areas of criminal justice within those domains.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bscja.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

BSCJA Foundation Courses

GEN 200 ................................................................. 3 credits
Foundations for General Education and Professional Success

CJA 204 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Introduction to Criminal Justice

CJA 214 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Introduction to Police Theory and Practices

CJA 224 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Introduction to Criminal Court Systems

CJA 234 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Introduction to Corrections

CJA 334 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Research Methods in Criminal Justice

CJA 344 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Cultural Diversity Issues in Criminal Justice

CJA 354 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminal Law

CJA 364 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Ethics in Criminal Justice
Concentration in Human Services

The BSCJA Human Services concentration is intended to give graduates knowledge and basic skills to work in the human services and helping areas of the criminal justice system. This particular concentration represents an integrated program combining academic instruction in criminal justice with applied skills for students whose goal is a career in the areas of the system where basic skills in interviewing, case management, mental health interventions, advocacy and mediation are required. Human Services graduates are prepared to provide services in a variety of institutional and community settings within the criminal justice domains of policing, the courts, institutional and community corrections.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bscja-hs.

Criminal Procedure
CJA 374 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Juvenile Justice Systems and Processes
CJA 384 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Criminal Organizations
CJA 394 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Contemporary Issues and Futures in Criminal Justice

Students must select one concentration in a particular area of study at the time of enrollment.

Students may also complete an additional concentration. Please contact your academic representative for more information.

Concentration in Institutional Healthcare

The BSCJA Institutional Health Care concentration addresses the basic body of knowledge, understanding, and skills identified as relevant to criminal justice based health care services. This includes such areas as management, policy, legal and ethical parameters, health and disease factors, and health care service delivery. The reshaping of contemporary criminal justice health care requires workers to have a broad range of knowledge associated with the functions of health care in detention and correctional institutions, as well as various other areas represented in the greater criminal justice system.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bscja-ih.

Health Care Delivery in the United States
HCS 310 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Introduction to Health and Disease
HCS 330 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Legal Issues in Health Care: Regulation and Compliance
HCS 430 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future
CJA 484 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Criminal Justice Administration Capstone

Concentration in Management

The BSCJA Management concentration is designed to give learners a depth of understanding concerning the management and administrative skills necessary to effectively run organizations in the various domains of criminal justice system. The courses included in this degree concentration focus primarily on the management and administration skill sets associated with the police, the courts, and with corrections. The theories and principles behind criminal justice are also examined. Students learn about policies, procedures associated with management functions, as well as many administrative practices and factors impacting criminal justice agency operations. This will not only give you the insight into what these specific departments are and what they do, but how to maintain and evaluate organizational operations from an administrative viewpoint.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bscja-m.

Organizational Behavior and Management
CJA 444 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Criminal Justice Management Theory and Practice
CJA 454 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Criminal Justice Policy Analysis
CJA 464 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Managing Criminal Justice Personnel
CJA 474 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Criminal Justice Administration Capstone

Concentration in Institutional Healthcare

The BSCJA Institutional Health Care concentration addresses the basic body of knowledge, understanding, and skills identified as relevant to criminal justice based health care services. This includes such areas as management, policy, legal and ethical parameters, health and disease factors, and health care service delivery. The reshaping of contemporary criminal justice health care requires workers to have a broad range of knowledge associated with the functions of health care in detention and correctional institutions, as well as various other areas represented in the greater criminal justice system.

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Health Care Delivery in the United States
HCS 310 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Introduction to Health and Disease
HCS 330 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Legal Issues in Health Care: Regulation and Compliance
HCS 430 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future
CJA 484 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Criminal Justice Administration Capstone

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.
Additional Admission Requirements for the BSCJA

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.
- Applicants must be currently employed or have access to a work environment.
- Signed Criminal Conviction Prohibition Acknowledgement Form

General Education Requirements for the BSCJA

A minimum of 54 credits of the 120 credits in the following general education areas approved by the University:
- Communication Arts, 6 credits
- Mathematics, 6 credits
- Science and Technology, 6 credits
- Must include at least three credits in physical or biological sciences
- Humanities, 6 credits
- Social Science, 6 credits
- Additional Liberal Arts, 6 credits
- Interdisciplinary Requirements, 18 credits

Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.

For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

Degree Requirements for the BSCJA

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 45 upper division credits.
  - A minimum of 54 credits of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- Students must satisfy all required courses of study and general education requirements. Any remaining credits may be satisfied by elective coursework.
- Students will declare a concentration at the time of enrollment.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration and will not reflect the concentration. Concentrations are reflected on the transcript only.

Academic Progression Requirements for the BSCJA

All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:
- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course. It is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)
- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.

All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSCJA

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 15 upper division credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. Students may also waive twelve (12) lower division credits from the required course of study.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten years (5 years for Information Security and Technology courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.
• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to 30 credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, a student must have completed and transcripted from a University of Phoenix, 2012-2013

tion of police and critical issues in law enforcement. This course is an introductory overview of the organization and functioning of police and critical issues in law enforcement. It surveys the basics of police functions, from individual and organizational roles to the issues faced on a daily basis. This course also examines the procedures and methods of operation of police and critical issues in law enforcement.

CJA 224.................................................................3 credits
Introduction to Criminal Court Systems
This course is an introduction and overview of the legal system, the participants, the courtroom process, and post conviction process of the court system. It demonstrates the connection among all participants and how they relate to each other. Additionally, the course covers the history of the court system and the different types of court at the state and federal levels.
CJA 234.................................................................3 credits
Introduction to Corrections
This course is an introduction to the various components of the corrections system within the criminal justice system. It provides an overview of corrections, including corrections history, the persons, agencies, and organizations that manage convicted offenders. Other topics that are covered include: policy and procedure, sentencing, probation, and rehabilitations of prisoners.
CJA 304.................................................................3 credits
Interpersonal Communications
This course prepares the student to communicate effectively in both written and verbal form. It covers best practices in investigative reporting and interpersonal verbal communication with victims, suspects, and civilians, in a criminal justice setting. Emphasis is placed on practical application of the skills and theories introduced.
CJA 314.................................................................3 credits
Criminology
Criminology is an introductory course in the study of crime and criminal behavior, focusing on the various theories of crime causation. This course highlights the causes of crime, criminal behavior systems, societal reaction to crime, and criminological methods of inquiry.
CJA 324.................................................................3 credits
Ethics in Criminal Justice
This course explores the standards and codes of professional responsibility in criminal justice professions (e.g., Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, ABA Standards of Professional Responsibility, American Jail Association Code of Ethics for Jail Officers, and the American Correctional Association Code of Ethics). It also explores analysis and evaluation of ethical dilemmas, roles of professional organizations and agencies, ethics and community relations, ethics in criminal justice laws and procedures and civil liability in law enforcement and correctional environments.
CJA 334.................................................................3 credits
Research Methods in Criminal Justice
Students learn and demonstrate knowledge of research methodology within the criminal justice system and become acquainted with the range and scope of quantitative and qualitative tools available to the criminal justice researcher.
CJA 344.................................................................3 credits
Cultural Diversity Issues in Criminal Justice
This course offers a comprehensive, critical and balanced examination of the issues of crime and justice with respect to race and ethnicity. Procedures and policy in a pluralistic and multicultural society are examined relative to law enforcement, courts and corrections environments.
CJA 354 ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminal Law
This is an introductory course in the study of criminal law, general legal principles, and how the criminal law functions in and affects modern society. This course highlights a variety of key topics, including the concept of crime and the development of criminal law, defenses to criminal charges, and a number of specific types of crimes, including personal crimes, property crimes, public order crimes, and offenses against public morality. Legal issues affecting punishment will also be discussed, as will ways the criminal law impacts victims of crime.

CJA 364 ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminal Procedure
This course explores the basic core knowledge of constitutional criminal procedure. Emphasis is placed on the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Amendments, searches and seizures, interrogations and confessions, identifications, pre-trial and trial processes. In addition, the United States Constitution as interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court is examined along with philosophical policy considerations. Application of core knowledge is developed through simulation exercises and examination of homeland security issues.

CJA 374 ................................................................. 3 credits
Juvenile Justice Systems and Processes
This course is a general orientation to the field of juvenile justice, including causation theories and the development of system responses to delinquent behavior. The problems facing juveniles today and the development of juvenile justice systems are compared, including initial apprehension, referral, and preventive techniques. Specific issues examined include chemical dependency, mental illness, and compulsive and habitual offenders. Special attention is given to the problems inherent in the police handling of juveniles and the function of juvenile courts.

CJA 384 ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminal Organizations
This course is a survey of the origins and development of organized crime in the United States. It examines the structure and activities of organized criminal enterprises, considers different models that have been employed to describe organized crime groups, and explores theories that have been advanced to explain the phenomenon. Major investigations of organized crime and legal strategies that have been developed to combat it are also considered.

CJA 394 ................................................................. 3 credits
Contemporary Issues and Futures in Criminal Justice
This course examines both the principle issues in contemporary criminal justice as well as the extrapolation of such issues toward possible futures within the criminal justice field. Students will focus upon relevant research in policing, courts, and corrections that reflects key elements of current conditions and what may be expected in the years to come. Students will apply critical review and engage in in-depth discussion of these concepts as a basis for comprehensive understanding at local, state, national, and global levels of criminal justice administration.

COMM 215 ............................................................. 3 credits
Essentials of College Writing
This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretive and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 101 ............................................................... 3 credits
Skills for Lifelong Learning
This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.

GEN 300 ............................................................... 3 credits
Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

BSHS 311 ............................................................. 3 credits
Models of Effective Helping
This course presents an exploration of the major theoretical areas in the helping professions: cognitive, behavioral, affective/humanistic, and systems. Students learn the theoretical basis for each of the major theories, the approach to change, and the techniques and interventions used by practitioners of these theories. The course emphasizes the development of a personal theory and approach to human services and the creation of a resource file containing practical applications of theory-based techniques for use by the human service worker.

BSHS 401 ............................................................. 3 credits
Case Management
This course covers principles, practices, and issues in case management. The diagnosis and treatment of developmental, psychological, and psychiatric problems and treatment resources in least restrictive and most cost effective settings will be examined.

BSHS 441 ............................................................. 3 credits
Advocacy and Mediation
This course is designed to explore the potential use and benefits of alternative dispute resolution in human services as a part of the advocacy process. Students will explore the role of the advocate, learn about various dispute resolution models, and identify and practice mediation skills. Attention to overcoming barriers to effective service delivery will be examined. Students will experience the roles of mediator, advocate, and agency representative through role-plays in dyads and small groups.
Mental Health and Crisis Intervention Practices

Students will learn about the history and current status of the human services delivery system and the mental health services system. Appropriate protocols for assessing strategies will be examined and explored. Students will explore the skills, techniques, and uses of crisis intervention.

CJA 484.....................................................................................3 credits

Criminal Justice Administration Capstone

This capstone course for the criminal justice administration undergraduate degree program provides students with an integration of acquired knowledge of theory to practical applications. Particular attention is given to integrating core content of criminal justice administration with specialized content from students’ selected concentration area. Students will assess the impact of their educational experiences on their professional competence and values, critical thinking and problem solving, communication, information utilization, and collaboration skills.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Institutional Healthcare

HCS 310.....................................................................................3 credits
Health Care Delivery in the US

This course provides a broad overview of the various functions of the United States health care system. The historical evolution of health care is examined. The student is introduced to the various forms of provider models and service delivery systems found in private and public health sectors, including ambulatory, acute, mental, and long-term care. The financing aspects of health care and their influence on health care delivery and quality are outlined.

HCS 330.....................................................................................3 credits
Introduction to Health and Disease Trends

This course introduces students to the basic principles of illness and disease as well as the impact of disease trends on the delivery of services. The clinical manifestations of diseases commonly seen in the health care environment will be reviewed. The impact of health promotion and wellness program perspectives will be presented.

HCS 455....................................................................................3 credits
Legal Issues in Health Care: Regulation and Compliance

This course covers the broad range of topics affected by health law and regulation, ranging from patient rights to corporate responsibilities. Public and private health care regulatory agencies are examined as well their impact on the operation of health care as a business. Legal issues ranging from professional malpractice to corporate wrongdoing are also discussed.

HCS 430.....................................................................................3 credits
Healthcare Policy: The Past and the Future

This course will introduce the student to the intricate processes that public policymakers use to influence the health status of a society. The role of economic theory, interest groups, and various levels of government involved in policymaking will be examined. A historic review of trends will be evaluated, and the challenges of future health care delivery will be examined.

CJA 484.....................................................................................3 credits
Criminal Justice Administration Capstone

This capstone course for the criminal justice administration undergraduate degree program provides students with an integration of acquired knowledge of theory to practical applications. Particular attention is given to integrating core content of criminal justice administration with specialized content from students’ selected concentration area. Students will assess the impact of their educational experiences on their professional competence and values, critical thinking and problem solving, communication, information utilization, and collaboration skills.
The Bachelor of Science in Organizational Security and Management

The following Bachelor of Science in Organizational Security and Management (BS/OSM) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Organizational Security and Management degree is designed to address an increasing national and international need for greater technical competence and professionalism in the security industry. The distinctions between the roles of criminal justice agencies and private security organizations are recognized and the degree program provides the required knowledge for a student to develop competency and management skills in organizational security. While the program includes courses in Terrorism and Homeland Security, it also recognizes the depth and breadth of the discipline and provides a variety of courses designed to expose students to the entire spectrum of the security profession.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bs-osm.

Required Course of Study for the BS/OSM

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number. Courses requiring a minimum grade of "C-" for successful completion are identified by a + symbol following the course number.

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General Education Requirements for the BS/OSM

A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.

Communication Arts, 6 credits
Mathematics, 6 credits
Science and Technology, 6 credits

Must include at least 3 credits in the physical or biological sciences

Humanities, 6 credits
Social Science, 6 credits
Additional Liberal Arts, 3 credits
Interdisciplinary Requirements, 15 credits
Professional Development, 3 credits

GEN 300 is completed as part of the required course of study
Integrating, 3 credits
SEC 480 is completed as part of the required course of study

Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use excess interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use excess interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.

For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.
Degree Requirements for the BS/OSM

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 57 upper division credits.
  - A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.

- A minimum of 120 total credits that include a minimum of 57 upper division credits. Students must satisfy all required courses of study and general education requirements. Any remaining credits may be satisfied by elective coursework.

- If student fails to complete SEC 480 with a “C-” or better, the student must retake the course to satisfy the degree requirement.

Academic Progression Requirements for the BS/OSM

All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:

- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.

- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.

- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.

- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.

- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course it is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.

- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.

- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.

- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)

- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.

- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.

All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BS/OSM

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 30 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.

- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.

- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.

- The course must have been completed with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.

- The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: GEN 300, SEC 480
Course Descriptions for the BS/OSM

GEN 300 ................................................................. 3 credits
Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to improve critical thinking, teamwork, and communication skills. The course also includes an introduction to loss prevention and risk management. It provides an overview of the contingencies that influence modern security management, e.g., technology, legal issues, ethics, vulnerability assessments, criminal and terrorist activity, and interagency cooperation. The course also introduces various security operation specializations and programs such as Corporate, Academic, Transportation, Government, and others.

SEC 310 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Introduction to Organizational Security and Management
This course is an overview of the principles of security management and the consequences of failure to adequately protect business assets. The course includes an introduction to loss prevention and risk management. It provides an overview of the contingencies that influence modern security management, e.g., technology, legal issues, ethics, vulnerability assessments, criminal and terrorist activity, and interagency cooperation. The course also introduces various security operation specializations and programs such as Corporate, Academic, Transportation, Government, and others.

SEC 320 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Survey of Security Specializations
This course identifies and contrasts the benefits of proprietary and contract security operations and introduces the student to a variety of security specializations. It also examines the purposes, objectives, procedures, risks, and types of organizations associated with the respective specializations.

CIS 319 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Computers and Information Processing
This course introduces the fundamentals of computer systems and the role of information processing in today’s business environment. An overview is presented of information systems, systems development, operating systems and programming, database management, networking and telecommunications, and the Internet.

MGT 431 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Human Resources Management
This course focuses on the strategic role of human resources management, personnel planning and job analysis, personnel selection, performance appraisal, compensation, training and development from the vantage point of the manager.

SEC 340 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Criminology and the Criminal Justice System
This course identifies various types of criminal activity and provides the student with an understanding of the causes of criminal behavior and the societal response to crime. It also identifies and discusses the various elements of the American criminal justice system.

SEC 360 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Interpersonal Communications
This course prepares the student to communicate effectively in written and verbal form. It provides principles for effective investigative reporting and incident documentation as well as techniques for interviewing and understanding verbal and non-verbal communication.

SEC 390 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Organizational Behavior and Management
This course encompasses the study of individual and group behavior in organizational settings. Management methods for organizational processes and change are presented along with leadership applications.

SEC 370 .................................................................................... 3 credits
The Administration Process
This course provides the student with an understanding of the various elements of a program budget, the process of budget development, justification and presentation and principles of contract preparation.

SEC 330 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Industrial Safety
This course provides the student with an overview of safety issues that could be experienced by security personnel as first responders in various work environment emergencies. It includes a review of OSHA, EPA and Fire Code safety regulations and provides methods for identifying and correcting environmental risk factors related to hazardous materials, fire and other potential safety hazards. The course is also intended to provide the student with knowledge that will assist with the initial response to and investigation of work related accidents.

SEC 350 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Legal and Regulatory Issues in Security Management
This course examines legal, regulatory, ethical and policy issues that influence the work performance of security personnel and it also discusses the potential consequences of non-compliance for individuals and institutions.

SEC 380 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Cybersecurity
This course prepares students to conduct comprehensive threat assessments with respect to physical facilities, personnel, equipment or operating systems and enables students to evaluate and manage vulnerabilities in terms of potential threats.

SEC 430 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Principles of Investigation
Investigation of criminal activity, employment applicant backgrounds and internal organizational issues are an integral part of the security manager’s responsibilities. This course is designed to provide the student with an understanding of the principles and techniques of investigation.

SEC 440 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Security of Information Systems and Technology
This course provides the student with an understanding of the security issues associated with computer systems. The course also identifies security measures that are intended to protect the software, hardware and data associated with computer systems.

SEC 400 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Physical Security
This course provides the student with an understanding of the various levels of security that can be employed for the protection of people, property and data housed in physical facilities.
SEC 420.....................................................................................3 credits
Personal Security
This course provides the student with an understanding of the procedures, techniques and technology associated with the protection of executives, employees, customers and the general public from intentional harm, accidents and naturally occurring emergencies.

SEC 450.....................................................................................3 credits
Global Security Issues
This course evaluates world interests and the changing dimensions of security. It helps the student understand the dynamic nature of global factors that significantly influence security strategies.

SEC 460.....................................................................................3 credits
Terrorism
This course helps the student understand of the causes of domestic and international terrorism and the psychological and economic effects of terrorist acts.

SEC 470.....................................................................................3 credits
Homeland Security and Interagency Response
This course examines the U.S. Patriot Act, the establishment and mission of the Department of Homeland Security and the role of local, state and private agencies in homeland security.

SEC 480.....................................................................................3 credits
Capstone Course
This is the capstone course for Organizational Security and Management undergraduate students. The course provides students with the opportunity to integrate and apply specific program knowledge and learning in a comprehensive manner. Students will evaluate and demonstrate their professional growth.

COMM 215 ..............................................................................3 credits
Essentials of College Writing
This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretive and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 200 ...................................................................................3 credits
Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

GEN 101 ...................................................................................3 credits
Skills for Lifelong Learning
This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.
Undergraduate Business and Management works closely with other academic colleges to provide and administer academic courses in other business related fields. In cooperation with the College of Information Systems and Technology (IS&T), the College of Undergraduate Business and Management provides select IS&T courses in the e-Business and Information Systems major. The college also works cooperatively with the Colleges of Arts and Sciences to give breadth to the undergraduate learning experience through the integration of general education and professional course work.

**The Bachelor of Science in Business**

The following Bachelor of Science in Business (BSB) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Business (BSB) undergraduate degree program is designed to prepare graduates with the requisite knowledge, skills, and values to effectively apply various business principles and tools in an organizational setting. The BSB foundation is designed to bridge the gap between theory and practical application, while examining the areas of accounting, critical thinking and decision-making, finance, business law, management, marketing, organizational behavior, research and evaluation, and technology. Students are required to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the undergraduate business curricula through an integrated topics course.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

**BSB Program Category Requirements - A Track and B Track**

**Introductory Course, 3 total credits**

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**Communications, 3 total credits**

- BCOM 275 ~ 3 credits
- Business Communications and Critical Thinking

**Business Information Systems, 3 total credits**

- BIS 220 ~ 3 credits
- Introduction to Computer Applications and Systems

**Management, 6 total credits**

- MGT 230 ~ 3 credits
- Management Theory and Practice
- MGT 311 ~ 3 credits
- Organizational Development

**Accounting, 6 total credits**

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Students must select one concentration in a particular area of study at the time of enrollment.

Students may also complete an additional concentration. Please contact your academic representative for more information.

**Accounting Concentration**

The Accounting Concentration promotes identification with and orientation to the accounting profession and is designed to provide knowledge skills, and abilities necessary for a career in accounting. Core competencies in technology, critical thinking, and communication are emphasized throughout the curriculum. The program also utilizes specific accounting problem-solving software to provide students with practical knowledge of the accounting field. Students have broad exposure to varied business disciplines, including management, organizational behavior, economics, and finance, and learn how the general manager integrates these disciplines to meet the strategic goals of the organization.

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Students must choose three of the following courses:

**Administration Concentration**

The Business Administration concentration is designed for the working professional employed in a business or public organization. The major coursework emphasizes quantitative skills and is designed to enable graduates to deal effectively with an increasingly complex business environment. The administration concentration examines the areas of operations management, project management, economics, accounting, finance, and strategic management.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-a.

ACC 422 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Intermediate Financial Accounting II
ACC 423 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Intermediate Financial Accounting III
ACC 497 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Advanced Topics in Accounting Research

The BSB/ACC may not educationally qualify graduates to sit for the CPA exam in some states. To the extent that a student intends to sit for the CPA examination, the student should consult with the applicable board of examiners in the state or states in which the individual intends to sit for the examination to determine the precise educational and other requirements, including the acceptability of the University’s BSB/ACC.

**Finance Concentration**

The Finance Concentration emphasizes fundamental and advanced financial concepts, theories, and practices to promote well-informed financial decision making. The Finance Concentration allows students to examine the areas of finance for decision making, financial risk management, mergers, acquisitions, and corporate restructuring, investment analysis and portfolio management, and global finance. Students will integrate advanced topics in finance through real-world business application. Financial managers need many different skills. Interpersonal skills are important because these jobs involve managing people and working as part of a team to solve problems. Financial managers must have excellent communication skills to explain complex financial data. Since financial managers work extensively with various departments in their firm, a broad understanding of business is essential. Financial managers should be creative thinkers and problem-solvers, applying their analytical skills to business. They must be comfortable with the latest computer technology. Financial managers must have knowledge of international finance because financial operations are increasingly being affected by the global economy.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-f.

FIN 419 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Finance for Decision Making
FIN 486 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Strategic Financial Management

Students must choose three of the following courses:

FIN 401 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Financial Institutions
FIN 375 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Financial Management in the Small Business
FIN 402 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Investment Fundamentals and Portfolio Management
FIN 410 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Working Capital Management
FIN 415 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Corporate Risk Management
FIN 420 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Personal Financial Planning
FIN 444 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Mergers, Acquisitions, and Corporate Restructuring
FIN 467 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Real Estate Investment

**Accounting Information Systems I**

**BSA 375 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**Fundamentals of Business Systems Development**

**EBUS 405 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**E-Business Technologies**

**ISCOM 472 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**Lean Enterprise**

**MKT 441 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**Marketing Research**

**MGT 437 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**Project Management**

**ETH 355 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**Understanding Ethics**

**OI 370 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

**Innovation for the 21st Century**

**PHL 410 ~ .................................................................3 credits**

Classical Logic
Global Management Concentration

The Global Business concentration emphasizes fundamental principles and practices of conducting global business activities. Components include: international marketing, international trade and investment, global finance, global human resource management, and global value-chain management. Students will integrate advanced topics in global business through real-life applications. The program promotes the development of a "global mindset" and reflects the dynamic nature of global business realities.

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Sustainable Enterprise Management Concentration

The Sustainable Enterprise Management concentration will prepare students for management careers based on sustainable business practices. The program emphasizes the development of skills in operating standards, enterprise planning, social responsibility, and sustainable management techniques. Upon completion of this program students will possess the knowledge and skills needed to manage business enterprises for a sustainable future.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-sm.

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Human Resource Management Concentration

The Human Resource Management Concentration helps students develop an understanding of the fundamentals of human resource management and its strategic relevance in business. The concentration addresses the legal and ethical components of the decision making process involved in the human resources environment.

The Human Resource Management Concentration introduces students to the basic concepts of human resource management, and allows further study in the areas of employment law, risk management, recruitment and selection of employees, international HR, change management, compensation and benefits, employee development, and performance management. Students will also develop an understanding of the critical business implications for human resource professionals today and in the future. HR practitioners and managers must be equipped with a solid understanding of the fundamentals of human resource management, along with strong skills in the areas of systems thinking, problem solving, influencing, negotiating, communications, and leadership. This program is consistent with generally accepted human resource management principles, including the professional certification knowledge areas.

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Management Concentration

The Management Concentration emphasizes managing human and fiscal resources within the structure, culture, and missions of any organization. The Management Concentration allows students the opportunity to examine the areas of innovation, design, and creativity in business, global business, quality management and productivity, human resource management, employment law, and organizational negotiations. Students will integrate advanced topics in management through real-world business application.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-m.

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Marketing Concentration

- COM 340 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- COM 400 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- MKT 438 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Public Relations

Strategic Management

- HRM 300 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- HRM 326 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Employee Development
- LDR 300 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Innovative Leadership
- MGT 360 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Green and Sustainable Enterprise Management
- MGT 411 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Innovative and Creative Business Thinking
- MGT 426 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Managing Change in the Workplace
- OI 361 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Innovation, Design, and Creativity for a Competitive Advantage
- ETH 355 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Understanding Ethics
- OI 370 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Innovation for the 21st Century
- PHL 410 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Classical Logic

Marketing Concentration

The Marketing Concentration addresses how to identify customer needs, how to communicate information about products and services to customers and potential customers, where to market, the pricing of products and services, and how to respond to growing demands in different countries and cultures. The marketing concentration builds upon the foundational marketing course, which allows further study in the areas of consumer behavior, advertising, marketing research, public relations, promotion measurement and analysis, and international and global marketing. Marketing managers need creative, analytical, and leadership abilities to manage the marketing function of the business enterprise.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-mkt.

- MKT 435 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Consumer Behavior
- MKT 498 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Integrated Marketing Strategies
- Students must choose three of the following courses:
- COM 340 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Mass Communication
- COM 400 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Media and Society
- MKT 438 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Public Relations

Project Management Concentration

The Project Management concentration focuses on the professional success of its students. It emphasizes real-world application with assignments designed to apply the newfound skills and knowledge to the workplace. Practical study materials, team activities, and presentations to the class foster teamwork, critical thinking, self-confidence, and application of project technical and leadership skills on a real-time basis. This program is consistent with generally accepted project management principles, including the project management processes and knowledge areas that lead to professional certification.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-pm.

- CPMGT 301 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Project Management
- CPMGT 302 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Strategic Portfolio and Project Management
- CPMGT 303~ ...............................................................3 credits
- Project Estimating and Control Techniques
- CPMGT 305~ ...............................................................3 credits
- Project Management Capstone

Public Sector Concentration

The Public Sector concentration focuses on the efficient and effective utilization of public resources to achieve the public purpose within a state, local, or not-for-profit environment. The concentration emphasizes the foundations of public policy, program development, implementation and valuation, human resources and labor relations, and public finance. Students will develop powerful leadership skills enabling them to successfully manage complex public programs.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-ps.

- BPA 303 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Public Programs: Implementation and Evaluation in a Dynamic Environment
- BPA 406 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- The Public Leader: Integration and Application
- Students must choose three of the following courses:
- BPA 301 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Foundations of Public Administration
- HRM 330 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Human Resources and Labor Relations in Public Service
- FIN 380 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Financial Management of Non-Profit Organizations
- ACC 460 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Government and Non-Profit Accounting
- MKT 438 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Public Relations
Small Business Management & Entrepreneurship Concentration

The Small Business Management concentration provides students with a course framework built around small business planning, financial management, and integrated business topics on entrepreneurship and small business management. Within the concentration, students can elect to study advanced concepts in small business marketing, leadership, family business management, operations management, and business law for entrepreneurs. They may also elect to explore in more depth either small business management or entrepreneurship studies as a function of their concentration electives. Students graduating with the Small Business Management concentration will be prepared to address the challenges and opportunities specific to small business management and entrepreneurship.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-sbe.

MGT 401 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
The Small Business: Structure, Planning and Funding
MGT 418 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Evaluating New Business Opportunities
FIN 375 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Financial Management in the Small Business
MKT 431 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Small Business Marketing
MGT 465 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Small Business and Entrepreneurial Planning

Service Sector Concentration

The Service Sector concentration focuses the student on the service environment. The program emphasizes skill development in strategic management, marketing, supply management, product and brand management, service operations, merchandising, and personnel management unique to the service industry, which includes retail, hospitality, lodging, restaurant, and gaming management. Upon completion of this program students will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to be leaders in the service industry. For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsb-svc.

OI 365 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Knowledge Management and Intellectual Capital
OI 466 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Organizational Innovation Integrated Project
Students must choose three of the following courses:

BRM 355 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Product and Brand Management
MGT 356 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Retail Personnel Management
HM 322 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Gaming Management
HM 370~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Hospitality Management
HM 486 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Trends and Emerging Issues in Hospitality

ISCOM 354 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Retail Operations: Supply Management
MGT 371 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Lodging Management
MGT 372 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Food and Beverage Management
MGT 373 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Events and Recreation Management

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study. Please note that within each state, concentration availability may vary by campus location.

Additional Admission Requirements BSB

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.
- Applicants must be currently employed or have access to a work environment.

Degree Requirements for the BSB

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 45 upper division credits
  - A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Bachelor of Science in Business and will not reflect the concentration. Concentrations are reflected on the transcript only.

General Education Requirements for the BSB

A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.

Communication Arts Requirement(s) 6 credits
A Track must include: COMM 215, equivalent or higher
B Track must include: COM 170 and COM 172
Mathematics Requirement(s) 6 credits
Must include MATH 209 or higher

Science & Technology Requirement(s) 6 credits
B Track must include: SCI 163
Must include at least three (3) credits in the physical or biological sciences

Humanities Requirement(s) 6 credits
B Track must include: HUM 114

Social Science Requirement(s) 6 credits
B Track must include: PSY 211

Additional Liberal Arts Requirement(s) 6 credits
Interdisciplinary Requirement(s) 18 credits
B Track must include: EP 120

Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.
For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

**Academic Progression Requirements for the BSB**

- All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application will be enrolled in the B Track and are required to complete the First-Year Sequence.
- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements prior to satisfaction by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course. It is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence (A Track).
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements.
- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.
- Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.
- All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

**Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSB**

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 30 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver with credit for a course in the Required Course of Study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the Required Course of Study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the Required Course of Study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.
- The course must have been completed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.
- The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: ACC 497, BCOM 275, BPA 406, BUS 475, CPMGT 305, FIN 486, GMB 489, GEN 195, GEN 200, HRM 498, MGT 420, MGT 465, MGT 470, MGT 488, MGT 498, MKT 498, OI 466, SUS 300

**Course Descriptions for the BSB**

GEN 200 ...................................................................................3 credits

**Foundations for General Education and Professional Success**

This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.
GEN 195 ................................................................. 3 credits
Foundations of University Studies
The essential information, skills, tools, and techniques necessary for academic success and personal effectiveness at the University of Phoenix are introduced in this course. The course develops and applies practical knowledge and skills immediately relevant to first-year university students. Course topics include goal setting and working with personal motivation, understanding and using University resources, developing efficient study habits, making the most of personal learning styles, and how best to manage time and reduce personal stress levels.

BCOM 275 ............................................................. 3 credits
Business Communications and Critical Thinking
This course introduces students to the foundations of communication in a business setting. Students will develop skills in critical thinking and decision making through the forms of written communication, including memos, emails, business letters, and reports. Other topics include communication ethics and cross-cultural communications, personal communication styles, solving organizational problems, and the evaluation of an organization’s strategic direction.

BIS 220 ............................................................... 3 credits
Introduction to Computer Applications and Systems
This course provides an overview of Business Information Systems. Students learn to apply Microsoft Office™ tools including work processing, spreadsheet, database, and presentation software to accomplish business objectives. Other topics include uses of application software and the Internet for effective problem solving, exploration of relevant emerging technologies, and how information is used across different industries.

MGT 230 ............................................................. 3 credits
Management Theory and Practice
This course explores the rich field of management in theory and practice, and as both a science and an art. Students learn to apply management concepts to current workplace issues. Other topics include increasing competitive forces, expectations for successful performance of employees and organizations, and achieving desired business goals.

MGT 311 ............................................................. 3 credits
Organizational Development
This organizational behavior course encompasses the study of individual and group behavior in organizational settings. Students will learn to examine their role in an organization. Other topics include strategic elements of organizational behavior, workforce diversity, managing change, effective communication, and performance systems.

ACC 290 ............................................................. 3 credits
Principles of Accounting I
This course covers the fundamentals of financial accounting as well as the identification, measurement, and reporting of the financial effects of economic events on an enterprise. Students will learn to examine financial information from the perspective of management. Other topics include decision-making, planning, and controlling from the perspective of a practicing manager.

ACC 291 ............................................................. 3 credits
Principles of Accounting II
This course introduces accounting concepts in a business environment. Students learn to create and apply accounting documents in making better business decisions. Other topics include plant assets, liabilities, accounting for corporations, investments, statements of cash flows, financial statement analysis, time value of money, payroll accounting, and other significant liabilities.

ETH 316 ............................................................. 3 credits
Ethics and Social Responsibility
This course provides a foundational perspective for ethics and social responsibility in relationship to individuals, organizations, and the community. Emphasis is placed on the inter-related nature of ethics, morality, legal responsibility, and social issues.

ECO 372 ............................................................. 3 credits
Principles of Macroeconomics
This course provides students with the basic theories, concepts, terminology, and uses of macroeconomics. Students learn practical applications for macroeconomics in their personal and professional lives through assimilation of fundamental concepts and analysis of actual economic events.

ECO 365 ............................................................. 3 credits
Principles of Microeconomics
This course provides students with the basic theories, concepts, terminology, and uses of microeconomics. Students learn practical applications for microeconomics in their personal and professional lives through assimilation of fundamental concepts and analysis of actual economic events.

LAW 421 ............................................................ 3 credits
Contemporary Business Law
This course reviews the US legal system, common law and its development, organizational structures, and the regulatory environment pertinent to business. Students will learn to critically examine torts, crimes, and business ethics; contracts; business associations (agency, partnerships, corporations); wills, estates, trusts, and other legal entities; securities regulations; and investor protection.

FIN 370 ............................................................. 3 credits
Finance for Business
This course introduces the student to the essential elements of finance for business. Emphasis is placed on financial management, financial markets, and the tools, techniques, and methodologies used in making financial decisions. Topics include: Financial planning, working capital management, capital budgeting, long term financing, and international finance.

MKT 421 ............................................................ 3 credits
Marketing
This course involves an integrated analysis of the role of marketing within the total organization. Specific attention is given to the analysis of factors affecting consumer behavior, the identification of marketing variables, the development and use of marketing strategies, and the discussion of international marketing issues.
RES 351 ................................................................. 3 credits

Business Research
This course evaluates the process of conducting business research for improving decision making within an organization. Students will learn to apply an understanding of commonly employed business research techniques to improve a situation, solve a problem, or change a process. Other topics include problem framing, data collection, data analysis, and data presentation.

QNT 351 ................................................................. 3 credits

Quantitative Analysis for Business
This course integrates applied business research and descriptive statistics. Students will learn to apply business research and descriptive statistics in making better business decisions. Other topics include examination of the role of statistics in research, statistical terminology, the appropriate use of statistical techniques, and interpretation of statistical findings in business and research.

BUS 475 ................................................................. 3 credits

Integrated Business Topics
The integrated business topics course examines strategic business management while integrating topics from previously completed business foundation coursework. This allows students to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the undergraduate business curricula with a significant emphasis placed on the assessment of individual outcomes to determine content mastery.

GEN 200 ................................................................. 3 credits

Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
This general education course is designed to introduce the intermediate learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

GEN 300 ................................................................. 3 credits

Skills for Professional Development
This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

MTH 209 ................................................................. 3 credits

College Mathematics II
This course continues the demonstration and examination of various basic algebra concepts that was begun in MTH 208: College Mathematics I. It assists in building skills for performing more complex mathematical operations and problem solving than in earlier courses. These concepts and skills should serve as a foundation for subsequent quantitative business coursework. Applications to real-world problems are emphasized throughout the course. Specific applications to disciplines such as statistics, accounting, finance, and economics are demonstrated and discussed. A variety of other applications, such as geometry, personal finance, science, and engineering, are also demonstrated and discussed.

Course Descriptions for the Accounting Concentration

ACC 349 ................................................................. 3 credits

Cost Accounting
This course introduces cost terminology and flows, standard cost systems, relevant costing, budgeting, inventory control, capital asset selection, responsibility accounting, and performance measurement.

ACC 421 ................................................................. 3 credits

Intermediate Financial Accounting I
This course examines the conceptual framework of accounting, including cash versus accrual accounting, the income statement and balance sheet, the time value of money, revenue recognition, statement of cash flows and full disclosure issues.

ACC 422 ................................................................. 3 credits

Intermediate Financial Accounting II
This course is the second of the three part series of courses related to intermediate accounting. This section examines the balance sheet in more detail, including intangible assets, current liabilities and contingencies, long-term liabilities, stockholder’s equity, and earnings per share. The course finishes with a look at investments and revenue recognition. Interwoven in the presentation of the material is an assortment of ethical dilemmas that encourage discussions about how the accountant should handle specific situations.

ACC 423 ................................................................. 3 credits

Intermediate Financial Accounting III
This course is the third of a three-part series of courses related to intermediate accounting. This course examines owner’s equity, investments, income taxes, pensions and post-retirement benefits, as well as changes and error analysis. The course finishes with a look at derivative instruments. Interwoven in the presentation of the material is an assortment of ethical dilemmas that encourage discussions about how the accountant should handle specific situations.
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FIN 375 ................................................................. 3 credits
Financial Management in the Small Business
This course focuses on the role that financial management plays in the development and sustainability of a small business. This course provides a detailed review of forecasting, budgeting, daily cash flow management techniques and monitoring financial performance in small business operations. Specifically, students will address funding, venture capital, and debt management, cash-flow management, financial planning, and capital budgeting.

FIN 402 ................................................................. 3 credits
Investment Fundamentals and Portfolio Management
This course covers the theories and practices of investments including financial markets, risk and return, securities, asset allocation and diversification. Students will utilize analytical techniques available in the investment planning and selection process in the environment in which investment decisions are made. Students will apply finance models and investment strategies to analyze and manage investments for various types of organizations.

FIN 410 ................................................................. 3 credits
Working Capital Management
Working Capital Management This course covers the basics of working capital management with emphasis on how firms manage current assets and liabilities to ensure the organization has sufficient cash to pay day-to-day bills and meet short-term obligations. The balance between risk and return is emphasized. Some of the basic techniques of financial forecasting, accounts receivable and inventory management will also be explored.

FIN 415 ................................................................. 3 credits
Corporate Risk Management
This course will provide students with the elements of corporate risk management in a competitive business environment. Emphasis will be placed upon the identification, measurement, management, and planning aspects of risk management, as well as trends and developments in the business environment. Insurance considerations in corporate risk management will also be addressed. Students will utilize newly acquired knowledge and techniques to develop a corporate risk management plan that will maximize value for the organization and stakeholders.

FIN 420 ................................................................. 3 credits
Personal Finance
This course provides an introduction to personal financial planning. Personal financial goals are examined with a focus on investment risk and returns, markets, and analysis tools useful in assessing financial situations.

FIN 444 ................................................................. 3 credits
Mergers, Acquisitions, and Corporate Restructuring
This course prepares students to analyze merger and acquisition (M&A) opportunities in ways that will maximize corporate value and shareholder wealth in a competitive market environment. Special emphasis is placed on the identification, screening, selection, evaluation, and financing of M&A activities. Additionally, the course examines business failures and restructuring strategies.

FIN 467 ................................................................. 3 credits
Real Estate Investment
This course explores the techniques of real estate investment analysis, including financing, taxes, and decision making criteria in today’s real estate investment environment.

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Course Descriptions for the Global Management Concentration

GBM 380 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Global Business
This course addresses major forces in the global environment and the impact upon business strategies, operations, and decision making. Special emphasis is placed on developing a global mindset and the intricacies of the global business environment.

HRM 350 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
International Human Resource Management
This course is an overview of international human resources management practices with emphasis on human resources challenges and opportunities facing global business enterprises. Students will examine human resources management in the global business environment. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to identify, and evaluate global HR strategies and practices to increase organizational effectiveness and efficiency.

ISCOM 383 ............................................................................... 3 credits
Global Value Chain Management
This course describes value chain activities between buyers and sellers in international business. Emphasis is placed on global sourcing, procurement of materials and services, and on business-to-business cultural differences between countries.

GBM 381 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Strategic Topics in Global Business Management
This course applies the principles of international trade, global monetary systems, international organizations, and economic development to make effective strategic business decisions. Emphasis is placed on utilizing improved strategic thinking and decision-making capabilities in the global environment.

Course Descriptions for the Sustainable Enterprise Management Concentration

MGT 360 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Green and Sustainable Enterprise Management
This course provides an overview of sustainable management techniques from an economic, social, and corporate environmental responsibility perspective. Special emphasis is placed on production principles, innovative and sustainable practices, and the importance of managing the bottom line in business.

MGT 470 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Sustainable Enterprise Planning
This course provides an integrative discussion on sustainable enterprise planning. Special emphasis is placed on applying environmental science, systems analysis, environmental economics, resource allocation, and the regulatory environment to developing a sustainable business plan for the future.
BUS 327 ................................................................. 3 credits
**The Sustainable Organization**
This course focuses on the business practices and tools that add economic, social, and ethical value to the business resources of a sustainable enterprise. Emphasis is placed on the general science of sustainability, consumptive calculations of manufacturing, and the impact of business decisions on the environment.

BUS 372 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Business Sustainability Standards**
This course provides a regulatory and compliance overview the local, state, and federal business sustainability standards. Special emphasis is placed on ISO requirements, LEED certification, and emerging sustainability standards for business. Students will also address compliance as a competitive advantage and the ethical responsibility of businesses to employees, the community, and the environment.

ECO 370 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Environmental Economics**
This course applies the theoretical economic tools to environmental issues. Special emphasis will be devoted to analyzing the role of public policy regarding the economy and the environment.

MGT 380 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Organizational Change Management**
This course prepares students to be effective agents for change in the business community. This includes a step-wise framework for understanding, designing, and implementing change successfully. Special emphasis is placed on organizational change, program design, change processes, and successfully implementing both short-term and long-term change within the organization.

MGT 403 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Environmental Management Systems**
This course provides a framework for managing Environmental Management Systems (EMS). This includes continuous improvement through environmental management; facilities and supply-chain management; systems integration; environmental considerations; and operational utilization of environmental management systems.

MKT 411 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Green Marketing**
This course applies the principles of sustainability and the philosophy of being environmentally green to the area of marketing. Special emphasis is placed on sustainable product design; awareness and cause marketing; public relations and green-washing; and emerging going-green marketing trends.

MGT 443 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Implementing Entrepreneurship in Early-stage Enterprises**
This course focuses on the implementation of lean business models in entrepreneurial ventures in all industries, including those in green industries and clean technology. Emphasis is placed on iterative approaches for product design; validation of customer needs in an early-stage entrepreneurial setting; and early-stage enterprise marketing needs and trends.

MKT 442 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Market Discovery and Validation in Early-stage Enterprises**
This course applies entrepreneurial approaches to the discovery and validation of markets in all industries for early-stage entrepreneurial ventures, including those in green Industries and clean technology. Emphasis is placed on both private and public.

MKT 411 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Fundamentals of Human Resource Management**
This course explores the critical role of human resources in achieving business results. The course will help students to have a solid understanding of the fundamentals of human resource management and its strategic relevance in business today. This course will provide students with a critical perspective on the development of human capital in the context of a unified system of attracting, retaining and developing talent that creates and supports the vision and values of the organization. Students will develop an understanding of the critical business implications for human resource professionals today.

HRM 300 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Strategic Human Resource Management and Emerging Issues**
This course focuses on strategic HR management and key issues that are opportunities and challenges for the HR function. The course explores how to align human resource management (HRM) with business strategies, and the emerging issues facing business. Students will evaluate the HR competencies and leadership skills needed for a strategic HR plan. Students will examine what strategic HR planning is and how to do it, as well as learning how to manage the necessary change in emerging business environments. The course will define the new roles and expectations of companies for the HRM functions.

HRM 310 ................................................................. 3 credits
**Change Management**
This course examines both the human and organizational aspects of change. Topics include identifying the types and sources of change, human and organizational resistance to change, theories of managing change, and developing skills that will enable the student to lead, implement, and sustain change.
HRM 324 .................................................................3 credits  
**Total Compensation**  
This course explores topics in basic total compensation design and decision-making. It will provide the student with knowledge and skills required for planning, developing, and administering total compensation programs that are compliant with government laws and regulations. Topics include: wage decisions, budgeting, benefits, incentive plans, and retirement plans.

HRM 326 .............................................................3 credits  
**Employee Development**  
This course explores the role and relevance of employee development in today’s business environment. This course will also provide students with a thorough understanding of the legalities impacting employee development, the strategic role that employee development plays in an organization, and the impact education has on employee motivation. The course will also explore methods of program design, development, and assessment.

HRM 420 .............................................................3 credits  
**Human Resource Risk Management**  
This course introduces students to risk management in a human resources department context. The course introduces basic risk management concepts that the student can apply to HR responsibilities of an organization to avoid or mitigate potential liabilities. Topics will include health and safety, security, crisis management, legal compliance, employment, and discrimination issues.

MGT 434 .............................................................3 credits  
**Employment Law**  
This course provides an overview of federal statutes and state-regulated areas that impact the personnel function. Among the topics addressed are EEO and affirmative action, OSHA, ERISA, FMLA, and ADA; employee privacy issues (polygraph testing, drug and alcohol testing, employer searching and monitoring); and wrongful discharge.

**Course Descriptions for the Management Concentration**

PHL 458 .............................................................3 credits  
**Creative Minds and Critical Thinking**  
In this course students will analyze the thinking process from a critical and creative perspective. The lives of prominent creative thinkers will be examined to identify the social, historical, psychological, and cultural elements that influenced their development. The salient aspects of creativity will be assessed along with the relationship between creativity and critical thinking. Students will apply critical thinking skills to contemporary creative and scientific thought.

MGT 498 .............................................................3 credits  
**Strategic Management**  
This course gives students the opportunity to integrate management concepts and practices to contemporary business strategies, while discussing the theories of strategic management. This course will focus on improving management decision-making and problem-solving skills. Students will create a strategic management plan.

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LDR 300 .............................................................3 credits  
**Innovative Leadership**  
This course provides a foundation of understanding of leadership and its role in managing people and systems. This course will cover key leadership elements such as effective leadership behavior, power, and influence, the differences between leadership and management, leading change, intrapreneurship, and how an innovative mindset impacts people and systems in a continually changing global and virtual environment.

MGT 360 .............................................................3 credits  
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MGT 411 .............................................................3 credits  
**Innovative and Creative Business Thinking**  
This course provides students with the skills and knowledge necessary for using innovative and creative thinking strategies to improve managerial decision making and problem solving. Emphasis is placed upon learning critical skills to identify and facilitate innovative behavior and collaboration within the organization that will increase sustainable business growth and strengthen abilities to respond to organizational changes and challenges. Course lectures, reading, and projects will span theory and practice and draw upon examples from multiple industry sectors.

MGT 426 .............................................................3 credits  
**Managing Change in the Workplace**  
This course provides an overview of methods and techniques required of supervisory and management personnel responsible for managing change. As a result of the course, students will be able to identify and develop strategies for managing the following: organizational aspects of change, including shifts in leadership, reorganizations, working conditions, technologically imposed change, and workforce issues. In addition to developing strategies, students will gain expertise in applying communication strategies that effectively deal with change.
Innovation, Design, and Creativity for a Competitive Advantage
This course will provide students with a solid foundation in innovation, design, and creativity. Additionally, students will be prepared to apply relevant principles, tools, and techniques to promote and sustain organizational innovation for competitive advantage.

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Understanding Ethics
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PHL 410 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Classical Logic
This is a systematic course in the use of argument and logic in formal constructs. As logic is applied in various aspects of human reasoning including from deductive inference to mathematical proofs, this course will demonstrate the skills of deduction, validity, and symbols to determine the strengths and soundness of argument and conclusions.

Course Descriptions for the Marketing Concentration
MKT 435................................................................................... 3 credits
Consumer Behavior
This is an introductory course in analyzing consumer and purchasing behaviors as basic considerations in the development of a marketing mix. Economic, social, psychological, and cultural factors are considered as they relate to the development of marketing programs.

MKT 498................................................................................... 3 credits
Integrated Marketing Strategies
This course provides students with an in-depth study of Integrated Marketing Communications (IMC). Emphasis will be placed on the strategic roles and integration of marketing communication elements including advertising, public relations, sales promotion, event management, media selection, and sales management.

COM 340................................................................................... 3 credits
Mass Communication
This course delves into the processes and technology of communication on societal and global levels accomplished through the print and electronic media. Content of communication studied ranges from journalism, entertainment, commerce, and advocacy to personal communication on the Internet. The dynamic changes that have taken place and are evolving today in mass media and mass communication will be considered along with predictions about the role of mass communication.

COM 400 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Media and Society
The development and evolution of contemporary society have become inextricably intertwined with the development and use of electronic media within the past 100 years. This course explores the complex interactions involving society, information, communication, and the electronic media. Controversial topics that media have brought to the fore, and in some cases caused, will be highlighted.

MKT 438................................................................................... 3 credits
Public Relations
This course provides an introduction to the field of public relations. Areas covered are media relations; promotion; tools used in developing public relations and publicity; and improving customer satisfaction; relationship-building strategies; and ethics and public relations.

Course Descriptions for the Project Management Concentration
CPMGT 300 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Project Management
This course examines project management roles and environments, the project life cycle, and various techniques of work planning, and control and evaluation to achieve project objectives. The tools currently available to project managers are illustrated in this course through the use of Microsoft® Project® software.

CPMGT 301 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Strategic Portfolio and Project Management
This course provides students with insight into the management of an organization’s strategic project portfolio. Students will learn the value of aligning a project’s goals and objectives with the organization’s strategies and stakeholders’ interests. In addition, this course will illustrate how project teams are used to accomplish continuous improvement and to facilitate change within the organization. Students will also examine the characteristics of global and virtual project management.

CPMGT 302 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Procurement and Risk Management
This course explores the procurement planning process, contracting methods and phases, outsourcing, contract administration, and the external environment of the procurement management processes. The course also addresses risk management applied to both project and procurement management processes.

CPMGT 303 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Project Estimating and Control Techniques
To be successful, project managers must analyze alternative project decisions by relying heavily on project estimating and control tools and techniques. This course provides students with the skills required to plan, baseline, monitor, analyze, and evaluate project performance. Students work in groups to analyze program parameters and work situations.
CPMT 305..............................................................3 credits
Project Management Capstone
This course is the capstone of the Professional Certificate in Project Management. Students will demonstrate project management skills learned via the preparation of a project plan and presentation of that plan to the executive board in a role-play environment. Key project management concepts and processes studied in the prior five courses will be integrated and applied to the class project.

Course Descriptions for the Public Sector Concentration
BPA 303..............................................................3 credits
Public Programs: Implementation and Evaluation in a Dynamic Environment
This course focuses on the implementation of public policy decisions through the identification and development of specific methods for servicing the public good. It incorporates an emphasis on intergovernmental relations and the increasing use of private resources in the service delivery system. A strong emphasis is placed on evaluating both the delivery processes and service outcomes as a means to continuously improve service delivery effectiveness.

BPA 406..............................................................3 credits
The Public Leader: Integration and Application
This course is intended to synthesize the concepts and theories covered in previous public administration courses and deepens the student’s understanding of the challenges and complexities facing public and public leader. Students will explore the leadership styles of successful national, state, and local leaders to integrate and apply the principles and practices of public administration in a real-world setting.

BPA 301..............................................................3 credits
Foundations of Public Administration
This course focuses on the role that financial management plays in the development and sustainability of a small business. This course provides an overview of the small business from concept through funding. Emphasis is placed on designing a competitive business model, crafting the business plan, forms of ownership and exploring funding options.

MGT 418..............................................................3 credits
Evaluating New Business Opportunities
This course focuses on evaluating the benefits and risks associated with new business opportunities. This includes reviewing the projected return on investment, the role of risk, investor considerations, strategic planning, and modeling techniques to analyze possible business ventures.

MKT 438..............................................................3 credits
Small Business Marketing
Knowing your customer, growing your customer base and creating a consumer-driven culture are key drivers of sustainability in the small business. This course focuses on the functions of evaluating opportunities, creating value, and developing effective pricing and advertising strategies.

MKT 431..............................................................3 credits
Financial Management in the Small Business
This course focuses on the financial management of non-profit organizations. This course emphasizes the utilization of key financial concepts to effectively obtain desired goals and objectives by non-profit organizations in the private, public, and the international arenas. While profit oriented entities focus on maximizing shareholder’s wealth, non-profit organizations are concerned with deriving maximum benefit for each dollar expended on a charitable endeavor. The centrality of finance to achieve such goal will be thoroughly explored.

ACC 460..............................................................3 credits
Government and Non-Profit Accounting
This course covers fund accounting, budget and control issues, revenue and expense recognition and issues of reporting for both government and non-profit entities.

MKT 418..............................................................3 credits
Public Relations
This course provides an introduction to the field of public relations. Areas covered are media relations; promotion; tools used in developing public relations and publicity, and improving customer satisfaction; relationship-building strategies; and ethics and public relations.

Course Descriptions for the Small Business Management & Entrepreneurship Concentration
MGT 401..............................................................3 credits
The Small Business: Structure, Planning and Funding
This course provides an overview of the small business from concept through funding. Emphasis is placed on designing a competitive business model, crafting the business plan, forms of ownership and exploring funding options.

MKT 438..............................................................3 credits
Entrepreneurship Concentration
Course Descriptions for the Small Business Management & Entrepreneurship Concentration
MGT 401..............................................................3 credits

The Small Business: Structure, Planning and Funding
This course provides an overview of the small business from concept through funding. Emphasis is placed on designing a competitive business model, crafting the business plan, forms of ownership and exploring funding options.

MKT 438..............................................................3 credits

Financial Management in the Small Business
This course focuses on the role that financial management plays in the development and sustainability of a small business. This course provides a detailed review of forecasting, budgeting, daily cash flow management techniques and monitoring financial performance in small business operations. Specifically, students will address funding, venture capital, and debt management, cash-flow management, financial planning, and capital budgeting.

MKT 431..............................................................3 credits

Small Business Marketing
Knowing your customer, growing your customer base and creating a consumer driven culture are key drivers of sustainability in the small business. This course focuses on the functions of evaluating opportunities, creating value, and developing effective pricing and advertising strategies.

MGT 465..............................................................3 credits

Small Business and Entrepreneurial Planning
This course focuses on the development of a strategic business plan applicable for the needs of a small business or entrepreneurial venture. This will include the strategic and integrative application of financial planning, capital management, marketing, people management, and leadership. Special emphasis is placed on adapting business planning requirements to the realistic needs of small business owners and entrepreneurs.
Course Descriptions for the Service Sector Concentration

Knowledge Management and Intellectual Capital
In this course, students are provided the knowledge and skills necessary for effective knowledge management present in today's increasingly innovative and global business environment. Students will be asked to consider a variety of topics critical to an organization's long-term success including, but not limited to innovation, intellectual capital, goodwill, brand recognition, organizational partnerships, and organizational culture.

Knowledge Management and Intellectual Capital

Organizational Innovation Integrated Project
This project-based course integrates knowledge and skills from previous organizational innovation coursework and requires business students to demonstrate their innovative, creative, and inspirational capacity to solve a real life business problem or opportunity. Using design principles, practices, and theory, students will be asked to create innovative solutions to problems or opportunities in the areas of strategy, process, product, and service.

Product Brand Management
This course presents an analysis of the goods and services lifecycle from conception to purchase. Special emphasis is placed on design and implementation of successful product development and brand management strategies that deliver value to consumers.

Retail Personnel Management
This course focuses on the personnel management aspects of retail management. Students will be prepared to utilize recruiting and staffing, motivating, training, and ethics concepts to effectively lead retail personnel.

Gaming Management
This course provides an overview of the business practices and principles unique to the gaming industry. This includes an overview of the history and evolution of gaming, different venues, and the business implications of the economic and social impact of the industry. Special emphasis is placed on legal, ethical, and social issues related to gaming entertainment as a business entity.

Hospitality Management
This course provides an overview of the fundamental concepts that make up the hospitality industry. Students will gain a current perspective and understanding of the impact of travel and tourism while examining hospitality issues, trends, e-business implications, and operational structures.

Trends and Emerging Issues in Hospitality
This course applies a strategic perspective to assessing new trends and emerging issues in hospitality management. Special emphasis is placed on applying a global perspective to new and emerging markets in the hospitality industry. This includes consideration of changing social and economic groups as well as shifting demand for existing and new products and services.

ISCOM 354 ................................................................. 3 credits
Retail Operations: Supply Management
This course encompasses an examination of the supply side of the retail value chain including logistics, channel management, vendor relationships, and purchasing. Students will be prepared to develop strategic alliances and optimize the supply chain in a retail setting.

MGT 371 ................................................................. 3 credits
Lodging Management
This course provides students with the opportunity to examine various lodging options within the hospitality industry from a managerial perspective. Special emphasis will be placed on guest services and on room division management.

MGT 372 ................................................................. 3 credits
Food and Beverage Management
This course focuses on operating and strategic challenges facing managers in the food and beverage industry. Topics include cost control, forecasting, food safety, service standards, and staffing. Students will learn to utilize managerial tools to make sound business decisions in a food and beverage organization.

Bachelor of Science in Management Concentration in Manufacturing Sector
The following Bachelor of Science in Management Concentration in Manufacturing Sector (BSM/MAN) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at the Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Management (BSM) degree program is designed to develop the professional knowledge and skills of cross functional managers in any organization. The BSM degree enhances skills necessary for improved organizational effectiveness in a dynamic and evolving workplace. The curriculum focuses on the development of management roles. It emphasizes skills necessary to align resources, and to improve communication, productivity, and effectiveness. Through a participative learning environment structured for adult learners, students are taught to manage innovation and apply professional skills and knowledge. Special emphasis can be placed on key management areas, including, leadership, general management, or human resource management based on student preference.

The Manufacturing Sector (MAN) concentration focuses on strategic performance improvement of all business planning, global sourcing and procurement, production, and logistical activities that make up an organization’s operations and supply chain. The program highlights the important role that operations and supply chain play in satisfying customer demands and expectations. The program also emphasizes a company’s need to develop and maintain a sustainable competitive advantage through the efficient and effective performance of all operations. The program provides the most current content in the manufacturing field as outlined by various specialized manufacturing and supply chain organizations and experts.
In addition to courses in the BSB foundation and courses specific to manufacturing, the degree concentration has coursework that stresses key business related knowledge and skill development in the areas of computers and information processing, business law, macro-economics, financial analysis, and marketing. For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsm-man. Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

**BSM/MAN Program Category Requirements - A Track and B Track**

### Communications, 3 total credits
- BCOM 275 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Business Communications and Critical Thinking
  *(The prerequisite requirement only applies to B Track students)*

### Management, 3 total credits
- PHL 458 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Creative Minds and Critical Thinking

### Ethics and Social Responsibility, 3 total credits
- ETH 316 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Ethics and Social Responsibility

### Business Law, 3 total credits
- LAW 421 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Contemporary Business Law

### Research and Statistics, 3 total credits
- RES 320 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Foundations of Research

### Marketing, 3 total credits
- PSY 322 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Consumer Psychology and Research

### Business Information Systems, 3 total credits
- BIS 320 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Business Information Systems

### Economics, 3 total credits
- ECO 365 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Principles of Microeconomics

### Accounting, 3 total credits
- ACC 300 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Principles of Accounting

### Finance, 3 total credits
- FIN 370 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Finance for Business

### Management Capstone, 3 total credits
- MGT 498 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Strategic Management

### Manufacturing Sector Concentration, 15 total credits
- OI 361 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Innovation, Design, and Creativity for a Competitive Advantage
- MGT 420 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Managing Quality in the Supply Chain

*Students must choose three of the following BSM/MAN Concentration Electives:*
- HRM 420 ~ .................................................................3 credits
- Human Resource Risk Management
- ISCOM 352 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
- Logistics Management
- ISCOM 472 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
- Lean Enterprise
- ISCOM 471 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
- Operations Management
- ISCOM 473 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
- Global Sourcing and Procurement

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

**Additional Admission Requirements for the BSM/MAN**

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.

**Degree Requirements for the BSM/MAN**

- A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
- A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- Completion of at least three (3) credits in the physical or biological sciences

**General Education Requirements for the BSM/MAN**

A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.

- Communication Arts Requirement 6 credits
  *(A Track must include COMM 215, equivalent, or higher)*
  *(B Track must include: COM 170 and COM 172)*
- Mathematics Requirement 6 credits
  *(Must include MTH 209, equivalent, or higher)*
- Science & Technology Requirement 6 credits
  *(B Track must include: SCI 163)*
  *Must include at least three (3) credits in the physical or biological sciences*
- Humanities Requirement 6 credits
  *(B Track must include: HUM 114)*
- Social Science Requirement 6 credits
  *(B Track must include: PSY 211)*
- Additional Liberal Arts Requirement 6 credits
  *(B Track must include: GEN 195)*
- Interdisciplinary Requirement 18 credits
  *(B Track must include: FP 120)*
Students who lack 67 or fewer general education credits may use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.

For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

**Academic Progression Requirements for the BSM/MAN**

- All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to complete the First-Year Sequence (B Track).
- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course it is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, will be enrolled in the A Track, must take BCOM 275 Business Communications and Critical Thinking as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)
- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.
- Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.
- All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

**Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSM/MAN**

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 30 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver with credit for a course in the Required Course of Study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the Required Course of Study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the Required Course of Study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.
- The course must have been completed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.
- The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: BCOM 275, MGT 420, MGT 498

**Course Descriptions for the BSM/MAN**

BCOM 275 ............................................................................... 3 credits

**Business Communications and Critical Thinking**

This course introduces students to the foundations of communication in a business setting. Students will develop skills in critical thinking and decision making through the forms of written communication, including memos, emails, business letters, and reports. Other topics include communication ethics and cross-cultural communications, personal communication styles, solving organizational problems, and the evaluation of an organizations strategic direction.
PHL 458  ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Creative Minds and Critical Thinking
In this course students will analyze the thinking process from a critical and creative perspective. The lives of prominent creative thinkers will be examined to identify the social, historical, psychological, and cultural elements that influenced their development. The salient aspects of creativity will be assessed along with the relationship between creativity and critical thinking. Students will apply critical thinking skills to contemporary creative and scientific thought.

ETH 316 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Ethics and Social Responsibility
This course provides a foundational perspective for ethics and social responsibility in relationship to individuals, organizations, and the community. Emphasis is placed on the inter-related nature of ethics, morality, legal responsibility, and social issues.

LAW 421 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Contemporary Business Law
This course reviews the US legal system, common law and its development, organizational structures, and the regulatory environment pertinent to business. Students will learn to critically examine torts, crimes, and business ethics; contracts; business associations (agency, partnerships, corporations); wills, estates, trusts, and other legal entities; securities regulations; and investor protection.

RES 320 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Foundations of Research
This is a course introducing the foundations of research. Research principles and the scientific method are applied to professional situations. The course is designed to equip students with an understanding of commonly employed research methodologies that can be utilized to improve productivity and increase customer satisfaction.

PSY 322 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Consumer Psychology and Research
This course focuses on consumer behavior and marketing research. Topics include the cognitive processes underlying consumer choice, descriptive consumer characteristics, and environmental consumer behavior. This course emphasizes the implications of consumer behavior on domestic and global marketing communications.

BIS 320 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Business Information Systems
This course provides instruction on the use of Business Information Systems. Students apply Microsoft Office tools including word processing, spreadsheet, database, and presentation software to accomplish business objectives. Other topics include application software and the Internet for effective problem solving, use of relevant emerging technologies, and using information across different industries.

ECO 365 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Principles of Microeconomics
This course provides students with the basic theories, concepts, terminology, and uses of microeconomics. Students learn practical applications for microeconomics in their personal and professional lives through assimilation of fundamental concepts and analysis of actual economic events.

ACC 300 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Principles of Accounting
This course focuses on principles of accounting for the non-accounting student. Emphasis will be placed on the accounting equation and transactions, financial statement preparation and analysis, internal controls, regulatory environment, compliance, and global business implications.

FIN 370 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Finance for Business
This course introduces the student to the essential elements of finance for business. Emphasis is placed on financial management, financial markets, and the tools, techniques, and methodologies used in making financial decisions. Topics include: Financial planning, working capital management, capital budgeting, long term financing, and international finance.

MGT 498 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Strategic Management
This course gives students the opportunity to integrate management concepts and practices to contemporary business strategies, while discussing the theories of strategic management. This course will focus on improving management decision-making and problem-solving skills. Students will create a strategic management plan.

COMM 215 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Essentials of College Writing
This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretive and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 200 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

GEN 101 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Skills for Lifelong Learning
This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.
Skills for Professional Development

This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

MTH 209 .................................................................................. 3 credits

College Mathematics II

This course provides a detailed look at quality management in the partnerships, and organizational culture.

INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL, GOODWILL, BRAND RECOGNITION, ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION

This course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

MTH 209 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Course Descriptions for the Manufacturing Sector Concentration

Knowledge Management and Intellectual Capital

In this course, students are provided the knowledge and skills necessary for effective knowledge management present in today’s increasingly innovative and global business environment. Students will be asked to consider a variety of topics critical to an organization’s long-term success including, but not limited to innovation, intellectual capital, goodwill, brand recognition, organizational partnerships, and organizational culture.

MGT 420 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Managing Quality in the Supply Chain

This course provides a detailed look at quality management in the company and the supply chain. It addresses the differing theories of quality to include product and process design as well as customer driven quality. This course includes managing supply chain quality through supplier alliances and development in both the services and manufacturing industries.

HRM 420 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Human Resource Risk Management

This course introduces students to risk management in a human resources department context. The course introduces basic risk management concepts that the student can apply to HR responsibilities of an organization to avoid or mitigate potential liabilities. Topics will include health and safety, security, crisis management, legal compliance, employment and discrimination issues.

ISCOM 352 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Logistics Management

This course provides an overview of logistics management within a supply chain operation. This includes an analysis of different modes of transportation, logistics management within the United States, and logistics management in the global market. Special emphasis is placed on transportation and fleet management elements including operations management, information technology, decision support systems, fuel savings strategies, and reverse logistics considerations.

ISCOM 471 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Operations Management

This course provides an overview of operations management. Students will analyze the planning, organizing, controlling, and general management of productive resources in manufacturing and service organizations. This course also addresses the design and control of systems that are responsible for the efficient use of raw materials, labor, equipment, and facilities in the production of customer satisfying products and services.

ISCOM 472 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Global Sourcing and Procurement

This course introduces students to the changing world of purchasing and its relationship to supply chains. It addresses purchasing operations and structures, strategic sourcing processes and the critical supply chain elements of managing supply chain inventory, information systems, as well as performance measurement and evaluation.

Bachelor of Science in Management

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The Bachelor of Science in Management degree program is designed to develop the professional knowledge and skills of general managers in any organization. It enhances skills necessary for improved organizational effectiveness in a dynamic and evolving workplace. The curriculum focuses on the development of general management principles. It emphasizes skills necessary to align resources and to improve communication, productivity, and effectiveness. Participants are taught how to manage innovation and apply professional skills and knowledge, all within a customer focused atmosphere.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsm.
Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

**BSM Required Course of Study**

- GEN 300 ................................................................. 3 credits
- Skills for Professional Development
- MGT 330 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Management: Theory, Practice, & Application
- MGT 350 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Critical Thinking: Strategies in Decision Making
- SOC 315 ................................................................. 3 credits
- Cultural Diversity
- PHL 323 ................................................................. 3 credits
- Ethics in Management
- RES 320 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Foundations of Research
- PSY 428 ................................................................. 3 credits
- Organizational Psychology
- COMM 470 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits
- Communicating in the Virtual Workplace
- PSY 320 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Human Motivation
- PSY 430 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Team Dynamics for Managers
- TEC 401 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Human Factors in Technology
- FIN 324 ~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Financial Analysis for Managers I
- Three Upper Division Electives 3 credits each
- GEN 480 ................................................................. 3 credits
- Interdisciplinary Capstone Course

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

All BSM students must complete a minimum of 45 upper division credits to include the required course of study. Upper division electives, maybe satisfied with any upper division University of Phoenix, course Prior Learning Credit, transferable course work, or nationally testing credit.

**Additional Admission Requirements for the BSM**

- Students holding an associate degree from the University or a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or equivalent undergraduate degree earned at a recognized foreign institution will have that associate degree emphasis(es) noted on the student’s University of Phoenix transcript when the BSM degree is conferred. Students with an associate degree in business, management, arts, general studies, liberal arts, nursing or pre-medication are not eligible for an emphasis.

**General Education Requirements for the BSM**

All students must complete 54 general education credits including the foundation courses and general education courses including credits from the following areas as shown:

- Communication Arts Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Humanities Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Mathematics Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Science & Technology Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Social Science Requirement(s) 6 credits
- Interdisciplinary Requirement(s) 15 credits
- Additional Liberal Arts Requirement(s) 3 credits
- Professional Development Requirement(s) 3 credits
- GEN 300 is completed as part of the required course of study
- Integrating Requirement(s) 3 credits
- GEN 480 is completed as part of the required course of study

Students who lack .67 or fewer general education credits may use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the balance. Students must use interdisciplinary or elective credits to waive the general education balance in order to complete the minimum general education credits required for their program.

For a description of the preceding general education areas, see the Undergraduate Programs section within this catalog.

**Academic Progression Requirements for the BSM**

All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application are required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence:

- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course. It is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
• Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence.

• Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements. (e.g., taking COM 172 instead of COMM 215)

• Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.

• Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.

Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others. All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSM

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.

• The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better.

• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the Required Course of Study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program (each program has specific substitution requirements). This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.

• The course must have been completed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.

• The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: GEN 300, MGT 350; RES 410, PSY 430, GEN 480

Course Descriptions for the BSM

GEN 300 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Skills for Professional Development

This course examines the skills necessary for successful critical thinking, teamwork, research, and communication. The course is designed to aid adult learners in acquiring and improving the core competencies that are necessary at the University of Phoenix. Students will examine their reasons for returning to school, and develop strategies for achieving educational goals in school, work, and personal settings. Students will also be introduced to the University library and learn how to access its resources successfully.

MGT 330 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Management: Theory, Practice, and Application

This course explores the rich field of management in theory and practice, and as both a science and an art. The course also addresses the role of managers in the current world of rapid change, increased competitive forces, and increased expectations for the successful performance of employees and organizations. The focus is on some of the ways and means of achieving desired goals. The student will leave this course with a solid background in the nature and work of management and managers. Applications of concepts to current workplace issues will be stressed.

MGT 350 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Critical Thinking: Strategies in Decision Making

This course provides students opportunities for analysis, synthesis, prescription, and application roles of critical thinking and decision making within the organization. Emphasis is placed on preparing managers who can deal clearly, rationally, and creatively with, diverse workforce and dynamic work place. This course equips students with concrete skills in critical thinking and decision making that will allow them to identify and solve organizational problems as well as provide strategic direction.

SOC 315 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Cultural Diversity

This course focuses on the issues, challenges, and opportunities presented by U.S. population diversity. Workplace issues related to employee diversity in terms of gender, race or ethnicity, socioeconomic class, and cultural background are emphasized.

PHL 323 .................................................................................. 3 credits

Ethics in Management

This course provides opportunities for the analysis and synthesis of the role of ethics in the organization. Emphasis is placed on the way ethics affect thinking, relationship development, policy formation, and professional conduct in the workplace. Students develop the skills to understand and integrate constructive ethics into practices that support the success of the employee and the organization.
Foundations of Research
This is a course introducing the foundations of research. Research principles and the scientific method are applied to professional situations. The course is designed to equip students with an understanding of commonly employed research methodologies that can be utilized to improve productivity and increase customer satisfaction.

PSY 428 ................................................................. 3 credits

Organizational Psychology
This course is concerned with analyzing the external and internal features/dimensions of corporate structure that are transforming in order to accommodate the changes in the modern world. An understanding of external and internal customer relations in the transformed organizations is discussed.

COMM 470 ........................................................... 3 credits

Communication in the Virtual Workplace
This course offers guidance and examples on how to communicate effectively in a workplace that is increasingly dependent upon technology as a means to communicate globally. The course provides students with an understanding of technology-mediated communication and how to maximize the use of new media to optimize organizational communications. Intranets, Internet, e-commerce, and the impacts upon customer satisfaction of new communications technologies are explored.

PSY 320 ................................................................. 3 credits

Human Motivation
This course seeks to synthesize the many theories of human motivation with the practical application of motivating employees. To this end, the course will examine historical theories as well as recent developments in the field of motivation and their relationship to management practices. The primary concepts of goals, quality of work, and rewards will be examined and applied to the workplace.

PSY 430 ................................................................. 3 credits

Team Dynamic for Managers
This course provides an exploration into how managers and employees work in groups for the completion of organizational objectives. Emphasis is placed on the growing dependency on self-directed work teams in the workplace. This course equips students with the ability to manage work teams, work in teams successfully, and to obtain results via team dynamics. In addition, impacts upon customer satisfaction are explored.

TEC 401 ................................................................. 3 credits

Human Factors in Technology
This course provides an understanding of the effective integration of technology to improve organizational performance. Students will learn how to evaluate strategies for utilizing technology to support personal and organizational growth. Additionally, students will examine the increasing influence of e-commerce on the role of managers in the workforce. Impacts of the effective integration of technology upon customer relationships are also explored.

FIN 324 ..................................................................................... 3 credits

Financial Analysis For Managers I
This course is designed to frame financial issues for non-financial managers. Basic accounting and financial terminology and concepts are introduced and practiced. Topics covered include: the accounting environment, financial statements, financial markets, working capital management and financial planning, and Internal Controls.

GEN 480 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Interdisciplinary Capstone Course
This is the capstone course for business, health and human services, and information technology undergraduate students. The course provides students with the opportunity to integrate and apply learning from their professional programs of study in a comprehensive manner. Students will also assess the impact of their educational experiences on their ethical perspectives and critical thinking skills. Students will reflect on and evaluate their personal and professional growth, the benefits of lifelong learning, and the impact of these elements on their future.

COMM 215 .............................................................................. 3 credits

Essentials of College Writing
This course covers the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn to distinguish between interpretive and analytical writing while using the writing process and specific rhetorical strategies to develop position and persuasion essays and a case study analysis, and learning teams will prepare an applied research paper. The course offers exercises for review of the elements of grammar, mechanics, style, citation, and proper documentation.

GEN 200 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Foundations for General Education and Professional Success
This general education course is designed to introduce the intentional learner to communication, collaboration, information utilization, critical thinking, problem solving and professional competence and values. The course uses an interdisciplinary approach for the learner to develop personal, academic strategies in order to reach desired goals and achieve academic success.

GEN 101 ................................................................................... 3 credits

Skills for Lifelong Learning
This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.
COLLEGE OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

The following Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (BSIT) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (BSIT) program is focused on the acquisition of theory and application of technical competencies associated with the information technology profession. The courses prepare students with fundamental knowledge in core technologies, such as systems analysis and design, programming, database design, network architecture and administration, Web technologies and application development, implementation and maintenance.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

A Track Required Introductory Course

GEN 200 ............................................................ 3 credits
Foundations for General Education and Professional Success

B Track Required Introductory Course

GEN 195 ............................................................ 3 credits
Foundations of University Studies

BSIT Required Course of Study - A Track and B Track

CIS 207 ~ ........................................................ 3 credits
Information Systems Fundamentals
PRG 211 ~ .................................................... 3 credits
Algorithms and Logic for Computer Programming
WEB 240 ~ .................................................... 3 credits
Web Design Fundamentals
POS 355 ~ .................................................... 3 credits
Introduction to Operating Systems
ENG 221 ~ .................................................... 3 credits
Technical Writing Fundamentals
BSA 310 ~ .................................................... 3 credits
Business Systems
BSA 375 ~ .................................................... 3 credits
Fundamentals of Business Systems Development
CMGT 410 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Project Planning & Implementation
DBM 380 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Database Concepts
CMGT 400 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Intro to Information Assurance & Security
NTC 362 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Fundamentals of Networking
PRG 420 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Java Programming I
MTH 221 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Discrete Math for IT
CMGT 445 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Application Implementation

Concentration in Advanced Networking

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NTC 405 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Telecommunications and Networking I
NTC 406 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Telecommunications and Networking II
NTC 409 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
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NTC 411 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Global Network Management, Support and Security
NTC 415 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Network Integration Project

Concentration in Business Systems Analysis

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BSA 400 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Business Systems Development II
BSA 411~ .................................................. 3 credits
Systems Analysis Methodologies
BSA 412 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Systems Analysis Tools
CMGT 411~ ............................................... 3 credits
Project Planning Management
CMGT 413 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Application Acquisition & Sourcing

Concentration in Information Management

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsit-im.

IM 300~ ..................................................... 3 credits
Data Organization Architecture
IM 305 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Data Modeling
POS 410 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
SQL for Business
DBM 384 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Special Purpose Databases
DBM 460 ~ ................................................ 3 credits
Enterprise Database Management Systems
Concentration in Information Systems Security

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsit-iss.

POS 420 ~ .................................................................3 credits
POS 421 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Windows Server Networking
CMGT 441 ~ ..............................................................3 credits
Introduction to Information Systems Security Management
CMGT 442 ~ ..............................................................3 credits
Information Systems Risk Management
CMGT 430 ~ ..............................................................3 credits
Enterprise Security

Concentration in Multimedia & Visual Communication

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsit-mvc.

VCT 300 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Image Editing
VCT 320 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Electronic Publishing
VCT 410 .................................................................3 credits
Instructional Design
VCT 420 .................................................................3 credits
Multimedia Development
WEB 431 ~ .................................................................3 credits
XML

Concentration in Software Engineering

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsit-se.

PRG 421 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Java Programming II
BSA 385 .................................................................3 credits
Intro to Software Engineering
CSS 422 .................................................................3 credits
Software Architecture
POS 408 .................................................................3 credits
.NET I
POS 409 .................................................................3 credits
.NET II

Concentration in Web Development

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/bsit-wd.

VCT 300 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Image Editing
WEB 401 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Web Development
WEB 407 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Advanced Web Development

WEB 434 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Website Commercialization I
WEB 435 ~ .................................................................3 credits
Website Commercialization II

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the BSIT

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- High school graduation from an institution that holds state approval to confer high school diplomas or are accredited or a candidate for accreditation at the time the student attended by an acceptable accrediting body, GED certificate or CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Examination) certificate.
- Applicants must be currently employed or have access to a work environment.

Degree Requirements for the BSIT

- Completion of a minimum of 120 credits that include the following distribution:
  - A minimum of 42 upper division credits.
  - A minimum of 54 credits of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.
  - A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
  - All students must complete the minimum number of credits required by their degree program.
  - All undergraduate students are required to complete the minimum general education credits required by their program version.
  - Students will declare a concentration at the time of enrollment.
  - The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Bachelor of Science in Information Technology and will not reflect the concentration. Concentrations are reflected on the transcript only.

General Education Requirements for the BSIT

A minimum of 54 of the 120 credits must be in the general education areas approved by the University.

Communication Arts Requirement 6 credits
(A Track must include COMM 215, equivalent, or higher and COMM 218)
(B Track must include: COM 170 and COM 172)

Mathematics Requirement 6 credits
(Must include MTH 220, equivalent, or higher)

Science & Technology Requirement 6 credits
(B Track must include: SCI 163)
Must include at least three (3) credits in the physical or biological sciences

Humanities Requirement 6 credits
(B Track must include: HUM 114)

Social Science Requirement 6 credits
(B Track must include: PSY 211)

Additional Liberal Arts Requirement 6 credits
(B Track must include: COMM 218)

Interdisciplinary Requirement 18 credits
### Academic Progression Requirements for the BSIT

- All students entering undergraduate degree programs who list less than 24 previous college credits as recognized by the university on the admissions application will be enrolled in the B Track and are required to complete the First-Year Sequence.
- First-Year Sequence students must satisfy all seven (7) courses from the First-Year Sequence prior to enrolling in any other General Education, elective, or concentration courses.
- GEN 195 will be required as the first course in the First-Year Sequence.
- HUM 114 will be required as the last course in the First-Year Sequence. All other FYS requirements must be satisfied prior to enrolling in any other program applicable course.
- With the exception of GEN 195, FP 120, and HUM 114, course requirements may be satisfied by any of the following means:
  - University of Phoenix coursework,
  - Regionally or nationally accredited coursework (C- or higher grade),
  - University of Phoenix Prior Learning Assessment, (30 credit limit on experiential learning; 30 credit limit on professional training),
  - National Testing Programs, and
  - ACE evaluated Military credits.
- The course used to satisfy a First-Year Sequence course must be comparable in content to the university course. It is replacing, must be at least a 2.67 credit course, and must be an equivalent level or higher level course.
- Concurrent enrollment is prohibited during any of the courses in the First-Year Sequence.
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the university on the admissions application, must take GEN 200 Foundations for General Education and Professional Success as the first course with University of Phoenix and are not required to enroll in the First-Year Sequence (A Track).
- Students who list 24 or more previous college credits, as recognized by the University on the admissions application, and who do not enroll in the First-Year Sequence, may not enroll in any course from the First Year Sequence to satisfy programmatic prerequisites, general education or elective requirements.
- Students who previously completed GEN 101, GEN 200, or GEN 300 and choose to transition to the First-Year Sequence are not required to take GEN 195.
- Students may not complete any of the First-Year Sequence courses via Directed Study.
- Many courses in the Required Course of Study build on or reinforce each other. To ensure that students have the requisite skills for specific coursework certain program areas must be satisfied before students can progress to others.
- All undergraduate students must satisfy math and English prerequisites prior to enrolling in any course that requires math or English as a prerequisite.

### Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the BSIT

Students must meet the established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits from a combination of the Required Course of Study, General Education, and Electives must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 30 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past five (5) years (ten years for MTH 221) of application to the University with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Through an approved articulation agreement, students who have successfully completed equivalent courses may waive, without credits, up to thirty (30) credits of the required course of study. Students must substitute other upper division coursework to satisfy the upper division credit requirement of their degree program. This policy also applies to upper division courses which are used to fulfill Associate of Arts degree requirements. In order to be granted a waiver, without credit, for a course in the required course of study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally or nationally accredited institution with which the University of Phoenix has an approved articulation agreement.
- The course must have been completed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better during the effective dates of the approved articulation agreement.
- The course must be approved through the articulation agreement and must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing.

The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: GEN 195, GEN 200

Students may waive, with or without credit, courses in the Required Course of Study, but must substitute with any upper division coursework to satisfy the required course of study (national testing program credit, prior learning credit, and military credit, or General Education coursework, may not be used to replace coursework waived, with or without credit).

### Course Descriptions for the BSIT

**GEN 200 ................................................................. 3 credits**

**Foundations for General Education and Professional Success**

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GEN 195 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Foundations of University Studies**

The essential information, skills, tools, and techniques necessary for academic success and personal effectiveness at the University of Phoenix are introduced in this course. The course develops and applies practical knowledge and skills immediately relevant to first-year university students. Course topics include goal setting and working with personal motivation, understanding and using University resources, developing efficient study habits, making the most of personal learning styles, and how best to manage time and reduce personal stress levels.

CIS 207 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Information Systems Fundamentals**

This course introduces the fundamentals of computer systems and the role of information processing in today’s business environment. An overview is presented of information systems, systems development, operating systems and programming, database management, networking and telecommunications, and the Internet.

PRG 211 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Algorithms and Logic for Computer Programming**

This course provides students with a basic understanding of programming development practices. Concepts covered include the application of algorithms and logic to the design and development of procedural and object-oriented computer programs to address the problem solving requirements associated with business information systems. This course will cover procedural programming concepts including data types, control structures, functional decomposition, arrays, and files, classes, and objects.

WEB 240 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Web Design Fundamentals**

This course introduces development tools and techniques used to publish websites on the World Wide Web. Students use basic hypertext markup language, scripting, and presentational technologies to create websites with the aid of a software authoring application. Topics include XHTML, CSS, JavaScript®, server hosting, site publication, site maintenance, and search engine optimization.

POS 355 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Introduction to Operating Systems**

This course provides an introduction to operating systems. Topics covered include operating system concepts, program execution, and operating system internals such as memory, processor, device, and file management. A variety of operating systems are compared and contrasted.

ENG 221 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Technical Writing Fundamentals**

This course covers the fundamentals and best practices of using written communication in business and in the information technologies. Topics include strategies, techniques, and nuances for producing emails, memos, reports, proposals, project specifications, and user manuals, as well as other technical documents.

BSA 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Business Systems**

This course reviews common business systems and their interrelationships. Business systems covered include finance, accounting, sales, marketing, human resources, legal, and operations. Emphasis is placed upon the inputs and outputs of information systems, the potential for integration of the systems, and information systems security.

BSA 375 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Fundamentals of Business Systems Development**

This course introduces the fundamental, logical, and design considerations addressed during system and application software development. It provides a solid background in information systems analysis and design techniques through a combination of theory and application. The Systems Development Life Cycle will be fundamental to the course.

CMGT 410 ............................................................. 3 credits

**Project Planning and Implementation**

This course provides the foundation for successful project planning, organization, and implementation within the realm of information technology. The course uses real-world examples and identifies common mistakes and pitfalls in project management. Topics covered include project scoping, estimating, budgeting, scheduling and staffing, tracking and controlling, and software tools for project management.

CMGT 400 ............................................................. 3 credits

**Intro to Information Assurance & Security**

This course is an introduction to information assurance and security in computing technology. Topics include risk management; protecting information in the enterprise; business continuity and disaster recovery planning; threats and remediation; legal, ethical, and professional issues; and considerations within systems development processes.

NTC 362 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Database Concepts**

This course covers database concepts. Topics include data analysis, the principal data models with emphasis on the relational model, entity-relationship diagrams, database design, normalization, and database administration.

DBM 380 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Fundamentals of Networking**

This course provides a foundation in the basic telecommunications and networking technologies fundamental to the industry and to the broad field of telecommunications. Analog, digital, and radio frequency technologies are covered. Also covered in this course is an introduction to the OSI protocol model, network-switching systems, basics of wireless communications, and network security.

PRG 420 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Java Programming I**

This course introduces object-oriented programming in the context of business applications development. The basics of the Java programming language are covered.

MTH 221 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Discrete Math for Information Technology**

Discrete (as opposed to continuous) mathematics is of direct importance to the fields of Computer Science and Information Technology. This branch of mathematics includes studying areas such as set theory, logic, relations, graph theory, and analysis of algorithms. This course is intended to provide students with an understanding of these areas and their use in the field of Information Technology.
CMGT 445 ................................................................. 3 credits
Application Implementation
This course will cover the process and issues associated with the implementation of a computer application information system. Topics will include the processes associated with sponsor and stakeholder approvals, end user training, technical staff training, conversion from existing application(s) and integration into the information system production environment. This course will also examine the use of development and testing environments and the testing procedures related to the implementation of a computer application information system.

COMM 215 ............................................................... 3 credits
Essentials of College Writing
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MTH 220 ................................................................ 3 credits
College Algebra
This course presents traditional concepts in college algebra. Topics include linear, polynomial, rational, radical, exponential and logarithmic functions, systems of equations, sequences, series, and probability.

MTH 221 ................................................................ 3 credits
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GEN 101 ............................................................... 3 credits
Skills for Lifelong Learning
This course is designed to provide core competencies for adult learners. The course examines learning theory and the application of adult learning principles to communication skills, group processes, and personal management. Adult learners will develop strategies for achieving University of Phoenix Learning Goals in school, work, and personal settings. They will also be introduced to the University Library and learn how to access resources successfully.

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Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Advanced Networking

NTC 405 .................................................................... 3 credits
Telecommunications and Networking I
This course is designed to provide the fundamentals of basic telecommunications including an introduction to standards, organizations, and governing bodies, and concepts such as TCP/IP, modulation or demodulation, and terminology for telecommunications and computer networks. The basics of analog and digital circuits are analyzed. Complex digital equipment, such as multiplexers, is introduced. The course is completed with an overview and analysis of various network topologies and network operating systems explaining how the electronic concepts assist in network troubleshooting.

NTC 406 .................................................................... 3 credits
Telecommunications and Networking II
NTC 406 provides analysis of the seven levels of the OSI model as the basis for analysis and discussion of network protocols. Each level of the OSI model is analyzed in detail with the related theory being applied to specific applications in the industry.

NTC 409 .................................................................... 3 credits
Global Network Architecture and Design
This course addresses the fundamentals of network design and analysis with an emphasis on network traffic. The network design techniques necessary for LAN and WAN implementations are covered. The concept of service levels, the provisioning of and importance of service levels are analyzed.

NTC 411 .................................................................... 3 credits
Global Network Management, Support and Security
NTC 411 broadens network design and analysis to include global considerations for an enterprise network configuration. This course introduces the topic of overall end-to-end network management, the concepts and the available tools to the network designer. The development and management of the relationships between the enterprise and the WAN providers is discussed. Network security, Disaster Recovery, and Business Continuity planer is also addressed in this course.

NTC 415 .................................................................... 3 credits
Network Integration Project
The focus of this course is the application of network design and performance concepts. The design considerations for a global network, including LANs and WANs with both wired and wireless functionality will be applied. End-to-end performance criteria and service levels guarantees will examined as a part of network design project. Network capabilities to handle varying types of traffic from low speed data to large image files and streaming video and digital voice will be explored.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Business Systems Analysis

BSA 400 ................................................................... 3 credits
Business Systems Development II
This course continues the subject matter of BSA/375, Fundamentals of Business Systems Development. It completes an examination of methodologies, tools, and standards used in business systems development. An emphasis is placed on examining enterprise-level business systems.
BSA 411 ................................................................. 3 credits

Systems Analysis Methodologies
This course provides the student with an understanding of several methodologies available to identify business problems and the possible information system solutions for addressing problems.

BSA 412 ................................................................. 3 credits

Systems Analysis Tools
This course builds upon the methodologies examined in Systems Analysis Methodologies by providing an emphasis on analysis tools—computer and non-computer supported. Emphasis is placed on when and how Microsoft Visio may be used for analysis.

CMGT 411 ............................................................ 3 credits

Project Planning Management
This course provides the foundation for understanding the broad concepts of successful planning, organization, and implementation within the realm of information technology. This course uses real-world examples and identifies common mistakes and pitfalls in project management. Topics covered include project scoping, estimating, budgeting, scheduling, tracking, and controlling.

CMGT 413 ............................................................ 3 credits

Application Acquisition and Sourcing
This course examines a number of alternatives to be considered when delivery of an information technology application is needed. The evaluation of alternatives such as build versus buy and insourcing or outsourcing are covered along with the considerations for testing and evaluation of information technology decisions. The primary components of a Request for Proposal (RFP) and a Statement of Work (SOW) are examined in this course.

Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Information Management

IM 300 ................................................................. 3 credits

Data Organization Architecture
This course provides an introduction to how data is architected and organized. It discusses the different data models used to store data, outlines several schemas that drive how data is structured, and provides other database concepts relating to the design and architecture of data.

IM 305 ................................................................. 3 credits

Data Modeling
This course provides an in-depth look at several intermediate design and architecture concepts. The course covers the design method used in the creation of a relational database, the required steps to reengineer a database, and several tools and techniques used through the database design process.

POS 410 ............................................................. 3 credits

SQL For Business
This course covers Structured Query Language (SQL) that provides a unified language that lets you query, manipulate, or control data in a business applications environment.

DBM 384 ........................................................... 3 credits

Special Purpose Databases
This course examines the use of database technology in a variety of information technology applications. The use of text, multimedia, temporal, spatial, and mobile databases will be covered in this course.

BSA 411 ................................................................. 3 credits

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Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Information Management

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This course presents the essential role of electronic publishing in the delivery of information to today’s businesses and consumers. Most of the course is concerned with methods and techniques involved in the electronic publishing of business presentations, corporate reports, newsletters, training materials, manuals and electronic books, but other information formats such as wikis and blogs are also considered.

VCT 410 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Instructional Design**
This course presents principles of instructional design. An instructional design methodology is presented that includes requirements analysis, performance objectives, performance measures, instructional strategies, storyboarding, design specifications, development, implementation and evaluation.

WEB 431 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Multimedia Development**
This course introduces the fundamentals of developing interactive, multimedia enriched content for delivery across alternative platforms such as the Internet, CDs and handheld devices. The focus is on the integration of animation, audio and video content to maximize communication.

**Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Software Engineering**

PRG 421 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Java Programming II**
This course continues the subject in PRG 420, Java Programming I. Topics include designing complex applications and the use of date files.

BSA 385 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Intro to Software Engineering**
This course introduces the fundamental, logical, and design considerations addressed during system and application software development. It provides a background in applications software development and testing techniques through a combination of theory and application.

CSS 422 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Software Architecture**
This course is an integrating course in business application software engineering. Integration, migration, and maintenance of enterprise software systems, including legacy systems, are emphasized.

POS 408 ................................................................. 3 credits

**.NET I**
This course introduces object-oriented programming in the context of business applications development. It develops the skills and knowledge necessary to produce beginning event-driven programs with graphical user interfaces (GUI). Topics include standard Windows compatible forms, controls, and procedures. The course uses Visual Basic.

POS 409 ................................................................. 3 credits

**.NET II**
This course extends the facilities and command sets of the Visual Basic programming system for Windows®. Topics covered include designing Visual Basic applications, forms, event driven procedures, writing and debugging programs, databases, data files, and printing.

**Course Descriptions for the Concentration in Web Development**

VCT 300 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Image Editing**
This course is an introduction to image editing and its role in the disciplines of web design, electronic publishing and multimedia development. An overview is presented on file formats, composition, color, text design, retouching and manipulation of graphic and photographic images.

WEB 401 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Web Development**
This course covers topics such as designing dynamic web pages and an introduction to Java and Java applets. Emphasis is placed upon the appropriate use of web programming tools.

WEB 407 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Advanced Web Development**
This course covers topics such as designing dynamic web pages and an introduction to Java and Java applets. Emphasis is placed upon the appropriate use of web programming tools.

WEB 435 ................................................................. 3 credits

**XML**
This course extends Web programming to include XML. An emphasis is placed upon the appropriate use of XML as a programming tool.

WEB 431 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Website Commercialization I**
This course builds upon a professional understanding of web design and development, emphasizing the trend towards website commercialization. Topics of this course include web-based interfaces, online supply chain management, eCommerce tools and techniques, branding, basic marketing strategies and Search Engine Optimization.

WEB 435 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Website Commercialization II**
This course explores the concept of website commercialization from the perspective of an advanced web developer. Students will focus on client security and server security, social networks, virtual worlds, m-commerce, non-traditional marketing strategies and customer service.
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GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Application Process
Working adults seeking admission to the University’s graduate programs in business, management, information systems, nursing, counseling, or education begin the admission process by submitting a complete and accurate application. An application which is later verified to contain incomplete, false or misleading information may be grounds for dismissal and administrative withdrawal. Once the application has been received by the University, applicants are responsible for ensuring the completion of their admission file. No applicant will be formally accepted for admission until their admission file is complete and officially evaluated. Formal written notice is provided by the central Office of Admissions & Evaluation upon formal acceptance.

The University will advise students whose admission file documents are required in order to begin a program of study. Students may attend their first four courses under Registered status. Students, however, must submit all admission documentation and gain unconditional admission status prior to the start of their fifth course. Students failing to submit all documentation prior to the end of the required time frame will be administratively withdrawn until formally admitted by the central Office of Admissions & Evaluation. The University cannot guarantee that a student who begins course work under Registered status will be admitted to the degree program.

Applications of individuals who have not gained admission or enrolled in the University will be kept on file for one year. After that time, the applicant is required to submit a new application and material. A second application fee is not required.

Transcript Requests of Other Institutions
Because institutions vary in the time they take to respond to transcript requests, all transcripts should be requested immediately upon submission of an application and application fee. University staff will process all requests for required transcripts on behalf of the student. However, it remains the student’s responsibility to ensure that all transcripts are submitted to the University. The student must sign a “Transcript Request Form” for each transcript being requested from educational institutions. The University’s application fee covers the student’s expense for requesting official transcripts.

Foreign Academic Records
Students applying to the University with foreign academic records or credentials may have additional requirements that must be met in order to enroll in courses or gain admission due to the differences in educational systems and document requirements.

All academic records from Afghanistan, Somalia or Turkmenistan must be evaluated by an external evaluation service approved by the University of Phoenix.

An applicant submitting academic records from Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Anguilla, Antigua, Argentina, Armenia, Aruba, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Baruba, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bermuda, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, British Virgin Islands, Brunei/Brunei-Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Cayman Islands, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Costa Rica, Cote d’Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Czechoslovakia, Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (North Korea), Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, French Guiana, French Polynesia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Laos People’s Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Republic of Moldova, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Montserrat, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, Netherlands Antilles, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Palestine, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Russia (Russian Federation), Rwanda, Saint-Barthelemy, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Martin, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, St. Vincent and The Grenadines, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turks and Caicos Islands, Union of Socialist Republics (U.S.S.R.), Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Western Samoa, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zambia or Zimbabwe may be evaluated internally by the central Office of Admissions and Evaluation or evaluated by an external evaluation service approved by the University of Phoenix.

Internal evaluation practices utilized by the central Office of Admissions and Evaluation follow standards and practices defined by the National Association of Foreign Student Administrators (NAFSA) and the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). Certain programs that lead to certification may require students to have an evaluation performed by an external evaluation agency that is approved by both the University and the state in which the student seeks certification.

Students using foreign academic records to satisfy an admission requirement will not be eligible to attend classes prior to the University receiving a favorable evaluation from an approved credentials evaluation service or evaluation performed by the Central Office of Admissions & Evaluation. Original academic records or copies of academic records that have been verified as authentic by the issuing institution are required to be on file prior to a student gaining unconditional admission to the University. If the academic records are in another language, a certified English translation or translation performed by the central Office of Admissions and Evaluation (Spanish and French only) is required. The University will accept translations from the issuing institution or an official translation service.
Non–Native Speakers of English

An applicant who does not have appropriate English language experience in an academic environment will not be eligible to attend classes under Registered status. Official documentation with an appropriate score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC), International English Language Testing System (IELTS), Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE) or Berlitz Online English Proficiency Exam must be submitted with the admission file and admission granted before the applicant may begin the program.

Admission Appeal Process

Any applicant who has been denied admission to the University has the right to appeal the decision to the Student Appeals Center. All appeals, including any evidence to be considered, must be submitted in writing to the Student Appeals Center. The written appeal may consist of a letter of explanation for academic deficiencies, lack of experience, and any other factors which might be of benefit when the Student Appeals Center conducts its review.

It is incumbent upon the applicant to submit all relevant documents and statements of support attached to the appeal letter to the Student Appeals Center. The Student Appeals Center will carefully review all materials submitted, and notify the applicant in writing of its decision within ten working days.

Graduate Admission Requirements

For graduate education and doctoral admission requirements please refer to the education and doctoral section(s) of the catalog. Most graduate programs have additional admission requirements listed within the program specific information. All applicants are expected to meet the following admission requirements:

- Applicants who completed high school/secondary school outside of the United States, in a country where English is not the official language, must meet one of the following exceptions in order to meet the English Language Proficiency Requirement:
  - Achieved a minimum score of 213 on the computer-based test (CBT), or a score of 79 on the internet-based test (IBT), or a score of 550 on the written-based test (WBT) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) within two years of application to the University.
  - Achieved a minimum passing score of 750 on the Test of English as an International Communication (TOEIC) within two years of application to the University.
  - Achieved a minimum passing score of 6.5 on the test of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) within two years of application to the University.
  - Achieved a minimum score of 75 on the Berlitz Online Test of Reading and Listening Skills - English or a minimum score of 550 on the Berlitz Online English Proficiency Exam within two years of application to the University.
  - Successful completion of the approved ESL series of courses completed at: Canadian College of English Language (CCEL), International Language Schools of Canada (ILSC) or Kaplan.
- Achieved a minimum score of 59 on the Pearson Test of English Academic Exam within two years of application to the University.
- The following may exempt a non-native speaker from having to take the TOEFL/TOEIC/IELTS, however official documentation may be required:
  - The applicant has successfully completed thirty (30) transferable, academic semester credits at a recognized college or university in a country in which English is the official language.
  - The applicant has successfully completed the equivalent of thirty (30) transferable, academic semester credits at a recognized institution where English is the medium of instruction.
  - The applicant has previously earned, prior to applying for admission to the University of Phoenix, a U.S. high school diploma or G.E.D. Applicants that list any language other than English as their native language on the admission application and G.E.D is taken, must submit a copy of the G.E.D to verify it was taken in the English version format.
  - The applicant has earned the equivalent of a U.S. high school diploma in a country in which English is the official language.
  - The applicant has earned the equivalent of a U.S. high school diploma at an institution where English is the medium of instruction.

Applicants who reside in the United States must meet one of the following requirements:

- Be a legal resident of the United States
- Have been granted permanent residency
- Have a valid visa that does not prohibit educational studies
- Have been granted temporary protected status and has been verified through Citizenship and Immigration Service that the country is eligible for TPS status at the time of application sign date. Student must list TPS as the visa type on the admissions application in order for US to verify TPS status.
- Have been granted asylum along with copy of passport and I-94 bearing the stamp indicating the issue and expiration dates of the Asylee status.

Applicants who reside in Canada must meet one of the following requirements:

- Be a legal resident of Canada
- Be a landed immigrant
- Have a valid visa that does not prohibit educational studies
- Students may not receive a graduate degree and a graduate-level certificate in the same area of focus.
- A completed and signed graduate application and application fee
- A signed Enrollment/Disclosure Agreement.
Estimated Program Length

To determine the number of months it takes to complete the program as designed, add all the credit hours in a given program, divide the result by 24 credit hours and then multiply the result by the number of months in the academic year for the degree (Associates = 9 months in an academic year, Bachelors = 10 months in an academic year, Masters/Doctoral = 12 months in an academic year, Undergraduate Certificate = 10 months in an academic year and Graduate Certificate = 12 months in an academic year). Example: Associate program is 60 credits. Divide 60 credit hours by 24 credit hours \((60/24 = 2.5)\). Then multiply the result by the number of months in the academic year for the degree \((2.5 \times 9 \text{ months} = 22.5 \text{ months})\).
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The Colleges of Arts and Sciences offer a variety of graduate degree programs in the following content areas: psychology, counseling and health administration. With the evolution of workplace issues and trends, these advanced degrees provide students with a combination of theoretical frameworks and practical applications related to the professional content areas. Many of the degree offerings also provide an opportunity to select a specialization which can enhance the educational experience as well as adding leverage to the students professional and career development.

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The College of Social Sciences offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs in a number of diverse academic areas including counseling, psychology, and human services. In addition, the college offers a certificate program in mediation. The College provides innovative educational programs designed to enhance the core knowledge, skills and values essential for students seeking to achieve their academic goals in the field of social sciences. These programs are developed and taught by skilled practitioners who work in their respective fields. Through individual and collaborative work, students can acquire the knowledge and skills needed in today’s working environment.

Master of Science in Psychology

The following Master of Science in Psychology (MS/P) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Master of Science in Psychology focuses on the scientific study of human behavior, including cognition, motivation and emotion. The program provides training in four core areas: biological bases of behavior, acquired or learned bases of behavior, social, cultural and systemic influences on behavior and individual differences in behavior. Students will learn how the science of psychology is advanced through research. Emphasis is placed on critical thinking, problem-solving and the application of knowledge to problems and issues related to the human experience. This program is not designed to prepare students for professional licensure.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/ms-p.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

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Cognitive Psychology
PSYCH 570 ~................................................... 3 credits
Organizational Psychology
PSYCH 575 ~................................................... 3 credits
Physiological Psychology

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MS/P

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university, an ABA accredited institution (if coursework was from a graduate level program) or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- No work experience is required for this program.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

Degree Requirements for the MS/P

The degree completion requirements for this program are as follows:

- Completion of a minimum of 39 credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MS/P

Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits in the Required Course of Study, must be completed at University of Phoenix. Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.
- The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: COM 505

Course Descriptions for the MSP

COM 505 .................................................................3 credits
Communication Skills for Graduate Study
This course provides new graduate students in University of Phoenix programs with an introduction to strategies for academic success within the University of Phoenix adult learning model. Topics include oral and written communication, methods for finding and evaluating course resources, critical thinking, program standards, stress and time management, and Learning Team processes.

PSYCH 500 .............................................................3 credits
Lifespan Development
This course presents students with theoretical frameworks to foster an understanding of the various dimensions of human development across the life span. Emphasis is placed on biological, cognitive, and psychosocial development within the context of gender, family systems, social roles, and culture.

PSYCH 504 .............................................................3 credits
Personality Theories
This course enables students to differentiate among the primary theoretical models of personality theory, such as psychodynamic, affective, cognitive-behavioral, and systems theory. Emphasis is on the importance of students recognizing belief systems and the underlying assumptions inherent in various personality models that accurately reflect their own personal perspectives. Students also learn to recognize strategies and approaches in psychology that reflect identified personality theories as a foundation.

PSYCH 515 .............................................................3 credits
Advanced Abnormal Psychology
This course covers a wide range of definitions and models that focus on the complex or problematic psychological disorders and conditions of psychopathology. Emphasis is on learning accepted conceptualizations of such disorders along with contemporary treatment approaches. Students are introduced to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) and the basis of diagnosis and classification of psychopathology. Critical thinking skills are emphasized, as are multicultural, legal, and ethical issues involved in the field of abnormal psychology.

PSYCH 525 .............................................................3 credits
Measurements and Statistics
This course provides students with a foundation in statistical methods and principles of measurement and assessment necessary for competency in research, evaluation, and treatment planning for professional psychology practice applications. Students learn statistical models, procedures, and measurement practices that are relevant to the mastery of examination procedures in psycho-educational assessment, organizational assessment, and clinical examinations that use standardized testing instruments, criterion based assessments and the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM).

PSYCH 540 .............................................................3 credits
Research Methodology
This course is an overview of the fundamentals of research methods applicable to the broad field of psychology. Topics include research design, quantitative and qualitative forms of analysis, ethical issues in research, and appropriate documentation of research processes and outcomes. Students become critical evaluators of research, with emphasis placed on engaging the students in analytical reading of research literature in psychology and the application of skills in conducting primary behavioral research.

PSYCH 553 .............................................................3 credits
Multicultural Psychology
This course provides students with an in depth focus on cultural factors and cross-cultural perspectives in the field of psychology. Students learn to identify and consider cultural variables in the application of psychological theories and practices. Multicultural issues and valued diversity are the main content focus throughout the course.

PSYCH 545 .............................................................3 credits
Survey of Professional Psychology
This course surveys various professional activities in psychology and the legal and ethical responsibilities of the psychology professional. Students learn underlying ethical principles relevant to a broad range of issues in the field of psychology, as well as to interpret and act upon various situations appropriately and effectively. Content includes issues such as subject and client rights, confidentiality, duty to warn and protect, dual relationships, supervision and consulting, ethics with special populations, and ethical decision-making models.

PSYCH 550 .............................................................3 credits
Psychology of Learning
This course examines major theories of learning with relevance to instrumental and classical (Pavlovian) conditioning, cognitive learning processes, motivation, affect, and memory. The students will explore relevant research on traditional and contemporary issues in learning, with an emphasis on human learning from both behavioral and cognitive perspectives.
PSYCH 555 ................................................................. 3 credits
Social Psychology
This course covers the basic theoretical foundations and recurrent themes in social psychology, including attitudes, stereotyping, conformity, power, aggression, prosocial behavior, the social self, emotions, group dynamics, and inter-group relations. Emphasis is on recent empirical and theoretical developments and includes models of social cognition that are a focus of contemporary social psychological theories.

PSYCH 560 ................................................................. 3 credits
Cognitive Psychology
This course surveys what modern cognitive psychology says about problem solving and reasoning, memory, language, imagery, and the processes and pathology of language and thought. Cognitive models of information processing in humans and animals are reviewed.

COLLEGES OF NATURAL SCIENCES

The foundation of today’s technological world is rooted in the natural sciences. As part of any academic program, studying the natural sciences gives students insight into the fundamental processes of nature and provides the basic knowledge needed to understand modern scientific accomplishments. Students also develop the critical thinking, independent thinking, and problem solving skills that form the basis for lifelong learning.

The College of Natural Sciences offers a variety of courses in natural, environmental, and life sciences as well as programs in health administration, environmental sciences, and biology.

Master of Health Administration

The following Master of Health Administration (MHA) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Master of Health Administration (MHA) program prepares leaders who can effectively respond to the dynamic and ever-changing health care industry. These individuals have a capacity to critically examine and evaluate issues and trends and are empowered to influence the destiny of a broad and dynamic health care system. Curriculum is tailored to the needs of the health care leader/manager by providing content in finance, policy, research, technology, quality improvement, economics, marketing and strategic planning. In addition, students have the option to complete a specialization related to their area of interest. Specialization options include gerontology, informatics and education. Graduates of the MHA program will have enhanced their management/administrative background and specialty area through the completion of a curriculum that provides students with the latest theories and contemporary practice applications. Graduates are able to define their role within the health care system and understand how to make necessary changes to create a work environment, which is team oriented and motivating to others.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mha.

MHA Required Course of Study
Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ................................................................. 1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing

HCS 514 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations

HCS 539 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Law and Ethics

HCS 531 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Marketing for Health Care

HCS 552 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Concepts of Population Health

HCS 555 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Creating Change within Organizations

HCS 557 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Care Economics

HCS 577 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards

HCS 587 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Leadership

HCS 588 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Entrepreneurship in Health Care

HCS 549 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Evaluation Methodology
Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548 and HSN 552. A "C-" grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of "C" will be scholastically disqualified from the University.

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For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mha.

MHA Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ~ Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing ..............................1 credit
HCS 310 ~ Health Care Delivery in the United States .................................................................3 credits
HCS 440 ~ Economics: The Financing of Health Care .............................................................3 credits
HCS 455 ~ Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future ..........................................................3 credits
HCS 514 ~ Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations ....................................................3 credits
HCS 545 ~ Health Law and Ethics ..........................................................................................3 credits
HCS 539 ~ Marketing for Health Care .....................................................................................3 credits
HCS 531 ~ Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems ................................................3 credits

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HCS 567 ~ Entrepreneurship in Health Care ........................................................................3 credits
HCS 586 ~ Health Care Strategic Management......................................................................3 credits

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Additional Admission Requirements for the MHA

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university, an ABA accredited institution (if coursework was from a graduate level program) or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A minimum equivalent of three years of full-time, post-high school work or volunteer experience with exposure to organizational systems and management processes is required.
- All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

Degree Requirements for the MHA

- Completion of a minimum of 52 credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

Grades earned in MHA bridge courses are calculated in the MHA grade point average (GPA).

- The diploma for this program will read as follows: Master of Health Administration and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.
Minimum Grade Requirements for the MHA

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Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MHA

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. Students enrolled in this bridge program may waive the three (3) undergraduate bridge courses.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

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HCS 504, HCS 586, HSN 552, HCS 565

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HCS 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

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HCS 440 ................................................................. 3 credits

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HCS 455 ................................................................. 3 credits

Healthcare Policy: The Past and the Future

This course will introduce the student to the intricate processes that public policy makers use to influence the health status of a society. The role of economic theory, interest groups, and the various levels of government involved in policy making will be examined. A historic review of trends will be evaluated, and the challenges of future health care delivery will be examined.

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This program specialization option is designed for health care and nursing professionals interested in pursuing careers in educational or service settings. Current educators can update or expand their knowledge in curriculum development, assessment and evaluation, and revitalize their teaching and learning strategies. Combining your current professional expertise with the knowledge of teaching and learning strategies, assessment and evaluation and curriculum, and program design will expand and enhance your role as a health care educator. Content can be applied to patient teaching, continuing education or in-service education, community health education, as well as to the role and delivery of academic education.

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- A minimum equivalent of three (3) years of full-time, post-high school professional work experience, within the past ten years, of which one year must be in a health care environment.
- Students who have an undergraduate Health Care degree (includes completion of a major/minor/focus or concentrations of at least 18 credit hours in health care coursework) do not need the one (1) year health care work experience for admission.

All applicants must be employed in a suitable Health Care work environment or have access to a suitable Health Care work environment for the completion of course assignments.

### Degree Requirements for the MHA/ED

- Completion of a minimum of 43 credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Health Administration and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.

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Teaching and Learning Strategies
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HSN 544 ................................................................. 3 credits
Role of the Health Care/Nursing Educator
Responsibilities of faculty within various higher education settings are explored. Trends and issues that impact the educator role within changing health care and educational environments are discussed. Topics such as technological, legal, ethical, and professional dynamics are included.
HSN 548 ................................................................. 3 credits
Design and Process of Curriculum Development
Development of curriculum for programs in higher education settings are examined. This course focuses on curriculum planning and design, as well as development of individual courses and their relationship to program mission, objectives, and outcomes.
HSN 552 ................................................................. 3 credits
Assessment and Evaluation of Learning
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The MHA curriculum is tailored to support the development of health care leaders and managers by providing content in finance, policy, research, technology, quality improvement, economics, marketing and strategic planning. In addition, students have the option to complete a specialization related to their area of interest. Specialization options include gerontology, informatics and education.

Graduates will have enhanced their management/administrative backgrounds through a curriculum that provides students with the ability to apply theory to contemporary practice applications. Graduates are able to define their role within the health care system and understand how to make necessary changes to create a work environment which is team oriented and motivating to others.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mha-ed.

MHA/ED Required Course of Study
Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.
HCS 504 ................................................................. 1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
HCS 310 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Care Delivery in the United States
HCS 440 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Economics: The Financing of Health Care
HCS 455 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future
HCS 514 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations
HCS 545 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Law and Ethics
HCS 539 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Marketing for Health Care
Minimum Grade Requirements for the MHA/ED

- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548 and HSN 552. A “C-” grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of "C" will be scholastically disqualified from the University.
- Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement and have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in the program until the course has been successfully repeated. Students will be allowed to repeat each class in which the minimum grade was not achieved one time. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MHA program.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MHA/ED

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "B-" (3.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses may not be waived in the MHA program:

- HCS 504, HCS 586, HSN 552, HCS 565

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All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of "B-" or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a "B-" will not receive credit for the course and will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.

Course Descriptions for the MHA/ED

HCS 504: Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing

This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the University's adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.
This course provides a broad overview of the various functions of the United States health care system. The historical evolution of health care is examined. The student is introduced to the various forms of provider models and service delivery systems found in private and public health sectors, including ambulatory, acute, mental, and long-term care. The financing aspects of health care and their influence on health care delivery and quality are outlined.

HCS 440 Health Economics: The Financing of Health Care

This course provides an overview of the economics of health care. The various payers are examined, including private, state, and federal entities. Issues such as the cost effectiveness of prevention, the management of patients and their diseases, as well as the cost of treatment settings are discussed. Third-party reimbursement from various sources, ranging from for-profit insurance carriers to charitable donations, are reviewed. The health care system’s use of grant funding and research dollars is described.

HCS 455 Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations

This course focuses on the adaptation of organizational management to evolving health systems. Students will examine organizational theory, organizational performance, structure, change management and human resource management. Students apply various organizational theories to contemporary issues.

HCS 514 Health Law and Ethics

Students explore and analyze current ethical issues such as biomedical research, insurance statutes, and demand management. Students survey the extensive legal foundations of health care, and apply current case law to contemporary situations. Topics include legal aspects of legislation, patient rights, data security, professional liability, and labor relations.

HCS 531 Marketing for Health Care

This course examines marketing principles as they are applied within various health delivery systems. Special attention is focused on consumer behavior, market segmentation, environmental scanning, and identification of new market opportunities. The role of social marketing, data base research, and evaluation design and interpretation are addressed.

HCS 577 Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems

This course is a comprehensive approach to health care delivery systems that provides the student with an in-depth understanding of health systems and organizations. Students will examine historical evolutions of the health care industry and recent impacts that influence the delivery of health care.
The Master of Health Administration (MHA) program prepares leaders who can effectively respond to the dynamic and ever-changing health care industry. These individuals have a capacity to critically examine and evaluate issues and trends and are empowered to influence the destiny of a broad and dynamic health care system. Curriculum is tailored to the needs of the health care leader/manager by providing content in finance, policy, research, technology, quality improvement, economics, marketing and strategic planning. In addition, students have the option to complete a specialization related to their area of interest. Specialization options include gerontology, informatics and education.

Graduates of the MHA program will have enhanced their management/administrative background and specialty area through the completion of a curriculum that provides students with the latest theories and contemporary practice applications. Graduates are able to define their role within the health care system and understand how to make necessary changes to create a work environment, which is team oriented and motivating to others.

This program specialization option is designed to provide health care professionals with diverse interdisciplinary backgrounds with the knowledge and process of aging. Content is designed to provide students with relevant information related to the physical, mental, and social aspects of gerontology as well as human services, economic and legal factors that influence elders.

With an emerging proportion of older adults in our society there is a growing market for aging services which are fueled by products and services for well elders as well as those elders compromised by chronic illnesses or disabilities. Career opportunities are increasing and are not limited to just long term care. Business, industry, community health, federal and local governments and professional organizations will look to include workers prepared to understand the needs of this population as a major consumer of their products and services.

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**MHA/GER Required Course of Study**

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- HCS 504 ................................................................. 1 credit
- Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
- HCS 514 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations
- HCS 545 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Health Law and Ethics
- HCS 539 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Marketing for Health Care
- HCS 531 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
- HCS 577 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Financial Management in Health Care
- HCS 533 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Health Information Systems
- HCS 535 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Concepts of Population Health
- HCS 587~ .............................................................. 3 credits
- Creating Change within Organizations
- HCS 552 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Health Care Economics
- HCS 588 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Measuring Performance Standards
- HCS 548 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Foundations of Gerontology
- HCS 551 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Biological and Psychological Aspects of Aging
- HCS 557 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Social and Cultural Aspects of Aging
- HCS 565 ~ ............................................................. 3 credits
- Organization and Management of Aging Services

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**Assessment and Evaluation of Learning**

Methods of assessing learning in higher education are analyzed and applied in different learning situations. Processes and problems related to course learning assessments as well as evaluating programmatic outcomes are examined. Designing measures to evaluate learner and curriculum outcomes are addressed.

**Design and Process of Curriculum Development**

Development of curriculum for programs in higher education settings are examined. This course focuses on curriculum planning and design, as well as development of individual courses and their relationship to program mission, objectives, and outcomes.

- HSN 552 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Role of the Health Care/Nursing Educator**

Responsibilities of faculty within various higher education settings are explored. Trends and issues that impact the educator role within changing health care and educational environments are discussed. Topics such as technological, legal, ethical, and professional dynamics are included.

- HSN 544 ................................................................. 3 credits

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**Master of Health Administration/Gerontology**

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**Master of Health Administration/Gerontology Required Course of Study**

- HSN 548 ................................................................................ 3 credits
- Role of the Health Care/Nursing Educator
- HSN 544 ................................................................................ 3 credits
- Design and Process of Curriculum Development
- HSN 552 ................................................................................ 3 credits
- Assessment and Evaluation of Learning
- HSN 552 ................................................................................ 3 credits
Additional Admission Requirements for the MHA/GER

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university, an ABA accredited institution (if coursework was from a graduate level program) or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- A minimum equivalent of three (3) years of full-time, post-high school professional work experience, within the past ten years, of which one year must be in a health care environment. Students who have an undergraduate Health Care degree (includes completion of a major / minor / focus or concentrations of at least 18 credit hours in health care coursework) do not need the one (1) year health care work experience for admission.

All applicants must be currently employed in a suitable Health Care work environment or have access to a suitable Health Care work environment for the completion of course assignments.

Degree Requirements for the MHA/GER

- Completion of a minimum of 43 credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Health Administration and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.

Minimum Grade Requirements for the MHA/GER

- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548 and HSN 552. A “C-“ grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of “C” will be scholastically disqualified from the University.
- Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement and have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in the program until the course has been successfully repeated. Students will be allowed to repeat each course in which the minimum grade was not achieved one time. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MHA program.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MHA/GER

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All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of “B-” or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a “B-“ will not receive credit for the course and will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.

Course Descriptions for the MHA/GER

HCS 504 ..................................................................................... 1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the University’s adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.
HCS 514 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations
This course focuses on the adaptation of organizational management to evolving health systems. Students will examine organizational theory, organizational performance, structure, change management and human resource management. Students apply various organizational theories to contemporary issues.
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Health Law and Ethics
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HCS 539 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Marketing for Health Care
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HCS 531  ...................................................................................3 credits
Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
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HCS 577 ...................................................................................3 credits
Financial Management in Health Care
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HCS 533 ...................................................................................3 credits
Health Information Systems
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HCS 535 ...................................................................................3 credits
Concepts of Population Health
This course addresses the epidemiological and sociological perspectives and techniques for analyzing the health status of populations. Topics focus on disease trends, distribution and detriments of health and disease, models and concepts of health and wellness, and the development of a proactive response to community health issues.
HCS 587 ...................................................................................3 credits
Creating Change Within Organizations
Diffusion of innovations models in health care systems use principles of planned change within a dynamic organizational environment. Communication skills, such as negotiation and conflict resolution, help leaders analyze and respond to health care needs while using resources efficiently.
HCS 552 ...................................................................................3 credits
Health Care Economics
This course focuses on the application of macro and micro economic tools to the health care industry. Content includes demand management; concepts of efficiency; production and distribution of health care services; impact of regulation and reimbursement; and economic incentives in health care. Students apply principles to a variety of business models.
HCS 588 ...................................................................................3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards
Quality improvement initiatives rely upon data from monitoring program implementation and evaluating program outcomes to determine achievement of program objectives. The processes of developing and revising monitoring and outcome measures are used to help determine progress toward meeting accreditation and regulatory standards.
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Foundations of Gerontology
This course introduces students to the field of gerontology and focuses on the aspect of aging. Emphasis will be placed on the basic conceptual and theoretical perspectives on aging using a multidisciplinary framework. Students will uncover the myths and stereotypes of aging, demographic changes occurring in the U.S., available programs and services, and current issues affecting older adults.
HCS 551 ...................................................................................3 credits
Biological and Psychological Aspects of Aging
This course examines the physical process of aging and the effects on physical and mental health. These topics are applied to disease prevention, health maintenance, and selected disorders that effect health and independent living. Public policy and program development issues will also be addressed to promote the health of the aging population.
HCS 557 ...................................................................................3 credits
Social and Cultural Aspects of Aging
This course examines the social and cultural perspectives on aging. Public and personal aspects of aging will be addressed through historical, theoretical, cultural, and social venues. Topics will include work and retirement, social policy, older people as social and political forces, care needs, diversity, economics, social support, and disability.
HCS 565 ...................................................................................3 credits
Organization and Management of Aging Services
This course examines a variety of services currently available for aging adults and their families. Students will learn the basic principles for planning, organizing, implementing, and coordinating programs and services intended for maturing adults. Topics include community programs, policy, institutional services, religious-based and other nonprofit resources, contracted service providers, and residential facilities.
Master of Health Administration/Gerontology Bridge

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MHA/GER Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ~ Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing ........................................ 1 credit
HCS 310 ~ Health Care Delivery in the United States ........................................................................ 3 credits
HCS 440 ~ Economics: The Financing of Health Care .................................................................... 3 credits
HCS 455 ~ Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future .................................................................. 3 credits
HCS 514 ~ Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations ............................................................. 3 credits
HCS 545 ~ Health Law and Ethics .................................................................................................... 3 credits
HCS 539 ~ Marketing for Health Care ............................................................................................... 3 credits
HCS 531 ~ Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems ......................................................... 3 credits

HCS 577 ~ Financial Management in Health Care ........................................................................... 3 credits
HCS 533 ~ Health Information Systems ............................................................................................ 3 credits
HCS 535 ~ Concepts of Population Health ......................................................................................... 3 credits
HCS 587 ~ Creating Change within Organizations ........................................................................... 3 credits
HCS 552 ~ Health Care Economics ................................................................................................ 3 credits
HCS 588 ~ Measuring Performance Standards .................................................................................. 3 credits
HCS 548 ~ Foundations of Gerontology ............................................................................................ 3 credits
HCS 551 ~ Biological and Psychological Aspects of Aging ................................................................. 3 credits
HCS 557 ~ Social and Cultural Aspects of Aging .............................................................................. 3 credits
HCS 565 ~ Organization and Management of Aging Services ........................................................... 3 credits

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MHA/GER

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

• An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university, an ABA accredited institution (if coursework was from a graduate level program) or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.

• A minimum equivalent of three years of full-time, post-high school work or volunteer experience with exposure to organizational systems and management processes is required.

• All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.

• A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

Degree Requirements for the MHA/GER

• Completion of a minimum of 52 credits.

• A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

Grades earned in MHA/GER bridge courses are calculated in the MHA/GER grade point average (GPA).

• The diploma for this program will read as follows: Master of Health Administration and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.
Minimum Grade Requirements for the MHA/GER

- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548 and HSN 552. A "C-" grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of "C" will be scholastically disqualified from the University.
- Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement and have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in the program until the course has been successfully repeated. Students will be allowed to repeat each class in which the minimum grade was not achieved one time. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MHA program.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MHA/GER

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. Students enrolled in this bridge program may waive the three (3) undergraduate bridge courses.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

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HCS 504, HCS 586, HSN 552, HCS 565

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All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of "B" or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a "B-" will not receive credit for the course and will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.

Course Descriptions for the MHA/GER

HCS 504 ...................................................................................1 credit

Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing

This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the University’s adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.

HCS 310 ...................................................................................3 credits

Health Care Delivery in the United States

This course provides a broad overview of the various functions of the United States health care system. The historical evolution of health care is examined. The student is introduced to the various forms of provider models and service delivery systems found in private and public health sectors, including ambulatory, acute, mental, and long-term care. The financing aspects of health care and their influence on health care delivery and quality are outlined.

HCS 440 ...................................................................................3 credits

Economics: The Financing of Health Care

This course provides an overview of the economics of health care. The various payers are examined, including private, state, and federal entities. Issues such as the cost effectiveness of prevention, the management of patients and their diseases, as well as the cost of treatment settings are discussed. Third-party reimbursement from various sources, ranging from for-profit insurance carriers to charitable donations, are reviewed. The health care system’s use of grant funding and research dollars is described.

HCS 455 ...................................................................................3 credits

Healthcare Policy: The Past and the Future

This course will introduce the student to the intricate processes that public policy makers use to influence the health status of a society. The role of economic theory, interest groups, and the various levels of government involved in policy making will be examined. A historic review of trends will be evaluated, and the challenges of future health care delivery will be examined.

HCS 514 ...................................................................................3 credits

Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations

This course focuses on the organization of management to evolving health systems. Students will examine organizational theory, organizational performance, structure, change management and human resource management. Students apply various organizational theories to contemporary issues.

HCS 545 ...................................................................................3 credits

Health Law and Ethics

Students explore and analyze current ethical issues such as biomedical research, insurance statutes, and demand management. Students survey the extensive legal foundations of health care, and apply current case law to contemporary situations. Topics include legal aspects of legislation, patient rights, data security, professional liability, and labor relations.

HCS 539 ...................................................................................3 credits

Marketing for Health Care

This course examines marketing principles as they are applied within various health delivery systems. Special attention is focused on consumer behavior, market segmentation, environmental scanning, and identification of new market opportunities. The role of social marketing, data base research, and evaluation design and interpretation are addressed.

HCS 531 ...................................................................................3 credits

Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems

This course is a comprehensive approach to health care delivery systems that provides the student with an in-depth understanding of health systems and organizations. Students will examine historical evolutions of the health care industry and recent impacts that influence the delivery of health care.
Creating Change Within Organizations

This course focuses on the application of macro and micro economic tools to the health care industry. Content includes demand management; concepts of efficiency, production and distribution of health care services; impact of regulation and reimbursement; and economic incentives in health care. Students apply principles to a variety of business models.

HCS 588 ................................................................. 3 credits

Health Care Economics

Health Information Systems

This course presents the concepts of financial accounting important to the understanding of the financial environment of the health care industry. Students interpret financial statements, prepare analyses of financial data necessary to make decisions, describe the different third party payment methods, experiment with cost finding and price setting, and conduct break-even analyses. The course provides students with experience in capital and operating budgets, and financial forecasts.

HCS 533 ................................................................. 3 credits

Concepts of Population Health

This course provides administrators and managers an overview of the information systems used in the health care industry. The effective use of data requires an understanding of how the data is captured as well as the HIPAA and security issues related to this confidential material. The course provides students with a general background to communicate more effectively with technical personnel and provide general management oversight of information systems within health care organizations.

HCS 535 ................................................................. 3 credits

Diffusion of innovations models in health care systems use principles of planned change within a dynamic organizational environment. Communication skills, such as negotiation and conflict resolution, help leaders analyze and respond to health care needs while using resources efficiently.

HCS 587 ................................................................. 3 credits

Creating Change Within Organizations

This course focuses on the application of macro and micro economic tools to the health care industry. Content includes demand management; concepts of efficiency, production and distribution of health care services; impact of regulation and reimbursement; and economic incentives in health care. Students apply principles to a variety of business models.

HCS 588 ................................................................. 3 credits

Measuring Performance Standards

Quality improvement initiatives rely upon data from monitoring program implementation and evaluating program outcomes to determine achievement of program objectives. The processes of developing and revising monitoring and outcome measures are used to help determine progress toward meeting accreditation and regulatory standards.

HCS 548 ................................................................. 3 credits

Foundations of Gerontology

This course introduces students to the field of gerontology and focuses on the aspect of aging. Emphasis will be placed on the basic conceptual and theoretical perspectives on aging using a multidisciplinary framework. Students will uncover the myths and stereotypes of aging, demographic changes occurring in the U.S., available programs and services, and current issues affecting older adults.

HCS 551 ................................................................. 3 credits

Biological and Psychological Aspects of Aging

This course examines the biological and psychological perspectives on aging. Public and personal aspects of aging will be addressed through historical, theoretical, cultural, and social venues. Topics will include work and retirement, social policy, older people as social and political forces, care needs, diversity, economics, social support, and disability.

HCS 557 ................................................................. 3 credits

Social and Cultural Aspects of Aging

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HCS 551 ................................................................. 3 credits

Organization and Management of Aging Services

This course examines a variety of services currently available for aging adults and their families. Students will learn the basic principles for planning, organizing, implementing, and coordinating programs and services intended for maturing adults. Topics include community programs, policy, institutional services, religious-based and other nonprofit resources, contracted service providers, and residential facilities.
Master of Health Administration/Informatics

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The Master of Health Administration (MHA) program prepares leaders who can effectively respond to the dynamic and ever-changing health care industry. These individuals have a capacity to critically examine and evaluate issues and trends and are empowered to influence the destiny of a broad and dynamic health care system. Curriculum is tailored to the needs of the health care leader/manager by providing content in finance, policy, research, technology, quality improvement, economics, marketing and strategic planning. In addition, students have the option to complete a specialization related to their area of interest. Specialization options include gerontology, informatics and education.

Graduates of the MHA program will have enhanced their management/administrative background and specialty area through the completion of a curriculum that provides students with the latest theories and contemporary practice applications. Graduates are able to define their role within the health care system and understand how to make necessary changes to create a work environment, which is team oriented and motivating to others.

This program specialization option is designed for health care and nursing professionals interested in pursuing or advancing in careers associated with health care informatics and technology. Individuals with no background in informatics receive an overview of informatics as it relates to delivery within a health care facility. The program is designed to provide the learner with current knowledge in concepts of health care informatics, systems life cycle, and data management.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt cycle, and data management.

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MHA/INF

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university, an ABA accredited institution (if coursework was from a graduate level program) or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.

- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

- A minimum equivalent of three (3) years of full-time, post-high school professional work experience, within the past ten years, of which one year must be in a health care environment. Students who have an undergraduate Health Care degree (includes completion of a major/minor/focus or concentrations of at least 18 credit hours in health care coursework) do not need the one (1) year health care work experience for admission.

- All applicants must be currently employed in a suitable Health Care work environment or have access to a suitable Health Care work environment for the completion of course assignments.

Minimum Grade Requirements for the MHA/INF

- Students in this program must achieve a minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548, and HSN 552. A “C−” grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of “C” will be scholastically disqualified from the University.

- Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement and have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in the program until the course has been successfully repeated. Students will be allowed to repeat each class in which the minimum grade was not achieved one time. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be allowed to continue in the MHA program.
**Degree Requirements for the MHA/INF**

- Completion of a minimum of 40 credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as Master of Health Administration and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.

**Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MHA/INF**

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. In order to waive a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better; and
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses may not be waived in the MHA program:

- HCS 504, HCS 586, HSN 552, HCS 565

The School of Advanced Studies offers a bridge opportunity for master’s degree students who are interested in taking doctoral courses as part of the master’s degree program. In the bridge program, a master’s degree student would be allowed to substitute up to two graduate level courses with doctoral level courses. Students who choose this option would then be eligible to waive these courses in the doctoral program since they were already taken in the master’s degree program.

All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of “B-” or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a “B-” will not receive credit for the course and will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.

**Course Descriptions for the MHA/INF**

**Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing**

This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the University’s adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.

**Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations**

This course focuses on the adaptation of organizational management to evolving health systems. Students will examine organizational theory, organizational performance, structure, change management and human resource management. Students apply various organizational theories to contemporary issues.

**Health Law and Ethics**

Students explore and analyze current ethical issues such as biomedical research, insurance statutes, and demand management. Students survey the extensive legal foundations of health care, and apply current case law to contemporary situations. Topics include legal aspects of legislation, patient rights, data security, professional liability, and labor relations.

**Marketing for Health Care**

This course examines marketing principles as they are applied within various health delivery systems. Special attention is focused on consumer behavior, market segmentation, environmental scanning, and identification of new market opportunities. The role of social marketing, data base research, and evaluation design and interpretation are addressed.

**Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems**

This course is a comprehensive approach to health care delivery systems that provides the student with an in-depth understanding of health systems and organizations. Students will examine historical evolutions of the health care industry and recent impacts that influence the delivery of health care.

**Financial Management in Health Care**

This course presents the concepts of financial accounting important to the understanding of the financial environment of the health care industry. Students interpret financial statements, prepare analyses of financial data necessary to make decisions, describe the different third party payment methods, experiment with cost finding and price setting, and conduct break-even analyses. The course provides students with experience in capital and operating budgets, and financial forecasts.

**Health Information Systems**

This course provides administrators and managers an overview of the information systems used in the health care industry. The effective use of data requires an understanding of how the data is captured as well as the HIPAA and security issues related to this confidential material. The course provides students with a general background to communicate more effectively with technical personnel and provide general management oversight of information systems within health care organizations.

**Concepts of Population Health**

This course addresses the epidemiological and sociological perspectives and techniques for analyzing the health status of populations. Topics focus on disease trends, distribution and detriments of health and disease, models and concepts of health and wellness, and the development of a proactive response to community health issues.

**Creating Change Within Organizations**

Diffusion of innovations models in health care systems use principles of planned change within a dynamic organizational environment. Communication skills, such as negotiation and conflict resolution, help leaders analyze and respond to health care needs while using resources efficiently.
HCS 552 ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Care Economics
This course focuses on the application of macro and micro economic tools to the health care industry. Content includes demand management; concepts of efficiency, production and distribution of health care services; impact of regulation and reimbursement; and economic incentives in health care. Students apply principles to a variety of business models.

HCS 588 ................................................................. 3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards
Quality improvement initiatives rely upon data from monitoring program implementation and evaluating program outcomes to determine achievement of program objectives. The processes of developing and revising monitoring and outcome measures are used to help determine progress toward meeting accreditation and regulatory standards.

HCI 500 ................................................................. 3 credits
Concepts of Health Care Informatics
This course will introduce the student to the basic concepts of health care informatics and health information management. It will build on a historical foundation of informatics and roles of the informatics specialist.

HCI 510 ................................................................. 3 credits
Systems Life Cycle
This course will focus on the selection and implementation of an information system within a health facility. The course will review the phases of the life cycle: planning, analysis, design, implementation and evaluation.

HCI 520 ................................................................. 3 credits
Data Management and Design
This course will provide an overview of the understanding of how data, information and knowledge provides the foundation for healthcare information systems. The course will focus on the concepts of information and knowledge in relation to databases, system operations and information systems.

Master of Health Administration/Informatics Bridge

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The Master of Health Administration (MHA) Bridge program is designed for students who do not have a background in health care and want to gain skills and knowledge to enter today's evolving health care delivery systems. Students in the Bridge program are required to complete courses in health care delivery systems, health care economics, and health care policy before entering the core MHA degree program. These bridge courses are designed to provide students with a foundational framework needed to examine and understand the issues and trends impacting health care.

The MHA curriculum is tailored to support the development of health care leaders and managers by providing content in finance, policy, research, technology, quality improvement, economics, marketing and strategic planning. In addition, students have the option to complete a specialization related to their area of interest. Specialization options include gerontology, informatics and education.

Graduates will have enhanced their management/administrative backgrounds through a curriculum that provides students with the ability to apply theory to contemporary practice applications. Graduates are able to define their role within the health care system and understand how to make necessary changes to create a work environment which is team oriented and motivating to others.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mha-inf.

MHA/INF Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ................................................................. 1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing

HCS 310 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Care Delivery in the United States

HCS 440 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Economics: The Financing of Health Care

HCS 455 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Care Policy: The Past and the Future

HCS 514 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Managing in Today's Health Care Organizations

HCS 545 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Law and Ethics

HCS 539 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Marketing for Health Care
All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.

A minimum equivalent of three years of full-time, post-high school work or volunteer experience with exposure to organizational systems and management processes is required.

All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.

A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

HCS 531 ~ Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
HCS 537 ~ Financial Management in Health Care
HCS 533 ~ Health Information Systems
HCS 535 ~ Concepts of Population Health
HCS 587 ~ Creating Change within Organizations
HCS 552 ~ Health Care Economics
HCS 588 ~ Measuring Performance Standards
HCI 500 ~ Concepts of Health Care Informatics
HCI 510 ~ Systems Life Cycle
HCI 520 ~ Data Management and Design

The diploma for this program will read as follows:
Master of Health Administration and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.

Minimum Grade Requirements for the MHA/INF
- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548 and HSN 552. A "C" grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of "C" will be scholastically disqualified from the University.
- Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement and have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in the program until the course has been successfully repeated. Students will be allowed to repeat each class in which the minimum grade was not achieved one time. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MHA program.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MHA/INF
Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

Students enrolled in this bridge program may waive the three (3) undergraduate bridge courses.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses may not be waived in the MHA program:
HCS 504, HCS 586, HSN 552, HCS 565

The School of Advanced Studies offers a bridge opportunity for master's degree students who are interested in taking doctoral courses as part of the master's degree program. In the bridge program, a master's degree student would be allowed to substitute up to two graduate level courses with doctoral level courses. Students who choose this option would then be eligible to waive these courses in the doctoral program since they were already taken in the master's degree program.

All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of "B-" or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a "B-" will not receive credit for the course and will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.

Course Descriptions for the MHA/INF
HCS 504 ~ Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the University's adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.
HCS 310 ................................................................. 3 credits

Health Care Delivery in the United States
This course provides a broad overview of the various functions of the United States health care system. The historical evolution of health care is examined. The student is introduced to the various forms of provider models and service delivery systems found in private and public health sectors, including ambulatory, acute, mental, and long-term care. The financing aspects of health care and their influence on health care delivery and quality are outlined.

HCS 440 ................................................................. 3 credits

Economics: The Financing of Health Care
This course provides an overview of the economics of health care. The various payers are examined, including private, state, and federal entities. Issues such as the cost effectiveness of prevention, the management of patients and their diseases, as well as the cost of treatment settings are discussed. Third-party reimbursement from various sources, ranging from for-profit insurance carriers to charitable donations, are reviewed. The health care system’s use of grant funding and research dollars is described.

HCS 455 ................................................................. 3 credits

Healthcare Policy: The Past and the Future
This course will introduce the student to the intricate processes that public policy makers use to influence the health status of a society. The role of economic theory, interest groups, and the various levels of government involved in policy making will be examined. A historic review of trends will be evaluated, and the challenges of future health care delivery will be examined.

HCS 514 ................................................................. 3 credits

Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations
This course focuses on the adaptation of organizational management to evolving health systems. Students will examine organizational theory, organizational performance, structure, change management and human resource management. Students apply various organizational theories to contemporary issues.

HCS 545 ................................................................. 3 credits

Health Law and Ethics
Students explore and analyze current ethical issues such as biomedical research, insurance statutes, and demand management. Students survey the extensive legal foundations of health care, and apply current case law to contemporary situations. Topics include legal aspects of legislation, patient rights, data security, professional liability, and labor relations.

HCS 539 ................................................................. 3 credits

Marketing for Health Care
This course examines marketing principles as they are applied within various health delivery systems. Special attention is focused on consumer behavior, market segmentation, environmental scanning, and identification of new market opportunities. The role of social marketing, data base research, and evaluation design and interpretation are addressed.

HCS 531 ................................................................. 3 credits

Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
This course is an in-depth study of the delivery systems that provides the student with an in-depth understanding of health systems and organizations. Students will examine historical evolutions of the health care industry and recent impacts that influence the delivery of health care.

HCS 577 ................................................................. 3 credits

Financial Management in Health Care
This course presents the concepts of financial accounting important to the understanding of the financial environment of the health care industry. Students interpret financial statements, prepare analyses of financial data necessary to make decisions, describe the different third party payment methods, experiment with cost finding and price setting, and conduct break-even analyses. The course provides students with experience in capital and operating budgets, and financial forecasts.

HCS 533 ................................................................. 3 credits

Health Information Systems
This course introduces the student to the basic concepts of health care informatics and health information management. It will build on a historical foundation of informatics and roles of the informatics specialist.
The College of Criminal Justice and Security prepares students for professional and management-related careers in criminal justice and security by applying a multidisciplinary comparative management approach to criminal justice theory and application. Students will be prepared to understand, explain, and predict criminal justice and security concepts and to contribute to the development of public and private policy within communities. Our mission is to enhance the academic preparation and professionalism of the nation’s criminal justice and security communities through access to quality criminal justice and security higher education. The College of Criminal Justice and Security provides innovative, respected, relevant, affordable, and student-focused programs, designed to prepare students for service and leadership in a diverse, global society. Curriculum is delivered by experts who relate both theory and practice in this evolving field. The College has earned respect through continuous improvement driven by a combination of innovation in the field and empirical evidence of learning outcomes, all of which is accomplished through the integrity, teamwork, and creativity of college faculty and staff. We are a respected criminal justice and security college, known for its distinctive strengths in providing superior and relevant educational programs to its students.

It is the student’s responsibility to ascertain whether their past history and conduct may prohibit their placement or participation in the criminal justice and security field. The University makes no guarantee or representation that the student will meet all qualifications for such employment or licensure for the occupation or profession related to the chosen program.

Master of Science/Administration of Justice and Security

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The Master of Science/Administration of Justice and Security degree provides the required knowledge for the student to develop competence in administering criminal justice or security programs. While distinctions between the roles of justice and security organizations are understood, the degree emphasizes an understanding of administrative responsibilities common to both disciplines. The value of cooperative interaction is also addressed. The degree provides the student with administrative program development and problem solving skills in preparation for promotional or transitional opportunities in the management of police, corrections, security, or court operations.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/ms-aajs.

MS/AJS Required Course of Study

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Program Development and Evaluation

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.
**Additional Admission Requirements for the MS/AJS**

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor's degree earned at a recognized foreign institution or a graduate degree from an ABA accredited institution (i.e.- JD, LLB, LLM). If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.

- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

- A minimum equivalent of three (3) years of full-time, post-high school professional work experience in policing, criminal courts or correctional service (community or institutional), or security AND a minimum of 15 semester credit hours (minimum “C-” grade or better) in Criminal Justice, Justice Studies or Administration of Justice or Security

**OR**

An undergraduate degree (includes completion of a major/ minor/focus or concentrations of at least 21 credit hours) in any field of Criminal Justice, Justice Studies, Administration of Justice, or Security AND a minimum equivalent of three (3) years of full-time, post-high school professional work experience which can be in any field.

- All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.

- Signed Criminal Conviction Prohibition Acknowledgement Form

**Degree Requirements for the MS/AJS**

- Completion of a minimum of 37 credits.

- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Science

  Administration of Justice and Security

**Minimum Grade Requirements for the MS/AJS**

- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in the following courses: CJA 490, CJA 491, CJA 492 and SEC 493. A “C-” grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of “C” will be scholastically disqualified from the University.

- Students who have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in their degree program until they have retaken the course which placed them on scholastic disqualification, satisfied the grade requirement, and fulfilled any additional criteria for reentry, as determined by the faculty member and the Campus College Chair or appropriate Dean.

- If the student does not receive a grade of “C” or better on the second attempt, the candidate will be Scholastically Suspended, permanently withdrawn, from the program.

**Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MS/AJS**

- Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 28 credits in the Required Course of Study, must be completed at University of Phoenix.

- Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

- In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

  - The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.

  - The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better.

  - The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

**Additional Admission Requirements for the MS/AJS**

- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

- The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: AJS 595

**Course Descriptions for the MS/AJS**

- AJS 501 .......................................................................................1 credit

  Introduction to Graduate Study in Criminal Justice and Security

  This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the university’s adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.

- AJS 502 .....................................................................................3 credits

  Survey of Justice and Security

  This is a survey course that introduces policing, the court systems, corrections, and private security and how they relate to each other. Challenges in these relationships are also presented.

- AJS 512 .....................................................................................3 credits

  Organizational Administration in Justice and Security

  This course explores the various elements of organizational administration, behavior, and management in criminal justice organizations and provides the student with an understanding of individual and group dynamics, problem solving concepts, and administrative processes associated with organizational behavior and structures that exist in the criminal justice system.

- AJS 522 .........................................................................................3 credits

  Finance and Budgeting in Justice and Security

  This course introduces fundamental concepts of using financial tools and analysis for effective managerial decision making in criminal justice and security. Topics include the role of the financial management in the criminal justice organization, concepts and principles underlying financial practices, and operational planning and budgeting.

- AJS 532 .........................................................................................3 credits

  Ethics in Justice and Security

  This course will examine the theoretical and philosophical basis of ethics and the standards of professional conduct and leadership applicable to justice and security agencies. Applicable case studies will be used as well as contemporary situations in ethics.
AJS 542 ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminological Theory
This is an advanced course in theories of crime causation, including classical, biological, psychological, sociological, and social-psychological approaches. Victimology, to include victimization statistics, victimogenesis, and the prevention of victimization, is included.
AJS 552 ................................................................. 3 credits
Legal Issues in Justice and Security
This course examines the competing legal and social issues that influence the actions of public officials, security personnel, and private citizens with respect to the provision of law enforcement, safety, and security services for various elements of society. The potential conflicts between public policy and civil rights will be discussed.
AJS 562 ................................................................. 3 credits
Organizational Risk and Incident Management
This course provides an overview of the relationship between risk assessment and consequence management within the context of justice and security organizations. Specifically, it will examine the factors that go into mitigating risk and when these measures fail, how critical incident response can maintain order. Topics include defining risk, planning factors for critical incident response, lessons learned.
AJS 572 ................................................................. 3 credits
Cyber Crimes and Information Systems Security
This course provides an overview of the nature of criminal activity that is facilitated through or that targets information systems. The course also reviews security measures that are designed to protect the software, hardware and data associated with information systems.
AJS 582 ................................................................. 3 credits
Public Policy Issues
This course addresses the development and influence of public policy with respect to specific justice and security issues facing the American society.
AJS 585 ................................................................. 3 credits
Concepts of Physical and Personal Protection
This course provides the student with an understanding of contemporary concepts of physical facility security and personal protection.
AJS 592 ................................................................. 3 credits
Forensic Science and Psychological Profiling
This course provides the student with a fundamental understanding of forensic science and technology, psychological profiling, and the application of scientific methodologies to the investigative process.
AJS 595 ................................................................. 3 credits
Program Development and Evaluation
This course prepares the student to identify operational goals and to design programs with associated policies and procedures required for the successful achievement of performance objectives.

Master of Science/Administration of Justice and Security Bridge

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The Master of Science/Administration of Justice and Security (MS/AJS) Bridge program is designed for students who are interested in pursuing the MS/AJS degree, but may not have a background in the criminal justice (law enforcement, criminal courts, or corrections) and/or security fields. The Bridge program consists of four courses that provide a foundational framework for student success in the MS/AJS program. Students are required to complete courses in criminal justice, criminal court systems, correctional processes and penal systems, and security before entering the core MS/AJS degree program. Upon completion of these courses, students will be familiar with issues and trends influencing criminal justice and security and will be prepared to gain skills and knowledge to enter today's dynamic criminal justice and security fields. For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/ms-ajs.

MS/AJS Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.
AJS 501 ................................................................. 1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Criminal Justice and Security
CJA 490 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Survey of Criminal Justice
CJA 491 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Survey of Criminal Court Systems
CJA 492 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Survey of Correctional Processes and Penal Systems
SEC 493 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Survey of Security
AJS 502 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Survey of Justice and Security
AJS 512 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Organizational Administration in Justice and Security
AJS 522 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Finance and Budgeting in Justice and Security
AJS 532 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Ethics in Justice and Security
AJS 542 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Criminological Theory
AJS 552 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Legal Issues in Justice and Security
Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade point average (GPA). Applicants to the Bridge version must have a minimum of three years of full-time, post high school professional work experience for admission. Students will be required to enroll in the Bridge version and must complete four (4) MS/AJS bridge courses; CJA 490, CJA 491, CJA 492 and SEC 493. All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MS/AJS

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor's degree earned at a recognized foreign institution or a graduate degree from an ABA accredited institution (i.e.- JD, LLB, LLM). If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- Applicants to the Bridge version must have a minimum of three (3) years of full-time, post high school professional work experience for admission. Students will be required to enroll in the Bridge version and must complete four (4) MS/AJS bridge courses; CJA 490, CJA 491, CJA 492 and SEC 493.
- All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.
- Signed Criminal Conviction Prohibition Acknowledgement Form

Degree Requirements for the MS/AJS

- Completion of a minimum of 49 credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- Grades earned in MS/AJS bridge courses are calculated in the MS/AJS grade point average (GPA).
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Science Administration of Justice and Security

Academic Progression Requirements for the MS/AJS

- Students enrolling in the MS/AJS Bridge program must complete the four MS/AJS bridge courses CJA 490, CJA 491, CJA 492 and SEC 493 with a “C” or better.

Minimum Grade Requirements for the MS/AJS

- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in the following courses: CJA 490, CJA 491, CJA 492 and SEC 493. A “C-” grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of “C” will be scholastically disqualified from the University.

- Students who have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in their degree program until they have retaken the course which placed them on scholastic disqualification, satisfied the grade requirement, and fulfilled any additional criteria for reentry, as determined by the faculty member and the Campus College Chair or appropriate Dean.

- If the student does not receive a grade of “C” or better on the second attempt, the candidate will be Scholastically Suspended, permanently withdrawn, from the program.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MS/AJS

- Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferment. The University requires that the majority of coursework; 28 credits in the Required Course of Study, must be completed at University of Phoenix.
- Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.
- Students enrolled in the bridge version may waive the four (4) undergraduate bridge courses in addition to 9 credits from the required course of study.

In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: AJS 595

Course Descriptions for the MS/AJS

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Survey of Criminal Justice

This course is a survey which explores the organizational differences and jurisdictions of local, state, and federal law enforcement, judicial and corrections agencies; and the related processes involved in the criminal justice system. It surveys the historical aspects of the police, the courts, and the correctional system, as well as explains the foundational relevance of these components to the overall functioning of the criminal justice system. Additionally, special issues and challenges faced by each of these areas will be considered.
CJA 491  Survey of Criminal Court Systems 3 credits
This course is a survey to the historical aspects of the courts and various components of the legal system. It examines the different types of court at the state and federal levels, courtroom players, courtroom processes, and post conviction process of the court system. Additionally, it illustrates the correlation among all courtroom participants, differentiates roles and responsibilities, and examines how they relate to one another.

CJA 492  Survey of Security 3 credits
This course is a survey which explores proprietary and contract security operations and differentiates the benefits of each within organizational security, as well as provides an introduction to various areas of security. Other topics that are covered include the purposes, objectives, procedures, risks, and types of organizations associated with the respective security specializations. Additionally, it examines security trends pertaining to Homeland Security and security technology.

AJS 502  Survey of Justice and Security 3 credits
This is a survey course that introduces policing, the court systems, corrections, and private security and how they relate to each other. This course provides an overview of the relationship between risk assessment and consequence management within the context of justice and security organizations. Specifically, it will examine the factors that go into mitigating risk and when these measures fail, how critical incident response can maintain order. Topics include defining risk, planning factors for critical incident response, lessons learned.

AJS 552  Legal Issues in Justice and Security 3 credits
This course addresses the development and influence of public policy with respect to specific justice and security issues facing the American society.

AJS 562  Concepts of Physical and Personal Protection 3 credits
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AJS 572  Cyber Crimes and Information Systems Security 3 credits
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AJS 582  Public Policy Issues 3 credits
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AJS 592  Forensic Science and Psychological Profiling 3 credits
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AJS 542  Criminological Theory 3 credits
This is an advanced course in theories of crime causation, including classical, biological, psychological, sociological, and social-psychological approaches. Victimology, to include victimization statistics, victimogenesis, and the prevention of victimization, is included.

AJS 552  Legal Issues in Justice and Security 3 credits
This course examines the competing legal and social issues that influence the actions of public officials, security personnel, and private citizens with respect to the provision of law enforcement, safety, and security services for various elements of society. The potential conflicts between public policy and civil rights will be discussed.

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**Master of Business Administration**

The following Master of Business Administration (MBA) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) program prepares students in the functional areas of business allowing them to develop managerial skills necessary to be effective in a rapidly changing business environment. The program is based on current research of managerial competencies and graduate business standards as tested by existing national standardized graduate business examinations.

In addition to the University of Phoenix learning goals, the MBA program prepares students to:

- Demonstrate the knowledge and skills needed to identify and solve organizational problems using a systematic decision-making approach.
- Demonstrate the knowledge and skills needed to manage, develop, and motivate personnel to meet changing organizational needs in a global business environment.
- Apply critical analysis of alternatives under conditions of uncertainty.
- Develop awareness of their own values and the effect of those values on organizational decision making.
- Assess whether an organization's plans and actions align with its values.
- Comprehend the application of a significant amount of business administration knowledge within the domains of management, business law, human capital management, organizational leadership, quantitative reasoning for business, economics, accounting, applied business research & statistics, operations management, corporate finance, marketing, and strategic planning & implementation.

Students can gain additional knowledge in a concentration area through the selection and completion of 15 graduate-level credits in concentration-specific courses.

Students may also complete an additional concentration. Please contact your academic representative for more information.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

**MBA Program Category Requirements**

**Management, 3 total credits**

- MGT 521 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Human Capital Management, 3 total credits**

- HRM 531 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits

**Business Law, 3 total credits**

- LAW 531 ~ ........................................................... 3 credits

**Organizational Leadership, 3 total credits**

- LDR 531 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits

**Quantitative Reasoning for Business, 3 total credits**

- QRB 501 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits

**Economics, 3 total credits**

- ECO 561 ~ ........................................................... 3 credits

**Accounting, 3 total credits**

- ACC 561 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits

**Applied Business Research and Statistics, 3 total credits**

- QNT 561 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits

**Operations Management, 3 total credits**

- OPS 571 ~ ........................................................... 3 credits

**Corporate Finance, 3 total credits**

- FIN 571 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits

**Marketing, 3 total credits**

- MKT 571 ~ ........................................................... 3 credits

**Strategic Planning and Implementation, 3 total credits**

- STR 581 ~ ............................................................ 3 credits

**Accounting Concentration**

MBA students must earn a concentration in Accounting (ACC) by satisfying all the requirements for the concentration. Students must earn a minimum of 12 unique and concentration-area specific credits beyond the standard MBA required course of study.

Students earning an ACC concentration will complete a minimum of 48 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required course of study and 12 credits from the ACC concentration coursework (3 of which must include ACC 541-Accounting Theory & Research).

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-acc.

- ACC 541 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits

**Accounting Theory & Research**
COM 530 ~ ...........................................................3 credits
Communications for Accountants
ACC 542 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Accounting Information Systems
ACC 543 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Managerial Accounting & Legal Aspects of Business
ACC 544 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Internal Control Systems
ACC 545 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Financial Reporting
ACC 546 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Auditing
ACC 547 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Taxation
ACC 548 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Not-for-Profit & Government Accounting
ACC 556 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Forensic Accounting
ACC 557 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Accounting Ethics
Students who select an Accounting Concentration may not educationally qualify to sit for the CPA exam in some states. To the extent that a student intends to sit for the CPA examination, the student should consult with the applicable board of examiners in the state or states in which the individual intends to sit for the examination to determine the precise educational and other requirements, including the acceptability of the University’s Accounting Concentration.

Energy Management Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Energy Management (EM) by completing at least 15 credit hours of course work in Energy Management.

Students earning an EM concentration will complete a minimum of 51 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required areas and 15 credits from the EM concentration.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-em.

EM 555 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Energy Sector Management
EM 565 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Financial Management in the Energy Sector
EM 575 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Energy Economics
EM 585 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Marketing Energy
EM 595 ~ ............................................................3 credits
Strategic Planning and Implementation for the Energy Sector

Global Management Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Global Management (GM) by completing at least 15 credit hours of course work in Global Management.

Students earning a GM concentration will complete a minimum of 51 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required areas and 15 credits from the GM concentration.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-gm.

GMGT 510 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Global Business Organization and Culture
GMGT 520 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
External Environment of Global Business
GMGT 530 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Internal Environment of Global Business
GMGT 540 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Global Strategy Formulation and Implementation
CAP GM591 ~ ...................................................3 credits
Cases in Cross-Border Management

Health Care Management Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Health Care Management (HCM) by completing at least 15 credit hours of course work in Health Care Management.

Students earning a HCM concentration will complete a minimum of 51 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required areas and 15 credits from the HCM concentration.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-hcm.

HCS 531 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
HCS 533 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Health Information Systems
HCS 545 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Health Law and Ethics
HCS 588 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards
HCS 586 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Health Care Strategic Management

Human Resource Management Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Human Resource Management (HRM) by satisfying all the requirements for the concentration. Students must earn a minimum of 12 unique and concentration-area specific credits beyond the standard MBA required course of study.

Students earning a HRM concentration will complete a minimum of 48 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required course of study and 12 credits from the HRM concentration coursework.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-hrm.

HRM 546 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Human Resource Law
HRM 558 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Research in Human Resource Management
HRM 548 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Recruitment and Retention Practices
HRM 552 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Organizational Training and Development
HRM 554 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Occupational Health and Safety
HRM 595 ~ ..........................................................3 credits
Human Resource Capstone Course
Marketing Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Marketing (MKT) by satisfying all the requirements for the concentration. Students must earn a minimum of 12 unique and concentration-area specific credits beyond the standard MBA required course of study. Students earning a MKT concentration will complete a minimum of 48 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required course of study and 12 credits from the MKT concentration (3 of which must include MKT 593 - Product Design and Development Course).

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-mkt.

MKT 544 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Integrated Marketing Communications

MKT 554 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Consumer Behavior

MKT 552 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Technology Applications and e-Marketing

MKT 562 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Advanced International Marketing

MKT 593 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Product Design and Development

Project Management Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Project Management (PM) by completing at least 15 credit hours of coursework in Project Management. Students earning a PM concentration will complete a minimum of 51 credits, which includes 36 credits from the MBA required areas and 15 credits from the PM concentration coursework.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-pm.

PM 571 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Management

PM 582 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Leadership

PM 584 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Risk Management

PM 586 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Quality Management

PM 598 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Management Capstone

Technology Management Concentration
MBA students may earn a concentration in Technology Management (TM) by completing at least 15 credit hours of coursework in Technology Management.

Students earning a TM concentration will complete a minimum of 51 credits (36 credits from the MBA required areas) which includes 15 credits from concentration coursework.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mba-tm.

COM TM541 ~ ........................................................ 3 credits
Communications for Managers of Technology

PM 571 ~ ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Management

TMGT 540 ~ ......................................................... 3 credits
Management of R&D and Innovation Processes

TMGT 550 ~ ........................................................... 3 credits
Technology Transfer in the Global Economy

TMGT 590 ~ ........................................................... 3 credits
Applications of Technology Management

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study. Please note that within each state, concentration availability may vary by campus location.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MBA
All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution or a graduate degree from an ABA accredited institution (i.e.-JD, LLB, LLM). If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- No work experience is required for this program.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

Degree Requirements for the MBA
The degree requirements for this program are the following:

- A minimum of 36 graduate credits must be completed to meet all areas of the required course of study.
- A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- Students must take courses within a sequence specified by course prerequisite requirements.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Business Administration and will not reflect the concentration. Concentrations are reflected on the transcript only.

Academic Progression Requirements for the MBA

- MGT 521 must be the first course taken.
- Strategic Planning & Implementation (STR 581 or an alternative strategy course) must be taken as the last core course in the program.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MBA

- The University requires that the majority of coursework in the Required Course of Study be completed through the University. Also known as the residency requirement, the University requires completion of a minimum of 30 graduate level credits at the University.
- In order to waive a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course that meets the following criteria:
  - The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
• The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years with a “B” (3.0) or better; and
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• Management (MGT 521) may not be waived.
• Strategic Planning & Implementation (STR 581 or an alternative strategy course), which is the last core course in the program, may not be waived.
• The following courses may not be waived: ACC 541, CAP GM 591, EM 555, EM 595, GMGT 510, HCS 531, HCS 586, HRM 595, MGT 521, MKT 593, PM 598, QRB 501, STR 581

The School of Advanced Studies offers a bridge opportunity for master’s degree students who are interested in taking doctoral courses. In the bridge program, a master’s degree student would be allowed to substitute up to two graduate level courses with doctoral level courses. Students who choose this option would then be eligible to waive these courses in the doctoral program since they were already taken in the master’s degree program. 

Students must earn a B- or better in the doctoral level courses in order to waive them in the doctoral program.

Students who have completed Meritus University graduate MBA courses may transfer all courses earned at Meritus University into the MBA program at the University of Phoenix without limitation provided that they sign an Enrollment Agreement for the University of Phoenix MBA program by March 1, 2012. Students transferring from Meritus University to University of Phoenix will still be required to satisfy all program requirements for the University of Phoenix MBA program and complete at least 3 credits at University of Phoenix in order to obtain their MBA degree from University of Phoenix.

Course Descriptions for the MBA

MGT 521 ..................................................................................3 credits

Management
This course applies the tools available to University of Phoenix graduate students and the competencies of successful managers to understand the functions of business. Students learn their own perceptions and values to communicate more effectively with others. Other topics include MBA program goals, argument construction, decision making, collaboration, and academic research.

HRM 531 ..................................................................................3 credits

Human Capital Development
This course prepares students to address the concepts of personnel development as managers. Students learn criteria for developing effective job analysis, appraisal systems, and appropriate career development plans for employees. Other topics include personnel selection, employee compensation, benefits, training, workplace diversity, discipline, employee rights, unions, and management behaviors.

LAW 531 ..................................................................................3 credits

Business Law
This course prepares students to evaluate the legal risks associated with business activity. Students will create proposals to manage an organization’s legal exposure. Other topics include the legal system, alternative dispute resolution, enterprise liability, product liability, international law, business risks, intellectual property, legal forms of business, and governance.

LDR 531 ..................................................................................3 credits

Organizational Leadership
This course prepares students to apply leadership principles to the roles they play as managers. Students will discover more about themselves and learn more about the connection between the individual and the organization. Other topics include organizational culture, structure, group behavior, motivation, power, politics, organizational change, and workplace conflict.

QRB 501 ..................................................................................3 credits

Quantitative Reasoning for Business
This course applies quantitative reasoning skills to business problems. Students learn to analyze data using a variety of analytical tools and techniques. Other topics include formulas, visual representation of quantities, time value of money, and measures of uncertainty.

ECO 561 ..................................................................................3 credits

Economics
This course applies economic concepts to make management decisions. Students employ the concepts of scarce resources and opportunity costs to perform economic analysis. Other topics include supply and demand, profit maximization, market structure, macroeconomic measurement, money, trade, and foreign exchange.

ACC 561 ..................................................................................3 credits

Accounting
This course applies accounting tools to make management decisions. Students learn to evaluate organizational performance from accounting information. Other topics include financial statements, cost behavior, cost allocation, budgets, and control systems.

QNT 561 ..................................................................................3 credits

Applied Business Research and Statistics
This course prepares students to apply statistics and probability concepts to business decisions. Students learn criteria for developing effective research questions, including the creation of appropriate sampling populations and instruments. Other topics include descriptive statistics, probability concepts, confidence intervals, sampling designs, data collection, and data analysis - including parametric and nonparametric tests of hypothesis and regression analysis.

OPS 571 ..................................................................................3 credits

Operations Management
This course applies planning and controlling concepts to increase the value of the supply chain. Students learn to evaluate and improve processes. Other topics include process selection, process design, theory of constraints, project implementation, capacity planning, lean production, facility location, and business forecasting.
FIN 571 ................................................................. 3 credits  
**Corporate Finance**  
This course applies corporate finance concepts to make management decisions. Students learn methods to evaluate financial alternatives and create financial plans. Other topics include cash flows, business valuation, working capital, capital budgets, and long-term financing.  

MKT 571 ................................................................. 3 credits  
**Marketing**  
This course prepares students to apply marketing concepts to create and sustain customer value. Students learn to solve marketing problems in a collaborative environment. Topics include market research, customer relationships, branding, market segmentation, product development, pricing, channels, communications, and public relations.  

STR 581 ................................................................. 3 credits  
**Strategic Planning and Implementation**  
This course integrates concepts from all prior courses in the program. Students apply the concepts of strategic planning and implementation to create sustainable competitive advantage for an organization. Other topics include environmental scanning, strategic analysis, corporate social responsibility, implementation, evaluation, and risk management.  

**Course Descriptions for the Accounting Concentration**  

ACC 541 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Accounting Theory & Research**  
This is the first core course in the Master of Science in Accounting (MSA). In this course, students apply accounting research tools to current accounting issues. Other topics include research of accounting questions related to: inventory, fixed assets, leases, derivative instruments, debt, contingencies, segment reporting, pensions, business combinations, consolidations, stockholder’s equity, and a program overview.  

COM 530 ................................................................................ 3 credits  
**Communications for Accountants**  
In this course, students examine principles and practices of group communication in the context of the organization. Topics include an overview of group communication, culture and conflict, group formation, influence in organizational communication, organizational change, formal communications, and public communications.  

ACC 542 ................................................................................ 3 credits  
**Accounting Information Systems**  
In this course, students examine the fundamentals of accounting systems design. Topics include business information systems, business processes and data flows, database concepts and tools, internal control and risks, auditing the information system, and using the information system to perform audit functions.  

ACC 543 ................................................................................ 3 credits  
**Managerial Accounting & Legal Aspects of Business**  
In this course, students examine managerial accounting as part of the business’s accounting information system and legal aspects of the business enterprise. Topics include managerial accounting and capital budgeting, cost analysis; management planning and control, negotiable instruments, secured transactions, debtor/creditor relationships, property and insurance, and legal aspects of employment and environment.  

ACC 544 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Internal Control Systems**  
In this course, students gain a broad perspective of accounting and control that considers attainment of all goals of the organization, including those concerned with financial objectives. Topics include an overview of control, risk management, internal control systems, controls for current asset functions, controls for other accounting classifications, controls for information technology systems, and reporting on controls.  

ACC 545 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Financial Reporting**  
This course prepares students to address concepts of financial reporting for roles as CPAs. Students learn important criteria for calculating capital changes, applying concepts of fixed assets and cost determination, and preparing consolidated financial statements. Other topics include the professional responsibilities of CPAs, deferred taxes, cash flow statements, balance sheet preparation, restructuring of troubled debt, and the intricacies of comprehensive income.  

ACC 546 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Auditing**  
In this course, students focus on the auditing practice performed by public accountants. Topics include the CPA profession and the auditor’s role, planning the audit, audit reporting and required communications, evaluating internal controls, audit programs for current assets and liabilities, and audit programs for other business cycles.  

ACC 547 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Taxation**  
In this course, students develop an understanding of the taxation of business entities and the individuals who own those entities. Topics include tax entities, property transactions, calculating basis, gains and losses, alternative minimum tax, S-corporations and partnerships.  

ACC 548 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Not-for-Profit & Government Accounting**  
In this course, students receive an overview of the budgeting, accounting, financial reporting, and auditing required of government and not-for-profit organizations. Topics include the governmental accounting, accounting records in government, fund allocation, government-wide reporting, not-for-profit accounting, and governmental performance measures.  

ACC 556 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Forensic Accounting**  
In this course, students are introduced to the conduct of fraud examinations, including a discussion of specific procedures used in forensic accounting examinations and the reasoning behind these procedures. Topics include an overview of fraud and abuse, forensic evidence, substantive procedures for cash outflow irregularities, substantive procedures for asset irregularities, financial statement fraud, and examination reporting.  

ACC 557 ................................................................................... 3 credits  
**Accounting Ethics**  
In this course, students focus on core values of the accounting profession such as ethical reasoning, integrity, objectivity, and independence. Topics include economics, price and consumer behavior, business and accounting issues, ethics and information technology, and professional standards.
Course Descriptions for the Energy Management Concentration

EM 555 ................................................................. 3 credits

Energy Sector Management
This course integrates energy technology and management opportunities in the energy sector. Students will apply knowledge of the energy sector value change to identify a business opportunity. Other topics include renewable and non-renewable energy sources, science of energy, communications, energy sector terminology, corporate social responsibility, ethics, and negotiation.

EM 565 ................................................................. 3 credits

Financial Management in the Energy Sector
This course applies corporate finance concepts to make management decisions in the energy sector. Students analyze the financial merit of opportunities in renewable and non-renewable energy sources. Other topics include cash flows, business valuation, working capital, capital budgets, government sources, long-term financing, risk analysis and management, and financial planning.

EM 575 ................................................................. 3 credits

Energy Economics
This course applies economic concepts to make management decisions in the energy sector. Students apply concepts of supply and demand to create an economic model of a sub sector of the energy industry. Other topics include scarce resources, opportunity costs, profit maximization, market structure, macroeconomic measurement, money, trade, foreign exchange, regulatory issues, and economic analysis.

EM 585 ................................................................. 3 credits

Marketing Energy
This course prepares students to apply marketing concepts to affect public perception of energy alternatives. Students learn to solve marketing problems in a collaborative environment. Topics include market research, customer relationships, branding, market segmentation, product development, pricing, channels, communications, public relations and policy formulation.

EM 595 ................................................................. 3 credits

Strategic Planning and Implementation for the Energy Sector
This capstone course integrates concepts from all prior courses in the program and the energy management concentration. Students apply the concepts of strategic planning and implementation to create sustainable competitive advantage in an energy organization. Other topics include environmental scanning, strategic analysis, corporate social responsibility, implementation, evaluation, risk management, interdependent organizational relationships, technology adoption, and scenario planning.

Course Descriptions for the Global Management Concentration

GMGT 510 ............................................................. 3 credits

Global Business Organization and Culture
This course examines the cultural and organization framework within which global business is conducted. Topics include sociocultural forces, cultural analysis, communication strategies, human resources investment and utilization, and managing across borders.

GMGT 520 ............................................................. 3 credits

External Environment of Global Business
This course explores issues and institutions that affect global business outside the direct control of the organization. Topics include country risk assessment, basis for trade and capital flows, exchange rate determination, international, national, and local organizations, regional integration, and conflict resolution of global trade disputes.

GMGT 530 ............................................................. 3 credits

Internal Environment of Global Business
This course examines issues and functions that global business faces within control of the organization. Topics include organizations forms of entry and exit, legal issues, marketing, finance, human resources, and risk management.

GMGT 540 ............................................................. 3 credits

Global Strategy Formulation and Implementation
This course develops strategy for global implementation. Topics include the role of global strategy in the organization, the current state and strategy choices, strategy selection, implementation and control issues, portfolio management, and case analysis.

CAP GM591 ........................................................... 3 credits

Cases in Cross-Border Management
This content area capstone course applies management concepts to a global environment. Students learn to evaluate opportunities and challenges in world wide markets. Case studies will be utilized to synthesize concepts from prior global management course work.

Course Descriptions for the Health Care Management Concentration

HCS 531 ............................................................... 3 credits

Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
This course is a comprehensive approach to health care organizations and systems that provide the student with an in-depth understanding of health organizations. Topics include the evolution of health care delivery during a time of financial and regulatory stress, the impact of the evolving consumer movement, and managing efficient and effective organizational structures.

HCS 533 ............................................................... 3 credits

Health Information Systems
This course provides administrators and managers an overview of the information systems used in the healthcare industry. The effective use of data requires an understanding of how the data is captured as well as the HIPAA and security issues related to this confidential material. The course provides students with a general background to communicate more effectively with technical personnel and provide general management oversight of information systems within health care organizations.

HCS 545 ............................................................... 3 credits

Health Law and Ethics
Students explore and analyze current ethical issues such as biomedical research, insurance statutes, and demand management. Students survey the extensive legal foundations of health care, and apply current case law to contemporary situations. Topics include legal aspects of legislation, patient rights, data security, professional liability, and labor relations.
HCS 588 .......................... 3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards
Quality improvement initiatives rely upon data from monitoring program implementation and evaluating program outcomes to determine achievement of program objectives. The processes of developing and revising monitoring and outcome measures are used to help determine progress toward meeting accreditation and regulatory standards.

HCS 586 ......................................... 3 credits
Health Care Strategic Management
This is the capstone course for the graduate health care programs. The development and presentation of health care organization’s strategic plan will demonstrate mastery of the critical content as the principles relate to the health care industry. Special emphasis is placed upon consumer demand, market volatility, regulatory and fiscal constraints from the perspective of strategic management. The learner will demonstrate understanding of the critical importance of strategic management and planning within the dynamic, complex, and evolving nature of the health care industry.

Course Descriptions for the Human Resource Management Concentration

HRM 546 ............................................. 3 credits
Human Resource Law
This course prepares human resource managers to comply with human resource laws and regulations across all jurisdictions. Students learn how to manage human resource functions within a regulatory environment. Other topics include laws and regulations related to the following: workforce planning and employment, human resource development activities, compensation and benefits, labor relations, and workplace safety.

HRM 558 ............................................. 3 credits
Research in Human Resource Management
This course applies research methods to human resource functions. Students learn to use quantitative analysis and secondary research to recruit and select employees to meet organizational goals. Other topics include forecasting, evaluation of selection tests, application of selection tests, interviewing techniques, techniques to assess training program effectiveness, job evaluation methods, and external labor market analysis.

HRM 548 ............................................. 3 credits
Recruitment and Retention Practices
This course prepares students to evaluate and develop a workforce to attain organizational goals. Students learn to develop total reward strategies that attract and retain the best employees. Other topics include recruitment strategies, workforce planning and assessment, relocation practices, right sizing, negotiation, employment policies, and global compensation practices.

HRM 552 ............................................. 3 credits
Organizational Training and Development
This course applies development and training concepts to enhance organizational performance. Students develop an employee engagement strategy. Other topics include training program development & delivery, employee relations, organizational development theories and applications, behavioral issues, and performance management.

HRM 554 ............................................. 3 credits
Occupational Health and Safety
This course applies health and safety principles to reduce hazards to a productive work environment. Students create a prevention program to promote occupational safety and health. Other topics include injury and illness compensation, safety risks, security risks, workplace violence, health and safety practices, emergency response plans, and issues related to substance abuse.

HRM 595 ............................................. 3 credits
Human Resource Capstone Course
This content area capstone course applies human resource concepts to improve organizational effectiveness within the framework of employment laws and regulations. Students apply existing professional standards and theories to human resource management. Other topics include the alignment of human resource strategy with the organization, global workforce planning, career and leadership development, and performance analysis and appraisal.

Course Descriptions for the Marketing Concentration

MKT 544 ............................................. 3 credits
Integrated Marketing Communications
This course prepares students to apply integrated marketing communications as part of a strategic marketing plan. Students evaluate how marketing communication tools build brand value. Topics include advertising, promotions, public relations, sales, and direct marketing.

MKT 554 ............................................. 3 credits
Consumer Behavior
This course prepares students to apply buyer behavior theories in the marketplace. Students evaluate how demographic, psychological, and socio-cultural issues contribute to buyer behavior. Topics include consumer preference, brand perception, attitude formation, persuasion, motivation, and consumer protection.

MKT 552 ............................................. 3 credits
Technology Applications and e-Marketing
This course prepares students to integrate technology in marketing functions. Students design the organization and content of a website to accomplish one or more marketing objectives. Topics include basics of the World Wide Web, bandwidth, servers and storage, e-Marketing, e-Commerce, and targeting customers.

MKT 562 ............................................. 3 credits
Advanced International Marketing
This course prepares students to develop and manage a marketing strategy in an international business environment. Students evaluate case studies of previous product launches and current research to create a launch strategy for a specific country. Topics include distribution systems, socio-cultural perspectives, business customs, product and service adaptations, and pricing issues.

MKT 593 ............................................. 3 credits
Product Design and Development
In this content area capstone course students design an innovative product or service that satisfies an unmet consumer need. Students use research methods to identify opportunities or new product features that reflect the latest market trends. Topics include market environmental analysis, marketing strategy, the marketing process, product development, ethics and social responsibility, innovation and diffusion, pricing strategy, and strategic marketing issues.
Course Descriptions for the Technology Management Concentration

Financial Management
This course introduces the student to the concept of multinational enterprises and the role of technology in the strategic management of these enterprises. This course focuses on opportunities to utilize technology transfer within global business to meet the goals of the strategic plan.

Financial Management Capstone
This is an integrative course and the capstone for the MBA/TM program. The outcomes are to apply a range of skills from the individual courses in the technology management program to develop a change management plan to implement, build, and initiate a technology product or infrastructure in an organization.

Master of Public Administration

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The Master of Public Administration (MPA) program develops the managerial skills necessary to manage in the public sector. This program focuses on issues and opportunities at the state and local government levels. The curriculum is based on current standards set forth by the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration.

In addition to the University of Phoenix learning goals, the MPA program prepares students to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of strategic policy planning and implementation in a political environment.
- Demonstrate an understanding of innovative public sector leadership competencies in public organizations.
- Demonstrate an understanding of public/public and public/private strategic partnerships in inter-governmental relationships.
- Comprehend the application of a significant amount of knowledge within the domains of Public Administration - Institutions and Processes, Communications for Public Administrators, Human Capital Development in the Public Sector, Program Evaluation, Law and Public Administration, Data Analysis for Public Policy and Management, Leveraging Technology in the Public Sector, Public Budgeting, Leading Organizational Development in the Public Sector, Public Finance, Public Policy Planning and Implementation, and Public Administration Applied Project.
For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mpa. Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

Program Category Requirements for the MPA

Public Administration Management, 12 total credits

- MGT 522 ................................................................................. 3 credits
- Public Administration - Institutions and Processes
- MGT 572 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Public Policy Planning and Implementation
- MGT 582 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Public Administration Applied Project
- MGT TM562 ~ .......................................................................... 3 credits
- Leveraging Technology in the Public Sector

Public Administration Research and Statistics, 6 total credits

- RES 562 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Program Evaluation
- QNT 562 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Data Analysis for Public Policy and Management

Public Administration Human Resource Management, 3 total credits

- HRM 532 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Human Capital Development in the Public Sector

Public Administration Leadership, 3 total credits

- LDR 532 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Leading Organizational Development in the Public Sector

Public Administration Law, 3 total credits

- LAW 562 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Law and Public Administration

Public Administration Accounting, 3 total credits

- ACC 574 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Public Budgeting

Public Administration Economics, 3 total credits

- ECO 572 ~ ............................................................................... 3 credits
- Public Finance

Public Administration Communications, 3 total credits

- COM PA530 ~ ........................................................................... 3 credits
- Communications for Public Administrators

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MPA

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution or a graduate degree from an ABA accredited institution (i.e. - JD, LLB, LLM). If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- No work experience is required for this program.

- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

Degree Requirements for the MPA

The degree requirements for this program are the following:

- A minimum of 36 graduate credits.
- A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Public Administration

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MPA

Completion of a minimum of 27 credit of the required course of study to meet University residency requirements. Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. In order to waive a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course that meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
- The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a "B" (3.0) or better; and
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

Public Administration Applied Project (MGT 582) may not be waived.

Course Descriptions for the MPA

- MGT 522 ................................................................................. 3 credits
- Public Administration - Institutions and Processes

This course applies the tools available to UPX graduate students and the competencies of successful managers to understand the functions of public administration. Students will distinguish the dichotomy between the political system and public administration in the creation and implementation of public policy. Other topics, at the state and local level, include executive & legislative branches of government, the evolution of public administration, intergovernmental relationships, and fiscal sources & uses.

- MGT 572 ................................................................................. 3 credits
- Public Policy Planning and Implementation

This course prepares students to trace the development of a public policy. For a selected policy, students will analyze the policy making process and the challenges that accompany each stage. Other topics, at the state and local level, include public policy planning, policy evaluation, and stakeholder conflicts.

- MGT 582 ................................................................................. 3 credits
- Public Administration Applied Project

This capstone course prepares students to improve existing policies. Students will evaluate existing policy and recommend improvements and recommend changes to improve efficiency and effectiveness. Other topics, at the state and local level, include policy creation, policy evaluation, and nontraditional/innovative solutions in the public sector.
MGT TM562 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Leveraging Technology in the Public Sector
This course prepares students to leverage technology in support of effective and efficient administration of government. Students will apply technology concepts to enhance self-service tools for citizens while providing data security and respecting privacy concerns. Other topics, at the state and local level, include mobility, database interconnectivity, Internet, intranet & extranet, and data maintenance & retrieval.

RES 562 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Policy and Program Evaluation
This course prepares students to apply techniques to evaluate public sector programs. Students will evaluate policy alternatives using analytical tools. Other topics, at the state and local level, include measures of effectiveness, benchmarks, baselines, performance standards, and customized stakeholder communication.

QNT 562 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Data Analysis for Public Policy and Management
This course prepares students to analyze information and present it appropriately to diverse stakeholder groups. Students will design research instruments and collect data to measure and analyze effectiveness and efficiency in the delivery of public sector goods and services. Other topics, at the state and local level, include pre-testing, post testing, correlation, and forecasting.

HRM 532 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Human Capital Development in the Public Sector
This course prepares students to apply human capital development concepts in a public sector. Students will create plans for managing human capital in an environment of political appointment. Other topics, at the state and local level, include recruitment, development & retention of employees, motivation, performance evaluation, employee/employer relationship, personnel policies & politics, and public service ethic.

LDR 532 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Leading Organizational Development in the Public Sector
This course prepares students to lead change in the public sector. Students will apply leadership theories in the bureaucratic public sector considering the unique role of power and politics. Other topics, at the state and local level, include culture in the public sector, group behavior, financial and nonfinancial motivation, and workplace conflict.

LAW 562 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Law and Public Administration
This course prepares students to apply legal concepts in public administration. Students will analyze legislative and judicial processes in the administration of state and local governments. Other topics, at the state and local level, include enabling laws, regulatory review, open-meeting/sunshine provisions, adjudication, and the Administrative Procedures Act.

ACC 574 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Public Budgeting
In this course students learn the accounting and budgeting tools and theories used in the public sector. Students will analyze the relationship between public policy and the public budget process. Other topics, at the state and local level, include budgetary decision making, basics of government and not-for-profit accounting, reporting, capital and operating expenditures, and inter-period equity.

ECO 572 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Public Finance
This course prepares students to apply the principles of economics to the public sector. Students will create a plan for a public-private partnership to deliver a public good or service. Other topics, at the state and local level, include microeconomics in the public sector, basic macroeconomic variables, monetary policy, income redistribution, multilevel government financing, bond issuance, role of nonprofits, and tax efficiency, equity, and incidence.

COM PA530 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Communications for Public Administrators
This course prepares students to communicate with multiple stakeholders and public media. Students will apply communication concepts to create messages that are sensitive to the opinions and positions of disparate groups. Other topics, at the state and local level, include uniqueness of public sector communications, public involvement, and internal & external communications.

Master of Management
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The Master of Management degree program promotes the development of management competencies through the practical application of theory, business and management diagnostics, and the formulation of creative management and consulting solutions. Students will acquire a wide range of tools, concepts and methodologies to design, conduct, and follow through on successful consulting practices. In addition, students will be able to actively develop their interpersonal and business-related management skills in order to foster leadership, creative thinking, collegiality, and team work ability in an international context. The Master of Management will provide students with first-hand knowledge of the tools and techniques used by successful consultants in the competitive management consulting industry. For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mm.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

MM Program Category Requirements
Consulting, 3 total credits
MGT 527 .................................................................................... 3 credits

Consulting
Organizational Communications, 3 total credits
COM 537 ~ .................................................................................... 3 credits

Organizational Communications
Leadership, 3 total credits
LDR 535 ~ .................................................................................... 3 credits

Leading Change
Global Management, 3 total credits
MGT 538 ................................................................. 3 credits
Managing in a Cross-cultural Environment
Negotiation, 3 total credits
MGT 537 ................................................................. 3 credits
Negotiation, Power, and Politics
Research, 3 total credits
QNT 565 ................................................................. 3 credits
Research Methods, Design, and Analysis
Ethics and Social Responsibility, 3 total credits
MGT 567 ................................................................. 3 credits
Ethics and Social Responsibility
Business Law, 3 total credits
LAW 575 ................................................................. 3 credits
Business Law for Consultants
Project Quality Management, 3 total credits
PM 586 ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Quality Management
Budgetary Finance, 3 total credits
FIN 575 ................................................................. 3 credits
Project Budget and Finance
Strategic Marketing, 3 total credits
MKT 575 ................................................................. 3 credits
Marketing Strategy
Public Relations, 3 total credits
MKT 578 ................................................................. 3 credits
Public Relations
Organizational Design, 3 total credits
ORG 581 ................................................................. 3 credits
Organizational Design
Consulting Project, 3 total credits
MGT 598 ................................................................. 3 credits
Consulting Project
The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.
Additional Admission Requirements for the MM
All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:
• An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university; or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution or a graduate degree from an ABA accredited institution (i.e.- JD, LLB, LLM). If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
• No work experience is required for this program.
• A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

Degree Requirements for the MM
The degree requirements for this program are the following:
• A minimum of 42 graduate credits must be completed to meet all areas of the required course of study.
• A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

• Students must take courses within a sequence specified by course prerequisite requirements.
• The diploma awarded for this program will read as: Master of Management

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MM
The University requires that the majority of coursework in the Required Course of Study be completed through the University. Also known as the residency requirement, the University requires completion of a minimum of 30 graduate level credits at the University.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 12 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally approved nationally accredited transferable coursework. In order to waive a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course that meets the following criteria:
• The course must have been completed at a regionally approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
• The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years with a “B” (3.0) or better; and
• The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses may not be waived from the degree program: MGT 527, MGT 598
The School of Advanced Studies offers a bridge opportunity for master’s degree students who are interested in taking doctoral courses. In the bridge program, a master’s degree student would be allowed to substitute up to two graduate level courses with doctoral level courses. Students who choose this option would then be eligible to waive these courses in the doctoral program since they were already taken in the master’s degree program.

All credit-bearing doctoral courses must be completed with a grade of “B” or better. Students who earn a grade lower than a “B-” will not receive credit for the course and will not be able to use the bridge course to waive credits upon enrollment in a doctoral program.

Course Descriptions for the MM
MGT 527 ................................................................................. 3 credits
Consulting
This course applies the tools available to University of Phoenix graduate students and the competencies of successful individuals who exercise influence within an organization but have no direct authority to make changes or implement programs. Students learn their own perceptions and values to communicate more effectively with others. Other topics include Master of Management program goals, argument construction, decision making, collaboration, and academic research.
COM 537 ..................................................................................3 credits
Organizational Communications
This course prepares graduate students to apply written and oral communication principles to the roles they play as managers. Students will learn how to persuade a variety of stakeholders to commit to a proposal. Other topics include the role of perception in communication, techniques, aligning communication to an audience, business justifications, presenting data, and ethics in organizational communications.
LDR 535 ..................................................................................3 credits
Leading Change
This course applies leadership concepts to create organizational change. Students will create a plan to lead an organizational change in which they have no direct authority over necessary decisions. Other topics include leadership theories, organizational theory, levels of organizational change, and transformation leadership.
MGT 557 ..................................................................................3 credits
Managing in a Cross-cultural Environment
This course prepares students to achieve organizational objectives through informal and formal channels. Students will create a plan to achieve a goal by applying negotiation skills within the formal and informal structures of an organization. Other topics include coalitions, types of power, liaison roles, and persuasion.
QNT 565 ..................................................................................3 credits
Research Methods, Design and Analysis
This course applies research and probability concepts to project management decisions. Students will evaluate feasibility, manage risk, and measure outcomes for a project. Other topics include measures of central tendency & dispersion, program evaluation, research design, data sampling, and analysis & presentation.
MGT 567 ..................................................................................3 credits
Ethics and Social Responsibility
This course prepares students to align an organization’s social responsibility initiatives with its values. Students will create a proposal for an organization that aligns corporate social initiatives with its values. Other topics include ethics, values awareness, and evaluating the results of social initiatives.
LAW 575 ..................................................................................3 credits
Business Law for Consultants
This course prepares students to evaluate the legal risks associated with business consulting. Students will create proposals to manage an individual's legal exposure when performing consulting work. Other topics include the legal system, alternative dispute resolution, enterprise liability, international law, business risks, intellectual property, legal forms of business, and governance.
PM 586 ..................................................................................3 credits
Project Quality Management
This course applies quality control techniques to project development and implementation. Students will create a continuous quality improvement plan for projects within an organization. Other topics include scheduling, quality planning, quality assurance, scope management, schedule control, and quality control.
FIN 575 ..................................................................................3 credits
Project Budget and Finance
This course applies finance concepts to evaluate and manage projects. Students will prepare a plan to obtain funding and manage a project budget. Other topics include return on investment, cost classification, debt and equity financing, and project cash flows.
MKT 575 ..................................................................................3 credits
Marketing Strategy
This course prepares students to evaluate marketing and strategic choices of an organization. Students will analyze a series of case studies to recommend changes needed to achieve organizational marketing goals and strategy. Other topics include generic & grand strategies, strategic analysis, competitive advantage, consumer behavior, and branding.
MKT 578 ..................................................................................3 credits
Public Relations
This course prepares students to evaluate the use of public relations in meeting organizational objectives. Students will create a response to a given public relations challenge. Other topics include media relations; promotion; public relations tools, publicity, and ethics.
ORG 581 ..................................................................................3 credits
Organizational Design
This course prepares students to design organizations that adapt to environmental changes through innovation. Students will prepare a plan to incorporate innovation into organizational design to align an organization with a change in strategy. Other topics include the learning organization, authority & control, specialization & coordination, entrepreneurship, and lateral organizations.
MKT 598 ..................................................................................3 credits
Consulting Project
This course applies student understanding of organizations and project management to the development of a consulting project. The course requires students to synthesize and integrate theory and practice from all prior courses in the program.
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The Master of Science in Accountancy (MSA) provides the breadth of knowledge for the professional accountant. Students master the theory and principles that frame a wide range of problems and issues encountered in the accounting profession. This program is designed for accountants and non-accountants who are preparing for a professional certification in accounting such as the uniform Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam. This degree will allow students to seek positions in such career areas as accounting, auditing, and budgeting.

The MSA consists of 36 credit hours. Thirty credit hours constitute the core curriculum which covers the following areas of accounting: accounting theory and research, accounting information systems, managerial accounting and legal aspects of business, internal control systems, financial reporting, auditing, taxation, not-for-profit and government accounting, forensic accounting, and accounting ethics. The core courses were designed based upon the standards proposed by the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA). Additionally, six credit hours make up the financial accounting and communication proficiency courses. The proficiency courses are required for students who have not completed previous coursework in financial accounting or communications.

This program addresses the goals of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Vision Project for the professional values, communications and leadership skills, strategic and critical thinking skills, and technology skills (The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, 2007). In addition, the program meets the University of Phoenix learning goal of collaboration. A key feature of this program is the utilization of the CPA Test Prep software, which is integrated throughout the core program.

Note: Each state sets forth standards required to be eligible to take the CPA exam and apply for licensure or certification as a CPA. While this program was designed with consideration for the standards proposed by the National Association of State Boards of Accounting (NASBA), the University of Phoenix cannot, and will not, provide any assurance that completion of this program will allow a successful student to qualify within the student’s specific jurisdiction. Potential applicants should check with the appropriate organization within their jurisdiction to determine if this program, combined with their undergraduate degree and any other specific criteria, meets the requirements to qualify for examination in that specific jurisdiction. States frequently change their requirements for examination. There is no assurance that at the time of degree completion the specific jurisdiction’s requirements will be consistent with the requirements at the time of admission.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/msa.

### MSA Required Course of Study

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### Additional Admission Requirements for the MSA

- An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university, an ABA accredited institution (if coursework was from a graduate level program) or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

### Degree Requirements for the MSA

The degree requirements for this program are the following:
- A minimum of 36 graduate credits.
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

### Academic Progression Requirements for the MSA

The competency course, ACC 537, must be satisfied prior to progressing into the MSA Core (ACC 541, ACC 542, ACC 543, ACC 544, ACC 545, ACC 546, ACC 548, ACC 556, ACC 557). The MSA competency course may be satisfied in the following ways:
- Successful completion of the University of Phoenix course, ACC 537.
• Successful completion of appropriate levels of undergraduate or graduate coursework from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or equivalent undergraduate degree earned at a recognized foreign institution no more than 10 years prior to enrolling at the University. For ACC 537, the appropriate level is six semester hours at the upper division or three semester hours at the graduate level in financial accounting.

Residency Requirements for the MSA
The University requires completion of a minimum of 21 graduate level credits at the University to meet residency requirements.

Course Competencies and Course Waivers for the MSA
Eligible students may satisfy the 2 competency courses (ACC 537, COM 530) using one of the following methods:

Six semester credits of upper-division undergraduate coursework or three semester credits of graduate coursework in financial accounting that meets the following requirements will satisfy ACC 537:
• The coursework must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, foreign equivalency, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
• The coursework must have been completed with a C- or better, within the past ten (10) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date.

A Competency Waiver Request Form must be submitted listing six semester credits of upper division undergraduate coursework or three semester credits of graduate coursework and the competency courses requested to be satisfied as some students may wish to complete one or more of the competency courses to improve their ability to succeed in the MSA Program. Six semester credits of upper-division undergraduate coursework or three semester credits of graduate coursework in communications that meets the following requirements will satisfy COM 530:
• The coursework must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, foreign equivalency, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
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In order to be granted a waiver for a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
• The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.

The course must have been completed within the past ten (10) years (5 years for IS&T courses) from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better.

The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following course in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: ACC 541

Course Descriptions for the MSA

Communications for Accountants
In this course, students examine principles and practices of group communication in the context of the organization. Topics include an overview of group communication, culture and conflict, group formation, influence in organizational communication, organizational change, formal communications, and public communications.

ACC 537 .................................................................3 credits

Financial Accounting
In this course, students are introduced to the basic concepts and methods used in corporate financial statements for information of investors and other interested external parties. Topics include University of Phoenix tools, basic accounting concepts, financial statements, inventory and fixed assets, present value of bonds and stockholders’ equity, statement of cash flows, and error correction and accounting changes.

ACC 541 .................................................................3 credits

Accounting Theory & Research
This is the first core course in the Master of Science in Accounting (MSA). In this course, students apply accounting research tools to current accounting issues. Other topics include research of accounting questions related to: inventory, fixed assets, leases, derivative instruments, debt, contingencies, segment reporting, pensions, business combinations, consolidations, stockholder’s equity, and a program overview.

ACC 542 .................................................................3 credits

Accounting Information Systems
In this course, students examine the fundamentals of accounting systems design. Topics include business information systems, business processes and data flows, database concepts and tools, internal control and risks, auditing the information system, and using the information system to perform audit functions.

ACC 543 .................................................................3 credits

Managerial Accounting & Legal Aspects of Business
In this course, students examine managerial accounting as part of the business’s accounting information system and legal aspects of the business enterprise. Topics include managerial accounting and capital budgeting, cost analysis; management planning and control, negotiable instruments, secured transactions, debtor/creditor relationships, property and insurance, and legal aspects of employment and environment.
ACC 544 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Internal Control Systems
In this course, students gain a broad perspective of accounting and control that considers attainment of all goals of the organization, including those concerned with financial objectives. Topics include an overview of control, risk management, internal control systems, controls for current asset functions, controls for other accounting classifications, controls for information technology systems, and reporting on controls.

ACC 545 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Financial Reporting
This course prepares students to address concepts of financial reporting for roles as CPAs. Students learn important criteria for calculating capital changes, applying concepts of fixed assets and cost determination, and preparing consolidated financial statements. Other topics include the professional responsibilities of CPAs, deferred taxes, cash flow statements, balance sheet preparation, restructuring of troubled debt, and the intricacies of comprehensive income.

ACC 546 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Auditing
In this course, students focus on the auditing practice performed by public accountants. Topics include the CPA profession and the auditor’s role, planning the audit, audit reporting and required communications, evaluating internal controls, audit programs for current assets and liabilities, and audit programs for other business cycles.

ACC 547 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Taxation
In this course, students develop an understanding of the taxation of business entities and the individuals who own those entities. Topics include tax entities, property transactions, calculating basis, gains and losses, alternative minimum tax, S-corporations and partnerships.

ACC 548 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Not-for-Profit & Government Accounting
In this course, students receive an overview of the budgeting, accounting, financial reporting, and auditing required of government and not-for-profit organizations. Topics include the government accounting, accounting records in government, fund allocation, government-wide reporting, not-for-profit accounting, and governmental performance measures.

ACC 556 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Forensic Accounting
In this course, students are introduced to the conduct of fraud examinations, including a discussion of specific procedures used in forensic accounting examinations and the reasoning behind these procedures. Topics include an overview of fraud and abuse, forensic evidence, substantive procedures for cash outflow irregularities, substantive procedures for asset irregularities, financial statement fraud, and examination reporting.

ACC 557 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Accounting Ethics
In this course, students focus on core values of the accounting profession such as ethical reasoning, integrity, objectivity, and independence. Topics include economics, price and consumer behavior, business and accounting issues, ethics and information technology, and professional standards.
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The College of Information Systems and Technology Programs offers the Master of Information Systems (MIS) degree.

Master of Information Systems

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The Master of Information Systems (MIS) program provides the knowledge to successfully apply information systems theory and principles to address real world business opportunities and challenges to meet the needs of today’s information economy. Under the guidance of practitioner faculty, the graduate student will use innovative digital materials to understand the development and management of business systems within the organization, to understand and apply the principles of systems analysis and design, to analyze and evaluate emerging information technologies, and to create project, risk, and information systems strategic plans.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/mis.

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

MIS Required Course of Study

CMGT 530 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
IT Organizational Behavior

CSS 562 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Programming Concepts

CIS 568 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Information Systems Concepts

BSA 500 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
Business Systems I

BSA 502 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
Business Systems II

CMGT 554 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
IT Infrastructure

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Systems Analysis & Development

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DBM 502 .................................................................................. 3 credits
Database Management

CMGT 575 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
CIS Project Management

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CIS Strategic Planning

CMGT 582 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
Security & Ethics

CMGT 583 ~ .................................................................................. 3 credits
IS Integration

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MIS

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

• An undergraduate degree from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution a graduate degree from or an ABA accredited institution (i.e.- JD, LLB, LLM). If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.

• A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.

• A minimum equivalent of three (3) years of full-time, post-high school work or volunteer experience with exposure to organizational systems and management processes is required.

• All applicants must be currently employed or have access to a suitable work environment for the completion of course assignments.

Degree Requirements for the MIS

The degree requirements for this program are the following:

• Completion of a minimum of 42 credits of the required course of study to meet University residency requirements.

• A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

• The diploma awarded for this program will read as follows: Master of Information Systems

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MIS

Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 27 credits in the Required Course of Study, must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 15 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

In order to waive a course in the major course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

• The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
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Students may satisfy CIS 568 Information Systems Concepts and CSS 562 Programming Concepts in the following ways:
- Comparable undergraduate or graduate level coursework completed at University of Phoenix.
- Comparable undergraduate or graduate coursework completed within the past five (5) years at a regionally or nationally approved accredited college or university with a grade of C- or better. A Waiver form must be filled out by the student's Academic Representative indicating the prior coursework being used to satisfy these courses.

The following courses in the required course of study may not be waived: CMGT 530, CMGT 583.

Course Descriptions for the MIS

CMGT 530 .................................................................3 credits
IT Organizational Behavior
This course provides strategies for academic success within the University of Phoenix and addresses managerial communication and ethics. Topics include Professional Competence and Values, Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Communication, Collaboration and Information Utilization.

CSS 562 .................................................................3 credits
Programming Concepts
This course provides the conceptual foundation to develop computer software programs. Topics include program development processes, flowcharting, basic design, program structure (methods and events), Boolean logic, looping, recursion, lists and arrays.

CIS 568 .................................................................3 credits
Information Systems Concepts
This course focuses on the role of the manager as a user and manager of information. Topics include the analysis & design of information systems. The analysis and design of information systems are covered from the operational, tactical, and strategic perspectives with a focus on identifying specific tools and techniques.

BSA 500 .................................................................3 credits
Business Systems I
This course introduces business systems. The course first reviews the basics of the business environment and influences on that environment. Then accounting and finance business systems are reviewed.

BSA 502 .................................................................3 credits
Business Systems II
This course reviews the following business systems: marketing, sales, human resources, operations and legal. Emphasis is placed upon the inputs and outputs of information systems and the potential for integration of the systems.

CMGT 554 ..............................................................3 credits
IT Infrastructure
This course focuses on the managerial level of knowledge and terminology for telecommunications and computer networks. This course covers the concepts and application of the internet; server and storage architectures; and regulatory considerations.

CMGT 555 ..............................................................3 credits
System Analysis & Development
This course provides a solid background in analysis and design techniques for business system and application software development. Although System Development Life Cycle (SDLC) is fundamental to the course, other methodologies and tools are examined from a managerial perspective.

CMGT 556 ..............................................................3 credits
Enterprise Models
This course provides a process view of the organization from several perspectives including enterprise resource planning (ERP), supply chain management (SCM), and customer relationship management (CRM) system.

CMGT 557 ..............................................................3 credits
Emerging Technologies & Issues
The course examines how to identify emerging technology, the related issues and their potential impact on the organization. This examination provides an understanding of both the technical and managerial issues including the strategic implications associated with emerging technologies.

DBM 502 ..............................................................3 credits
Database Management
The course focuses on database management systems from a managerial perspective. Emphasis is placed on developing a strategy for managing and organizing corporate data, including data warehousing, to support the business activities of the organization. The course uses Microsoft Access and simulations of Oracle software.

CMGT 557 ..............................................................3 credits
CIS Project Management
This course will provide both theory and application of the skills required for project management. Topics covered with include: identifying deliverables, determining work breakdown structure, estimating resource and cost requirements, resource management, scheduling techniques, schedule control methods, pert and gannt charts. Ms project, a project management application, will be used extensively at this course.

CMGT 578 ..............................................................3 credits
CIS Strategic Planning
This course provides the knowledge and skills to develop effective short, intermediate and long-range strategic information technology plans. Course topics include the need for and responsibilities of an Information Technology Steering Committee, the relationship of information systems planning to the overall organizational mission, goals and assessment of the organization’s current state, determination of information technology, project and management requirements, and the means of prioritizing and selecting information technology projects.
CMGT 582 ................................................................. 3 credits
Security & Ethics
The ethical issues examined in the course will include information privacy, accessibility, and ownership from an organizational perspective. Information laws, regulations and compliance requirements will be examined in this course as well as the considerations for creating a safe digital environment within the organization.

CMGT 583 ................................................................. 3 credits
IS Integration
This course will focus on the integration of the IS function and the information technology architecture within the enterprise. The alignment of IT with the strategy of the organization will be examined considering the decisions related to information technology architecture.

CIS 568 ................................................................. 3 credits
Information Systems Concepts
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Each program has a blend of theory and practice which fosters a learning environment that allows students to build their knowledge base and to effectively and creatively apply what they have learned.

The MSN Programs are developed for nurses who want to ground their professional nursing decisions and actions with appropriate nursing theories, research principles, and practices. The MSN curriculum builds on baccalaureate education through the development of advanced practice roles of caregiver, teacher, and manager of care. In addition, there is a MSN/FNP Program and FNP Post-Masters Certificate available at selected University of Phoenix campuses.

The MSN/MHA and MSN/MBA/HC Dual Degree Programs allow nurses to blend advanced nursing concepts with business and management skills need in health care today.

The vision of Sigma Theta Tau is to create a global community of nurses who lead in using scholarships, knowledge, and technology to improve health of the world’s people. The society provides support for the professional development of members who strive to improve nursing care worldwide.

Omicron Delta is the Sigma Theta Tau chapter of the University of Phoenix, College of Nursing. Membership to Sigma Theta Tau is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship, and to nurse leaders who demonstrate exceptional achievement in nursing. The undergraduate student must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale, be in the upper 35 percent of his/her graduating class, and have completed at least one-half of the nursing curriculum to qualify for membership and meet the expectation of academic integrity.

The graduate student must have at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and have completed at least one-half of the nursing curriculum to qualify for membership.

More than 300,000 nurse scholars have been inducted into Sigma Theta Tau. With 120,000 active members, it is the second-largest and one of the most prestigious nursing organizations in the world. The society’s members are active in more than 90 countries and territories, and the 424 chapter honor societies are located on more than 523 college and university campuses in United States, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, Pakistan, South Korea, and Taiwan.

Omicron Delta has close to 5,000 members worldwide. The chapter was originally chartered in 1996 and has grown to be one of the largest chapters in the international organization. To learn more about Omicron Delta visit the Web site http://www.omicron-delta.net.

Academic Progression Requirements for all Current Nursing Programs

Any student who demonstrates behaviors in a clinical, classroom, or laboratory setting that gives rise to a reasonable suspicion, of substance abuse or otherwise indicates that the student may be impaired by drugs or alcohol, without reasonable justification will be required to undergo a “for-cause” 10 panel, plus alcohol drug test.

- For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:
  - Drug testing means the scientific analysis of urine, blood, breath, saliva, hair, tissue, and other specimens from the human body for the purpose of detecting the use of drugs or alcohol.
  - Reasonable suspicion means evidence which forms a reasonable basis for concluding that it is more likely than not that a person is impaired by alcohol or drugs or has engaged in substance abuse. Facts which could give rise to reasonable suspicion include, but are not limited to: the odor of alcohol or drugs, impaired behavior such as slurred speech, decreased motor coordination, difficulty in maintaining balance, marked changes in personality or job performance, and unexplained accidents, without reasonable justification. Such evidence may come from a professional or expert opinion, layperson opinion, scientific tests, or other sources or methods.
  - Illegal drug means any drug which is not legally obtainable; any drug which is legally obtainable but has not been legally obtained; any prescribed drug not legally obtained; any prescribed drug not being used for the prescribed purpose or by the person for whom it was prescribed; any over-the-counter drug being used at a dosage level other than that recommended by the manufacturer, or being used for a purpose other than the purpose intended by the manufacturer; and any drug being used for a purpose or by a person not in accordance with bona fide medical therapy. Examples of illegal drugs include, but are not limited to, stimulants; depressants; narcotic or hallucinogenic drugs; cannabis substances, such as marijuana and hashish; cocaine; heroin; methamphetamine; phencyclidine (PCP); and so-called designer drugs and look-alike drugs.
  - Impaired means that a person’s mental or physical capabilities are reduced below his or her normal levels without reasonable justification. An impaired student manifests deterioration in the level of function as compared to that previously observed, or the student does not function at a level normally expected under the prevailing circumstances. Impairment may exist in one or more multiple domains, including psychomotor activity and skills, conceptual or factual recall, integrative or synthetic thought processes, judgment, attentiveness, demeanor and attitudes as manifested in speech or actions. Impairment will include addiction to and/or physical dependence upon alcohol or illegal drugs.
• Substance abuse means:
  • the consumption, possession, or distribution of alcohol or illegal drugs by any nursing student while on University or affiliated clinical site premises or while participating in any University (or affiliated clinical site) sponsored or related activity, including any nursing-related course or clinical training activity.
  • a nursing student’s use of alcohol or any drug in such a way that the student’s performance in any nursing course, including activities at any clinical site, is impaired.
• Prior to being assigned to a clinical placement and as a prerequisite for placement at any agency or health care facility the nursing student shall sign an agreement:
  • to abide by the drug policies and drug testing policies of the University and each agency or health care facility in which a student is assigned as applicable,
  • to submit to any “for cause” drug testing required by the University and testing required by each agency or health care facility the nursing student obtains clinical hours, and
  • to release a copy of any and all drug test results to the University of Phoenix, Dean/Associate Dean of Nursing, other appropriate University officials, and to any State Board(s) of Nursing in which the student holds a nursing license or certificate, where required by the relevant State Board(s) of Nursing.
Failure to sign such agreement is grounds for refusal for student admission and progression in the program.
• The College of Nursing requires students to obtain a 10 panel, plus alcohol drug test if the student's behavior in the clinical, classroom or laboratory setting creates facts that give rise to a reasonable suspicion of substance abuse, or indicates they are impaired by alcohol or drugs.
• If the results of the 10 panel, plus alcohol drug test is negative for alcohol or illegal drugs:
  • The student shall meet with their Campus College Chair, Director of Nursing, or NP Program Manager within 24 hours or by the first business day following the test results to discuss the circumstances surrounding suspected behavior.
  • The Campus College Chair, Director of Nursing, or NP Program Manager will counsel the student regarding return to the classroom and clinical agency. The preliminary investigation will cease and the student will be released from further action at that time.
  • The Campus College Chair, Director of Nursing, or NP Program Manager will arrange for the student to make up the missed clinical hours.
• If the results of the 10 panel, plus alcohol drug test is positive for alcohol or illegal drugs:
  • A full review by the Office of Dispute Management and Apollo Ethics and Compliance shall be conducted. Students who test positive for alcohol or illegal drugs will not be permitted to return to any clinical setting pending conclusion of the review. The findings may result in student dismissal from the nursing program and expulsion from the University.
  • The results of the positive test for alcohol or illegal drugs shall be reported to the applicable State Board(s) of Nursing, if required by the applicable State Board(s), by the Campus College Chair, Director of Nursing, or NP Program Manager.
• If the results of the 10 panel, plus alcohol drug test(s) are positive for a prescribed drug(s) but not those that would be defined as illegal in the definitions above:
  • The student shall, within three (3) business days, obtain a written statement from their treating, licensed health care provider (MD, DO, HMD, ND/NMD, NP or PA) stating that:
    • the drug level is within prescribed limits.
    • the level does not indicate abuse.
    • the student’s use of the drug as prescribed will not interfere with safe practice in the clinical area.
This statement must be provided to the Campus College Chair, Director of Nursing, or NP Program Manager. If the statement is approved, then the test result will be deemed acceptable and not failed for these purposes.
• The failure of a student to provide the above statement or a health care provider’s inability to provide a statement meeting the requirements above shall be treated as a positive test for an illegal drug.
• Students who refuse to submit to a “for-cause” drug test will not be allowed to return to any clinical setting pending conclusion of a full review by the Office of Dispute Management and Apollo Ethics and Compliance. The findings may result in dismissal from the nursing program and expulsion from the University. The results of a positive test for illegal drugs as defined herein or a refusal to undergo a required drug test will be reported to the applicable State Board of Nursing, where required by the applicable State Board(s) of Nursing’s statute(s) or regulation(s).
• Students must also adhere to any other additional policies prescribed by the clinical agency. It is the sole responsibility of the student to read and acknowledge the requirements of the clinical health care facility in addition to University policy.
• All costs associated with the drug test, including any transportation costs to or from the drug testing facility, will be the responsibility of the student.
• University of Phoenix, College of Nursing, campus officials may be required to report all failed drug tests to each State Board of Nursing in which the student holds a nursing license or certificate. Campus officials shall report test results to all applicable State Boards of Nursing as described in the applicable Board’s statutes and/or regulations.
Master of Science in Nursing

The following Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program, accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)* enhances the knowledge and skills of registered nurses with baccalaureate-degree preparation. The program prepares nurses for advanced practice to function in leadership roles in practice and educational settings. Advanced nursing theory and research provide the foundation for nurses to influence the future of nursing and health care.

Students complete core courses in advanced nursing content and process, as well as on leadership skills. Specializations assist students to concentrate on developing increased knowledge and/or skills in specific area of content or advanced practice role. Thirty-nine credits are required for completion of the degree.

The MSN program is 39 credits. The course sequence will be completed in the order determined by the University. The University reserves the right to modify and/or resequence the curriculum as necessary. All course work must be completed satisfactorily or be repeated. All courses in which an “F” was earned must be repeated.

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For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/msn.

MSN Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ................................................................. 1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
HCS 587 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits
Creating Change Within Organizations
HCS 571 ~ .......................................................... 3 credits
Financial Resource Management
NUR 513 ~ ....................................................... 3 credits
Theoretical Foundations of Practice
NUR 531 ~ ....................................................... 3 credits
Influencing the Future of Nursing and Health Care
NUR 588 ~ ....................................................... 3 credits
Developing and Evaluating Educational Programs
NUR 590A ~ ..................................................... 1 credit
Nursing Practicum-A
NUR 542 ~ ..................................................... 2 credits
Dynamics of Family Systems
NUR 544 ~ ..................................................... 3 credits
Population-Focused Health Care
NUR 518 ~ ........................................................ 3 credits
Analysis of Research Reports
NUR 587 ~ ........................................................ 3 credits
Leadership and Management in Nursing and Health Care
NUR 590B ....................................................... 2 credits
Nursing Practicum-B
NUR 598 ~ ....................................................... 3 credits
Research Utilization Project
HCS 578 ~ ...................................................... 3 credits
Ethical, Legal, and Regulatory Issues in Health Care
HCS 588 ~ ...................................................... 3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Nursing Practicum/Clinical Hours for the MSN

The Nursing Practicum allows students the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the program. Students develop learning objectives for the experience and, along with a faculty member and mentor, they achieve the objectives through approved student experiences at selected locations. There is a minimum 60 hours applied practicum clinical experience required. A minimum of 21 graduate credits must be completed before enrollment in the Practicum course. Clinical experiences may focus on leadership, education, or administration. The nursing practicum is intended to serve as a capstone experience that allows the student to integrate graduate level nursing course content to an area of nursing of interest to the student.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN

- An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelors degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- Current employment is not a requirement for admission.
- Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
  - Guam
  - American Samoa
  - Northern Mariana Islands
  - US Virgin Islands
Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the U.S. and its territories must change to the international version of the degree: MSN-I. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree, and must maintain an active, unencumbered nursing license in the U.S. or its territories. Students must notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days after moving to a new location outside the US, update their profile to reflect the new international address, and must have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

- Signed Acknowledgement of Criminal Conviction Prohibition
- Signed Criminal Background Check Disclosure
- Signed Acknowledgement of Criminal Conviction Prohibition for Placement and Licensure
- Signed FERPA Release/Drug Test or Failure to Test Results

Additional Academic Progression Requirements for the MSN

- Students enrolling in the MSN bridge program must complete the three MSN bridge courses NUR 403, NUR 443 and NUR 440 with a C or better prior to enrolling in NUR 513 Theoretical Foundations of Practice
- Students must start NUR 590B within 12 months of the completion date of NUR 590A. If the student does not meet that deadline, the student will be required to retake NUR 590A. Any extension request beyond this policy must be submitted to the Student Appeals Center (SAC) for approval.
- Students must hold a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For students holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program.

Minimum Grade Requirements for the MSN

- If students do not pass the bridge courses with a C or better, they will be scholastically disqualified. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement will be allowed to repeat each class once. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MSN program.
- All MSN and MSN bridge students must complete NUR 598, NUR 590A and NUR 590B with a B or better. Students who do not pass these classes with a grade of B or better will be scholastically disqualified. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement for NUR 598, NUR 590A and/or NUR 590B will be allowed to repeat the class once. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt, will be permanently withdrawn from the program and will be placed on scholastic suspension. Appeals through SAC for readmission to the program will not be accepted by the College of Nursing.

Degree Requirements for the MSN

- Completion of a minimum of 39 credits (48 credits for the MSN bridge).
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- Grades earned in MSN bridge courses are calculated in the MSN grade point average (GPA).
- The diploma awarded for these programs will read as follows: Master of Science in Nursing

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MSN

Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 30 credits in the required course of study, must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

- In order to waive a course in the required course of study, the student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:
  - The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university;
  - The course must have been completed within the past five (5) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better; and
  - The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.
  - The following courses will not be waived from the degree program: HCS 504, NUR 598, NUR 590A/B

Course Descriptions for the MSN

HCS 504 ...........................................................1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
This course provides new graduate students in the college with an introduction to strategies for success within the University’s adult learning model. Topics include program standards and objectives, graduate-level oral and written communication, locating, evaluating, and citing scholarly resources, and purposes and use of portfolios.
HCS 587 ..........................................................3 credits
Creating Change Within Organizations
Diffusion of innovations models in health care systems use principles of planned change within a dynamic organizational environment. Communication skills, such as negotiation and conflict resolution, help leaders analyze and respond to health care needs while using resources efficiently.
HCS 571 ................................................................. 3 credits
Financial Resource Management
Processes of budget preparation, analysis, and monitoring are essential for analyzing the financial performance of an organization, service, or system. Concepts of financial accounting and reporting, as well as basic economic principles, are applied. Students use budgetary and economic concepts and principles for financial decision-making for a health care service or unit.

NUR 513................................................................. 3 credits
Theoretical Foundations of Practice
This course focuses on the critical components of contemporary nursing knowledge, including concepts, statements, metaphors, philosophies, conceptual models, and theories. Students evaluate the variety of ways to organize nursing knowledge and explore the implications of their application. Through the clinical application of the course content, students examine the use of theory and nursing knowledge in professional environments.

NUR 588................................................................................... 3 credits
Developing and Evaluating Educational Programs
Identifying learning needs provides the foundation for designing educational programs for individuals, families, groups, and communities is examined. Strategies for involvement in shaping health care policy are developed.

NUR 551................................................................................... 3 credits
Influencing the Future of Nursing and Health Care
The role of advanced practice nurses in today’s health care environment provides numerous opportunities and responsibilities. Nursing’s potential for improving the health of individuals, families, groups, and communities is examined. Strategies for involvement in shaping health care policy are developed.

NUR 588................................................................................... 3 credits
Developing and Evaluating Educational Programs
Identifying learning needs provides the foundation for designing educational programs for individuals, families, groups, or communities. Students select and develop teaching strategies and explore ways of monitoring and evaluating teaching methods and learner outcomes. Roles of educators in organizations, communities, and higher education settings are examined.

NUR 590A................................................................. 1 credit
Nursing Practicum-A
This capstone course is designed to provide students with opportunities to integrate and apply previously learned knowledge and skills in a 60-hour practicum. Students develop specific learning objectives that are approved by faculty. Objectives are achieved as a result of working with a nurse mentor and various experts during the practicum.

NUR 542................................................................. 2 credits
Dynamics of Family Systems
Family systems theories and models are used to understand the impact of nuclear families on professional and personal relationships, as well as on society. These theories and models are used as well to develop strategies for promoting and monitoring the health of families.

NUR 544................................................................. 3 credits
Population-Focused Health Care
Theories, principles, and strategies of population-focused health care are used to design, implement, and evaluate services and plans of care to promote, maintain, and restore health in a defined population. Students focus on population aggregates in structured or unstructured settings across care environments. Strategies to evaluate health outcomes and costs of care are emphasized.

NUR 518................................................................. 3 credits
Analysis of Research Reports
Evidence-based practice relies upon analyzing the scientific merit of nursing research reports and integrating the results from valid studies into care. Published reports using quantitative and qualitative methods are examined to determine the validity of study findings and their readiness for implementation into practice. Ethics in research is also considered.

NUR 587................................................................................... 3 credits
Leadership and Management in Nursing and Health Care
Ways of using leadership and management concepts, principles, theories, and models in advanced nursing practice and executive roles are explored. Skills that facilitate collaborative relationships and decisions consistent with stewardship of resources are examined. Students articulate a personal vision of leadership and ways of providing direction within today’s complex health care system.

NUR 590B ................................................................. 2 credits
Nursing Practicum-B
This capstone course is designed to provide students with opportunities to integrate and apply previously learned knowledge and skills in a 60-hour practicum. Students develop specific learning objectives that are approved by faculty. Objectives are achieved as a result of working with a nurse mentor and various experts during the practicum.

NUR 598................................................................................... 3 credits
Research Utilization Project
This is a graduate research course that focuses on the use of a body of nursing knowledge and scientific knowledge in the nursing practice setting. Students develop a proposal to address a problem or concern in the nursing practice, propose a evidence-based solution, develop an implementation and evaluation plan, and describe implementation strategies for the proposed solution.

NUR 590B ................................................................. 2 credits
Ethical, Legal, and Regulatory Issues in Health Care
Ethical principles and decision making models are used to address and understand complex health care issues. Legal concepts and regulatory agency and other public policies influence the direction and financing of health care.

HCS 578 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Measuring Performance Standards
Quality improvement initiatives rely upon data from monitoring program implementation and evaluating program outcomes to determine achievement of program objectives. The processes of developing and revising monitoring and outcome measures are used to help determine progress toward meeting accreditation and regulatory standards.

NUR 403 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Theories and Models of Nursing Practice
This course is designed to focus baccalaureate students on the behaviors, attitudes, and values necessary for theory-based professional nursing practice. Concepts of professional nursing are presented within the unifying framework of Jean Watson’s Theory of Human Caring.
NUR 443 ...................................................................................3 credits
Evidence-Based Nursing Research and Practice
This course will focus on current review of nursing research literature and research utilization through evidence-based practice. Three areas of research competencies will be examined which include interpreting and using research in nursing practice, evaluating research, and conducting research.
NUR 440 ...................................................................................3 credits
Health Assessment and Promotion for Vulnerable Population
This course is designed to assist professional nurses in developing interviewing skills, refinement of physical assessment techniques, and preventative health interventions when working with diverse and vulnerable populations. The importance of therapeutic communication in performing a health assessment is emphasized.

Master of Science in Nursing/Specialization in Nursing/Health Care Education

The following Master of Science in Nursing/Specialization in Nursing/Healthcare Education (MSN/ED) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program, accredited by the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)*, enhances the knowledge and skills of registered nurses with baccalaureate-degree preparation. The program prepares advanced practice nurses to function in leadership roles in practice and educational settings. Advanced nursing theory and research provide the foundation for nurses to influence the future of nursing and health care.

Students complete core courses in advanced nursing content and process, as well as on leadership skills. Specializations assist students to concentrate on developing increased knowledge and/or skills in a specific area of content or advanced practice role. Forty-two credits are required for completion of the degree.

This course series is designed for nursing and health care professionals interested in pursuing or advancing in careers as faculty in higher educational settings. Those with no background in higher education receive a strong foundation for the many dimensions of the faculty role. Current educators can update or expand their knowledge in curriculum development, assessment and evaluation, and instructional strategies.

This credit-bearing specialization is also available as a certificate program for post-baccalaureate students. The four courses in the education specialization/certificate program are available at campuses offering nursing or health care degree programs using on ground and/or flexnet delivery, as well as through the online campus.

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MSN/ED Required Course of Study

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ...................................................................................1 credit
Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing
NUR 513 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Theoretical Foundations of Practice
NUR 518 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Analysis of Research Reports
NUR 531 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Influencing the Future of Nursing and Health Care
HCS 587 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Creating Change Within Organizations
NUR 544 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Population-Focused Health Care
HSN 544 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Design and Process of Curriculum Development
HCS 571 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Financial Resource Management
NUR 590A ~ ...................................................................................1 credit
Nursing Practicum - A
NUR 587 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Leadership and Management in Nursing and Health Care
NUR 542 ~ ...................................................................................2 credits
Dynamics of Family Systems
NUR 598 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Research Utilization Project
NUR 590B ~ ...................................................................................2 credits
Nursing Practicum - B
HSN 548 ...................................................................................3 credits
Role of the Health Care/Nursing Educator
HSN 540 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Teaching and Learning Strategies
HSN 552 ~ ...................................................................................3 credits
Assessment and Evaluation of Learning

The University reserves the right to modify the required course of study.

Nursing Practicum/Clinical Hours

The Nursing Practicum allows students the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the program. Students develop learning objectives for the experience and, along with a faculty member and mentor, they achieve the objectives through approved student experiences at selected locations. There is a minimum 60 hours applied practicum clinical experience required. A minimum of 21 graduate credits must be completed before enrollment in the Practicum course. Clinical experiences may focus on leadership, education, or administration. The nursing practicum is intended to serve as a capstone experience that allows the student to integrate graduate level nursing course content to an area of nursing of interest to the student.
Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN/ED

- An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate bachelor’s degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- Current employment is not a requirement for admission.
- Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
  - Guam
  - American Samoa
  - Northern Mariana Islands
  - US Virgin Islands

Note: Nurses with a Puerto Rico License must obtain US licensure for admission

- Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the U.S. and its territories must change to the international version of the degree: MSN-I. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree, and must maintain an active, unencumbered nursing license in the U.S. or its territories. Students must notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days after moving to a new location outside the US, update their profile to reflect the new international address, and must have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

- Signed Criminal Background Check Disclosure
- Signed Acknowledgement of Criminal Conviction Prohibition for Placement and Licensure
- Signed FERPA Release/Drug Test or Failure to Test Results

Additional Academic Progression Requirements for the MSN/ED

- Students enrolling in the MSN/ED bridge program must complete the three MSN bridge courses NUR 403, NUR 443 and NUR 440 with a C or better prior to enrolling in NUR 513 Theoretical Foundations of Practice.
- Students must start NUR 590B within 12 months of the completion date of NUR 590A. If the student does not meet that deadline, the student will be required to retake NUR 590A. Any extension request beyond this policy must be submitted to the Student Appeals Center (SAC) for approval.
- Students must hold a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For students holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program.

Minimum Grade Requirements for the MSN/ED

- Students in this program are required to achieve a minimum grade of “C” (2.0) in the following courses: HSN 540, HSN 544, HSN 548, HSN 552. A “C-” grade is not acceptable. Students who fail to receive a minimum grade of “C” will be scholastically disqualified from the University.
- If students do not pass the bridge courses with a C or better, they will be scholastically disqualified. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement will be allowed to repeat each class once. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MSN program.
- Students who have been scholastically disqualified will not be allowed to continue in their degree program until they have retaken the course which placed them on scholastic disqualification, satisfied the grade requirement, and fulfilled any additional criteria for reentry, as determined by the faculty member and the Campus College Chair or appropriate Dean.
- All MSN and MSN bridge students must complete NUR 598, NUR 590A and NUR 590B with a B or better. Students who do not pass these classes with a grade of B or better will be scholastically disqualified. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement for NUR 598, NUR 590A and/or NUR 590B will be allowed to repeat the class once. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt, will be permanently withdrawn from the program and will be placed on scholastic suspension. Appeals through SAC for readmission to the program will not be accepted by the College of Nursing.

Degree Requirements for the MSN/ED

- Completion of a minimum of 42 credits (51 credits for MSN/ED bridge).
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.

Grades earned in MSN/ED bridge courses are calculated in the MSN/ED grade point average (GPA).
- The diploma awarded for these programs will read as follows: Master of Science in Nursing and will not reflect the Specialization. Specializations are reflected on the transcript only.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MSN/ED

Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 33 credits in the Required Course of Study, must be completed at University of Phoenix. Students in this program may waive a maximum of 9 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.
In order to waive a course in the required course of study, students must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed and transcripted from a regionally accredited, or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past five (5) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better; and
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses will not be waived from the degree program: HCS 504, NUR 598, NUR 590A, NUR 590B

**Course Descriptions for the MSN/ED**

**HCS 504** ................................................................. 1 credit

**Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing**

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NUR 513 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Theoretical Foundations of Practice**

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NUR 518 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Analysis of Research Reports**

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NUR 531 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Influencing the Future of Nursing and Health Care**

The role of advanced practice nurses in today’s health care environment provides numerous opportunities and responsibilities. Nursing’s potential for improving the health of individuals, families, groups, and communities is examined. Strategies for involvement in shaping health care policy are developed.

HCS 587 ................................................................. 3 credits

**Creating Change Within Organizations**

Diffusion of innovations models in health care systems use principles of planned change within a dynamic organizational environment. Communication skills, such as negotiation and conflict resolution, help leaders analyze and respond to health care needs while using resources efficiently.

NUR 544 ................................................................... 3 credits

**Population-Focused Health Care**

Theories, principles, and strategies of population-based health care are used to design, implement, and evaluate services and plans of care to promote, maintain, and restore health in a defined population. Students focus on population aggregates in structured or unstructured settings across care environments. Strategies to evaluate health outcomes and costs of care are emphasized.

HSN 544 ................................................................... 3 credits

**Design and Process of Curriculum Development**

Development of curriculum for programs in higher education settings are examined. This course focuses on curriculum planning and design, as well as development of individual courses and their relationship to program mission, objectives, and outcomes.

HCS 571 ................................................................... 3 credits

**Financial Resource Management**

Processes of budget preparation, analysis, and monitoring are essential for analyzing the financial performance of an organization, service, or system. Concepts of financial accounting and reporting, as well as basic economic principles, are applied. Students use budgetary and economic concepts and principles for financial decision-making for a health care service or unit.

NUR 590A ................................................................. 1 credit

**Nursing Practicum-A**

This capstone course is designed to provide students with opportunities to integrate and apply previously learned knowledge and skills in a 60-hour practicum. Students develop specific learning objectives that are approved by faculty. Objectives are achieved as a result of working with a nurse mentor and various experts during the practicum.

NUR 587 ................................................................... 3 credits

**Leadership and Management in Nursing and Health Care**

Ways of using leadership and management concepts, principles, theories, and models in advanced nursing practice and executive roles are explored. Skills that facilitate collaborative relationships and decisions consistent with stewardship of resources are examined. Students articulate a personal vision of leadership and ways of providing direction within today’s complex health care system.

NUR 542 ................................................................... 2 credits

**Dynamics of Family Systems**

Family systems theories and models are used to understand the impact of nuclear families on professional and personal relationships, as well as on society. These theories and models are used as well to develop strategies for promoting and monitoring the health of families.

NUR 598 ................................................................... 3 credits

**Research Utilization Project**

This is a graduate research course that focuses on the use of a body of nursing knowledge and scientific knowledge in the nursing practice setting. Students develop a proposal to address a problem or concern in the nursing practice, propose a evidence-based solution, develop an implementation and evaluation plan, and describe implementation strategies for the proposed solution.
NUR 590B ................................................................................... 2 credits

**Nursing Practicum-B**

This capstone course is designed to provide students with opportunities to integrate and apply previously learned knowledge and skills in a 60-hour practicum. Students develop specific learning objectives that are approved by faculty. Objectives are achieved as a result of working with a nurse mentor and various experts during the practicum.

HSN 548 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Role of the Health Care/Nursing Educator**

Responsibilities of faculty within various higher education settings are explored. Trends and issues that impact the educator role within changing health care and educational environments are discussed. Topics such as technological, legal, ethical, and professional dynamics are included.

HSN 540 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Teaching and Learning Strategies**

This course will focus on the concepts of learning, cognitive, and psychomotor learning, and the principles of adult learning. Selection and development of teaching strategies that enhance and facilitate learning will be explored.

HSN 552 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Assessment and Evaluation of Learning**

Methods of assessing learning in higher education are analyzed and applied in different learning situations. Processes and problems related to course learning assessments as well as evaluating programmatic outcomes are examined. Designing measures to evaluate learner and curricular outcomes are addressed.

NUR 403 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Theories and Models of Nursing Practice**

This course is designed to focus baccalaureate students on the behaviors, attitudes, and values necessary for theory-based professional nursing practice. Concepts of professional nursing are presented within the unifying framework of Jean Watson's Theory of Human Caring.

NUR 443 ................................................................................... 3 credits

**Evidence-Based Nursing Research and Practice**

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**Health Assessment and Promotion for Vulnerable Population**

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**Master of Science in Nursing and Master of Health Administration**

The following Master of Science in Nursing and Master of Health Administration (MSN/MHA) program may be offered at these University of Phoenix campus locations: Augusta. The availability of programs and concentrations depend on student demand and other factors. Not all programs may be available to all residents of all states. Students may want to consider completing certain courses in the Online classroom at Online rates if the program is available via the Online modality in their state. Please contact your enrollment advisor for more information.

The MSN/MHA program, accredited by the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)*, is designed to provide nurses with a unique blend of advanced nursing and healthcare related business skills to manage in today’s evolving health care delivery systems. The program combines essential elements from both degree programs to provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to effectively examine and evaluate issues and trends impacting health care.

The MSN program is designed for those nurses who want to pursue more advanced positions in today’s challenging health care environment. The program blends nursing theory and advanced practice concepts necessary to successful work within the structure, culture, and mission of any size health care organization or educational setting.

The MSN program consists of three major areas: the core, the major, and the cognate. The core incorporates the major foci of the Master of Science in Nursing degree: the theory of nursing influence, influence of nursing research, and on the advanced practice of nursing. The major includes advanced course work in nursing: management of families and aggregates, administration, and education. The cognate is fulfilled through the MHA program content.

The MHA curriculum focuses on the content related to finance, economics, policy, quality improvement, marketing, and strategic planning. In addition, students complete course work in concepts related to public health, long term care and health care informatics. Graduates will have enhanced their management/administrative backgrounds through a curriculum that provides students with the ability to apply theory to contemporary practice applications. Graduates are able to define their role within the health care system and understand how to make necessary changes to create a work environment which is team oriented and motivating to others.

*For more information about accreditation, please contact CCNE at One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120; (202)887-6791.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at http://www.phoenix.edu/programs/msn-mha.

**MSN/MHA Required Course of Study**

Courses requiring prerequisites are identified by a ~ symbol following the course number.

HCS 504 ................................................................................... 1 credit

Introduction to Graduate Study in Health Sciences/Nursing

HCS 531 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems

HCS 533 ~ ................................................................................ 3 credits

Health Information Systems
Nursing Practicum/Clinical Hours

The Nursing Practicum allows students the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the program. Students develop learning objectives for the experience and, along with a faculty member and mentor, they achieve the objectives through approved student experiences at selected locations. There is a minimum of 60 hours applied practicum clinical experience required. A minimum of 21 graduate credits must be completed before enrollment in the Practicum course. Clinical experiences may focus on leadership, education, or administration. The nursing practicum is intended to serve as a capstone experience that allows the student to integrate graduate level nursing course content to an area of nursing of interest to the student.

Additional Admission Requirements for the MSN/MHA

All applicants are expected to meet the following admissions requirements:

- An undergraduate degree with an upper division major in nursing from a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university or comparable undergraduate program, or a bachelors degree earned at a recognized foreign institution. If the institution became accredited while the student was attending, a minimum of 75% of the coursework taken toward the degree must have been completed while the institution was accredited or during the candidacy period.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on the undergraduate degree posted transcript is required for admission.
- Current employment in a nursing or healthcare role or access to an appropriate healthcare organization environment in which to complete the work related course assignments.
- Applicants must reside in the continental United States or in one of the US Territories with documentation of a valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license in all states in which the applicant holds an active nursing license. For applicants holding licenses in multiple jurisdictions, all active licenses must be valid, unrestricted/unencumbered through the duration of the program. Applicants from the following territories must also hold a RN license obtained by taking the NCLEX-RN exam:
  - Guam
  - American Samoa
  - Northern Mariana Islands
  - US Virgin Islands
- Non-military students who enroll in the MSN program while living in the US and then move outside of the U.S. and its territories must change to the international version of the degree: MSN-I. Students must sign a new Enrollment Agreement for the international version of the degree, and must maintain an active, unencumbered nursing license in the U.S. or its territories. Students must notify their campus representative within thirty (30) days after moving to a new location outside the US, update their profile to reflect the new international address, and must have a nursing license to practice nursing in the country where they are residing for the MSN practicum or contact an Online College representative.

Note: Nurses with a Puerto Rico License must obtain US licensure for admission

- Signed Criminal Background Check Disclosure
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Degree Requirements for the MSN/MHA

- Completion of a minimum of 54 credits (63 credits for the MSN/MHA bridge).
- A minimum program grade point average (GPA) of 3.0. Grades earned in MSN/MHA bridge courses are calculated in the MSN/MHA grade point average (GPA).
- Two diplomas will be awarded for this dual degree. The diplomas awarded for this program will read as follows: Master of Science in Nursing Master of Health Administration

Additional Academic Progression Requirements for the MSN/MHA

- Students enrolling in the MSN bridge program must complete the three MSN bridge courses NUR 403, NUR 443 and NUR 440 with a C or better prior to enrolling in NUR 513 Theoretical Foundations of Practice.
- Students must start NUR 590B within 12 months of the completion date of NUR 590A. If the student does not meet that deadline, the student will be required to retake NUR 590A. Any extension request beyond this policy must be submitted to the Student Appeals Center (SAC) for approval.
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Minimum Grade Requirements for the MSN/MHA

- If students do not pass the bridge courses with a C or better, they will be scholastically disqualified. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement will be allowed to repeat each class once. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt will be Scholastically Suspended and will not be able to continue in the MSN program.
- All MSN and MSN bridge students must complete NUR 598, NUR 590A and NUR 590B with a B or better. Students who do not pass these classes with a grade of B or better will be scholastically disqualified. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement for NUR 598, NUR 590A and/or NUR 590B will be allowed to repeat the class once. Students who fail to meet the minimum grade requirement after the second attempt, will be permanently withdrawn from the program and will be placed on scholastic suspension. Appeals through the Student Appeals Center (SAC) for readmission to the program will not be accepted by the College of Nursing.

Residency Requirements and Course Waivers for the MSN/MHA

Students must meet established University residency requirement for degree conferral. The University requires that the majority of coursework, 42 credits in the Required Course of Study, must be completed at University of Phoenix.

Students in this program may waive a maximum of 12 credits from their required course of study on the basis of regionally or approved nationally accredited transferable coursework.

Students enrolled in the MSN/MHA Bridge may waive the nine (9) undergraduate bridge credits (NUR 403, NUR 443, and NUR 440) in addition to waiving a maximum of 12 credits from their Required Course of Study.

In order to be granted a waiver with credit for a course in the Required Course of Study, a student must have completed a previous course which meets the following criteria:

- The course must have been completed at a regionally or approved nationally accredited, or candidate for accreditation, college or university.
- The course must have been completed within the past five (5) years from current program enrollment agreement sign date with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better.
- The course must be comparable in content and credits to the University course it is replacing and must be an equivalent level or higher level course (i.e. graduate level coursework may be used to waive graduate or undergraduate coursework). Course descriptions must be included with the course waiver form in order for the Office of Admissions and Evaluation to review the course waiver request.

The following courses in the Required Course of Study may not be waived: HCS 504, NUR 590A, NUR 590B, NUR 598

Course Descriptions for the MSN/MHA

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HCS 531 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Health Care Organizations and Delivery Systems
This course is a comprehensive approach to health care organizations and systems that provide the student with an in-depth understanding of health organizations. Topics include the evolution of health care delivery during a time of financial and regulatory stress, the impact of the evolving consumer movement, and managing efficient and effective organizational structures.

HCS 533 ..................................................................................... 3 credits
Health Information Systems
This course provides administrators and managers an overview of the information systems used in the health care industry. The effective use of data requires an understanding of how the data is captured as well as the HIPAA and security issues related to this confidential material. The course provides students with a general background to communicate more effectively with technical personnel and provide general management oversight of information systems within health care organizations.
HCS 514 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Managing in Today’s Health Care Organizations
This course focuses on the adaptation of organizational management to evolving health systems. Students will examine organizational theory, organizational performance, structure, change management and human resource management. Students apply various organizational theories to contemporary issues.

HCS 552 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Health Care Economics
This course focuses on the application of macro and micro economic tools to the health care industry. Content includes demand management; concepts of efficiency, production and distribution of health care services; impact of regulation and reimbursement; and economic incentives in health care. Students apply principles to a variety of business models.

HCS 577 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Financial Management in Health Care
This course presents the concepts of financial accounting important to the understanding of the financial environment of the health care industry. Students interpret financial statements, prepare analyses of financial data necessary to make decisions, describe the different third party payment methods, experiment with cost finding and price setting, and conduct break-even analyses. The course provides students with experience in capital and operating budgets, and financial forecasts.

HCS 535 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Concepts of Population Health
This course addresses the epidemiological and sociological perspectives and techniques for analyzing the health status of populations. Topics focus on disease trends, distribution and detriments of health and disease, models and concepts of health and wellness, and the development of a proactive response to community health issues.

HCS 545 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Health Law and Ethics
Students explore and analyze current ethical issues such as biomedical research, insurance statutes, and demand management. Students survey the extensive legal foundations of health care, and apply current case law to contemporary situations. Topics include legal aspects of legislation, patient rights, data security, professional liability, and labor relations.

HCS 539 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Marketing for Health Care
This course examines marketing principles as they are applied within various health delivery systems. Special attention is focused on consumer behavior, market segmentation, environmental scanning, and identification of new market opportunities. The role of social marketing, data base research, and evaluation design and interpretation are addressed.

HCS 567 .................................................................................... 3 credits
Entrepreneurship in Health Care
This course will set up the context of entrepreneurship and new business development; examine the characteristics of entrepreneurs, identifying and quantifying market opportunities in the health care market, as well conceptualizing the resources and capabilities needed. Topics include opportunity assessment, regulated industry implications and requirements, as well as the challenges of expansion within an existing enterprise.

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Diffusion of innovations models in health care systems use principles of planned change within a dynamic organizational environment. Communication skills, such as negotiation and conflict resolution, help leaders analyze and respond to health care needs while using resources efficiently.

NUR 588 ................................................................................... 3 credits
Developing and Evaluating Educational Programs
Identifying learning needs provides the foundation for designing health care educational programs for individuals, families, groups, or communities. Students select and develop teaching strategies and explore ways of monitoring and evaluating teaching methods and learner outcomes. Roles of educators in organizations, communities, and higher education settings are examined.

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Dynamics of Family Systems
Family systems theories and models are used to understand the impact of nuclear families on professional and personal relationships, as well as on society. These theories and models are used as well to develop strategies for promoting and monitoring the health of families.
Measuring Performance Standards
Quality improvement initiatives rely upon data from monitoring program implementation and evaluating program outcomes to determine achievement of program objectives. The processes of developing and revising monitoring and outcome measures are used to help determine progress toward meeting accreditation and regulatory standards.

NUR 590B ................................................................. 2 credits
Nursing Practicum-B
This capstone course is designed to provide students with opportunities to integrate and apply previously learned knowledge and skills in a 60-hour practicum. Students develop specific learning objectives that are approved by faculty. Objectives are achieved as a result of working with a nurse mentor and various experts during the practicum.

NUR 598 ................................................................. 3 credits
Research Utilization Project
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Theories and Models of Nursing Practice
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NUR 443 ................................................................. 3 credits
Evidence-Based Nursing Research and Practice
This course will focus on current review of nursing research literature and research utilization through evidence-based practice. Three areas of research competencies will be examined which include interpreting and using research in nursing practice, evaluating research, and conducting research.

NUR 440 ................................................................. 3 credits
Health Assessment and Promotion for Vulnerable Population
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<td>Upon notification.</td>
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*Note: All fees are subject to change. Where applicable, sales tax will be added to fees, tuition and material payments.
# Facilities

## Mountain Region

### Arizona Campuses

- **Phoenix Area Campuses**
  - **Chandler Learning Center**
    - 3075 West Ray Rd
    - Suite #117
    - Chandler, AZ 85226-2495
    - 480 557-2800
    - 480 557-2805 FAX

### Mesa Campus

- **1620 South Stapley Drive, Suite #101**
  - Mesa, AZ 85204-6683
  - 480 557-2550
  - 480 557-2595 FAX

### Phoenix Campus

- **1625 West Fountainhead Pkwy**
  - Tempe, AZ 85282-2371
  - 480 557-2000

### Northwest Campus

- **2550 West Union Hills Drive Suite #100**
  - Phoenix, AZ 85023-5139
  - 480 557-2750

## Southern Arizona Campuses

### Tucson - River Road Campus

- 555 East River Road
  - Suite 201
  - Tucson, AZ 85704-5822
  - 520 408-8202
  - 520 888-6561 FAX

### Yuma Learning Center

- 899 East Plaza Circle
  - Yuma, AZ 85365-2033
  - 928 341-0233
  - 928 341-0252 FAX

### Northern Nevada Campus

- **10345 Professional Circle Suite #200**
  - Reno, NV 89521-5862
  - 775 828-7999
  - 775 852-3384 FAX

### Southwest Learning Center

- **9625 West Saddle Avenue Suite #100**
  - Las Vegas, NV 89147-8089
  - 702 638-7279
  - 702 876-3299 FAX

### Idaho Campuses

### Idaho Campus

- **1422 S Tech Lane**
  - Meridian, ID 83642
  - 208 898-2000
  - 208 895-9728 FAX

### Idaho Falls Student Resource Center

- **900 Pier View Drive Suite #100**
  - Idaho Falls, ID 83402
  - 208 535-3900
  - 208 535-3917 FAX

### Nevada Campuses

### Las Vegas Main Campus

- **7455 W Washington**
  - Las Vegas, NV 89128-4337
  - 702 638-7279
  - 702 638-8225 FAX

### Henderson Learning Center

- **7777 Eastgate Road**
  - Henderson, NV 89011-4039
  - 702 638-7279
  - 702 558-9705 FAX

### Nellis AFB Campus

- **554 MSS/MSE**
  - 4475 England Avenue Suite #217
  - 702 652-5527
  - 702 651-0035 FAX

### Northern Colorado Campus

- **5725 Mark Dabling Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80919-2221**
  - 719 599-5282
  - 719 593-9945 FAX

### Plains Region

### Cheyenne Campus

- **4111 Greenway St.**
  - Cheyenne, WY 82001-2150
  - 307 633-9900
  - 307 632-3158 FAX

### Fort Collins Learning Center

- **2720 Council Tree Ave. Suite #200**
  - Fort Collins, CO 80525-6306
  - 970 226-1781

### Colorado Campuses

### Colorado Campus and Regional Office

- **10004 Park Meadows Drive**
  - Lone Tree, CO 80124-5453
  - 800 441-2981
  - 303 755-9090
  - 303 662-0911 FAX

### Southglenn Learning Center

- **6972 S Vine Street Suite #366**
  - Centennial, CO 80122
  - 303 256-4300
  - 303 794-4522 FAX

### Southlands Learning Center

- **6105 South Main Street Suite #200**
  - Aurora, CO 80016-5361
  - 303 755-9090
  - 303 690-5550 FAX

### Turnpike Campus

- **8700 Turnpike Drive**
  - Westminster, CO 80031-7030
  - 303 487-7155
  - 303 487-7161 FAX

### Southern Colorado Campus

- **5725 Mark Dabling Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80919-2221**
  - 719 599-5282
  - 719 593-9945 FAX
Colorado Springs
Downtown Learning Center
2 North Cascade Avenue
Suite #100
Colorado Springs, CO 80903-1620
719 527-9000
719 527-4892 FAX

Pueblo Student Resource Center
121 West 1st Street
Suite 150A
Colorado Springs, CO 81003-4256
719 544-0015
719 544-1543 FAX

Iowa Campus
Des Moines Campus
6600 Westown Parkway
West Des Moines, Iowa
50266-7724
515 267-8218
515 267-8567 FAX

Cedar Rapids Student Resource Center
3726 Queen Court SW
Suite #203
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404
319 784-1100
319 396-3513 FAX

Nebraska Campus
Omaha Campus
13321 California Street
Suite 200
Omaha, NE 68154-5240
402 334-4936
402 334-0906 FAX

Sarpy Student Resource Center
7775 Olson Drive
Suite 201
Papillion, NE 68046-1505
402 686-2300
402 686-2380 FAX

Southwest Region
New Mexico Campuses
New Mexico Campus
5700 Pasadena Ave NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113
505 821-4800
505 797-4871 FAX

Kirtland AFB Campus
Albuquerque, NM 87116
800 881-6618
505 846-4141
505 254-9709 FAX

Santa Fe Campus
130 Siringo Road
Santa Fe, NM 87501-5864
505 984-2188
505 984-2365 FAX

Cedar Hill Learning Center
305 W FM 1382
Suite 566
Cedar Hill, TX 75104-1895
469 526-1052
972 291-1528 FAX

West Loop Learning Center
4888 Loop Central Drive
Houston, TX 77081-2214

Windsor Park Learning Center
8680 Fourwinds Drive
Windcrest, TX 78239
210 428-2150
210 428-2140 FAX

Arlington Student Resource Center
3900 Arlington Highlands Blvd, Suite #237
Arlington, TX 76018-6038
817 505-4200
817 557-2245

Louisiana Campuses
New Orleans Campus
One Galleria Boulevard
Suite #725
Metairie, LA 70001-2082
504 461-8852
504 464-0373 FAX

Covington Learning Center
1001 Ochsner Blvd
Suite #100
Covington, LA 70433
985 276-6700
985 276-6730 FAX

Baton Rouge Campus
2431 South Acadian Thruway
Suite #110
Baton Rouge, LA 70808-2365
225 927-4443
225 927-9233 FAX

Lafayette Campus
425 Settlers Trace Blvd
Lafayette, LA 70508
337 237-0464
337 354-4799 FAX

Shreveport-Bossier Campus
350 Plaza Loop Drive
Building E
Bossier City, LA 71111-4390
318 549-8920
318 549-8921 FAX

Mississippi Campus
Jackson Campus
120 Stone Creek Blvd
Suite 200
Flowood, MS 30232-8205
601 664-9600
601 664-9599 FAX
Oklahoma Campuses

Oklahoma City Campus
6501 North Broadway
Suite 100
Oklahoma City, OK 73116-8244
405 842-8007
405 841-3386 FAX

West Oklahoma City Learning Center
6304 SW 3rd Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73128
405 842-8007
405 787-4295 FAX

Tulsa Campus
14002 East 21st Street
Suite #1000
Tulsa, OK 74134-1412
918 622-4877
918 622-4981

Owasso Learning Center
9455 North Owasso Expy
Suites # I & J
Owasso, OK 74055-5442
918 622-4877
918 274-8666

Michigan Campuses

Ann Arbor Learning Center
315 East Eisenhower Parkway, Suite #12
Ann Arbor, MI 48108-3330
734 994-0816
734 994-0816 FAX

Detroit Campus
5480 Corporate Drive, Suite #240
Troy, MI 48098-2623
248 925-4100
248 267-0147 FAX

Lansing Learning Center
3100 West Road
East Lansing, MI 48823-6369
517 333-8293
517 333-8458 FAX

Flint Learning Center
3341 S Linden Road
Suites E-5 and E-11A
Flint, MI 48507-3045
810 223-9100
810 720-1640 FAX

St. Louis Campus
13801 Riverport Drive
Suite #102
St. Louis, MO 63043-4828
314-298-9755
314-291-2901 FAX

Brentwood Learning Center
1401 S Brentwood Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63144
314 301-7400
314-962-0272 FAX

Downtown St. Louis Learning Center
211 North Broadway
Suites 120 & 900
St. Louis, MO 63102

Wisconsin Campuses

Independence Learning Center
20201 East Jackson Drive
Independence, MO 64057
816 448-2500
816 795-0127 FAX

Northland Learning Center
10150 NW Ambassador Drive
Kansas City, MO 64153-1365

Springfield Campus
1343 East Kingsway Street
Springfield MO 65804-7216
417 887-5795
417 877-8046 FAX

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Suite #102
St. Louis, MO 63043-4828
314-298-9755
314-291-2901 FAX

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St. Louis, MO 63144
314 301-7400
314-962-0272 FAX

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Suites 120 & 900
St. Louis, MO 63102

Ohio Campuses

Cleveland Campus
5005 Rockside Road
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Independence, OH 44131-2194
216 447-8807
216 447-9144 FAX

Beachwood Learning Center
3401 Enterprise Parkway
Suite #115
Beachwood, OH 44122-7340
216 378-0473
216 378-0893 FAX

Westlake Learning Center
38 Main Street
Suite #300
Westlake, OH 44145
440 788-2600
440 250-0163 FAX

Cincinnati Campus
9050 Centre Point Drive
Suite #250
West Chester, OH 45069-4875
513 722-9600
513 772-3645 FAX

Columbus-Ohio Campus
8415 Pulsar Place
Columbus, OH 43240-4032
614 433-0085
614 781-9616 FAX

Wisconsin Campuses

Milwaukee Campus
20075 Watertower Boulevard
Brookfield, WI 53045-6608
262 785-0608
262 785-0977 FAX

University of Phoenix, 2012-2013
FACILITIES
Savannah Campus
8001 Chatham Center Drive
Suite 200
Savannah, GA 31405-7400
912 232-0531
912 232-6922 FAX

Florida Campuses

South Florida Campus
600 North Pine Island Road, Suite 500
Plantation, FL 33324-1393
954 382-5303
954 382-5304 FAX

Kendall Learning Center
13400 SW 120th Street
Miami, FL 33186
305 378-2700
305 378-2710 FAX

Cypress Creek Learning Center
550 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 150
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309-6169
954 382-5303
954 382-5304 FAX

Palm Beach Gardens Learning Center
7111 Fairway Drive
Suite 205
Palm Beach Gardens, FL
33418-4204
954 382-5303
561 273-1510 FAX

Miramar Learning Center
2400 SW 145th Avenue
Miramar, FL 33027-4145

North Florida Campus
4500 Salisbury Road, Suite # 200
Jacksonville, FL 32216-0959
904 636-6645
904 636-0998 FAX

East Jacksonville Learning Center
11915 Beach Blvd
Suites #101-104
Jacksonville, FL 32246-6704
904 486-2500
904 486-2501 FAX

Oakleaf Learning Center
9775 Crosshill Blvd
Suite # A-1, A-2
Jacksonville, FL 32222-5823
904 779-4500
904 779-4501 FAX

Central Florida Campus
2290 Lucien Way, Suite #400
Maitland, FL 32751-7057
407 667-0555
407 667-0560 FAX

Daytona Learning Center
1540 Cornerstone Blvd.
Daytona, FL 32214
407 352-2208 FAX

South Orlando Learning Center
8325 South Park Circle
Orlando, FL 32819
407 352-2208 FAX

East Orlando Learning Center
1900 Alafaya Trail
Orlando, FL 32826-4717
407 563-1500
407 563-1501 FAX

West Florida Campus
12802 Tampa Oaks Blvd, Suite 200
Temple Terrace, FL 33617-1915
813 626-7911
813 977-1449 FAX

Sarasota Learning Center
501 North Cattlemen Road
Sarasota, FL 34232-6421
941 554-2500
941 554-2599 FAX

Westshore Learning Center - Tampa
4805 Independence Parkway
Tampa, FL 33634-7543
813 626-7911
813 977-1449 FAX

St. Petersburg/Clearwater Learning Center
1901 Ulmerton Road, Suite #150
Clearwater, FL 33762-3311
727 561-9008
727 592-9423 FAX

North Carolina Campuses

Charlotte Campus
3800 Arco Corporate Drive
Suite #100
Charlotte, NC 28273-3409
704 504-5409
704 504-5360 FAX

Charlotte Main 2
3700 Arco Corporate Drive
Charlotte, NC 28273-7089

Asheville Learning Center
30 Town Square Boulevard
Asheville, NC 28803
828 654-1000
828 654-1001 FAX

Charlotte East Student Resource Center
7520 East Independence Blvd
Charlotte, NC 28227
704 504-5409

Charlotte North Learning Center
10925 David Taylor Drive
Charlotte, NC 28262-1041

Greensboro Learning Center
1500 Pinecroft Road
Greensboro, NC 27407-3808
336 291-1500
336-291-1501 FAX

Raleigh Campus
5511 Capital Center Drive
Raleigh, NC 27606-4166
919 854-2121
919 854-2120 FAX

Brier Creek Learning Center
8045 Arco Corporate Drive
Suite 100
Raleigh, NC 27617-2100
919 317-3354
919 317-3355 FAX

Fayetteville Learning Center
639 Executive Place, Suite 301
Fayetteville, NC 28305-5123
910 485-9000
910 485-9001 FAX

South Carolina Campuses

Columbia Campus
1001 Pinnacle Point Drive
Columbia, SC 29223-5733
803 699-5096
803 699-7651 FAX

Greenville Learning Center
125 The Pkwy
Greenville, SC 29615-6610
864-675-2300
864-675-2301 FAX

Puerto Rico Campuses

Puerto Rico Campus
Santander Tower
at San Patricio
B-7 Tabonuco St.
Guaynabo, PR 00968-3003
787 731-5400
787 731-1510 FAX
800 981-0688

Escorial Learning Center
Escorial Building One
1400 Ave Sur
Suite # 300
Carolina, PR 00987-4704
787 982-7900
787 982-7901 FAX

Northeast Region

Connecticut Campus
Fairfield County
535 Connecticut Ave
Norwalk, CT 06854-1700
203 523-4700
203 523-4799 FAX

Delaware Campus
900 Justison Street
Suite 920
Wilmington, DE 19801
302 656-1027
302 656-8608 FAX

Virginia Campuses

Arlington Learning Center
1800 South Bell Street
Arlington, VA 22202-3546
703 376-6100

Fairfax Learning Center
8270 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Suite 200
Fairfax, VA 22031-4516
703 573-2212
703 573-6461 FAX
Northern Virginia Campus
11730 Plaza America Drive
Suite #200
Reston, VA 20190-4742
703 376-6100
703 435-2160 FAX

Manassas Learning Center
9705 Liberia Ave
Suite #299
Manassas, VA 20110
571 877-7500
703 331-3141 FAX

Richmond Campus
6600 West Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23230-1709
804 288-3390
804 288-3614 FAX

Virginia Beach Learning Center
150 Central Park Ave
Virginia Beach, VA 23462
757 493-6300
757 499-1671 FAX

Maryland Campuses
Maryland Campus
8830 Stanford Boulevard
Suit #100
Columbia, MD 21045-5424
410 872-9001
410 872-0326 FAX

Greenbelt Learning Center
7852 Walker Drive
Suite #100
Greenbelt, MD 20770-3245
301 345-6710
301 345-8401 FAX

Rockville Learning Center
9601 Blackwell Road,
Suite #1
Rockville, MD 20850-6477
240 314-0511
240 314-0319 FAX

Timonum Learning Center
1954 Greenspring Drive
Suite #100
Timonum, MD 21093-4109
410 560-0055
410 560-1384 FAX

Massachusetts Campuses
Boston Campus
19 Granite Street
Suite #300
Braintree, MA 02184-1744
781 228-4507
602 383-9738 FAX

Central Massachusetts Learning Center
One Research Drive
Westborough, MA 01581-3906
508 614-4100

New Jersey Campus
Jersey City Campus
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Jersey City, NJ 07310-2778
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201 610-0450 FAX

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Harrisburg Campus
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916 923-2107
916 648-9130 FAX

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2481 Constitution Drive
Livermore, CA 94551-7573
800 769-4867
925 847-7640
925 965-6101 FAX

Novato Campus
75 Rowland Way, Suite #100
Novato, CA 94945-5037
877 274-6364
415 898-4449
415 898-9095 FAX

San Francisco Learning Center
1 Front Street
Suite #200
San Francisco, CA 94111-5398
800 448-6775
415 495-3370
415 495-3305 FAX

Bay Area Campus - San Jose
3590 North First Street
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San Jose, CA 95134-1805
800 640-0262
408 435-0174
408 435-8250 FAX

Concord Learning Center
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Concord, CA 94520-7982
800 266-2107
925 349-2300
925 681-2079 FAX

Visalia Learning Center
301 E. Acequia
Visalia, CA 93291-6341
559 451-0334
559 451-0381 FAX

Central Valley Campuses
45 River Park Place West
Suite #101
Fresno, CA 93720-1562
888 722-0055
559 451-0334
559 451-0381 FAX

Sacramento Campuses
Sacramento Valley Campus
2890 Gateway Oaks Drive,
Suite #200
Sacramento, CA 95833-3632
916 923-2107
916 648-9110 FAX

Beale AFB Campus
17849 16th Street
Beale AFB, CA 95903-1711
530 788-7810
530 788-0314 FAX

Elk Grove Learning Center
9280 W. Stockton Boulevard
Suite #230
Elk Grove, CA 95758-8073

Fairfield Learning Center
5253 Business Center Drive,
Fairfield, CA 94534-1630
707 207-0750
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Gateway Oaks Learning Center
2860 Gateway Oaks Drive
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916 923-2107
916 923-3914 FAX

Lathrop Campus
17000 South Harlan Road
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209 858-2098
209 858-2840 FAX

Modesto Learning Center
5330 Pirrone Road
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Rancho Cordova Learning Center
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916 636-9440
916 636-9449 FAX
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516 Gibson Drive
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916 783-4886
916 783-7829 FAX

San Diego Campuses
Palm Desert Learning Center
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Palm Desert, CA 92211
800 473-4346
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Chula Vista Learning Center
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619 591-7028
619 470-4597 FAX

Downtown San Diego Learning Center
1230 Columbia Street
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San Diego, CA 92101-0110
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San Diego Campus
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858 576-1287

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3890 Murphy Canyon Road, Suite #100
San Diego, CA 92123-4448
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858 576-0032 FAX

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300 Rancheros Drive
San Marcos, CA 92069
760 510-8253
760 510-8420 FAX

El Centro Learning Center
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El Centro, CA 92243
760 355-1190
760 370-9039 FAX

Southern California Campuses
West Regional Administration
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800 888-1968
714 378-5275 FAX

Culver City Learning Center
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Culver City, CA 90230-7645
800 888-1968

Diamond Bar Campus
1370 South Valley Vista Drive,
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-3921
800 888-1968
909 396-2709 FAX

Gardena Campus
1515 West 190 Street
Suite #450
Gardena, CA 90248-4319
800 888-1968
310 525-2684 FAX

La Mirada Campus
14320 Firestone Boulevard
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La Mirada, CA 90638-5526
800 888-1968
714 670-9152 FAX

Ontario Learning Center
301 East Vanderbilt Way,
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Ontario, CA 92864-1362
800 888-1968
909 474-9152 FAX

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301 East Vanderbilt Way,
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San Bernardino, CA 92408-3557
800 888-1968
909 890-2375 FAX

Hawaii Campuses
Hawaii Campus
745 Fort Street
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808 536-3848 FAX

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Suite #306
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808 693-8686
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808 247-9080
808 247-6360 FAX

Washington Campuses
Bellevue Learning Center
3380 146th Place SE
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Eastern Washington Campus
8775 East Mission Avenue
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Oregon Campus
13221 SW 68th Parkway
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503 495-2900
503 670-0614 FAX

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**Northern Nevada Campus**  
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Associate Director of Academic Affairs

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**St. Louis Campus**  
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Troy Malovey
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Little Rock Campus
Felicia Johnson
Director of Academic Affairs
Memphis Campus
Raquel Ford
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Joe Capobianco
Director of Academic Affairs
Nashville Campus
Mark Mendoza
Campus Director
Andrew Stone
Director of Academic Affairs
North Florida Campus
Dan Macferran
Campus Director
Michael Galer
Director of Academic Affairs
Northwest Arkansas Campus
Luke Campbell
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Christie White
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Puerto Rico Campus
Jorge Rivera
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Norma Serrano
Director of Academic Affairs
Raleigh Campus
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Catherine Burr
Director of Academic Affairs
Savannah Campus
Kenneth Craib
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South Florida Campus
Leslie Kristof
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Gail Ali
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West Florida Campus
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Vice President/Director
Tara Stable
Director of Academic Affairs

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Campus Director
Brian Lincoln
Campus Director
Craig Gess
Campus Director
ACADEMIC CABINET

Administration/Public Members

The Academic Cabinet shall be comprised of the following voting members:

A Public Member of the University Board of Directors (Chairperson)

The Provost (Vice-Chairperson)
The Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs Operations

The Vice President of Instructional Materials and Technology

The Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs

A member of the Administrative Faculty, a member of the Lead Faculty and a member of the Associate Faculty from the bachelor’s degree programs.

A member of the Administrative Faculty, a member of the Lead Faculty and a member of the Associate Faculty from the master’s degree programs.

A member of the Administrative Faculty, a member of the Lead Faculty and a member of the Associate Faculty from the doctoral degree programs.

A member of the Administrative Faculty and Two Lead faculty members from the associate programs.

The Academic Cabinet shall also have one ex officio, non-voting member: the University President.

Academic Council Members:

Non-Voting Members

Provost (Chairperson)

Vice President of University Services (Vice-Chairperson)

Voting Members

Associate Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs

Deans of the Colleges

Associate Vice President of Admissions and Student Records Services

Representative from Registrar’s Office, University Services

Representative from Admissions, University Services

Representative from Academic Affairs Operations

Representative from Academic Administration

Representative from Office of Dispute Management

Representative from Financial Aid

Representative from Student Services

Where a representative is indicated, they will be designated by the University official responsible for the stated functional area.

Academic Implementation Council Members:

College Deans and Associate Deans

Regional Directors and Directors of Academic Affairs

Vice Presidents of Enrollment

Vice Presidents of Student Financial Aid

Regional Directors, Directors, and Managers of Operations/Student Services

Campus Employee Development

University Services Directors & Management

Campus Vice Presidents/Directors

Program and Policy Implementation teams

Veterans Affairs

Office of Dispute Management
FACULTY

UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Dean
Lindquist, Brian G., PhD
Berry, Bill, MBA

Associate Deans
Fleming, Alisa, MBA

Campus College Chairs
Asia Military Campus
Brent Duncan, MHDOS, MM

Atlanta Campus
Sam Sanders, DM
Augusta Campus
Marvin Jones, MBA
Austin Campus
John Carroll, MBA

Bay Area Campus
Vlad Ginen, Ph.D.

Baton Rouge Campus
Lisa Babin-Verret, Eds

Boston Campus
John DiCicco, Ph.D.

Central Florida Campus
Edythe McNickle, Ph.D.

Central Valley Campus
Doris Blanton, MM

Charlotte Campus
Alex Kocharyan, Ph.D.

Chicago Campus
Omer Pamukcu, Ph.D.

Cincinnati Campus
Mary Jo Payne Ph.D.

Cleveland Campus
Barry Tolbert, MS

Colorado Campus
Doug Gilbert, Ph.D.

Columbus, GA Campus
Jeorge Hurtarte, DEE
Columbus, OH Campus
Reginald Gardner, DM

Dallas Campus
John Grabarczyk, DBA
Robert Stokes, MS

Detroit Campus
Janisse Green, MBA

El Paso Campus
James Baird, DBA

Europe Military Campus
Gregory Evans, MBA

Fairfield County Campus
Tamara Clark, Ph.D.

Hawaii Campus
Lee Nordgren, DSM

Houston Campus
Melanie Brown, DM

Kansas City Campus
Michelle Boylan, DM

Little Rock Campus
Elizabeth Langevin, MBA

Maryland Campus
Maurice Shihadi, EDD

Memphis Campus
Adam Carr, Ph.D.

Milwaukee Campus
Walter Goodwyn, MBA

Nashville Campus
Lonnie Manning JR, MBA

New Mexico Campus
Howard Hall, Ph.D.

New Orleans Campus
Barbara Holloway, DBM

North Florida Campus
Janisse Green, MBA

North Florida Campus
Sandra Bryant, Ph.D.

Northeast Arkansas Campus
Michelle Doise, Ph.D.

Philadelphia Campus
Bill Baker, MBA

Phoenix Campus
Patrick Sherman, Ph.D.

Puerto Rico Campus
Tim Sheaffer, JD

Richmond Campus
Sandra Bryant, Ph.D.
Sacramento Valley Campus
Ana Hernandez, MBA

Raleigh Campus
Kymm Watson, Ph.D.

San Antonio Campus
Frank Bearden, Ph.D.
San Diego Campus

Savannah Campus
Jenny Meyers, MBA

South Florida Campus
William Hunter, DBA

Southern Arizona Campus
Bill Ardern, MSBA

Southern California Campus
Lester Reams, DPA

Southern Colorado Campus
David Smythe, DM

St. Louis Campus
Darry Dugger

Tulsa Campus
Toni Jacobs, MSM

Utah Campus
David Francom, MBA

West Florida Campus
Maurice R Harvey, DM

West Michigan Campus
Judd Freeman, JD

Western Washington Campus
George Kelley, MBA

Campus Area Chairs
Area Chairs for the following content areas are appointed at each campus. Not all programs are offered at every campus.

• Accounting
• Financial Planning, Control, and Risk Management
• Law
• Management
• Organizational Behavior and Development
• Public Administration
• Strategic Analysis and Planning

Faculty
For a list of local faculty in the School of Business, contact your campus Director of Academic Affairs.
COLLEGES OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Associate Dean- Humanities
McCollum, Kacie C., EdD
Dean, David, PhD
Schumann, Shannon, PhD

Dean - Criminal Justice
Ness, James, PhD

Associate Dean- Criminal Justice
Walsh, Franz, DBA

Dean- Social Sciences
Hall, Lynn, EdD

Associate Dean- Social Sciences
Sharp, Stephen, PhD

Dean- Natural Sciences
Eyler, Hinrich, PhD
Ridel, Robert

Associate Deans- Natural Sciences
Patton, Beth, MA/MN
McCowan, Shawn, PhD

Campus College Chairs
Atlanta Campus
Linlin Lu, MS/ECE
Steve Northam, MA
Augusta Campus
Lorena Smith, MAED
Austin Campus
Glen Sefcik, MA
Bay Area Campus
Kristin Denver, PsyD
Baton Rouge Campus
Jane Henry, MS
Boston Campus
Ronald Pacy, PhD
Central Florida Campus
Jeff Dunlap, PhD
Central Valley Campus
Ana Moore, JD
Central Valley Campus
Anne Adamson, MS
Charlotte Campus
Melissa Nethery, Ph.D.
Chattanooga Campus
Johanna Redo, MA
Chicago Campus
Karen Randall, MBA
Cincinnati Campus
Steve Headley, MA
Cleveland Campus
Jeany Tri, M.Ed.
Colorado Campus
Craig Vanhoutte, JD

Columbia, SC Campus
Aneta Bhojwani, Ph.D.
Fenton Dixon, Ph.D.
Columbia, GA Campus
Tracy Barton-Rouse, Ph.D.
Columbia, OH Campus
James Chapman, MAS/MS

Detroit Campus
Catherine Castiglione, MS
Cora Haskings, Ph.D.
El Paso Campus
Claudio (Tony) Morales, MAOM

Hawaii Campus
George Carroll, MAE/AET
Houston Campus
Kenneth Farenick, Ed.D.
Idaho Campus
Courtney Colby Bond, MAE

Indianapolis Campus
Rochelle Robinson
Jersey City Campus
Robert Gabriel, Ph.D.
Kansas City Campus
Vernon Fields, Ph.D.
Las Vegas Campus
Nancy Graham, MSP
Mohammed Miah, Ed.D.
Allie Pashley, Psy.D.

Little Rock Campus
Demetria Kimbrough, MPH
Louisville Campus
Rilla Hynes, MMH
Maryland Campus
Veronica Boutte, Ph.D.
Memphis Campus
Jennifer Meunier, MA
Maria Wood, JD

Milwaukee Campus
Justin Farrell, MS/E
Minnesota/St. Paul Campus
Lisa Kangas, Ph.D.

Nashville Campus
Richard Reisch, M.Ed.
New Mexico Campus
Kelli Livermore, MPA
Linda Salomone, Ph.D.
New Orleans Campus
Sunny Ryerson, MSE
Northwest Arkansas Campus

Oklahoma City Campus
Kathryn Earl, MED
Philadelphia Campus
Marianne Murawski, Ph.D.

Phoenix Campus
Reggie Grigsby, MAOM
Nicole Konrad, MCSW
Avi Sims

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Puerto Rico Campus
Nereida Serrano Correa, Ph.D.

Raleigh Campus
Hyacinth Joseph, Ph.D.
Richmond Campus
Valary Rawlings, MEd
Sacramento Valley Campus
Steven Campos, MS
San Diego Campus
Raymond Rawlins, MIS
Karín Gottfredson, MS

Savannah Campus
Dana Taylor, MSE
South Florida
Campus, Jerry Kaber, MBA
Southern Arizona Campus
Robin Schultz, MAED
Chad Mosher, Ph.D.

Southern California Campus
James Henderson, MSCJ
Jackie Shahzadi, Ph.D.
Rada Chanhugathas, Ph.D.
MaryJo Trombley, Ph.D.
Southern Colorado Campus
John West, MC
St. Louis Campus
Linda Simpson, MBA
Tulsa Campus
Marvin Frohock, MA
Utah Campus
Jeff Haines, MS
Randy Buckner, Ph.D.

West Florida Campus
Janna Cleague, MS
West Michigan Campus
Brenda Holland, MA
Julie Schaefer-Space, MS
Western Washington Campus
Vanessa Earl, MBA/GM

Campus Area Chairs
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- English
- Communications
- Humanities
- History
- Criminal Justice and Security
- Counseling
- Human Services
- Psychology
- Health & Wellness
- Mathematics
- Sciences

Faculty
For a list of local faculty in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, contact your campus Director of Academic Affairs.
College of Nursing

Dean
Fuller, Pamela K., MN
Associate Dean
Strawn, Angela M., MS
Campus College Chairs
Bay Area Campus
Teena Evans, MSN
Central Florida Campus
Paula Berry-Zeller, MSN
Central Valley Campus
Sandra Davis, Ph.D.
Cleveland Campus
Lawrence Fergus, MSN
Colorado Campus
Cathy Jaynes, Ph.D.

Detroit Campus
Antoinette Dziedzic, MSN
Hawaii Campus
Glenda Tali, MSN
Minneapolis/St. Paul Campus
Karen Downing, MSN
Nashville Campus
Marcia Edwards, MSN
Northern Virginia Campus
Kathy Chelini, MN
Phoenix Campus
Pamela Cangelosi, Ph.D., RN, CNE
Sacramento Valley Campus
Jessica Gomez, MSN
San Diego Campus
Sandra Huppenbauer, MSN
South Florida Campus
Judith Fernandez, MSN
Southern Arizona Campus
Kathy Watson, MSN/FNP
Southern California Campus
Linda Seale, MSN

Campus Area Chairs
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• Nursing

Faculty
For a list of local faculty in the College of Nursing, contact your campus Director of Academic Affairs.

College of Information Systems and Technology

Dean
Smith, Blair A., MBA
Associate Dean
Purdy, Bradley
Campus College Chairs
Cleveland Campus
Rich Spinner, MSSM

Colorado Campus
Michael Hebert, MSME
Phoenix Campus
Gloria Pearson, MBA
San Diego Campus
Paul Porch, MBA/TM
Utah Campus
Ken Sardoni, MS

Sacramento Valley Campus
Patricia Wick, MA
San Antonio Campus
Sharon Michael-Chadwell, Ed.D.
San Diego Campus
Debbie Carpenter, MAED/CI
South Florida Campus
Alexandra Escobar, MAED
Southern Arizona Campus
Kathleen Woods, Ed.D.
Southern California Campus
Lori Curci-Reed, Ed.D.
Southern Colorado Campus
Rich Patterson, Ph.D.
St. Louis Campus
Janis Wiley, Ed.D.
Utah Campus
Carla Wonder McDowell, Ph.D.
West Florida Campus
Deb Stevens, Ed.D.

Campus Area Chairs
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• Technology

Faculty
For a list of local faculty in the College of Information Systems and Technology, contact your campus Director of Academic Affairs.

College of Education

Dean
Curley, Meredith A., MBA
Associate Deans
Drotos, Andy, MAEd
McCarty, Sandra, EdD
Campus College Chairs
Asia Military Campus
Linda Williams, Ed.D.
Bay Area Campus
Cathy Malone, MAED
Central Florida Campus
Jack Green, Ed.D.
Central Valley Campus
Sarah Wilson, MAED
Colorado Campus
Bill Weeks, Ed.D.
El Paso Campus
Delila Cramer, MED
Europe Military Campus
Keith Bennett, MAED

Indianapolis Campus
Carmen Giebelhaus, Ph.D.
Kansas City Campus
Charles Wittenberg, Ph.D.
Las Vegas Campus
Eve Breier, Ed.D.
Nashville Campus
Pamela Simpson, Ed.D.
New Mexico Campus
Becky Kappus, MAED
North Florida Campus
Cheryl Hearn, Ed.S.
Northern Nevada Campus
Franey Dennis, Ed.S.
Oregon Campus
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Phoenix Campus
Alfonso Alva, Ed.D.
Puerto Rico Campus
Lorraine Arbelo, Ed.D.

Sacramento Valley Campus
Patricia Wick, MA
San Antonio Campus
Sharon Michael-Chadwell, Ed.D.
San Diego Campus
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South Florida Campus
Alexandra Escobar, MAED
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Southern California Campus
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Southern Colorado Campus
Rich Patterson, Ph.D.
St. Louis Campus
Janis Wiley, Ed.D.
Utah Campus
Carla Wonder McDowell, Ph.D.
West Florida Campus
Deb Stevens, Ed.D.

Campus Area Chairs
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• Administration and Supervision (Principals)
• Continuing Education
• Adult Education and Training
• Curriculum & Instruction
• Teacher Education
• Teacher Leadership

Faculty
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