The University of Southern Maine is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges which accredits schools and colleges in six New England states. Membership in the Association indicates that the institution has been carefully evaluated and found to meet standards agreed upon by qualified educators.

The University of Southern Maine shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin or citizenship status, age, disability, or veterans status in employment, education, and all other areas of the University. The University provides reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. Questions and complaints about discrimination in any area of the University should be directed to the campus compliance officer, 7 College Avenue, (207) 780-5094/TTY (207) 780-5646. Inquiries or complaints about discrimination in employment or education may also be referred to the Maine Human Rights Commission. Inquiries or complaints about discrimination in employment may be referred to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Inquiries about the University’s compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, may also be referred to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights (OCR). Boston, MA 02109-04557. telephone (617) 223-9662 (voice) or (617) 223-9695 TTY/TDD. Generally, an individual may also file a complaint with OCR within 180 days of alleged discrimination.

The University of Southern Maine reserves the right to revise, amend or change items set forth in this catalog from time to time. Accordingly, readers of this catalog should inquire as to whether any such revisions, amendments or changes have been made since the date of publication. The University reserves the right to cancel course offerings, to set minimum and maximum sizes of classes, to change designated instructors in courses, and to make decisions affecting the academic standing of anyone participating in a course or program offered by the University of Southern Maine.

The University of Southern Maine supports the efforts of secondary school officials and governing bodies to have their schools achieve regional accredited status to provide reliable assurance of the quality of educational preparation of its applicants for admission.

Campus Safety and Security
The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998 requires universities to disclose three years of statistics regarding campus crime, including off-campus buildings the University owns, and on public property adjacent to campus in Portland, Gorham, and Lewiston. The USM report (Safety and Security Information Report) also includes policies for campus security, such as those concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes and sexual assaults, and other related matters. A copy may be obtained by accessing the following Web address: www.usm.maine.edu/police/safetyreport.htm or by calling the Office of Community Standards (207) 780-5242 to request a paper copy.
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2002-2003

**Fall Semester**

- Classes Begin
- October Vacation Begins
- Classes Resume
- Thanksgiving Vacation Begins
- Classes Resume
- Last Day of Classes

**Spring Semester**

- Classes Begin
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (no classes)
- Winter Vacation Begins
- Classes Resume
- Spring Vacation Begins
- Classes Resume
- Last Day of Classes
- Commencement

**University of Maine School of Law**

**Fall Semester**

- Orientation and Registration (entering class only)
- Classes Begin
- Labor Day (no classes)
- Columbus Day (no classes)
- Thanksgiving Recess Begins
- Classes Resume
- Last Day of Classes
- Examination Period Begins
- Examination Period Ends

**Spring Semester**

- Classes Begin
- Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- Presidents’ Day (no classes)
- Spring Recess Begins
- Classes Resume
- Classes End
- Examination Period Begins
- Examination Period Ends
- Convocation
The University

The University of Southern Maine, one of seven campuses of the University of Maine System, has been serving the higher educational needs of the region for more than 100 years, although this institution has had its present name only since 1978. The University traces its antecedents back to two institutions, Gorham State College (established in 1878) and the University of Maine in Portland (established in 1933). Today, the University enrolls nearly 11,000 students who pursue graduate and undergraduate degree programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, Lewiston-Auburn College, College of Education and Human Development, School of Law, College of Nursing and Health Professions, Muskie School of Public Service, and the School of Applied Science, Engineering, and Technology. The University is served by over 320 full-time faculty, most of whom hold terminal degrees in their respective fields and who distinguish themselves by a strong commitment to teaching, scholarly research, and service to the community. USM, as the most cosmopolitan of Maine’s higher education institutions, is rich in possibilities. It is a major educational force in the economic, civic, social, and cultural fabric of southern Maine, and as a result, provides students with formal and informal learning opportunities in the arts, humanities, politics, health sciences, business, mass communications, science, and technology.

Graduate study is today an integral part of the educational activity of the University of Southern Maine. The oldest post-baccalaureate program at the University is the juris doctor, offered by the University of Maine School of Law. The study of law has been available in Maine since the establishment of the then College of Law in 1898. The master’s degree in education was the next program to be made available, enrolling students in 1964. The master of business administration degree followed in 1971. Today, all are strong programs serving the preparatory and continuing professional and educational needs of their constituencies.

Of the other graduate degrees offered by the University of Southern Maine, some are professional in nature, others are interdisciplinary in emphasis. The entry-level master’s degree program in occupational therapy is designed for people who hold a baccalaureate degree in a discipline other than occupational therapy. The master of science program in nursing is designed to meet the present and emerging health care needs of the region by providing an opportunity for advanced study and clinical training in a profession that nationally has assumed greater responsibility for the preparation of its members. The graduate program in social work prepares students for advanced social work practice. The master of science program in computer science is primarily professional in nature and is directed to individuals pursuing careers in industry. The master of arts in American and New England studies is an interdisciplinary program exploring New England’s distinctiveness and its contributions to American culture. The master of science in statistics is an interdisciplinary program designed to provide preparation for both a research-oriented and practice-oriented career.

The graduate program in public policy and management offers an interdisciplinary, problem-focused master’s degree that prepares students for professional careers in local and state government and the nonprofit sector. The master’s degree program in health policy and management offers a rigorous, problem-focused curriculum to prepare graduates for leadership roles in a rapidly changing health policy and management environment. The master’s degree program in community planning and development is designed to educate professionals capable of shaping changes in the economy, environment, and society of New England and eastern Canada, and to assure the prosperity of communities while sustaining the human and natural environments that distinguish the region. Through a cooperative arrangement with the University of Maine, two master of science degree options are possible: the master of science in electrical engineering and the master of engineering in electrical engineering. The master of science in applied immunology and molecular biology, offered in cooperation with Maine Medical Center and the Foundation for Blood Research, prepares its graduates for either continuing study or careers in the rapidly developing field of biotechnology.

The University of Southern Maine has recently introduced a number of new graduate programs: accounting offered by the School of Business, the University’s first Ph.D. program in public policy and management offered by the Muskie School of Public Service, manufacturing systems offered through the School of Applied
The University affirms that graduate education should provide the subject matter and require study at a level that builds upon the knowledge and intellectual skills acquired through undergraduate experience. It should strengthen and broaden professional competence and stimulate independent research. Indeed, research—basic and applied—is a critical component of all graduate education. To support these objectives, the University is served both by a strong faculty and the resources of associated facilities.

The collection of the USM Library contains 1.5 million items, including approximately 380,000 volumes; 3,000 subscriptions to periodicals, journals, newspapers, and yearbooks; over 1 million microforms; more than 110,000 state and U.S. government documents; a growing collection of audiovisual materials; and access to a wide variety of electronic information resources. Included in the Library’s special collections are the Osher Map Library containing the Osher and Smith Collections of antique maps, globes, atlases, and geographies representing over 25,000 individual maps; the University Archives; and the newly established Jean Byers Sampson Center for Diversity, which includes the African American Archives of Maine, the Gay/Lesbian Archive, and the Franco-American Archive housed at the Lewiston-Auburn College Library.

Supplementing these collections are the more than 1 million print titles held in the other campuses of the University of Maine System along with the Maine State Library, the state’s Law and Legislative Reference Library, and the Bangor Public Library. The holdings of these libraries are represented in the URSUS online catalog and are available to the USM community through URSUS’s interlibrary lending system. URSUS and a variety of other electronic resources are available over the World Wide Web through the University of Maine System’s new digital library, named MARINER. In addition, the USM community has access to the more than 36 million titles available through the international OCLC online interlibrary loan network.

In addition to the regular academic semesters, the Summer Session offers a wide range of coursework on the graduate level. For a schedule of summer graduate courses, please consult the Summer Session catalog.

The Office of Graduate Studies, in association with the Graduate Council and the academic deans, coordinates graduate activities at the University of Southern Maine. The Graduate Council is made up of elected faculty representing all graduate programs. The Council provides advice regarding the quality and standards of graduate education, review of existing and proposed programs, and policy and procedures regarding admissions, degree requirements, and related matters. The associate provost is responsible for the operation of the Office of Graduate Studies. All graduate students are invited to visit this Office, located at 39 Exeter Street, on the Portland campus. The office can be reached by phone at 780-4386 or e-mail at gradstudies@usm.maine.edu. The Web site for the office is www.usm.maine.edu/grad. Graduate students are also advised to maintain close contact with the appropriate director or graduate coordinator in that school, college, or program.
Admissions

The following policies and procedures apply generally; consult the particular degree program for specific information.

General Policy

To be admitted to graduate study, an applicant must have received a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent from an accredited college or university and show promise of ability to pursue advanced study and research in the appropriate program.

Required Submissions

A. A completed application.
B. Letter(s) of recommendation.
C. Official transcript(s) of all previous undergraduate and graduate work.
D. Official score(s) from standard tests (e.g., Graduate Record Examination, Miller Analogy Test). Scores must be for tests taken within five years of application deadlines.
E. Official TOEFL scores of 550 or higher on the paper-based test or 213 or higher on the computer-based test, if the applicant is a foreign student.
F. A nonrefundable $50 application fee with the application.
G. Such other materials as may be defined by the school or college.

For additional policies and procedures governing application to a particular school or college at USM, please refer to the program description in this catalog under each of the respective schools or colleges.

Submission of Application

Except for graduate programs in the College of Education and Human Development, all documents relating to an application for admission to graduate study are to be sent to the Office of Graduate Studies, which is located on the Portland campus. All materials relating to graduate study in the College of Education and Human Development should be sent directly to the College’s Admissions and Advising Office, which is located on the Gorham campus. Once all materials are received they will be forwarded to the appropriate graduate unit for review. Final action on the status of the application is taken by the respective graduate program. Notification of final action is made by the Office of Graduate Studies or the College of Education and Human Development’s Admissions and Advising Office. All papers relating to an application become the property of the University of Southern Maine. Applicants are responsible for seeing that all application materials are received by the appropriate office and are postmarked by the application deadline.

Application Deadlines

Applications for admission and supporting material must be postmarked by the deadlines set by the individual graduate programs. Please refer to the appropriate program description for specific information.

Deadline for Enrollment

An applicant admitted for full-time or part-time study must register in that semester for which he or she has been admitted unless other arrangements are made.

Immunization Law

Maine state law requires all individuals born after December 31, 1956, who plan to enroll in a degree program or plan to take 12 or more credits, to show proof of immunity against measles, rubella, diphtheria, and tetanus before registering for classes.

Immunization records must be on file with Student Health Services before students will be allowed to register for classes.

Specific information about immunization requirements is sent with admissions packets, and is also available in most departments and at Student Health Services. The Immunization Hotline number is 780-4504.

Readmission

A student previously registered in a graduate program who has failed to maintain continuous enrollment or who has withdrawn or been withdrawn from the program, or a student who has failed to matriculate in accordance with the enrollment deadline and who wishes to resume studies, must file an application for readmission to graduate school by the regularly published deadlines for the semester or summer session and register during the usual registration period. The
application for readmission is to be accompanied by official transcripts of any work attempted in the interim.

**Classification of Admissions**

Regular admission is granted a student who has a record of high scholarship and about whom there is no question of ability to carry on graduate study.

In some instances, conditional admission may be granted to a student who does not meet the established requirements or standards, provided there is sufficient evidence to show that the student is capable of doing satisfactory graduate work. Prospective students should consult the specific graduate program for further information. A program that admits a student conditionally determines the conditions that the student must meet. If a program determines that a student has not met these conditions, the student may be administratively withdrawn.

**International Student Applications**

Students whose first language is not English are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and submit scores as part of the application documents. Only applicants with TOEFL scores of 550 or higher on the paper-based test or 213 or higher on the computer-based test will be considered for admission to a graduate program. Transcripts from foreign universities should provide the student’s rank in class, be translated to English, and be notarized.

**Admissions Credit**

Admissions credit is credit earned for graduate coursework completed at the University of Southern Maine after the student has made formal application to a graduate program but prior to matriculation into a graduate program.

Admissions credit must be approved by the appropriate graduate program prior to course registration and is subject to the condition that a grade of B or better is received for the coursework. For the maximum number of admissions credits allowed, please consult the appropriate section of this catalog for the specific graduate program. Not all graduate programs may grant graduate admissions credit.

**Transfer Credit**

Transfer credit is credit earned for coursework prior to matriculation in a graduate program at the University of Southern Maine. Such credit is normally approved only at the time of admission and request for approval must be included as part of the admissions application. The amount of transfer credit is determined by each graduate program. Transfer credit will not be approved for: 1) courses that would not have received graduate credit at the University of Southern Maine; 2) correspondence courses; 3) courses that exceed time limits prescribed for a particular degree program; 4) courses in which a grade lower than a B was received; 5) courses that are inappropriate for inclusion in the student’s program of study. For specific policies regarding transfer credit, please consult the appropriate section of this catalog.

**Admission of the Disabled**

The University does not discriminate against qualified applicants on the basis of a physical or mental disability. All classroom buildings and two dormitories are equipped with ramps for wheelchair access. The University Library contains a Kurzweil Reading Machine to assist the visually impaired. Most elevator buttons are coded in Braille. An applicant reporting a physical handicap will be advised to schedule an interview with the University Coordinator of Academic Support Services for Students with Disabilities.

The Academic Support for Students with Disabilities Office works with students to overcome obstacles they may face and to develop strategies and support services for achieving academic success at the University of Southern Maine.

Any USM student with a physical, hearing, medical, emotional, or learning disability who is taking a credit bearing course is eligible for services. Students may be asked to provide documentation.

Academic services may include: tutors; notetakers; taped readings; test proctoring; extra time on tests; interpreters (when appropriate). Students are advised to contact the office before each semester to plan their programs so that appropriate accommodations can be made. A lift-operated van is available upon request to provide transportation between campuses for students with wheelchairs. The Academic Support for Students with Disabilities Office is located in 237 Luther Bonney Hall on the Portland campus. Call 789-4706 (voice) or 780-4395 (TTY) to schedule an appointment.
Applicants may appeal an admissions decision by submitting a written appeal to the dean or director of the appropriate program. The appeal will be reviewed by the dean, director, or appropriate graduate program faculty, and the dean or director will notify the student of action taken on the appeal. Should the student wish to pursue the appeal process further, a written appeal should be submitted to the associate provost. The applicant’s letter should include all information she or he believes should be taken into account in reviewing the decision. Still further appeal of the admissions decision may be made to the provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.
Financial Information

Tuition rates are established by the University of Maine System Board of Trustees. The University reserves the right to adjust these charges to respond to changing costs, state and/or federal legislative action, and other matters. Such adjustments may be made at any time. A student acknowledges this reservation by applying for admission or registering for courses.

There are three types of tuition charged: undergraduate, graduate, and law. The type of tuition charged is usually determined by the level of the course. Tuition charges are calculated by multiplying the number of credit hours attempted by a rate established by the University. Courses being audited are included in this calculation.

**Tuition**

Charges in effect as of August 1, 2001

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All law students enrolled for less than 12 credits are charged a per credit amount:

- $354.00/cr.  
- $629.00/cr.  
- $531.00/cr.

All law students enrolled for 12+ credits are charged a fixed amount per semester:

- $5,310.00  
- $9,435.00  
- $7,965.00

**Fees**

*Activity Fee*  This is a mandatory $20.00 fee charged students enrolled in law courses.

*Application Fee*  A mandatory $50.00 fee is charged to an applicant who has not previously matriculated at the University of Southern Maine.

*Community Standards Fee*  A $25 fee is charged to any student who is sanctioned under the Conduct Code.

*Course Fees*  A mandatory fee is assessed for some courses. These fees cover costs associated with specialized instruction. Additional information is provided in University course listings.

*Distance Education Fee*  Students registering for classes offered over the Education Network are charged a $5.00 per credit fee to defray some mailing costs.

*Energy Surcharge Fee*  A mandatory $2.00 per credit charge is assessed to all students. This fee is used to help defray the significant rise in energy costs. The Board of Trustees has approved that this fee will begin for the fall 2001 semester and will be charged for a two-year period, ending with the summer 2003 semester.

*Installment Payment Fee*  A $20.00 fee is charged students participating in the University’s three- and four-payment plans. There is a $50.00 fee assessed those enrolling in the 10-payment plan.

*Insufficient Funds Fee*  A $10.00 fee is charged when a student’s check is returned or a bank card is declined for insufficient funds.

*Late Fee*  A $50.00 late fee is assessed to students who do not pay University charges when due.

*Matriculation Fee*  A mandatory one-time $15.00 fee is charged to create a student record when a student begins pursuing a degree within the University of Maine System.

*Records Fee*  A mandatory fee charged each semester to cover the cost of Commencement, transcripts, and access and upkeep of student records (Interactive Voice Response system and the World Wide Web). Students are charged $4.50 when registered for 1-6 credits; $9.00 when registered for 7 or more credits.

*Recreation Fee*  A mandatory $9.00 per credit hour charge assessed all students.

*Student Development Fee*  A mandatory fee of $3.50 per credit hour is charged students enrolled for courses at Lewiston-Auburn College. This fee supports on-site personal counseling services as well as career counseling services.

*Student Health and Counseling Fee*  A mandatory $40.00 health fee is charged students registered for six or more credits of instructional activities emanating from the Portland and/or Gorham campus for fall and spring semesters. Such activities include independent study, internships, field experiences, etc. Credits for regular classes taken at off-campus locations are omitted when determining this fee. Optional coverage is available to students who register for fewer than six credits and/or during the summer. The cost of the health fee after the four-week
open enrollment is $55.00. For more information about the services covered by
the health fee, contact Student Health Services at 780-4211 or 780-5411.

Health Insurance (Optional) Students may purchase optional insurance plans
under policies made available by contract with the University of Southern Maine. These plans can provide coverage for health care costs incurred through Student Health, family physician, or other health care providers.

A moderate cost 12-month basic insurance plan is available to students registered for 6 or more credit hours. Students who have enrolled in the prior academic year must re-enroll each year and cannot re-enroll in the basic plan if not a USM student.

An extended health care insurance plan is also available to students registered for 3 or more credit hours who want financial coverage for potential severe or catastrophic health problems. The extended care plan reimburses only after the first $10,000 of health care is already paid by the student or any basic insurance plan. Further information about either policy and coverage is available through Student Health Services.

Technology Fee  A mandatory $6.00 per credit charge assessed all students.

Transportation Fee  A mandatory semester fee charged to all students taking courses on the Portland and/or Gorham campuses. Students taking .1-5.99 credit hours pay $20.00; 6.0-11.99 credit hours pay $32.50; and 12+ credit hours pay $45.00.

Law School Study Abroad Fee  A $50.00 fee is charged to a student participating in the Law School cooperative foreign study program who wants credit for that experience.

Room and Board

The University offers a variety of meal plans. Information about the meal plans is available from the Department of Residential Life, Room 100, Upton Hall, Gorham (telephone 780-5240).

USM Meal Plans  The University offers seven different resident student meal plans. The cost is $2,662.00 per year.

Commuter Only Meal Plans  Commuter meal plans allow students to purchase food at a discount. Information about the plans is available from the Department of Residential Life and Dining Services.

Both resident and commuter students may purchase additional points during the semester.

Room  University residence halls are located on the Gorham campus and at 645 Congress Street, Portland. Information about housing is available from the Department of Residential Life, Room 100, Upton Hall, Gorham (780-5240). Limited parking may be rented for $100.00 per semester plus the annual cost of a parking decal at Portland Hall.

While the student is billed by the semester, the housing contract is for the full year. Room:

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All rates are based on full occupancy, and residents are charged for the type of housing in which they reside. There is an additional charge for living in a room which is under-capacity. That charge is approximately one-third of the base rate.

Telephone Service  Phone jacks are activated in all residence hall rooms. Residents need to supply their own touch-tone phone. Arrangements may be made with the University or with the carrier of choice for long-distance calling.

Other Expenses

Books and Supplies  Students are responsible for the purchase of books and supplies. Payment is made at the time of purchase.

Deposits

Students admitted to the School of Law must pay a nonrefundable $200.00 tuition deposit by April 15 or within two weeks of acceptance if admitted after April 1. An additional $200.00 deposit is due by June 15. Checks should be mailed directly to the School of Law. This deposit will be applied to tuition charges if the student registers and remains enrolled; otherwise it is forfeited. With permission of the Law School, payment may be postponed in cases of extreme hardship. Graduate programs requiring a $200.00 deposit include occupational therapy, extended teacher education program, and the nursing option for non-nurses with baccalaureate degrees. Other graduate programs do not require a deposit.

Newly admitted students who are approved for on-campus housing must also pay a $75.00 room deposit. After a student registers, these deposits are applied to his or her account. These deposits are forfeited if an applicant for September admission withdraws after May 1, or if an applicant for January admission withdraws after January 1. Applicants who provide the Admissions Office with written notification of withdrawal before the previously mentioned dates will have the deposit refunded.

The Department of Residential Life establishes and publicizes dates for room selection each spring. Students who are registered for spring semester and request on-campus housing for fall are required to pay a $75.00 room deposit. Usually, this deposit is applied to the fall bill. If a student notifies Resident Student Services that housing is not desired before May 1, this deposit will be refunded. If notification is received after May 1, the deposit is forfeited.

Payment Policies and Procedures

Billing  Each semester, the University establishes specific dates for charging students and mailing bills. It is the student’s responsibility to maintain accurate home and local addresses at the Registrar’s Office. Students registering during some Orientation Sessions, the open registration period, and after classes start are billed at the time of registration. The University is not obligated to mail a bill.

How to Make Payment  The University offers a variety of payment options.

• Cash  Cash payment may be made at the Student Billing Office or at an off-campus center. Cash should not be mailed.

• Checks  Checks should be made payable to the University of Southern Maine. The student’s name and student I.D. number should be shown on the check.

• Credit/Debit Cards  The University accepts Discover credit card, as well as MasterCard or Visa credit and debit cards. The University is not able to accept debit or ATM cards that do not have the MasterCard or Visa logo.

• Financial Aid from USM  The University offers eligible students grants, scholarships, loans, and employment opportunities. Grants, scholarships, and loans are credited for payment of University charges. Additional information can be obtained from Student Financial Aid.

• Installment Payment  The University offers a variety of payment plans. Additional information about these plans and enrollment deadlines are available from Student Billing.

• Outside Scholarships  Students must notify Student Billing of any non-University scholarships, to be used to pay University charges, prior to the date payment is due. Upon receipt of proper documentation, the University may extend the payment due date.

• Third Party Payments  A student must give Student Billing written authorization from the agency/employer prior to the payment due date. No conditional payment offers will be accepted. Please note: If, for any reason, the third party does not pay, the student is liable for all charges.

When Payment is Due  Each semester, the University establishes specific dates payment is due and notifies students of these dates on bills, through University publications, and on the Student Billing Web site at www.usm.maine.edu/buso.
Adding Courses  Costs associated with credit hours added after the semester begins must be paid at the time of registration.

Other Charges  After the semester starts, additional charges must be paid as they occur.

A late fee is charged if payment is not received by the due date. Students with past due charges are not allowed to re-register. Students who show a pattern of late payment may be required to pay all University charges before registration is accepted. The University also reserves the right to cancel a current semester’s registration, preventing a student from receiving grades or credit for courses, if outstanding charges are not paid.

Transcripts, certification of graduation, and other records will be withheld from students who have not paid all bills and loans due the University. This includes bills for damage to University property, unpaid charges, or fines owed due to violation of University motor vehicle regulations and library fines.

Add/Drop

The schedule adjustment period begins with the first day of scheduled University classes and includes weekends and holidays. Students may add a course during the first week of the semester. For late afternoon and evening and weekend courses that meet once a week, adds will be accepted through the day following the second class meeting.

A student who remains registered is not charged for any course dropped during the first two weeks of the semester. Students who drop after the second week receive no refund. Drops do not require an instructor’s signature. They may be processed at the Registrar’s Office, Enrollment Services Center, Lewiston-Auburn College, or a University of Maine System Center. The date the drop form is received at one of these offices is used to determine if charges should be reduced.

Withdrawal Policy

The charges assessed students who withdraw from all classes are adjusted in accordance with the schedules shown below. The date the Registrar receives written notification of withdrawal is used when calculating refunds. A semester begins with the first day of scheduled University classes and includes weekends and holidays.

Failure to notify the Registrar promptly will increase financial liability. A student who feels the withdrawal was caused by reasons beyond his or her control (extended illness or military service obligations, for example) may petition for special consideration. Such requests will be considered only if received within 90 days of the end of the semester involved. Charges will not be reduced for voluntary absence from classes. Contact the Student Billing Office for additional information about this procedure.

Tuition refunds  Student charges will be refunded to students who are withdrawing from the University of Maine System in accordance with the schedules and provisions set forth below.

For purposes of calculating tuition refunds, the attendance period begins on the opening day of scheduled campus classes, includes weekends and holidays, and ends on the date the student notifies the Registrar in writing that she or he is withdrawing.

1. Schedules For All Returning Students
   a. ACADEMIC YEAR (Fall and Spring Terms)          Refund Percentage
      Cancellation prior to first day of class          100%
      Withdrawal prior to end of second week           100%
      Withdrawal prior to end of fifth week            50%
      Withdrawal prior to end of eighth week           25%
      Withdrawal after the eighth week                 0%

Board Refunds  Students who withdraw from the University are charged for meals at an established daily rate. Additional information is available from the Department of Residence Life.

Room Refunds  Students who vacate University housing, will be charged in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Residence Hall contract.

There are many factors that will be considered in determining residency for in-state tuition purposes. No one factor can be used to establish domicile; rather, all factors and circumstances must be considered on a case-by-case basis. A domicile or residency classification assigned by a public or private authority neither quali-
A student applying for admission to a degree program is classified as eligible, or not eligible, for in-state tuition at the time of acceptance to the University. A non-matriculated (non-degree) student is classified as eligible, or not eligible, for in-state tuition at the time of registration. The decision, made by the executive director for Financial Resources, or other officials designated by the campus, shall be made based on information and documentation furnished by the student and other information available to the University. No student is eligible for in-state tuition classification until he or she has become domiciled in Maine, in accordance with University guidelines, before such registration. If the student is enrolled full-time in an academic program, as defined by the University, it will be presumed that the student is in Maine for educational purposes, and that the student is not in Maine to establish a domicile. A residence established for the purpose of attending a UMS campus shall not by itself constitute domicile. The burden will be on the student to prove that he or she has established a Maine domicile for other than educational purposes. An individual who has lived in the state of Maine, for other than educational purposes, one year prior to registration or application to a campus is considered an in-state student.

In general, members of the Armed Forces and their dependents will be granted in-state tuition during such periods of time as they are on active duty within the state of Maine or if their military state of residency is Maine as evidenced by appropriate official documentation. A Maine resident who is absent from the state for military or full-time educational purposes will normally remain eligible for in-state tuition.

A student, spouse, or domestic partner of a student, who currently has continuous, permanent full-time employment in Maine before the student decides to apply for degree status at the University will be considered in-state for tuition purposes.

A student who is dependent on his/her parent(s) and/or legally appointed guardian (or to whom custody has been granted by court order) is considered to have a domicile with the parent(s) for tuition purposes.

In-state tuition is not available to anyone who holds a non-immigrant U.S. visa. If an individual is not a domiciliary of the United States, they cannot be a domiciliary of the state of Maine.

A student who attended an out-of-state educational institution at in-state tuition rates in the immediately preceding semester, shall be presumed to be in Maine for educational purposes and not to establish a domicile. Again, the burden will be on the individual to prove that he or she has established a Maine domicile for other than educational purposes.

To change tuition status, the following procedures must be followed:
A. A "Request of Change in Tuition Status" must be filed with the executive director for Financial Resources or designee on or before the campus's first day of classes for the summer session, fall or spring semester for which residency is requested. All applications shall be prospective.

B. If the executive director for Financial Resources' written decision, to be issued within thirty days of the first day of classes, is considered incorrect by the student, the student may appeal that decision in writing, within 30 days, in the following order:
   1. The vice president for Administration of the campus. After receiving a written decision from this level within 30 days, the student has 30 days to submit a written appeal to:
   2. The treasurer of the University System whose decision shall be final.

In the event that the executive director for Financial Resources, or other designated official, possesses facts or information indicating a student's change of status from in-state to out-of-state, the student shall be informed in writing of the change in status and will be given an opportunity to present facts in opposition to the change. The student may appeal the decision of the executive director for Financial Resources or other designated official as set forth in the preceding paragraph.

Applications for "A Request for Change in Tuition Status" are available at the Student Billing Office, 110 Corthell Hall, on the Gorham campus, or the Business
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Office, 118 Payson Smith, on the Portland campus. Completed applications should be returned to the Portland Business Office.

In cooperation with the New England Board of Higher Education the University offers certain graduate programs of study to qualified candidates from the New England States. Tuition rates for regional candidates approved by the Board of Trustees will be that of in-state tuition plus a surcharge of 50 percent. Because the listing of available programs varies from year to year, candidates should consult the New England Regional Student Program Graduate Catalog. This catalog is available for review in the Office of Graduate Studies and College of Education’s Admissions and Advising Office. Copies may be obtained from the New England Board of Higher Education, 45 Temple Place, Boston, Massachusetts, 02111.

Graduate Programs
Accounting VT
Adult Education MA, VT
American and New England Studies CT, MA, NH, RI, VT
Applied Immunology and Molecular Biology CT, NH
Community Planning and Development CT, NH, VT
Health Policy and Management CT, NH, RI, VT
Independent School Teacher Education CT, MA, VT
Occupational Therapy (pre-professional) CT, RI, VT
Public Policy (Ph.D.) CT, NH, RI, VT
School Psychology NH, VT
Students admitted to a master’s degree program at the University are eligible to apply for financial aid from a variety of sources. The Student Financial Aid Office administers loans and employment programs for financially needy students. Maine lending institutions offer eligible students low interest student loans. Some employers offer assistance in the form of tuition reimbursement, flexible scheduling, or paid educational sabbaticals. Scholarship assistance may also be available from organizations, clubs, or religious groups of which the student or his or her family is a member. The University is also approved by the Veterans Administration for payment of veteran’s benefits.

**Eligibility for Aid**

To receive financial assistance, a student must be admitted into a degree program at the University and must be enrolled for at least six credit hours for a semester. Aid can be granted only to U.S. citizens and certain non-citizens. Non-citizens who think they might qualify are encouraged to contact the Student Financial Aid Office for more information. You must also be registered with the Selective Service if you are a male, at least 18 years old, and born after December 31, 1959. If you believe you are not required to be registered, please call the Selective Service Office for information regarding exemption.

It is important to remember that financial aid is intended to supplement a student’s resources. A basic principle of financial aid programs is that the student and his or her family are expected to contribute, when able, from income and assets to meet college costs.

The deciding factor in the establishment of a student’s eligibility for most financial aid programs is that of documented financial “need”; that is, when an applicant has been determined to have insufficient family resources to meet the cost of attending the University of Southern Maine, she or he is eligible for assistance. Since the federal government provides most of the funds the University allocates to its students, family resources are assessed in accordance with a formula required by the U.S. Department of Education.

Aid applicants must also meet standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress in their chosen course of study. These standards are set by the University in accordance with federal financial aid regulations and are in addition to the requirements established by the dean or director of an academic program. A full explanation of these standards may be found in a separate publication entitled “Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy” available in the Student Financial Aid Office.

A student must not owe a refund on a federal grant or be in default on a federal educational loan. Students who are in default or owe a repayment are not eligible for assistance.

No student should fail to apply for admission because she or he cannot pay the full cost of an education. The Student Financial Aid Office administers a significant and versatile program. When a student’s financial resources are insufficient to meet educational expenses, loans or employment can usually be made available. If funds are not available from the University, the Student Financial Aid Office helps students explore other potential sources of aid.

**Application Procedures**

To apply for financial assistance from the University of Southern Maine, new and continuing graduate students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid and submit it directly to the Federal Student Aid Programs for processing. If you have Internet access, you should file your FAFSA on the Web at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov. Questions on Web filing can be directed to 1-800-801-0576.

Students are encouraged to apply for assistance as early as possible. To ensure a fair distribution of funds, a priority filing date is established. To meet USM’s deadline, applicants must ensure that their FAFSA data is received at the institution by March 1. Students should submit the FAFSA to the federal student aid programs by February 15 to meet the USM March 1 deadline.

Applications are accepted after the priority filing dates, although the type and amount of aid offered may be reduced subject to funding limitations. Applicants
How Financial Aid is Allocated

The University begins reviewing student aid applications in early spring. Once a student is accepted, all necessary financial aid application materials are received, and the University is told how much federal aid it will have for students, a notice of eligibility is sent. If a student receives outside scholarship funds, the amount of aid from the University may have to be reduced.

The amount a student receives is determined by subtracting the student’s resources from a budget computed by the Student Financial Aid Office. This budget is based on typical living and educational costs for students and may be adjusted if unusual non-discretionary expenses exist.

Even after a student is allocated funds, the amount of aid may be adjusted if the student’s financial situation changes. Students must promptly report any of the following to the Student Financial Aid Office: a change in residence; a change in the number of credit hours attempted; or the receipt of financial aid from sources other than the Student Financial Aid Office.

Types of Aid Available

Graduate Assistantships are available in most programs. Generally, the assistant is required to pursue graduate studies (at least 6 hours of credit per semester or 9 hours of credit for foreign students) and to assist in supervising undergraduate instruction or conducting research. In compensation, the assistants are generally paid a yearly stipend plus up to 9 hours of tuition assistance each semester. Assistantships are awarded by the Office of Graduate Studies on the recommendation of the individual graduate programs. Interested students should first contact the Office of Graduate Studies or their graduate program director.

Federal Work Study is a program funded by the University of Southern Maine and the federal government. A student’s financial need governs the amount that can be earned.

Federal Perkins Loans are funded by the federal government, the University, and former borrowers repaying loans. No repayment is required until after the student ceases his or her education. Once repayment begins, the student is charged 5 percent simple interest on the amount borrowed. While the monthly repayment amount varies with the amount borrowed, a minimum of $40 must be repaid each month.

Federal Subsidized Stafford Loans is a program sponsored by the federal and state governments that allows students to secure low-cost loans. Eligibility for subsidized Stafford Loans is based on demonstrated financial need. Contact your local bank, credit union, or savings and loan institution for more information.

Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loans is a program under the Federal Family Education Loan Program that provides access to borrowing for students who do not qualify for need-based assistance. The student is responsible for the interest as it accrues. Contact your local lending institution for more information.

Alternative Loans such as MELA and TERI are credit-based loan programs which provide long term financing options for qualified students. Additional information about these programs may be obtained from the Student Financial Aid Office. Some lenders may also have their own private educational loan programs. Check with the lender for more information.

Native American Programs Tuition, mandatory fees, and on-campus room and board will be waived for qualified and eligible North American Indians residing in Maine. Eligibility is extended to 1) the person whose name is included on the current census of either the Passamaquoddy or Penobscot Tribes; and 2) the person who has resided in Maine for at least one year and whose name, or the name of at least one of their grandparents, was included on the census of a North American Tribe OR held a band number of the Maliseet or Micmac Tribes with direct blood lineage.

Veterans Educational Benefits Students eligible for educational assistance from the Veterans Administration are encouraged to contact the Veterans Affairs Office 30 days before the start of each semester. The Veterans Affairs Office is located in the Enrollment Services Center.

Trustee Tuition Scholarships A limited number of scholarships is available. The awards are based on academic achievement and promise, special talents, potential to make unique contributions to the University community, and USM’s
commitment to expanding the pluralistic character of its student body. Further information may be obtained from the individual graduate programs.

For additional information, contact the Student Financial Aid Office, University of Southern Maine, Corthell Hall, College Avenue, Gorham, Maine 04038 or telephone (207) 780-5800. You may also visit our Web site at www.usm.maine.edu/fin.

Offers of financial aid are conditional upon receipt of funds from all funding sources. The Student Financial Aid Office reserves the right to revise offers of financial aid at any time during the year based on availability of funds and/or changes in regulation and/or procedures mandated by University, state, or federal authorities.
University Life and Student Services

The following programs and services are dedicated to supporting student learning and success in the out-of-classroom aspects of the educational experience. Activities, ranging from dining to résumé preparation, join the academic process in expanding the university experience for all students. More detailed information about student programs and services appears in the USM student handbook, the Navigator, available in the Portland and Gorham Student Life offices.

The USM Police Department is responsible for keeping the peace, preventing crime, and delivering a variety of services including security and crowd control, crime investigation, 24-hour police coverage, management of parking and transportation, escort services and educational programs. The offices are located on the Gorham campus in Upton Hall, in Portland Hall, and at 46 Bedford Street on the Portland campus (780-5211 or emergency numbers 911 or 780-5000).

Crime Prevention and Safety

The University of Southern Maine is committed to safety and crime prevention on campus. Information on campus crime statistics, crime policies and procedures, and crime prevention programs is provided each year to the campus community in compliance with the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990. For emergencies, reporting of crimes, lost and found, or to report suspicious persons or maintenance/safety problems, call the USM Police Department at 780-5211, or in case of emergency, 911 or 780-5000.

For property loss and safety concerns in the residence halls, you can also contact your Resident Assistant or Area Director or Resident Student Services at 780-5240 (Gorham) or 228-8700 (Portland Hall).

For sexual assault or physical or domestic violence, call the USM Police Department (24 hours a day) at 911 or 780-5000. You can call your Resident Assistant or Resident/Area Director, 780-5240 (if you live in the Gorham residence halls) or 874-3383 (Portland Hall), University Health Services, 780-4050, or Sexual Assault Response Services at 774-3613 or the USM manager of Sexual Assault Programs at 780-4501.

Shuttle Bus Service

The University provides a shuttle bus that runs between the Portland and Gorham campuses Monday through Friday during the fall and spring semesters. Service is provided from an off-campus parking lot, located on Marginal Way, to the Portland campus Monday through Thursday. There is also service provided for residents of Portland Hall to the Portland campus Monday through Friday. Schedules are provided upon request from the Parking and Transportation Office at the USM Police Department, Upton Hall, Gorham campus (780-5254). Schedules can also be found on our Web site at www.usm.maine.edu/police/parking.htm.

Parking
Any student parking on campus is required to display a USM parking decal. Decals are available at the University Parking and Transportation Office at the USM Police Department, Upton Hall, Gorham campus, for the academic year. During the first three weeks of the fall and spring semesters only, decals are available at the USM Police Department at 46 Bedford St., Portland campus. After the first three weeks of classes, decals will be available at the Student Business Office, Payson Smith Hall, Portland campus. Copies of the University motor vehicle rules are available at the Portland campus Police Department, Gorham campus Police Department, and the Portland campus Student Billing Office, and on our Web site at www.usm.maine.edu/police/parking.htm.

Residential Life

The Department of Residential Life fosters community development by working with student residents on the Gorham and Portland campuses. The Department provides students with essential services such as residence and dining facilities.
For information regarding room application and selection, and dining information, contact the Department at (207) 780-5240, 100 Upton Hall, Gorham, ME 04038, reslife@usm.maine.edu, or www.usm.maine.edu/gsl/reslife.

**Residence Halls**

The University provides student housing for approximately 1,550 students in six residential facilities on the Gorham campus and a facility in downtown Portland. Accommodations are coeducational and provide a variety of living and learning opportunities for students. The residence halls provide students with community involvement and leadership opportunities in addition to safe, comfortable, and convenient access to classes and campus events.

**Portland Hall**

Portland Hall offers USM students an urban housing alternative. Located on Congress Street in downtown Portland, it provides easy access to the Portland campus as well as the entertainment and cultural opportunities of Maine's largest city. Options include single and double rooms and a variety of suites with private kitchens. All accommodations have individual baths and are fully draped and carpeted. An on-site dining facility, computer lab, and fitness center complement this urban living environment. For more information, contact Portland Hall, 228-8600, reslife@usm.maine.edu, or www.usm.maine.edu/reslife/phall.

**Brooks Student Center**

The Brooks Student Center offers a variety of services on the Gorham campus, including an information desk, the Bookstore, dining services, an ATM, student mailboxes, and a postal service machine. The Student Involvement Office works to provide students with supportive educational opportunities that supplement their academic experiences. This office is also responsible for student activities, student leadership programs, and advising the Greek Life organizations. The office coordinates with and advises student groups, and provides opportunities that make students' lives outside of the classroom more exciting while they are on campus. Questions may be directed to 780-5470, 119 Brooks Student Center, Gorham, ME 04038, www.usm.maine.edu/gsl/involve.

**University Dining Services**

Dining facilities exist at a variety of locations on both campuses. The main dining facility on the Gorham campus, as well as a cash-basis snack bar, are located in the Brooks Student Center. A snack bar is also located in the lobby of Bailey Hall. In Portland, facilities are located in the Campus Center, the Law Building, and the lobby of Luther Bonney Hall. A full service cafeteria is located in Portland Hall on Congress Street. Dining service questions may be addressed by contacting 780-5420, www.usm.maine.edu/gsl/reslife/dining.htm.

**Commuter Services**

The Office of Portland Student Life and Commuter Student Services offers programs, services, and general support to all commuter students. This office provides a voice for commuter issues that arise. The Office is also responsible for the management and coordination of services within the Woodbury Campus Center. Call 780-4090.

**Woodbury Campus Center**

The Woodbury Campus Center in Portland is the “living room” of the campus, where students can relax, study, grab a bite to eat, and interact with fellow students, faculty, and staff. There are study areas, a photocopying center, campus events info, the Center for Student Involvement, an information center, clothing and jewelry vendors, the Bookstore, the Area Art Gallery, Student Legal Services, the Dining Center, the Women’s Center, the Multicultural Center, and the Department of Commuter Life and Co-Curricular Programs.

The Commuter Student Lounge, located in the Dining Center, provides a place for students to eat, watch TV, use the local phone, or form a study group. For more information call 780-4090.

**Sullivan Recreation and Fitness Complex**

The Sullivan Recreation and Fitness Complex is a multi-purpose facility designed with fitness and recreation interests in mind. The main gym has three courts lined for basketball, indoor tennis, badminton, and volleyball. It also offers indoor...
jogging. There are squash, wallyball, and racquetball courts, and a multi-purpose room with a wood floor for aerobics, dance, yoga, martial arts, and more. The Fitness Center offers Universal power circuit stations, Bodymaster free weight equipment, Quinton treadmills, Lifecycles, stairmasters, Exercise cycle, and a Concept II rower. Saunas are also available in both the men’s and women’s locker rooms.

Students who participate in squash or racquetball are expected to supply their own equipment. Courts can be reserved a day in advance by calling the Equipment Room (780-4169). For more information, please call 780-4173.

USM students or University of Maine law students may use the many services of USM’s convenient, affordable, and accessible on-campus health care and counseling centers in Portland and Gorham. All information gathered in both University Health Services (UHS) and University Counseling Services is held in confidence. No information is released to University officials, faculty members, parents, friends, or outside agencies except upon written request of the student.

**Student Health Fee**

Each semester students who take six or more credits are automatically assessed a health fee. This fee entitles students to unlimited free office visits in UHS and 12 free counseling sessions in University Counseling Services. Students taking three to five credits may opt to pay the health fee in the first four weeks of the fall or spring semester. The health fee does not cover lab tests, wellness exams, and a few selected procedures. After 12 sessions in Counseling Services, there is a $10 per visit charge. An optional summer health fee or fee-for-service arrangement is also available. The health fee is not health insurance. If you would like to purchase health insurance, contact UHS for information about the USM Student Health and Accident Insurance for basic coverage and the Blue Cross Health insurance for catastrophic coverage.

**University Health Services**

UHS is staffed by skilled professional nurses, certified nurse practitioners, and physicians who understand college health issues, student budgets, and student diversity. Services available include: required immunizations; diagnosis and treatment of health problems; physical exams, athletic exams, work physicals, gynecological exams; lab services and tests; flu and allergy shots; consultations and referrals; travel information; self-care cold clinic and safer sex supplies; workstudy or volunteer opportunities; health screenings; communicable disease surveillance; and more.

Hours of operation are generally Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. with some evening hours. The Portland center is open year round, Gorham is open when residence halls are open. For additional information, call the Portland center at 780-4211, the Gorham center at 780-5411, or TTY 780-5646. The immunization hotline is 780-4504.

**University Counseling Services**

The staff of psychologists, licensed counselors, and graduate interns at University Counseling Services offers short-term counseling to undergraduate and graduate students. These services include crisis/emergency assistance; personal counseling (individuals, couples, and groups); and referral services. Consultation services and workshops are also available to student groups, the faculty, and other staff members.

The centers are located in Payson Smith Hall on the Portland campus and Upton Hall on the Gorham campus. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., with some evening hours. For more information, call 780-4050.

A wide range of programs designed for busy commuters are available: aerobics, yoga, martial arts, family fun days, racquetball clinics, theater trips, personal fitness consultations, and relaxation workshops. Outdoor recreation clinics and trips include camping, canoeing, cross country skiing, and sea kayaking. For more information, call 780-4630, or stop by the office in 104 Sullivan Gym.
Gorham Recreational Sports Program

Many recreational activities, regardless of skill level or previous experience, are offered. Team sports include flag football, volleyball, basketball, ultimate Frisbee, 6-on-6 soccer, softball, beach volleyball, floor hockey, arena football, and bowling. Individual activities such as tennis, table tennis, darts, badminton, 3-point shoot-out, free-throw competition, and nine-ball are offered. Come work out in our new state of the art fitness facility where numerous pieces of equipment are available including Universal machines, free weights and cardiovascular machines. Aerobics are also offered for students of all skill levels. Completion of the new ice arena has made ice hockey, broomball, and free skating available. For more information call 780-5649 or stop by the office located in 102 Hill Gym.

Off-Campus Housing

The University maintains lists of available rooms, roommates, and apartments to assist students who wish to live off-campus. The lists are available at Gorham Student Life, 100 Upton Hall, on the Gorham campus (call 780-5240), and Commuter Life, Woodbury Campus Center, on the Portland campus (call 780-4090), Career Services in Payson Smith Hall, and the Muskie School Student Lounge in the Law Building.

Child Care Services

University Child and Family Centers complements the mission of Student and University Life by serving children of students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Programs are provided for children from infancy to teens, in two facilities on the Portland campus and in Gorham and include: full-day child care (7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.), evening care on a limited basis in Portland, kindergarten care in Gorham, flex-care (child care services on a block basis), infant, toddler, and pre-school care, summer and school vacation camps. Student scholarships, provided by the Student Senate and the University, are available for eligible students. Lengthy waiting lists are common. For more information, call 780-4125.

Career Services and Professional Life Development

The Career Services and Professional Life Development centers provide comprehensive career assistance for all matriculated students. Students are encouraged to visit the centers early in their academic career to begin preparing for the future. They provide assistance with career decision making, interest testing, a part-time job service, a computerized career exploration service, and workshops to help students design résumés and learn how to interview with employers. They also maintain a Career Technology Center to assist students with on-line job searches and research. They are a participating institution in the Maine Recruiting Consortium—a job fair program for graduating seniors that draws employers from across the Northeast.

The Cooperative Education Program helps place students in short-term positions with career-related businesses. In most cases, students who are eligible to apply for Cooperative Education placements receive academic credit for the learning experience involved, as well as a salary from the employer. The office also maintains a list of available unpaid internship opportunities.

The centers are located on the Gorham campus in Upton Hall, on the Portland campus in Payson Smith Hall, and on the Lewiston-Auburn campus. Please call 780-4220 for more information.

Office of Community Standards

While at the University, students are expected to conduct their affairs with proper regard for the rights of others and of the University. All members of the University community share a responsibility to maintain an environment where actions are guided by respect, integrity, and reason. When standards of conduct are violated, the University relies upon the Student Conduct Code. It is the responsibility of the Office of Community Standards to protect the campus community from disruption and harm by offering a program of educational discipline and by enforcing the Student Conduct Code. If students violate a state or federal law or a University regulation, they may be subject to state, federal, or University disciplinary action. In the enforcement of the Student Conduct Code the University functions in an administrative manner. For a complete copy of the Student Conduct Code, call 780-5242.
The Women’s Resource Center

The Women’s Resource Center provides advocacy, leadership, and educational programming for women attending USM. The center offers a safe, comfortable, and relaxing space for women to meet each other, engage in discussion, and explore the numerous resources, programs, activities, and groups available. The Resource Program provides outreach to the diversity of women at USM in the form of programming, consultation, trainings, and leadership development. The Center also is the home of an extensive lending library of books and articles about a variety of issues as well as women’s history, feminist philosophy, fiction by women, and much more. The Women’s Resource Center works collaboratively with student groups, University departments, and the wider Maine community to address the wide range of issues important to women, focusing on the personal, academic, career, economic, and leadership development of women. For more information call the center at 780-4996.

GLBTQA Resources Program

The University of Southern Maine’s GLBTQA Resources Program seeks to ensure a University environment that is positive, safe, and supportive for members of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, and allied community. This is done through a series of educational opportunities, support services, and advocacy work. The program works collaboratively with the Alliance for Sexual Diversity student organization, University organizations and departments, and the greater community in these endeavors. The program also oversees the USM Safe Zone Project, a program that conveys an inclusive message to the University community. Safe Zone Project volunteers attend a short orientation program, and then display a sticker with a rainbow-striped triangle and the words “safe zone USM.” This shows that they are committed to being identified as safe and supportive contacts for GLBTQ students, faculty, and staff. For more information on these programs, call 228-8235 or visit www.usm.maine.edu/glbtqa.

Community Service at USM

This program supports opportunities for students to learn and grow in civic engagement through service in the wider community. From one-time group projects to ongoing, year-long commitments, there are opportunities to suit all schedules, interests, and needs. This office, in collaboration with the Center for Teaching, supports service learning, which connects the academic experience to hands-on work in the community. This work is often done for course credit and can be a part of any academic discipline. For a list of service opportunities or more information, call 228-8284.

Interfaith Programs and Services

This program provides opportunities for spiritual growth and development by providing information and referral to religious and spiritual resources; sponsoring programs for interfaith dialogue, education, and understanding; and advising student organizations and organizers of activities with a religious or spiritual focus. For a list of programs and area faith communities, call 228-8284.

Office of Campus Diversity and Equity

This office works with all units of the University to foster a welcoming and inclusive working, learning, and living environment. The office collaborates with student and employee groups to develop programs, assists in the recruitment and retention of a diverse staff and student body, and provides diversity awareness education opportunities. The office also oversees University compliance with affirmative action, sexual harassment, disability, and other civil rights statutes and policies and provides ombuds and mediation services. Call 780-5094.

Office of Multicultural Student Affairs

This office is dedicated to fostering interaction, cooperation, and communication among all members of the University community. The office strives to enhance awareness and appreciation of the many diverse cultures at USM through programming, dialogue, and cultural events.

A new addition to the office is the Multicultural Center located on the Portland campus in the Woodbury Campus Center.

The office also houses the North American Indian Tuition Waiver/Scholarship Program. The office engages in Native American student development, and provides academic support to assist Native American students in attaining their career and personal goals. The office is located in the Portland Student Life area of the Woodbury Campus Center. Call 780-5798.
Honor Societies and University Scholarships and Awards

The University is affiliated with several national honor societies. A partial list follows. For more information contact the academic area indicated. For general assistance call the Division of Student Development at 780-4035.

Beta of Maine Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta (sociology)
Phi Kappa Phi (a national interdisciplinary honor society)
Gamma Theta Upsilon (geography)
Kappa Zeta-at-Large, Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau (nursing)
Psi Chi (psychology)
Phi Sigma Iota (foreign language)
Eta Mu Chapter, Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society
Phi Sigma Alpha (political science)
Phi Alpha Theta, Chapter of Alpha Gamma Phi (history)
Phi Delta Kappa (education)
Chi Tau (biological sciences)
Beta Gamma Sigma (business/accounting)
Golden Key International Honour Society—rewards academic achievement with exceptional leadership, service, and networking opportunities. Membership is by invitation, and limited to the top 15 percent of juniors and seniors.

General Scholarships and Awards

Each spring general scholarships and awards are presented. Some awards are awarded regardless of academic affiliation and some are specific to a particular area of study. Application information is posted late in each fall semester. For more information, call 780-4199.

In addition to the Student Conduct Code, USM has a number of important University policies which govern campus life. These policies and many others can be found in The USM Navigator, the student handbook, which is available to all new students.

In order to review these policies in their entirety, please consult the student handbook or the appropriate department listed.

HIV/AIDS Policy

The USM HIV/AIDS policy has been established to protect the rights of individuals infected with HIV (Human Immune Deficiency Virus) and the health and safety of all others at the institution. USM will not discriminate in any manner against any person who is infected with HIV, including admissions, facilities access, hiring, housing, promotion, tenure or termination. USM will not require HIV testing for either its students or employees and information about suspected or known HIV infection will be kept confidential. For more information or advice regarding this policy, call 780-4211.

Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy

The University of Southern Maine views alcohol and substance abuse as a serious problem both nationally and on-campus and wishes to do everything possible to address it. In compliance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act and the Drug Free Workplace Act passed by Congress, the University publishes annually a booklet which informs all students and employees of the University's substance abuse policy; sanctions for violation of the policy; and state and federal alcohol and drug laws, offenses, and sanctions. Below is a summary of USM's alcohol and substance abuse policy.

The possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs, as defined by federal, state, and local statutes, is prohibited at any time on University property. Students who possess, use, or distribute illegal drugs are liable for public law enforcement sanctions and University disciplinary action. Use of alcoholic beverages on University property shall be in compliance with state laws and campus regulations and procedures. Violation of such laws, regulations and procedures may result in disciplinary action and, where applicable, criminal proceedings.

University Health and Counseling Services provides access to substance abuse services for students at USM. Through the assessment process, the student and counselor work together to determine the most appropriate level of care. Available services include individual substance abuse counseling, group therapy, and educational groups. The counselor and student may also decide together that referral to
a support group or a more intensive level of treatment in the community would be the best option. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call University Counseling Services at 780-4050.

**Hazing**

Injurious hazing of any student is prohibited by state law and University of Maine System policy. No person or organization shall create a situation that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health of a student. Any disciplinary action shall be in addition to any other action taken under civil or criminal law.

**Sexual Harassment Policy**

Sexual harassment of either employees or students is a violation of federal and state laws. It is the policy of the University of Southern Maine that no member of the University community may sexually harass another. In accordance with its policy of complying with non-discrimination laws, the University of Maine System will regard freedom from sexual harassment as an individual employee and student right which will be safeguarded as a matter of policy. Any employee or student will be subject to disciplinary action for violation of this policy. Sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical contact of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when: 1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual’s employment or education; or 2) submission to or rejection of such contact by an individual is used as the basis for academic or employment decisions affecting the individual; or 3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of interfering with an individual's academic or work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive employment, educational, or living environment.

Consenting relationships may constitute sexual harassment under this policy. When a professional power differential exists between members of the University of Southern Maine and a romantic or sexual relationship develops, there is a potential for abuse of that power, even in relationships of apparent mutual consent. A faculty or staff member should not engage in such relationships. Further, the University prohibits the abuse of power in romantic or sexual relationships.

To assure that power is not abused and to maintain an environment free of sexual harassment, a faculty or staff member must eliminate any current or potential conflict of interest by removing himself or herself from decisions affecting the other person in the relationship. Decisions affecting the other person include grading, evaluating, supervising, or otherwise influencing that person's education, employment, housing, or participation in athletics or any other University activity.

It is the policy of the System to ensure fair and impartial investigations that will protect the rights of persons filing sexual harassment complaints, the person complained against, and the System as a whole.

For a complete copy of the policy, additional information, or to express concern about sexual harassment, call the Office of Campus Diversity and Equity at 780-5094 (TTY 780-5646), or to the Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Region I, John W. McCormack Post Office and Courthouse Building, Boston, MA 02109, 617-223-9692.

**Sexual Assault Policy**

The University of Southern Maine expressly prohibits and will not tolerate any sexual assault or sexual misconduct as defined by USM policy. These behaviors all constitute violations of the Student Conduct Code and will be met with appropriate sanctions, up to and including dismissal. Many are also violations of Maine law and may be prosecuted criminally.

For a complete copy of the University of Southern Maine Sexual Assault Policy, you may contact the Office of Community Standards at 780-5242.

It is important to tell someone when you have been sexually assaulted, and to tell someone you can trust. Campus resources include the manager of Sexual Assault Programs, USM Police, Student Development staff and other University faculty and staff, academic advisers, Resident Assistants (RAs), Resident Directors (RDs), Area Directors (ADs), Greek Advisers, and athletic coaches. Off-campus community resources include your local hospital emergency rooms, rape crisis centers, and local police departments.
Available Resources

University Health Services


USM Police

Office of Community Standards

24-hour Community Crisis Centers: May include medical accompaniment to hospital emergency rooms for rape kit/forensic exams, anonymous hot-line counseling and referral services, legal advice and courtroom accompaniment if charges are pressed.

Sexual Assault Response Services of Southern Maine
(Cumberland and York Counties) ...................... 774-3613/1-800-313-9900
Sexual Assault Support Services of Midcoast Maine .......... 1-800-822-5999
Lewiston-Auburn Sexual Assault Crisis Center ..................... 795-2211
Augusta Sexual Assault Crisis and Support Center .... 626-0660/1-800-421-4325
Statewide Sexual Assault Hotline .................................................. 871-7741
(will route calls to nearest center)
Grading System

Courses offered for graduate credit are those listed in the graduate catalog or other official publications of the University. The determination of whether or not a particular graduate course fulfills degree requirements, however, is the responsibility of the individual graduate program. Courses numbered 600 are restricted to graduate-level students.

The following policies apply to all graduate programs.

Grades at the University are given in terms of letters, with the option of a plus or minus designation, representing levels of achievement. The basis for determining a grade is the relative extent to which the student has achieved the objectives of the course. The student’s work in each course is graded as follows: A—honors; B—basic competency; C—below competency; D—unsatisfactory; F—failure.

Other letter grades are as follows:

- **P** Pass: given only for certain courses open to the pass-fail option. (No impact on GPA.)
- **H** Honors performance in a pass-fail course. (No impact on GPA.)
- **LP** Low Pass in a pass-fail course. (No impact on GPA.)
- **I** Incomplete: a temporary grade given when the student, because of extraordinary circumstances, has failed to complete course requirements. Incomplete grades must be resolved by the end of the subsequent semester; the Registrar shall notify faculty members involved, and their department chair, of students who have carried unresolved incompletes on their transcript for one semester. If the incomplete is not resolved by the instructor, an I grade will be automatically counted as an F (failure) in the grade point average and so indicated on the student’s permanent record as “I*.” Under special circumstances, the instructor may request that the dean extend the time limit for a specific period. (Temporary grade with no impact on GPA for one semester only.)
- **INC** Permanent Incomplete: When a temporary incomplete (I) grade is not resolved to a normal letter grade, a permanent incomplete may be assigned in extraordinary circumstances as determined by the instructor and the dean. In unusual circumstances wherein the faculty member is no longer available, the dean may exercise this function. (No impact on GPA; no credits awarded.)
- **L** Stopped attending: The grade of L may be assigned to students who stopped attending a course without officially dropping the course. The grade of L will be computed as an F for purposes of the student’s grade point average.
- **MG** Missing Grade: Occasionally, faculty may assign students invalid grades for a course, or may fail to submit a grade for a particular student in a course. In these cases, the Registrar's Office will note this act by designating a missing grade, or MG, instead of a grade for the course. Missing Grades must be resolved by the end of each semester. The Registrar shall notify faculty members involved, and their departmental chairperson, of students who have carried unresolved MGs on their transcript for one semester. If the missing grade is not resolved by the instructor, an MG grade will be automatically counted as an F in the grade point average and so indicated on the student’s permanent record as “M*.” Under special circumstances, the instructor may request that the dean extend the time limit for resolution to a specific period. (Temporary grade with no impact on GPA for one semester only.)
- **W** Withdrawal after the second week through the eighth week of a semester. If a student has not officially withdrawn by the end of the eighth week of the course, one of the above regular grades will be assigned. The W notation may be obtained after the eighth week under unusual circumstances if so determined by the instructor and the dean. A threat of failure is not considered to be an unusual circumstance. (No impact on GPA.)
DG Satisfactory progress after one semester of a two-semester course. Grade and credits to be given upon completion of second semester.

AU Student attended courses on a noncredit, audit basis. (No impact on GPA.)

**Academic Record Changes**

Considerable care is taken to ensure that course registration and grades entered on a student’s permanent record are accurate. Any student who suspects an error has been made should take the matter up immediately with the Registrar’s Office. Records are assumed to be correct if a student does not report to the Registrar’s Office within one year of the completion of a course. At that time, the record becomes permanent and cannot be changed.

**Permanent Academic Record**

The permanent academic record is maintained by the Office of the Registrar for all students. While the grades may be reported unofficially to the student, academic dean, and advisor, the only true and valid documentation of academic work and student status is an official transcript of the academic record, stamped with the Registrar’s signature and embossed with the seal of the University. The transcript is available only with the signature of the student and will be released to that student or a designee only if there are no outstanding charges against his or her account with the Business Office. Other types of transcripts are: Unofficial—Issued Directly to Student; Placement Transcript provided for the student’s placement folder.

**Confidentiality Policy**

The University complies totally with the Family Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (the Buckley Amendment). For the complete University Confidentiality Policy, consult the Office of the Registrar on each campus.

**Grade Point Average**

The academic standing of each student is computed by the Registrar at the end of every semester. The following table represents the rating scale:

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Grades less than C are not acceptable for graduate work in any program; individual programs may set higher standards. Students receiving such grades will be reviewed for retention in the graduate program.

**Add/Drop**

During the first week of a semester, students may add or drop courses and select or reverse the pass-fail option. Adds require the signature of the instructor, but drops should be completed with the Registrar without signature. Drops processed during the first two weeks do not have financial penalty. The procedure enables the student to make the necessary changes in the planned curriculum. A student dropping a course after the second week through the eighth week of classes will receive the grade notation of W. If a student has not officially withdrawn by the end of the eighth week of the course, she or he will be assigned a regular grade. The W notation may be assigned after the eighth week under unusual circumstances if so determined by the instructor and the dean. All students who register for a course and neither complete the course objectives nor officially withdraw according to any one of the procedures described above will be graded F in that course and must assume all financial obligations associated with the course.

**Enrolling and Auditing**

Students who register to audit a course receive no credit for the course but will have an audit grade recorded on their transcripts. Audit courses must be declared at registration.
Credit for Undergraduate Work

The following policies apply generally to graduate programs. Consult each degree program for specific policies.

Except for students enrolled in continuous undergraduate/graduate programs with defined articulation agreements, a graduate student may be able to apply up to six credit hours of undergraduate work to his or her graduate program according to the determination of the particular program of study. In all cases, the following conditions must be met to apply undergraduate credit to a graduate program:

A. Coursework must be earned after the student has been granted matriculation status in a graduate program.
B. Coursework must add breadth or depth to the student’s program of study.
C. Coursework is not of a remedial nature to correct a deficiency.
D. No equivalent or comparable graduate course exists at the University of Southern Maine.
E. Coursework receives prior approval of the student’s advisor, course instructor, and graduate program director.
F. Coursework is earned in upper-level undergraduate courses.
G. Grade of B or better is earned for the coursework.
H. Coursework meets all existing graduate course requirements except the course number requirement.

Students enrolled in 3+2 or 4+1 programs that have overlapping graduate and undergraduate components should consult their programs for specific policies.

Requirements of Graduate Study

Thesis Requirements
The requirement of a thesis is determined by each particular graduate program.

Oral and Written Comprehensive Examination
The requirement of an oral and/or written comprehensive examination is determined by each graduate program.

Directed Study
A master’s degree student may earn up to nine hours of independent study or directed study. Students in a Ph.D. program may earn up to 15 hours of independent study or directed study. All independent study or directed study must be approved by the appropriate graduate program. Students are encouraged to consult with their faculty advisor regarding regulations governing independent study for particular programs. Non-matriculated students are not eligible for independent study or directed study.

Continuous Enrollment and Residency
Continuous enrollment requires that every graduate student must earn at least six credits towards his or her degree program every calendar year from the time of first registration until completion of all requirements for the graduate degree. A noncredit course, GRS 601, is available for students who have completed all coursework and are working on their thesis, capstone project, or dissertation. Enrollment in this course, which carries a fee, entitles the student to continued access to USM computer, library, and recreational facilities. For some programs, enrollment in this course is discretionary, in others it is mandatory. For further information, students should consult their program director or academic counselor. Continuous enrollment fulfills the residency requirement.

Leave of Absence
In extenuating circumstances a student may petition for exception to the continuous enrollment policy; the petition must bear approval of the student’s advisor and director of the graduate program. Notification must be sent to the Office of Graduate Studies or the College of Education and Human Development’s Office of Admissions and Advising.

Time Limit
The time limit for completion of a master’s degree is dated from the date of first matriculation and is either five or six years, depending on the requirements of the particular graduate program. The time limit for completion of a doctoral program is no more than ten years from the date of first matriculation. In extenuating cir-
Academic Grade Appeal Policy

The purpose of the academic grade appeal policy is to provide a fair and speedy review of all student appeals of academic grades in graduate/professional programs at the University of Southern Maine; this policy will permit such appeals to be determined in a manner that reflects the interests of both the student and the instructor. The only matters reviewable under this policy are claims of prejudice on the part of an instructor in an academic exercise or activity for which a grade leading to academic credit is awarded, and/or evident and prejudicial error in the administration or grading method used for any paper, examination, performance, or other exercise or activity for which a grade leading to academic credit is awarded, provided that the academic judgment used in determining the merits of the grade to be awarded to such exercise or activity shall not be reviewable.

An appeal under this policy shall be carried out according to the following procedures:

1. The student should present his or her complaint, in writing, to the instructor involved and shall seek to have the matter resolved by the instructor. In no event shall there be a right of appeal hereunder for a complaint presented to the instructor more than 30 days after a final grade is posted to the student’s record. The instructor must respond within 14 days of receiving the appeal.

2. If the student remains aggrieved by the decision of the instructor under step (1), he or she may, within 14 days after formal receipt of the instructor’s final decision, appeal, in writing, to the chairperson of the department or program director of the college in which the course or other exercise or activity is offered. The chairperson/program director must respond within 14 days of receiving the appeal.

3. If the student remains aggrieved by the decision of the chairperson or program director of the department under step (2), he or she may, within 14 days after formal receipt of the chairperson’s or program director’s final decision, appeal, in writing, to the dean of the college in which the course or other exercise or activity is offered.

4. The dean, after discussion with the student and instructor, may resolve the grievance by agreement or render a decision within 21 days of receipt of the written appeal. The decision may be (a) that the appeal be dismissed or (b) that a grade be changed or the student be allowed an opportunity to retake an examination or other exercise or (c) that another appropriate remedy be administered.

5. The student or the instructor may, within 14 days of the receipt of the decision of the dean, appeal to the provost in writing, stating the reason for the appeal and delivering a copy of the writing to the opposing party and the dean. The opposing party may, within 10 days of receipt of the reasons for appeal, reply in writing to the provost. The provost shall review the original complaint, the written decision of the chairperson or program director and dean, and the written reasons for the appeal and reply. The provost shall, within 28 days of receipt of the appeal and after reviewing the matter, prepare a written decision which shall uphold the decision of the chairperson, program director, or dean, or prescribe any other appropriate remedy. The provost’s decision shall be final and not subject to further review. Copies of the decision of the provost shall be delivered to the student, the instructor, and the chairperson or program director and dean. The total time for resolution from the first appeal to the final decision shall be less than 120 days. If a faculty member/administrator fails to address the appeal within the specified time frame, the student may take the appeal to the next level.

Registration Policies

For detailed information regarding registration fees and billing, visit the USM Registrar’s Web site at www.usm.maine.edu/reg or contact program offices.

Advance Registration

Matriculated graduate students may register for courses during an advance registration period. Advance registration for the spring semester is conducted in November, and for the fall semester is conducted in April. Matriculated students are
encouraged to register during the advance periods to increase the probability that they will obtain desired courses. No payment of tuition or fees is due during advance registration. For information regarding payment of bills, see the Financial Information section.

**Registration Status**

Full-time registration is for 9 or more degree credits; part-time registration is less than 9 degree credits.

*Note:* For the purpose of eligibility for graduate assistantships or financial aid, credits required for full-time status may differ. Please consult the Office of Graduate Studies or the Student Financial Aid Office for current requirements.

**Student Advisement**

Each degree student will be assigned a faculty advisor upon admission to a program. Students are encouraged to maintain regular contact with their faculty advisor throughout their program of study.

**Extramural Course Credit**

Courses taken at other institutions and the accompanying grades may be accepted as part of the graduate program provided they are taken after the student has matriculated and that prior approval is granted by the student’s advisor and program director. Extramural credit is not approved for: 1) courses which would not have received graduate credit if taken at the University of Southern Maine; 2) courses which are inappropriate for inclusion in the student’s program of study; 3) courses which exceed time limits prescribed for a particular degree program; 4) courses in which a grade lower than B was received.

In certain circumstances a degree student may request a substitution or waiver of program requirements. The program director should be contacted if a substitution or waiver of a requirement is requested.

**Degree Progress**

The definition of satisfactory progress towards completion of a degree is determined by the particular graduate program. However, at the end of any semester in which the cumulative GPA falls below 3.0 (B average) the student will be placed on probation and must bring the cumulative GPA to 3.0 level within the time set by the graduate program or the student will be withdrawn from the program.

**Plagiarism**

The development of original thinking and intellectual honesty are regarded as central to a graduate education. Although in the pursuit of these goals, students will continually consult existing works, it is expected that they will acknowledge the debt owed to others by citing all sources.

Plagiarism, the use without attribution of language, ideas, or the organization of ideas not one's own, is a fundamental breach of basic academic principles and is prohibited in all courses. Unless group work is assigned, coursework is normally completed independently. If books, journals, magazines, or any other sources are reviewed and the ideas or language therein used, they must be cited. Where specific guidelines are not given, students should consult a reference source on proper notation.

Evidence of plagiarism will result in a grade of F for the assignment and may, at the discretion of the instructor, lead to an F in the course. In addition, further sanctions (i.e. censure, probation, suspension, or dismissal) may be imposed through the Student Conduct Code.

The case of any student who admits to or is found guilty of a violation of academic integrity will be reviewed by the Student Conduct Code Review Board. The student will be subject to appropriate sanctions, including expulsion from the University. A copy of the USM Student Guide to Academic Integrity and/or a copy of the Student Academic Integrity Policy is available from the Office of Community Standards, 125 Upton Hall, Gorham, 780-5242.

**Withdrawal**

Withdrawal from the University of Southern Maine may be for personal reasons on the part of the student, academic reasons as determined by the program requirements, or by administrative decision.

A. *Student Withdrawal.* To withdraw from the University the student must submit an official Withdrawal Form to the Registrar’s Office and complete an exit interview with his or her advisor.
B. **Academic Withdrawal.** If a student has not made satisfactory progress towards fulfilling degree requirements (see above), he or she may be withdrawn from the University by the program director or department chair.

C. **Administrative Withdrawal.** A student may be withdrawn from a particular graduate program for reasons of a professional nature as determined by the program director or department chair. Such withdrawals may be appealed in writing to the associate provost for Graduate Studies.

If a student withdraws or is withdrawn from the University during the first two weeks of the semester, there will be no courses or grades recorded. A student withdrawing or being withdrawn after the second week through the eighth week will receive a W grade for each course in which the student was enrolled. A student withdrawing or being withdrawn after the eighth week will receive regular grade designations as determined by the instructor(s). Under unusual circumstances, grades of W can be assigned after the eighth week if approved by the instructor and the director of the program, and with final approval of the Office of Graduate Studies.

Occasionally students seek to pursue a second program, either after graduating from their first program, or prior to completing the first program. In either case, the student must apply for admission to the new program. All courses, grades, and quality points taken at the graduate level occur on one transcript. The new program will determine which courses will count toward graduation.

**Graduation Requirements** To be eligible for graduation from a graduate degree program a student must:

A. Complete satisfactorily the number of graduate credit hours required in the program with a 3.0 grade average. All courses completed for graduate programs must be passed with a minimum grade of C; individual programs may set higher standards.

B. Complete satisfactorily all program degree requirements as defined in the particular graduate program (e.g., thesis, comprehensive examination).

C. Submit a completed application for graduation to the Registrar.

**Certification for Graduation** Each graduate program is responsible for certifying fulfillment of graduation requirements by a student to the Office of Graduate Studies or the College of Education and Human Development’s Office of Admissions and Advising.

**Commencement Ceremony** A student may participate in a commencement ceremony only if he or she has applied for graduation and been certified to participate. In certain instances, students may participate in commencement prior to completing all the requirements; please check with your program for specific details. Applications for graduation may be obtained through the Registrar’s office.

Students may request exception to graduate study policies or appeal a decision based on these policies. Contact the Office of Graduate Studies for procedures.
School of Applied Science, Engineering, and Technology

Dean: John R. Wright

The School of Applied Science, Engineering, and Technology offers the master of science degree in computer science, and the master of science degree in applied immunology and molecular biology in collaboration with the Maine Medical Center and the Foundation for Blood Research. The master of science in manufacturing systems plans to admit its next class in fall 2001. Graduate courses are also offered in epidemiology. The University of Southern Maine jointly delivers the master of science in electrical engineering and the master of science in computer engineering with the University of Maine.

Master of Science in Computer Science

Chair: Charles Welty
Professors: Alagic, Heath, Welty; Associate Professors: Boothe, Briggs, MacLeod; Assistant Professor: Fiorini; Adjunct Faculty: El-Taha

Program Description

The master of science in computer science program is designed to provide the student with a thorough knowledge of the concepts, theory, and practice of computer science as well as develop the student’s ability to analyze critically solutions to problems and to make sound professional decisions. Students will be prepared for positions of responsibility and expertise. Graduates may assume positions involving such diverse activities as the design, implementation, and testing of software products; the development of new hardware technology; and the analysis, construction, and management of large-scale computer systems. Graduates will possess a good foundation for further study in computer science.

Admission

Each student applying for full admission must meet the following requirements (conditional admission status may be granted to students who do not fully meet these requirements):

1. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution with a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (B average).
2. The following USM courses or their equivalent with an average grade of 3.0. Students are advised that many of these courses have additional undergraduate prerequisites. If a student takes a course here, she or he should be certain that her or his background preparation for the course is adequate, either by taking the undergraduate prerequisites or by individual study.
   - COS 152/153 Differential and Integral Calculus with Mathematica
   - COS 250/255 Computer Organization with Lab
   - COS 280 Discrete Mathematics
   - COS 285 Data Structures
   - COS 360 Programming Languages
3. Official scores for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

Admission to the master’s program is competitive and based on an evaluation of the application materials by the Computer Science Graduate Admissions Committee. Students whose first language is not English are required to submit TOEFL scores. Applicants whose TOEFL scores are less than 600 on the paper-based TOEFL or 250 on the computer-based TOEFL must demonstrate the language skills requisite for graduate study before they can be admitted.

Applicants meeting the entrance requirements for a master’s in computer science will be granted regular admission status. Applicants not meeting the entrance requirements of the program may be granted conditional admission during which time the student must compensate for any specific academic deficiency. The Computer Science Graduate Admissions Committee will designate specific undergradu-
ate computer science and mathematics courses to remedy admissions deficiencies. These courses will carry no credit toward the master’s degree and must be successfully completed and must precede the completion of 12 hours of graduate credit. Upon successful completion of the designated preparatory coursework the student may be granted regular admission status.

**Application Materials**

In addition to the materials described in the Admissions chapter, applicants for this program must submit three letters of recommendation attesting to the candidate’s academic and/or professional accomplishments.

**Application Deadlines**

The application deadline is March 1 for fall semester (September) and October 1 for spring semester (January) admission.

**Program Policies**

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of this program are as follows:

*Transfer Credit* A maximum of 9 credit hours of transfer credit may be used toward the degree.

*Continuous Enrollment* Every semester a student must either register for a course or for GRS 601 to maintain continuous enrollment. Students who do not maintain continuous enrollment will be dropped from the program and will have to reapply for admission to continue with the degree. Students who anticipate being unable to take classes may apply for a fixed-term leave of absence.

*Time Limit* All required courses for the M.S. degree must be completed within six years prior to graduation. Otherwise, additional coursework must be taken to fulfill program requirements.

**Program Requirements**

All master’s candidates must complete a minimum of 30 total credits, which must include a 6-credit master’s project, COS 698, and 12 credits of graduate-level computer science courses, excluding COS 598. At most two courses from other departments may be used toward the graduate degree, and these must be approved in advance by the Computer Science Department. At most three credits of COS 598 can be used toward the graduate degree.

If a student does not have the equivalent of a specific course from the following list in her or his previous studies, she or he must take it and may use it toward fulfillment of the degree requirements. Courses taken previously to meet other degree requirements cannot be used in the service of the graduate degree.

- MAT 380 Probability and Statistics (MAT 281 and MAT 282 together may substitute)
- COS 450 Operating Systems

Either one of:
- COS 385 Design of Computing Algorithms
- COS 480 Theory of Computation

The master’s project may take either one of the following two forms:

1. Academic thesis: the student works on research under the supervision of a thesis committee composed of faculty members.

2. Practicum: the student works on an application of computer science to a problem at his or her place of employment under the supervision of representatives of the faculty and the employer.

Both types require a project proposal that must be approved by a committee of at least three members, the committee that is subsequently responsible for supervising the project. Both require a written final, summary document describing the results of the project. This document must be approved by the supervising committee and published according to Departmental specifications.

To ensure that the degree candidate’s studies are focused and lead to a deeper knowledge in an area, she or he must choose an emphasis in computer systems, software development, or an area designed by the student. For details of student designed emphases, see Departmental guidelines.

Either emphasis requires the items noted above. The specific requirements of each are as follows:

1. Master of science degree in computer science with emphasis in computer systems.
   a. Complete four of the following courses:
      - COS 355 Computer Architecture
      - COS 385 Design of Computing Algorithms
COS 450 Operating Systems
COS 460/540 Computer Networks
COS 465/542 Distributed Operating Systems
COS 543 Distributed Systems: A Second Course
COS 545 Wireless Data Communication
COS 552 Advanced Computer Networks
COS 555 Advanced Computer Architecture
COS 562 Performance Analysis
COS 566 Simulation and Analytical Modeling

b. Complete a six-credit master’s project, COS 698, addressing a computer systems topic or problem.

2. Master of science degree in computer science with emphasis in software development.
   a. Complete four of the following courses:
      COS 365 Object Oriented Design
      COS 368 Graphical User Interface Design
      COS 372 Software Engineering
      COS 385 Design of Computing Algorithms
      COS 452 Computer Graphics
      COS 457 Database Systems
      COS 469 Introduction to Compiler Construction
      COS 558 Database Management
      COS 565 Software Design and Development
      COS 574 Advanced Computer Graphics
      COS 576 Advanced Object Oriented Design
      COS 587 Introduction to Parallel Computation
   b. Complete a six-credit master’s project, COS 698, addressing a software development topic or problem.

(Restricted to students with full graduate standing in the Computer Science Department or permission of the instructor.)

COS 540 Computer Networks
An introduction to computer networks. Computer network architecture is described. Other topics include digital data communication, local area networks, wide area networks, internetworks, and the Internet. Specific technologies, including Ethernet and ATM, and protocols, including TCP/IP, will be considered in detail. Prerequisite: graduate standing. Cr 3.

COS 542 Distributed Systems
An introduction to the design and operation of distributed systems. Topics include client-server models, interprocess communications, RPC, replication and consistency, online transaction processing, error and fault recovery, encryption, and security. Examples will be taken from extant distributed systems. Students will design and implement a distributed system. Prerequisites: COS 450 and COS 460, or their equivalents, or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

COS 543 Distributed Systems: A Second Course
A continuation of COS 465/542, the course covers advanced topics relating to distributed systems that are not addressed in the first course. Specific topics include shared data, managing file replication, currency control, distributed transactions, fault tolerance and security. Case studies of existing systems and examination of new developments are also addressed. Prerequisites: COS 465 or COS 542. Cr 3.

COS 545 Wireless Data Communication
A seminar-based course that surveys the rapidly evolving field of wireless data networks. Wireless technologies, systems, and services are investigated with emphasis on existing systems and standards. Topics cover mobile data and wireless LANs. Prerequisite: COS 460, an equivalent course, or substantial experience with computer network architecture. Cr 3.

COS 550 Advanced Operating Systems
Topics include cooperating processes, privacy and protection of system and user processes, hardware aids, basic concepts of networks and distributed processing. System performance analysis may also be covered. Prerequisite: COS 450. Cr 3.

COS 552 Advanced Computer Networks
This second course in computer networks explores recent developments with particular emphasis on fiber optic high speed networks. A laboratory component involving performance evaluation of network protocols may be included. Prerequisite: COS 460 or graduate standing. Cr 3.

COS 555 Advanced Computer Architecture
This course presents topics from research areas in computer architecture as well as advanced and
emerging technologies. Possible topics are parallel machines, content addressable memories, VLSI systems.

**COS 558 Database Management**
After an overview of modern database management systems (DBMS) which discusses the significance of the relational model, the course examines selected research topics from the current literature. Topics in the past have included logic and databases, database design methodologies, and object-oriented systems. Prerequisite: COS 457 or graduate standing.

**COS 562 Performance Analysis**
The course integrates system measurement, analytic modeling, and simulation modeling to develop computer system performance evaluation techniques. The approach will be problem-oriented with emphasis on benchmarking, simulation modeling and queuing models. Subjects covered will include system measurement, operational analysis, simulation modeling, analysis of simulation results, and mean value analysis. Prerequisites: MAT 380 or equivalent and some experience with an operating system.

**COS 565 Software Design and Development**
A study of techniques and approaches related to the design and development of large scale software products. Consideration of formal methods for specification, analysis, design, implementation, and testing. A “large” group programming project will be the vehicle for much of the learning in this course.

**COS 566 Simulation and Analytical Modeling**
The theoretical limitations of analytical modeling will be contrasted with the practical limitations of simulation. The BCMP family of analytical models will be presented along with the computational solutions of these models. The use of simulation will be discussed with regard to a high level language (such as SIM-SCRIPT). Such topics as model verification and evaluation of experimental results will be considered.

**COS 570 Seminar: Advanced Topics in Computer Science**
Topics vary from year to year. Will include current research, emerging technologies, case studies.

**COS 572 Advanced Artificial Intelligence**
A survey course that explores the key areas of research within the field of artificial intelligence. Topics discussed include knowledge representation, search, computer vision, automated reasoning, planning, learning, and robotics. The nature of the problems underlying each area, relevant theoretical results, and successful systems are discussed. Prerequisite: COS 472 or graduate standing.

**COS 574 Advanced Computer Graphics**
Advanced computer graphics techniques are described and analyzed. Subjects considered include the projection of 3D objects to 2D, hierarchical object representation, representation of 3D curves and surfaces, illumination and shading, solid modeling, and advanced graphics hardware. Prerequisite: COS 452 or instructor's permission.

**COS 576 Advanced Object Oriented Design**
Considers issues that arise in the design and development of object oriented software systems. Topics include object oriented design patterns, software development environments, components, frameworks, and computing with objects in a distributed environment. Programming projects are a key part of the course. Prerequisite: COS 365 or permission of the instructor.

**COS 580 Advanced Theory of Computation: Computability and Complexity**
Explores the nature of computation from a mathematical point of view, and determines why many fundamentally important computational problems apparently have no efficient solution, or even no solution at all. Topics include models of computation, the Church-Turing thesis, computably enumerable sets, undecidable problems, the Halting Problem, resource-bounded complexity classes, NP-complete and NP-hard problems, the Traveling Salesman and other optimization problems, and computational reducibility. Connections may also be drawn to the foundations of mathematics and Gödel’s Incompleteness Theorem. Prerequisite: COS 480 or permission from the instructor.

**COS 582 Design and Analysis of Algorithms**
This course deals with the analysis of algorithms, and the relevance of such analysis to the design of efficient computer algorithms. Examination of such topics as sorting, tree and graph algorithms, pattern matching, algebraic simplification and transformations, NP-hard problems, and approximation algorithms. A balance is struck between the derivation of results of theoretical significance and the practical endeavor of designing efficient algorithms.

**COS 585 Combinatorial Optimization**
Combinatorial optimization problems include the Traveling Salesman problem, bin packing, and facility location in networks. These problems, while easy to describe, are often difficult to solve exactly. This course considers various combinatorial optimization problems and optimal and approximate algorithms.

**COS 587 Introduction to Parallel Computation**
An introduction to the field of parallel algorithms and techniques for efficient parallelisation. The course considers the designs and analysis of parallel algorithms from the context of an abstract ma-
chine independent programming language as well as from the viewpoint of existing parallel architectures.

**COS 598 Internship**

Students apply their learning to a specific problem in a practical context under faculty and managerial supervision. See Departmental guidelines for more details. Prerequisites: full graduate standing and prior approval of proposal by instructor and Department chair. Cr 1-3.

**COS 697 Independent Study**

An opportunity for graduate students to pursue areas not currently offered in the graduate curriculum. Cr 3.

**COS 698 Master's Project**

A six-credit project is required of all students. The project must be approved by the computer science faculty in advance. Offered only as a pass/fail course. Prerequisites: full graduate standing and faculty approval. Cr 6.

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**Master of Science in Applied Immunology and Molecular Biology**

*Chair:* Ah-Kau Ng

*Professors:* Ng, Thompson; *Associate Professor:* Pelsue; *Assistant Professor:* Dubois; *Adjunct Professors:* Ault, J. Haddow, Hillman, Knight, Lovett, Mahoney, Nishayama, Rhodes, Ritchie; *Adjunct Associate Professors:* Allen, Chandler, Craig, Doherty, Friesel, Himmelfarb, Jones, Moody, Smith, Vary, Weber, Yentsch; *Adjunct Assistant Professors:* Beckett, Liaw, McMillan, Sears, Siekman, Weisberg, Whitaker; *Adjunct Instructors:* Breggia, P. Haddow, Palomaki

**Applied Medical Sciences**

The Department of Applied Medical Sciences offers the master’s degree in applied immunology and molecular biology. Immunologic and molecular biology techniques have found applications in areas as diverse as cancer research, molecular genetics, marine biology, developmental biology, human reproduction, and organ transplantation. Furthermore, immunodiagnostic assays and molecular biology tests to detect such materials as infectious agents and disease markers have revolutionized the diagnostic industry by providing sophisticated, specific, and sensitive assays.

The M.S. program in applied immunology and molecular biology is designed to prepare students for careers in basic research, clinical diagnosis, industrial research, and teaching. The program is truly interdisciplinary, providing graduates with a sound background in immunology and molecular biology. Laboratory skills are emphasized. These include, but are not limited to, in vivo and in vitro cellular and humoral immune function assays, production and characterization of heterogeneous and monoclonal antibodies, immunodiagnostic techniques, and methods in biochemistry and molecular biology. Intensive electives and externships in advanced immunologic or biochemical applications and theory, as well as opportunities for thesis projects, are offered with research, clinical, and industrial laboratories throughout Maine. The student will be provided the opportunity to tailor programs specifically to individual interest. In addition, coursework includes the refinement of such general skills as are required of all scientists—namely: critical evaluation and presentation of current scientific literature, the reading and writing of technical material, problem solving, experimental design, logic, and ethics.

The University of Southern Maine Department of Applied Medical Sciences laboratory facilities and the laboratories of program affiliates provide students with the opportunity to work with all equipment that is commonly found in the modern immunology and molecular biology laboratories.

**Epidemiology Courses**

In addition to the applied immunology and molecular biology master’s program, the Department of Applied Medical Sciences offers courses in epidemiology and applied biostatistics.

**Admission**

The program is directed to the following individuals: graduates in life sciences; biomedical scientists; researchers; and technologists employed or prepared to be employed in public or private research laboratories, industrial laboratories, and health care and educational institutions.

For maximum consideration for admission to the program, a grade point average of 3.0 in undergraduate science and mathematics courses is highly recommended.
It is highly recommended that the applicant have completed courses in the following subjects or their equivalents: organic chemistry; biochemistry; microbiology; genetics; cellular and molecular biology; physiology.

The Applied Immunology and Molecular Biology Graduate Committee is responsible for evaluating applicants and recommending candidates for admission. Interviews by members of this committee may be required of applicants. Applicants who have deficiencies in background courses that the committee considers essential for success in the program may be conditionally admitted, with full admission being dependent upon satisfactory completion of those courses.

Application Materials

In addition to the materials described in the Admissions chapter, applicants for this program must submit: 1) official scores for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and 2) three letters of recommendation attesting to the candidate's academic and/or professional accomplishments.

Application Deadline

The application deadline is May 1 for maximum consideration for fall semester (September), but applications will be accepted until August 1. For spring semester (January) the dates are November 1 and December 1.

Program Policies

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of this program are as follows:

No more than 14 graduate credits completed prior to matriculation can be applied to the degree.

All required courses must be completed within six years prior to graduation. Otherwise, additional coursework must be taken to fulfill program requirements.

Program Requirements

Forty credits are required for the master of science degree in applied immunology and molecular biology, 24 credits of required core courses, 6 credits of thesis research, 3 credits of Journal Club/Seminar, and 7 credits of electives and externships.

Each student will be assigned an academic committee, which will be responsible for ensuring that the student fulfills all requirements for the program. All students must complete the following courses:

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Electives (for degree students only) will be available in the form of advanced seminars or tutorials in many areas including:

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Externships will be available throughout the state of Maine in many laboratories that use immunological and molecular biology techniques in clinical, basic research, and industrial applications. These affiliates include biomedical, biotechnological, marine biological, and educational institutions.

**Health insurance is required for students enrolled in laboratory courses.**

**Laboratory Fees**

Laboratory fees are assessed in AIM laboratory courses to cover the cost of supplies and materials.

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**AIM 530 Molecular Biology**

This course covers basic principles of molecular biology. Lecture topics include biomolecules and cellular organization, structure and function of DNA, DNA replication, gene expression, RNA transcription and processing, protein synthesis and ribosome structure, cell cycle and signaling, gene rearrangement, retrovirology, developmental and cancer genetics, and recombinant DNA technology. 
Cr 3.

**AIM 531 Molecular Biology Laboratory**

The laboratory introduces the student to basic molecular biology techniques. The protocols include DNA and RNA isolation, plasmid preparation, agarose gel electrophoresis, restriction digestion, DNA synthesis, gene transfection, gene cloning, DNA sequencing, Northern and Southern blot analysis, computer searches and data mapping. Instructor’s permission required. Cr 3.

**AIM 560 Virology**

This is a graduate-level survey of animal virology that is also suitable for advanced undergraduate biology and biochemistry students. Structure, replication, molecular biology, pathogenesis, epidemiology, and medical importance of major virus groups are discussed. Molecular genetic manipulation of viral genomes for gene therapy and vaccine development is also a major focus of the course. Experimental approaches that have provided significant insights into the biology of animal viruses are emphasized. Cr 3.

**AIM 599/BIO 431 Immunology**

This is an introductory course dealing with general principles of immunology. Topics to be surveyed include the basic principles of natural and acquired immunities (both tumoral and cell-mediated), molecular and cellular components of the immune system, immuno-assays, and clinical aspects of immunology. Cr 3.

**AIM 610 Cellular Immunology**

This course stresses the cellular components of the immune system. Specific topics include characterization of the cells of the immune system, cellular interactions during immune responses, distinguishing subpopulations of lymphocytes and their functions, the role of phagocytic cells, tolerance, and the problems of immunization such as antigen dose, route of administration, and characterization of the immune response over time. Cr 3.

**AIM 611 Cellular Immunology Laboratory**

This course consists of a series of comprehensive laboratories in which students learn basic techniques for the isolation, identification and functional analysis of cells in the immune system. The role of T cells, B cells, NK cells, macrophages and neutrophils in the cellular immune response is examined through assays such as mixed lymphocyte culture, $^{3}Cr$ Release, NBT dye reduction, $^{3}H$ thymidine uptake, flow cytometry and microcytotoxicity. Emphasis will be on experimental design, and the clinical and research applications of the procedures used. Permission of the instructor is required. Cr 3.

**AIM 620 Molecular Immunology**

This course stresses the molecular components of the immune system. Specific topics include the genetics, synthesis, and structures of antibody molecules and T-cell receptors, the molecular basis for the generation of diversity, genetic regulation of the immune response, structure and function of the major histocompatibility complex, and the kinetics of antibody-antigen interactions. This course will also consider the practical problems of antibody purification, determination of antibody affinity and avidity, preparation of antibody fragments, deter-
ministration of antibody classes and subclasses, and the design of assays using enzyme-conjugated and radioactively labeled reagents. Cr 3.

AIM 621 Molecular Immunology Laboratory
In this laboratory course the student will purify, quantitate, and characterize human immunoglobulins utilizing a variety of biochemical techniques. Emphasis is on protein chemistry, with the student becoming familiar with precipitation techniques, methods of protein quantitation, chromatography (both high and low pressure), ELISA, radial immunodiffusion, several types of electrophoresis, Western blot and immunoassay. Introductory molecular biology lab pertinent to immunology is also included. Prerequisite: AIM 611 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

AIM 630 Medical Immunology
This course stresses the medical relevance and application of immunology, both in the laboratory and in the clinic. Specific topics covered include assay formats and design, assay interpretation, new technology and instrumentation, the role of the immune system in protection, the interactions of the immune system with inflammation, as well as the diagnosis, pathologic mechanisms, and treatments of immunodeficiency, autoimmune, and lymphoproliferative diseases.

AIM 654 Hybridoma Methodology
This laboratory course covers basic concepts and techniques in hybridoma production, including: immunogen preparation; immunization; cell hybridization; hybrid screening by immunoassay, cell cloning, scale-up production; and antibody purification. Instructor’s permission required. Cr 2.

AIM 665 Tissue Culture Techniques
This laboratory course covers basic concepts and techniques in mammalian cell culture, including: sterilization; cultivation of both suspension and monolayer; cryopreservation; and quality control procedures. Instructor’s permission required. Cr 2.

AIM 672 Advanced Techniques in Molecular Biology
This course builds on AIM 671 by developing specialized projects utilizing advanced molecular techniques such as mutation analysis, genome screening, and gene expression. Cr var.

AIM 680 Molecular Basis of Disease
This course focuses on biochemical and genetic nature of human disease. It will cover the strategies of gene mapping and identification, molecular pathology, functional genomics, and gene therapy of human heritable diseases. Cr 3.

AIM 681 Molecular Parasitology
Eukaryotic parasites are major causes of human morbidity and mortality. Design of suitable treatment methods or effective preventive measures such as vaccines are challenges that are only beginning to be addressed through increasing understanding of the molecular biology and biochemistry of these organisms. Molecular studies of parasite biology and of parasite-host interactions have provided fundamental molecular biological and immunological insights with broad relevance. This course explores critical molecular genetic, developmental, and immunological aspects of parasite biology and of parasite-host interactions with an emphasis on selected parasites that are of particular medical importance. Parasites emphasized include those that have been targeted for increased research and control efforts by the World Health Organization. These include the agents of malaria, schistosomiasis, African trypanosomiasis, leishmaniasis, Chagas disease, lymphatic filariasis, and onchocerciasis. Examination of primary research literature is emphasized. Cr 3.

AIM 690 Journal Club/Seminar
The Journal Club is intended to keep the participants current in immunology and to instruct them in the techniques of evaluating scientific literature critically and clearly presenting scientific information. The seminar, directed by faculty members responsible for the corresponding core course material and including outside lectures from among the affiliates as well as other academic institutions, will provide the student with an opportunity to discuss practical applications of the core lecture material. Cr 1 per semester.

AIM 695 Externship
Cr var.

AIM 698 Thesis
Cr 6.

Courses in Epidemiology and Applied Biostatistics

AMS 535 Introduction to Epidemiologic Research
This course is intended to give students a basic foundation in principles for the conduction and interpretation of population-based studies of the distribution, etiology, and control of disease. Topics will include randomized experiments, non-randomized cohort studies, case-control studies, cross-sectional and ecological studies, causal inference, source of bias, and measures of effect. Recent publications from the epidemiologic and general medical literature will be used to illustrate the application of the concepts to specific epidemiologic issues. Cr 3.

AMS 545 Applied Biostatistical Analysis
This course is intended to give students a working understanding of the major types of biostatistical analysis used in laboratory sciences, clinical research, and public health. Topics will include estimation, descriptive statistics, crosstabulations and stratified analysis, life tables, multiple regression, and logistic regression. The course is designed pri-
arily for students with little formal training in biostatistics, but may also prove valuable to other students who desire a course providing an integrated approach to diverse biostatistical techniques within an applied framework. Students will learn to manipulate datasets, analyze them, and interpret the results using the SAS software package. Cr 3.

AMS 578 Epidemiology of Infectious Disease
This course will provide an introduction to the epidemiologic basis for the prevention and control of communicable diseases through the study of specific infections including HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, viral hepatitis, rabies, influenza, and Lyme disease. The course will also include exercises on the investigation of acute disease outbreaks and discussions of immunization, institutional infection control, foodborne illnesses, and emerging infectious diseases. The course is open to advanced undergraduate and graduate students. Cr 3.

AMS 580 AIDS: Scientific, Social, and Political Foundations
This course will approach HIV/AIDS from a multidisciplinary perspective. It is intended to provide a solid introduction to HIV/AIDS for persons who are likely to be confronting AIDS issues in their professional work. Scientific topics to be addressed include HIV virology, immunology, natural history, and transmission. Guest lecturers will also address psychological and sociological aspects of the epidemic as well as issues in law, ethics, education, and prevention strategies. The course is open to advanced undergraduate and graduate students. Cr 3.

AMS 605 Principles of Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics
This course is intended for physicians and provides intensive discussion of important principles in designing, conducting, and analyzing clinical studies. Topics will include randomization, ethical issues, control of bias, analysis of cohort data, regression models, contingency tables, matched studies, and misuses of statistics. Students will present and discuss ongoing research projects. Cr 3.

AMS 638 Practicum in Epidemiologic Research
This course is designed to provide students with direct experience in the formulation of epidemiologic hypotheses and the analysis and interpretation of data. Each student will frame a research question that can be addressed using a dataset available on campus or elsewhere in Maine. With guidance from faculty, each student will conduct data analyses and will write a report in the format of a journal article. Prerequisites: AMS 535 and 545 or equivalent. Cr 4.

AMS 673 Epidemiology and Prevention of Cancer
This course provides a comprehensive review and synthesis of epidemiologic studies of the causes of several of the most common forms of cancer in humans. The role of genetics, diet, smoking, hormones, occupation, and other factors will be considered. The public health implications of interventions to alter behavior and to remove environmental risk factors will also be discussed, as will epidemiologic issues in the reduction of mortality through screening for cancer. Prerequisite: AMS 535 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

AMS 677 Regression Models in the Health Sciences
This course will familiarize students with the use of regression models for the analysis of epidemiologic and other biomedical data. Topics will include multiple linear regression, logistic regression, proportional hazard models, Poisson regression, goodness of fit, and analysis of residuals and other diagnostics. Students will work on individual projects and will learn to use the SAS software package for conducting the analyses. Prerequisite: AMS 545 or equivalent. Cr 3.

Master of Science in Manufacturing Systems

Coordinator: H. Fred Walker
Professors: Andrews, Gupta; Associate Professors: Grover, Jensen, Marshall, Moore, Walker

Program Description

The master of science in manufacturing systems (M.M.S.) is an interdisciplinary program designed to prepare working professionals for advancement and leadership positions in a variety of manufacturing industries. The M.M.S. program is open to students who may or may not have a manufacturing-related undergraduate degree who want or need a graduate-level understanding of manufacturing operations. A Certificate of Graduate Study in Manufacturing Systems is also offered for non-degree seeking students interested in similar content knowledge without a research component.

While in the M.M.S. program, students will develop the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to plan for and successfully implement advanced manufacturing technology for competitive advantage in a global marketplace. Applied problem solving and quantitative methods will serve as the primary context of
coursework for students in the M.M.S. program. Accordingly, the M.M.S. program will seek to develop in students the critical thinking and analytic abilities needed by leaders in this profession.

The M.M.S. program is intended primarily for adult learners participating on a part-time basis. The program is offered on two- and three-year completion cycles, depending on how many courses students complete from semester-to-semester and whether students attend courses during the summer. Most coursework for the M.M.S. program will be offered in the late afternoon and early evening.

**Admission**

Admission to the M.M.S. program and the Certificate of Graduate Study will be competitive based on the availability of 20 seats each year. Students applying for full admission for an available seat must meet the following requirements (a conditional admission may be granted to students who do not satisfy the undergraduate grade point average requirement provided they score substantially higher than 500 on the quantitative section of the Graduate Records Examination (GRE), and provided a seat in the program is available):

1. Hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution with a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (B average).
2. Provide official test scores from either the GRE or GMAT.
3. Provide an essay describing why the degree is important for your professional development.
4. Provide a description of your professional experience in manufacturing.
5. Provide three letters of recommendation.

The Admission Committee will evaluate an applicant’s undergraduate performance, standardized test scores, recommendations, essay, and experience when making an admission decision.

**Conditional Admission** Students without strong undergraduate academic performance, standardized test scores, or industrial experience may be considered for conditional admission. Students admitted on a conditional basis will be required to complete specific courses in a sequence defined by the graduate advisor with a grade of 3.0/B or better. This specified set of courses will normally consist of four courses, graduate, undergraduate, or both. Failure to complete these courses, in the order and with the grades specified, will result in dismissal from the program.

**Application Materials**

In addition to the materials described in the Admissions chapter, students applying for the M.M.S. program must submit:

1. A completed application for graduate study, including application fee.
2. Official transcripts of all graduate and undergraduate coursework.
3. Official scores from the GRE.
4. An essay describing why the M.M.S. program is important for your professional development.
5. A description of your professional experience.
6. Three letters of recommendation.
7. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of at least 550 on the paper-based TOEFL or 213 on the computer-based TOEFL for students whose native language is not English.

Application materials may be obtained from the USM Office of Graduate Studies and returned to the same office.

**Application Deadline**

Applicants are reviewed on a rolling basis until all slots are filled, with priority given to applications that are completed by April 15.

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of the M.M.S. program are as follows:

**Deferred Admission**

Students admitted for full- or part-time study must register for and complete at least one course in the fall semester in which they are admitted. Students who are admitted and do not complete one course in the first semester will be withdrawn from the program and must reapply as described above.
Transfer Credit
Students who have completed graduate-level courses specifically related to manufacturing at a regionally accredited institution of higher education other than USM may request in writing that no more than two of the courses (the equivalent of six semester hours) be considered for credit in the M.M.S. The graduate advisor, in coordination with the Office of Transfer Affairs, will make all decisions related to transfer credit.

Time Limit
Once admitted to the M.M.S. program all requirements for graduation must be completed within six years. Any work not completed within six years of beginning the program must be repeated.

Non-Degree Release
Students admitted as Certificate of Graduate Study candidates must sign a release stating they will not pursue the M.M.S. degree from USM on the basis of accumulated credit, unless they gain admission through the formal admission process described above.

Certificate of Graduate Study
Candidates for the Certificate of Graduate Study must comply with the same admission and performance requirements as degree seeking students.

Grade Point Average
Students must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better.

Grade Policy
A student whose grade point average (GPA) falls below 3.0 will be placed on academic probation. In this case, a student will be allowed 12 semester hours to raise their GPA to, or above, the 3.0 minimum by taking only graduate-level courses. Students unsuccessful in raising their GPA during a probationary period may be dismissed from the program. A 3.0 GPA is required for graduation from the M.M.S. program.

The First Course
The first course taken by students participating in a degree or certificate seeking status must be MBA 604 Probability and Statistics for Business Decision Making. Successful completion of MBA 604 with a 3.0/B or better is a requirement before taking any other courses beyond the first semester.

Elective Courses
A list of courses that may be used to satisfy the electives requirement has been provided below. Additional elective courses will be developed as part of the M.M.S. program and will be available as needed/requested. Students in the M.M.S. program may also complete elective courses offered by academic departments not participating directly in the M.M.S. program so long as the course(s) are specifically related to manufacturing and are approved by the graduate coordinator. Any course taken as an elective for the M.M.S. degree or Certificate of Graduate Study requires prior approval from the Graduate coordinator.

Publication Requirement
Candidates for the master of science, manufacturing systems degree must prepare and submit a manuscript to a refereed journal related to manufacturing. Manu- scripts are to be based on the applied manufacturing research completed as part of a thesis.

Program Requirements
The M.M.S. program at USM is composed of 36 credits allocated as follows: 24 credits M.M.S. core, 6 credits electives, and 6 credits thesis.

M.M.S. Core
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**M.M.S. Electives** M.M.S. elective courses include, but are not limited to, the following (6 credits):

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**M.M.S. Thesis** The M.M.S. thesis is an applied research component that must be based on an experiment design application in a manufacturing environment—a significant component of this research will be an analysis of the economic impacts of the research (6 credits).

MMS 690 Thesis

The Certificate of Graduate Study, Manufacturing Systems, at USM includes 21 credits allocated as follows: 18 credits M.M.S. core and 3 credits of electives.

**Certificate of Graduate Study, Manufacturing Systems**

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**MMS 610 Applied Research Methods**

This course will prepare students to engage in a systematic method of inquiry when investigating problems commonly encountered in operational manufacturing environments. Topics include: formulating/defining problems, gathering data as related to similar problems encountered in the larger context of a manufacturing industry, gathering data as related to a specific problem of interest within a specific company, methods for organizing and displaying data, formulating research questions, integrating quantitative methods with the research process, data analysis, and decision making. Additional topics include: cost justification of applied research, presentation techniques, and manuscript preparation. Cr 3.

**MMS 615 Engineering Economy**

This course will expose students to a variety of topics related to financial resources as used in manufacturing operations. Topics include the time value of money, sources and costs of capital, project/alternative selection, and capital budgeting. Additional advanced engineering economy topics including project/asset valuation using real options, competition, project selection under risk and uncertainty, multi-attribute decision making, and sensitivity analysis. Prerequisite: MBA 604. Cr 3.

**MMS 620 Quality Systems**

This course will cover the functional requirements of quality systems as applied to manufacturing operations. Quality systems components commonly associated with assurance, control, and improve-
ment functions will be a primary focus of the course. Applications of applied research methodology using quantitative methods to solve problems related to quality will be emphasized. Prerequisite: MBA 604.

MMS 625 Manufacturing Strategies
This course will explore issues impacting the competitive posture of a variety of manufacturing industries. Topics include: operating and organizational structures, use of financial resources for competitive advantage, risk assessment, technology management, global operations, and emerging trends in operating policy. Cr 3.

MMS 690 Thesis
The thesis is a study focused on solving a problem in an operational manufacturing environment. Theses for the M.M.S. degree must be quantitative in nature and be based on the application of an experiment design. Prerequisite: successful completion of all M.M.S. coursework and approval from the graduate advisor. Cr 3.

MAT 484 Design and Analysis of Experiments
This course is intended to acquaint students with such standard designs as one-way, two-way, and higher-way layouts, Latin-square and orthogonal Latin-square designs, BIB designs, Youdeen square designs, random effects and mixed effect models, nested designs, and split-plot designs. Prerequisite: MBA 604. Cr 3.

MBA 604 Probability and Statistics for Business Decision Making
An introduction to the concepts and use of probability and statistics as tools for business decision making. Prerequisite: computer proficiency, ABU 190, or ITT 181. Students matriculated into the M.M.S. program have already met the prerequisites. Cr 3.

MBA 608 Operations Analysis
This course examines the role, perspective, and commonly used tools of quantitative analysis in operational decision making. Emphasis is placed on developing students’ abilities to recognize the need for quantification; formulate operations management problems quantitatively; select and test computer-based decision-support system models; collect meaningful data; and interpret the implications of analysis results. Prerequisites: MBA 604; computer proficiency, ABU 190, or ITT 181. Cr 3.

MBA 642 Leadership
The course integrates five perspectives of leadership: individual differences and diversity; transactional leadership; power and politics; transformational leadership; and the physical, psychological, and spiritual dimensions of leader well-being. Prerequisite: BUS 340. Cr 3.

MBA 675 Production/Operations Management
An examination of the role of operations with manufacturing and service organizations. Emphasis is placed on recognizing operational opportunities and tradeoffs, and employing computer simulation and other quantitative tools and decision support systems to assist strategic and operational decision making. Topics include: quality management, capacity management, process design, facility location, layout, production planning, and manufacturing philosophies such as group technology, the theory-of-constraints, and just-in-time. Prerequisite: MBA 608. Cr 3.

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**M.M.S. Program Scheduling**

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Program Description

New England, as the publisher of Yankee magazine recently quipped, looks more like New England today than it did 30 years ago. Such observations reflect a new self-consciousness about regional identity in general, and about New England in particular. Popular interest in regionalism also underscores new scholarly attention to the role of cultural institutions, practices, and performances in helping to shape both national and regional identities. Mythic New England embodies some of the most familiar American images and the region has historically held a special place in the American imaginary landscape. Steeped in tradition and the kinds of pastoral images celebrated by Yankee magazine, New England was also the nation’s most urban and Roman Catholic region in the post-Civil War period. It was multicultural from the beginning.

The American and New England Studies program is committed to studying regionalism in the context of contemporary thought and scholarship. It is both a regional and an American studies program. The program’s focus is on New England, but the region is examined in the broad context of American social and cultural experience as a whole. Exploring as well as destabilizing “official” New England, the program offers students a wide range of interdisciplinary approaches and methodologies—including folklore, literary studies, visual culture, landscape and cultural geography, architectural history, archaeology, cultural criticism, environmental studies, and ethnography—but stresses the historicity of such practices, and of the culture and society they set out to explore.

The program seeks:

- to offer college graduates a challenging interdisciplinary program focusing on the study of New England and the “new” regionalism;
- to emphasize the critical role of the arts, humanities, and social sciences in understanding New England and in interpreting its history and culture to the public;
- to prepare students for a variety of opportunities that require critical thinking, scholarly analysis, research skills, and the ability to communicate effectively;
- to integrate the study of regionalism into American studies;
- to create new opportunities for exchanges among scholars, professionals, and graduate students with common interests in American and New England studies;
- to act as a cultural and educational resource for the region.

Through courses, lectures, conferences, and internships, the program explores New England’s distinctiveness and examines the region’s contributions to American culture as a whole.

Admission

Admission to the American and New England Studies program is selective. The program seeks applicants who have a bachelor’s degree with a record of academic achievement and who are committed to employing interdisciplinary approaches and methodologies. The program welcomes full-time and part-time students; courses are offered in the late afternoon and evening. All applications are reviewed by an admissions committee comprised of the director of American and New England Studies and faculty who teach in the program. Interviews may be required at the discretion of the Admissions Committee.
**Application Materials**

In addition to the materials described in the Admissions chapter, applicants for this program must submit:

1. Official scores for the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
2. Three letters of recommendation on standard application forms or stationery.

**Application Deadline**

The application deadline is March 15 for fall semester (September) and October 15 for spring semester (January).

Applications received after these deadlines may be considered on a space-available basis. Early acceptance may be considered at the request of the applicant and at the discretion of the Admissions Committee.

**Program Policies**

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of this program are as follows:

*Admissions Credit*  Students who have not been officially admitted to the program may take courses for admissions credit. Normally, six admissions credits are the maximum allowed. The director of American and New England Studies must approve all requests for admissions credit.

*Transfer Credit*  A student may transfer up to six credits into the American and New England Studies Program. To be considered for transfer credit, previous coursework must be interdisciplinary and must focus on America or New England. In addition, only coursework awarded a grade of B or better will be considered for transfer credit. The Admissions Committee will review all requests for transfer credit. Course materials should accompany these requests.

*Time Limit*  Students must complete all requirements for the degree within six years from the date of first matriculation.

**Program Requirements**

The curriculum is unique; unlike other regional studies and interdisciplinary programs, the curriculum consists of courses that have been created specifically for the American and New England Studies master’s degree and that integrate the arts, humanities, and social sciences. Students may pursue a 30-hour program that includes a thesis or project or they may follow a 36-hour track that does not include a thesis or project. Students who elect the non-thesis/project track must complete two research papers in elective courses. A third option is also available in Public Culture and History. Students take 27 hours in ANE, 6 hours of appropriate courses in nonprofit administration, and a 3-hour internship at a major cultural institution.

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Elective Courses
Seven courses chosen from ANE offerings
Two courses chosen from Public Policy and Management
(Students should consult with their advisor about appropriate courses)

Both the 30-hour and the 36-hour program offer students opportunities to focus their coursework in particular areas: history, literature, material culture and the visual arts. In addition, the project and thesis offer students opportunities to demonstrate intellectual independence and creativity by developing programs of study that address individual interests.

**Dual Degree**

Beginning in fall 2003, the American and New England Studies program, in conjunction with the SALT Institute for Documentary Studies, will offer a dual M.A. in documentary studies and American and New England studies. This program is designed for students who are interested in combining regional and interdisciplinary studies with literary, photographic, and audio documentary field practices. For more information, contact the American and New England Studies program at (207) 780-4920 or anes@usm.maine.edu.

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ANE 600 Creating New England, I
This required core course examines the development of New England regional identity from the 17th to the mid-19th century. Drawing on interdisciplinary approaches and materials, the course focuses on how regional identity has been both historically grounded and culturally invented. Topics include: invention of New England as a second England; the Yankee character; the New England town; the creation of regional traditions; and New England reform and cultural pluralism. Cr 3.

ANE 610 Creating New England, II
The second part of the required core sequence, this course continues the examination of New England regional identity from the mid-19th century to the present. Topics include: the colonial revival; New England’s working class and ethnic heritage; nostalgia; the regional revival of the 1920s and 30s; and regional identity and consumer culture. Cr 3.

ANE 612 Documenting New England: Oral History
This course is an introduction to the practice, politics, and history of documentary field studies. It will focus on oral history and ethnography as both a method and as a particular genre of culture writing and representation. In class, students will explore various strategies and practices of ethnography, including travel writing, local color, anthropology, exploration literature, documentary history, and post-colonial interventions, and grapple with contemporary issues that confront modern practices of “field work,” such as cultural authority, displacement, marginalization, modes of cultural interpretation, stranger talk, insiders/outsiders, “wrong” stories and “true,” etc. In the field, students will work with informants to record and interpret the cultures and histories of a particular place and people. Cr 3.

ANE 615 Folklore and Region
This course will begin by introducing students briefly to the study of folklore, particularly in a regional context, and to the identification and analysis of folkloric “texts” broadly conceived. It will then proceed topically, examining regional folk culture as it relates to various of the elements that help comprise a regional identity: history, economic activity as it is constrained by the region, and the natural and humanly shaped physical environment. Attention will also be paid to variations in regional folk culture according to gender, ethnicity, and class. Each topic will include an extended examination of an example from New England as well as materials from other regions of the country. Cr 3.

ANE 620 Regional Writing and the Sense of Place
This course focuses on New England literature of place including fictional, historical, poetic, and autobiographical writing. It examines the subjective experience of place and the cultural perception and use of space. The course explores how memory, experience, and nostalgia connect individual and collective identity to place. It also offers some comparative perspectives on the sense of place in other American regions. Cr 3.

ANE 625 The West and the American Imagination
A prominent historian has observed that for the last 100 years the “West has been America’s most strongly imagined region.” This course will examine the 19th- and 20th-century West as an historic place and as an imagined region. It will explore the historical, cultural, geographic, political, and economic patterns that define the West as a distinctive region and look at the West in relation to other regions, particularly New England. Students will also analyze the place of the West in the American imagi-
nation, focusing on how popular culture, in varied forms, has shaped our understanding of this region. Cr 3.

ANE 628 New England and the Sea
This course will examine the role of the sea in shaping New England society, culture, and thought. The course will focus on the "new maritime history"; literary and artistic responses to the sea; the economic importance of the sea for recreation and for the fishing industry; and efforts to preserve and interpret the region's maritime heritage. Cr 3.

ANE 629 Ethnicity in New England
This course explores the historic role of ethnicity in the formation of New England social life and cultural identity. Using a variety of texts and approaches, students will examine immigrant community life (including foodways, housing, leisure, and work), constructions of "race" and "whiteness," and the relationship between ethnicity and regional identity. Cr 3.

ANE 630 The Culture of Consumption
Focusing on New England and the emergence of industrial society, this course will explore popular forms of leisure, pleasure, and consumer culture in 19th- and 20th-century society. We will explore both popular writers such as P.T. Barnum and Edward Bellamy, as well as theorists as diverse as Thorstein Veblen and C. Wright Mills. Topics include: Victorian identity and consumption; the spa and the health club; rural peddlers; minstrelsy, burlesque, vaudeville, and melodrama; the rise of the department store; working-class style and the culture of wanting; advertising; the New England woman and the Newport belle; the tourist and the commodification of New England. Cr 3.

ANE 633 The Mapping of New England
A study of the history of construction and use of cartographic representations of New England and Maine, to the end of the nineteenth century. The basic theme running through the course is that of cartographic literacy and commercialism: who used the maps and for what purposes? The course is structured around those cartographic modes (specific combinations of geographic knowledge, technological practices, social institutions, and cultural expectations) which have been relevant for New England. The scope of the course will expand to address, when necessary, more general issues in European and North American cartographic history. Cr 3.

ANE 635 Art and New England Culture
This course will examine painting, prints, and photography from the 17th through the 19th centuries; it will focus on New England art and its place in American art history. Students will study style and subject matter and their relation to literature, thought, and social history. Central to this course is the consideration of how region is "imaged" in the visual arts and how these images shape regional and national culture. Topics include: "reading" colonial portraits; landscape painting and the commodification of nature; race, ethnicity, and regional types; Winslow Homer and the masculinization of region; and imaging the New England woman at the turn of the century. Cr 3.

ANE 638 Landscape, Culture, and Region
This course will examine the New England and American human landscapes as texts which can be read to reveal cultural attitudes, values, priorities, and experiences. Emphasis will be on the analysis of ordinary landscapes of the sort which surround us every day. The course will focus on typical landscape "settings" or "compositions," not necessarily on individual components within those landscapes: that is, domestic or residential landscapes, commercial landscapes, industrial landscapes, civic landscapes, historic landscapes, and so on. Cr 3.

ANE 641 Environment and Culture
This course is an interdisciplinary examination of the ways in which occupants of the North American continent, from the pre-contact period to the present, have conceived of and interacted with the natural environment. The history of human use of and attitudes toward the environment will be examined within a cultural context. Course materials will be drawn both from New England and from other regions of the country. Cr 3.

ANE 644 Twentieth-Century New England Politics
This course examines the politics of New England since 1900, with emphasis on conflicts among the distinct subcultures (White Anglo Saxon Protestant, European-American, and African-American) which have given the region's politics its particular flavor. Special attention will be given to two dramatic political events—the Sacco-Vanzetti case and the Boston busing controversy—in which these conflicts played a significant role. Cr 3.

ANE 645 Women in Public: Gender and the Social Landscape
This course will explore the gendered social geography of the "public" sphere as it emerged and took shape in 19th- and 20th-century America. How, and to what effect, were social spaces—including court rooms, city streets, voting booths, parades, department stores, theaters, commercial amusements, tenement stoops, suburbs, parks, and certain spaces in the home—imagined, defined, and organized as masculine or as female space? We will look at the dense physical environment of the city but the course will also explore efforts, especially among New England writers, architects, and reformers, to rescript and reshape the gendered landscape of public culture and the social spheres that define it. Cr 3.
ANE 647 The Structure of Everyday Life
This course explores the material, social, and mental terrain of ordinary people in New England. How did ordinary people experience and make sense of the world? How did 17th- and 18th-century villagers, 19th- and 20th-century seamen, utopians, midwives, peddlers, outworkers, squatters, itinerants, housewives, railroad porters, migrants, and immigrants organize their lives and invest it with meaning? What and how did the rural poor and the urban wage earner feed themselves and their families, arrange their households, build their homes, and, in general, make a life? The course will also emphasize methodologies for exploring the world of the “inarticulate.” Cr 3.

ANE 648 No Place Like Home: Domestic Architecture and American Culture
This course will examine the physical form as well as the idea and image of “home” from the 17th through the 20th centuries. House designs and styles and their historic changes and diversity across class and geographic boundaries will be examined. Students will also analyze the idea of home in visual culture (paintings, prints, photography, popular illustrations, film) and written texts (prose, architectural pattern books, advice books, magazines). Cr 3.

ANE 650 Topics in American and New England Studies
An in-depth study of a significant aspect of New England or American culture from an interdisciplinary perspective. Topics will vary from year to year. Cr 3.

ANE 652 Native American Cultures of New England: From Contact to Confinement
Beginning with an examination of Native American cultures in New England on the eve of European contact, the course focuses on topics such as Native social and political patterns, land usage, subsistence strategies, material culture, dress, status, languages, world views, myths, rituals, and written oral traditions, and cosmologies. Particular attention will be paid to the construction of Native identities in the past as well as the present. Cr 3.

ANE 655 Historical Archaeology of New England
An examination of the role of historical archaeology in interpreting the past. Several important topics in regional contemporary historical archaeology will be examined including: exploration and settlement during the contact period, landscape research and reconstruction, ethnicity and social inequality, subsistence and food-ways, material culture studies, and the relationship between culture and consumption. Cr 3.

ANE 657 Topics: Language and Print Culture in America
Early in the 19th century, the British literary critic Sydney Smith snobbishly asked, “Who reads an American book?” This course will attempt to answer this question, looking at what various groups of Americans have been publishing and reading over time for purposes of education, edification, and entertainment, as well as the larger linguistic context in which those books have been produced. We will focus on questions of both the history of American English and the history of the book in America, with a particular focus on New England. Topics to be covered may include: the development and social meaning of American regional dialects; the cultural politics of a specifically American version of the English language; the establishment of New England as a center of linguistic and cultural authority through the publication of dictionaries, textbooks, and literary works; the rise of literacy in America; the history of mass-market publishing and reading, including consideration of popular literary genres and their audiences. Cr 3.

ANE 658 Seeing is Believing: Visual Culture of 20th-Century America
This course will look at the production and explosion of visual images in 20th-century America. Students will examine varied image types (advertising, film, painting, prints, photography, public art, television, and video) and how these images shape knowledge, experience, and culture. Topics include: the spectacle of city; images that sell; the meanings of abstract art; and documentary photography and surveillance. Cr 3.

ANE 660 New England Autobiography
An analysis of the origins, development, and variety of autobiographical expression in New England. The course will focus on autobiographies that illuminate broad aspects of regional history, culture, and identity. Cr 3.

ANE 665 Sex, Gender, and Regional Difference
This course will compare the experiences of women in the South, West, and New England, as well as the role of regional difference in making and remaking notions of womanhood and manhood and in establishing categories of sexual behavior and deviancy. Race and class differences both within and between the South, the West, and New England will be examined as well as the emergence of regional “types,” such as “The New England Woman,” “White Trash,” and the cowboy. Cr 3.

ANE 668 Writers of Northern New England
This course focuses on literature about the subregion that Robert Frost referred to as “north of Boston.” The course will examine writers who root their work in the landscape, culture, and history of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Considerable attention will be devoted to contemporary writing. Cr 3.

ANE 670 Museums and Public Culture
This course will examine the role of museums, pres-
ervationists, and collectors in shaping cultural identities and public memories in 19th- and 20th-century America. Topics will include: ethnographic collections and displays, fine art museums and patrons, traditions of human display (such as 19th-century "freak shows"), history, anthropological and natural history museums, festivals, living history sites, and the narrative role of collections, artifacts, and museum design. Cr 3.

ANE 675 Seminar in American and New England Studies
Research on topics in American and New England Studies with opportunities to share problems and results. Cr 3.

ANE 685 Reading and Research
Open to advanced students with exceptional records in the program, this course offers opportunities for reading and research under the direction of a faculty member. The approval of the faculty member and the director is required. This course may be taken only once. Cr 3.

ANE 687 Internship
Open to qualified students with exceptional records in the program. Internships are by application to the ANE Curriculum Committee. Participating organizations include: Portland Museum of Art, Old York Historical Society, Pejepscot Historical Society, and Maine Historical Society. Internships may be taken for credit only once. Pass/fail. Cr 3.

ANE 690 Project
Completion of a two-semester project that may be an independent project or that may combine independent study and work in a historical society, a museum, a cultural organization, or other public or private institution. In consultation with an advisor, the student defines and develops the project in relation to his or her particular interest in American and New England Studies. Cr 6.

ANE 695 Thesis
The product of original research, the thesis should embody an interdisciplinary combination of approaches and/or materials. Cr 6.

Stonecoast Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing

Interim Director: B. Lee Hope

The new low-residency M.F.A. program in creative writing builds on the quality of the Stonecoast Writers’ Conference, a summer writing program that has drawn a faculty of nationally known creative writers for more than 20 years. The M.F.A. is a two-year program, alternating intensive 10-day residencies with six-month semester writing projects supervised by a writer/mentor. The inaugural residency is July 7-17, 2002.

The Stonecoast M.F.A. will eventually be one of the only long-distance M.F.A. programs to offer an interdisciplinary curriculum, including the novel, the short story, poetry, creative nonfiction, popular fiction, and screenwriting/playwriting. It will also offer an intensive Internet option for workshops between residencies.

Low-residency programs give students significant flexibility in pursuing graduate work. The Stonecoast M.F.A. requires four semesters of intensive long-distance work with a faculty writer/mentor. Each semester, at prearranged intervals, students send packets of creative writing and critical essays to their mentors by mail or via the Internet. Faculty respond with extensive, in-depth critiques. The M.F.A. also requires attendance at two, 10-day residencies per year for two years, as well as attendance at a final graduation residency. Occasionally, leaves of absence for one semester will be approved.

In 2002, the first Stonecoast M.F.A. residency includes visiting faculty writers of national reputation who will meet with students for a series of workshops, seminars, conferences, and readings. The second residency will be from December 27, 2002-January 7, 2003.

Admission is highly selective; students will be accepted on the basis of manuscript samples and past educational experience in creative writing. Applications for rolling admissions are available throughout the year.

Program cost is competitive with other low-residency graduate writing programs and is $4,990 per semester including room and board. There are openings in the program for commuter students. Some partial scholarships are available for Maine residents. The fee structure for this long-distance learning program is separate from the usual USM graduate tuition. The M.F.A. will not charge a higher rate for out-of-state students.

For further information, please contact the Office of Graduate Studies at 780-4386 or gradstudies@usm.maine.edu.
CRW 501 Residency I
An advanced residency that focuses on the development of the student’s writing through the use of faculty-guided workshops, topical seminars, round tables, conferences, panels, and readings. Workshop tracks include poetry, short fiction, novel, creative nonfiction or popular fiction. Students are expected to submit an “in-progress” manuscript in advance of the residency. The manuscript submitted will be analyzed during the faculty-guided workshops.

CRW 502 Project I
This course immediately follows the CRW 501 residency. The course focus is on completion of a negotiated study plan developed between the student and the faculty mentor. As part of the study plan, students will be expected to exchange five packets of manuscripts with the faculty mentor. The packets will vary depending on the study track. The faculty mentor will then respond with constructive critiques for revision as well as additional reading suggestions and relevant observations on craft and theory. Online workshops and conferences with the faculty mentor will also be an option for the student. Prerequisite: CRW 501.

CRW 503 Residency II
This course is a continuation of CRW 501. It is considered to be the completion of the first year’s residency requirements. Prerequisite: CRW 502.

CRW 504 Project II
This course immediately follows the CRW 502 residency. The course focus is on completion of a negotiated study plan developed between the student and the faculty mentor. As part of the study plan, students will be expected to exchange five packets of manuscripts with the faculty mentor. The packets will vary depending on the study track. The faculty mentor will then respond with constructive critiques for revision as well as additional reading suggestions and relevant observations on craft and theory. Online workshops and conferences with the faculty mentor may be an option for the student. Prerequisite: CRW 503.

CRW 501 Residency III
This course is a continuation of CRW 503. It is considered to be the first half of the second year’s program. Prerequisite: CRW 504.

CRW 502 Project III
This course immediately follows the CRW 501 residency. The course focus is on completion of a negotiated study plan developed between the student and the faculty member. Each student researches and writes a 30-40 page thesis on an aspect of craft and/or theory of writing. Prerequisite: CRW 601.

CRW 503 Residency IV
This course is a continuation of CRW 602. It is considered to be the second half of the second year’s program. Prerequisites: CRW 601.

CRW 604 Project IV
This course immediately follows the CRW 603 residency. The course focus is on completion of a negotiated study plan developed between the student and the faculty member. Each student completes a book-length manuscript and prepares for the student reading and for the teaching of a seminar during the third and final graduation residency. Prerequisite: CRW 603.

CRW 601 Graduation Residency
This residency is the culmination of the M.F.A. in creative writing degree program. Prior to the residency, a student must have submitted a book-length manuscript deemed by a faculty committee to be of publishable quality. At the residency, the student must lead a seminar on an issue of craft and/or theory. The student must also give a public reading from the manuscript. Prerequisite: CRW 604.
Program Description

The Department serves southern Maine by responding to the social work education, leadership, service, and evaluation and research needs of the region. The commitment to social and economic justice and to diversity and multiculturalism are integrated. The Department strives for excellence in teaching and learning. Graduates are prepared for multi-level professional practice recognizing the centrality of the role of community in the lives of constituents.

The M.S.W. program prepares graduates for advanced-generalist, community social work practice. Students are involved with faculty in a learning and mentoring process designed to facilitate personal and professional growth. Students will be prepared for practice with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities.

The first-year curriculum provides a broad-based introduction to the social work profession. Students take 31 credit hours of study. This includes 8 courses plus 2 semesters of field education. During the first semester, students complete the Multicultural Social Work course, which provides a framework for integrating and centering the issue of diversity within the profession of social work. Courses taken during the foundation year include:

- SWO 501 Multicultural Social Work
- SWO 502/552 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I & II
- SWO 504 Social Welfare Policy I
- SWO 505 Social Work Research I
- SWO 503/553 Social Work Practice I & II
- One elective course
- SWO 554/555 Field Work I & II

During the concentration year, students deepen their competency for multi-level professional practice within the advanced generalist community social work curriculum. Increased emphasis is placed on the development of creativity and critical thinking ability with a focus on social and economic justice, valuing diversity, and the need to dismantle the mechanisms of oppression. Students are prepared to work with individuals and families, as well as organizations and communities. During the concentration year, the student completes 33 additional credits including 3 electives and 2 additional semesters of field work. Concentration year courses include:

- SWO 604 Social Welfare Policy II
- SWO 605/652 Social Work Research II & III
- SWO 603/651 Social Work Practice III & IV
- Three electives
- SWO 654/655 Field Work III & IV

There are many elective courses available which support the concentration in advanced generalist community social work. Through a thoughtful selection of electives, students are able to focus graduate education to be consistent with their individual course goals. Below is a partial list of electives.

- SWO 561 Sexual Diversity and Gender Identity in Social Work Practice
- SWO 562 Intimate Partner Violence
- SWO 660 Advanced Biopsychosocial Assessment
  (required for LCSW)
- SWO 661 Social Work in the Schools
- SWO 662 Advanced Practice with Families: A Narrative Approach
- SWO 663 Social Work with Groups
- SWO 664 Social Work Supervision and Consultation
- SWO 665 The Management of Social Services
- SWO 666 Welfare State or Correctional State
- SWO 667 Social Work and the Law
- SWO 668 Community and Organizational Change
- SWO 669 Violence in Society: Policy and Program Issues
- SWO 670 Social Work Practice with Low Income Families and Communities
- SWO 671 Global Relations and Poverty in Mexico
- SWO 672 Social Work in Juvenile Justice
- SWO 673 Rural Social Work Practice
Field education is the heart of the M.S.W. program. The field experience extends and reinforces student learning. Professional social work experience provides the necessary opportunity for students to apply and integrate classroom learning with actual practice. A range of field opportunities exist in challenging programs, innovative services, and cutting edge agencies throughout Maine and the New England region.

The full program is 64 credits, which can be taken in a two- or four-year sequence. The part-time, four-year sequence is offered late afternoons and evenings. Faculty will work with students in an effort to create own agency and block field education opportunities.

Applicants with a B.S.W. from a CSWE accredited institution within the past 7 years may be eligible for advanced standing status. Advanced standing students will take the full second-year, 33-credit curriculum. In addition, they will take an intensive 4-credit transition course during the summer before they begin the program.

Admissions

Acceptance for graduate study to this program is on a competitive basis. Applicants are required to have completed a baccalaureate degree in any discipline and present evidence of probable success in graduate work. Prospective candidates may be interviewed before acceptance to the program. Evidence of readiness for graduate study will be based on a combination of:

1. Official scores from the GRE or Miller Analogies tests;
2. GPA of 2.8 or higher in undergraduate study and in the student’s major;
3. GPA of 3.0 or better in any previous graduate work in social work;
4. Personal essay of interest in social work (4-6 pages);
5. Three letters of reference reflecting practive experience or academic achievement;
6. Advanced standing applicants must submit their final field evaluation from their B.S.W. program.

In addition, applicants are required to demonstrate the completion of a minimum of 24 credit hours in the liberal arts, including, for example, literature, math, philosophy, history, natural sciences, performing arts and the humanities, and the social and behavioral sciences. At least 9 of these credit hours must be in the social and behavioral sciences, preferably including introductory courses in sociology and psychology. The applicant’s transcript must provide evidence of course content in biology, human development, and statistics. If these have not been completed at the time of application, students can still be accepted to the program conditionally upon the completion of these required undergraduate courses.

Students applying for advanced standing should have completed their B.S.W. study from an accredited social work program within seven years of application with a GPA of 3.0 in social work courses.

Admissions Decisions

Admissions decisions are based upon the applicant’s cumulative GPA, letters of reference, personal essay, test scores, and, for advanced standing applicants, the final field evaluation. Prior employment and volunteer experience in social work are considered. In the review, fit for the profession, and in particular for the USM MSW Program, is assessed and considered. Letters of reference and the personal essay provide a basis for assessment.

1. Three letters of reference. At least one of the three references should be from a faculty advisor or instructor and one from a practice or work supervisor;
2. The 4-6 page personal essay must follow the outline provided by the Department.

At the time of application students must also select to be admitted to a two-year or four-year program of study. Advanced standing students must select the one-year or two-year course of study.

Students who have not yet completed undergraduate study will be accepted conditionally upon the successful completion of their undergraduate degree.

Health Requirements

Students must comply with the University’s immunization requirements and provide documentation of health insurance prior to beginning the field practicum.
Application Deadline

Students are only accepted to the full- or part-time programs in the fall semester. All materials must be submitted to the Office of Graduate Studies by April 1. Applications received after this date will be reviewed on a space-available basis.

Program Policies

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies section of this catalog, specific policies for this program are as follows:

Grade Policy Students are expected to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. Students receiving a grade of C+ or less in a graduate course will be placed on academic review.

Non-Matriculated Status Students who choose not to apply for the full- or part-time program may take up to six credits at USM on a non-matriculated status.

Transfer Credits Students may transfer up to 6 credits taken in other graduate programs, subject to review by their academic advisor. Students who have graduate study at another program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education as a matriculated student may transfer up to 30 credits. To transfer credits, students must have received a grade of B or better.

Program Requirements

To complete the program a minimum of 64 credits are required. Graduates from accredited baccalaureate social work programs who are granted advanced standing will complete 37 credits including a 4-credit intensive summer course prior to beginning graduate study.

SWO 501 Multicultural Social Work
This introductory course provides content on culturally diverse populations and serves as the basis for the infusion of cultural diversity issues throughout the graduate curriculum. The premise of this course asserts that the United States is a multicultural society in which social work cannot function effectively unless there is an understanding of how diversity strengthens and enriches us all. Cr 3.

SWO 502 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
This course examines the theories which address human behavior in mezzo and macro systems. The cultural context of behavior at all levels is an integral and underlying theme of the course. Systems theories, conflict theories, and social constructionist theories are presented. Cr 3.

SWO 503 Social Work Practice I
This course provides the student with an opportunity to acquire beginning generalist practice knowledge and skills in working with individuals, families, groups, and communities. Emphasis is placed on the development of basic practice, interpersonal, self-reflection, and communication skills. Cr 3.

SWO 504 Social Welfare Policy I
This introductory social policy course provides the history of social welfare policy. A focus is placed on evaluating the mechanism which creates outgroups in the United States. Social reform, leadership, ethical reasoning, and new social forces, such as technology and globalization, provide a structure for critical analysis. Cr 3.

SWO 505 Social Work Research I
This course introduces a body of knowledge, skills, and attitudinal perspectives designed to produce a high level of competence in the use of social scientific methods of knowledge building. Structured, analytical processes of inquiry are introduced, as well as a rigorous adherence to social work values and ethics. Both qualitative and quantitative methods of inquiry are discussed. Cr 3.

SWO 552 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
The course is designed to locate the interplay of biological, psychological, and sociological influences on human behavior within the broader context of culture. Cultural diversity and oppression are seen as central to understanding human behavior and evaluating human behavior theories. The course explores a range of psychological theories such as psychodynamic, narrative, cognitive, and behavioral to understand the person within the complexity of his/her life circumstances. Cr 3.

SWO 553 Social Work Practice II
The knowledge, values, and skills for community social work are integrated throughout this course. Ecosystems and social construction theories provide the overarching framework. Within this context, methods for intervening with individuals, families, groups, organizations, and communities are introduced. Cr 3.

SWO 554 Field Work I
A graduate internship in an approved community agency, designed to relate social work theory to practice under professional supervision. Fall semester. Cr 3.5.
SWO 555 Field Work II
A continuation of SWO 554. Spring semester. Cr 3.5.

SWO 367/561 Sexual Diversity and Gender Identity in Social Work Practice
This course examines the sensitivity and skills needed to achieve constructive interaction between the social work professional and persons who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning their sexual identity. This course will explore the many controversial theoretical and practice issues related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and human sexuality. This course is an elective in both the undergraduate and graduate social work programs. Cr 3.

SWO 562 Intimate Partner Violence: Multi-Level Assessment and Response
This course is designed to examine the prevalence and dynamics of intimate partner violence and the societal attitudes that contribute to the perpetuation of this form of violence and oppression. This is an elective course designed to enhance students’ awareness of the implications of ‘ism-encoded’ messages entrenched in our social consciousness and will focus particular attention to the needs and empowerment of people who are marginalized and oppressed. The course will provide insight into the lives of victims and survivors of intimate partner violence, including the impact on children who witness violence between their primary caregivers. Cr 3.

SWO 591 Introductory Framework for Advanced Generalist Community Social Work
This course provides a transition from BSW generalist education to the advanced generalist community social work curriculum for advanced standing students. This course is intended to solidify and strengthen students’ knowledge, values, and skills and serve as a bridge to second year courses. Prerequisite: admission to M.S.W. program with advanced standing status or permission of instructor. Cr 4.

SWO 597 Independent Study
This is an individualized course of study, during the foundation year, on some aspect of social work or social welfare to be selected as a result of consultation between a student and a faculty member. Cr 1-3.

SWO 603 Social Work Practice III Groups, Communities, and Organizations
This course builds on the concepts presented in Practice I and II. It is aimed at further developing generalist values, knowledge, and skills for planned change with a particular focus on work with populations of special concern to social work. The course content emphasizes practice within communities and organizations. Cr 3.

SWO 604 Social Welfare Policy II
This course provides a theoretical and critical model of analyzing policy processes. It contains an overview of policy analysis with particular emphasis on social conflict theory and social constructionist theories of policy formation. Cr 3.

SWO 605 Social Work Research II: Social Data Analysis
This course provides an interactive learning environment in which students and community professionals collaborate in the extraction and processing of existing social data. The goal of this course is to increase the analytical competencies of students in the planning, and eventual execution, of a significant research project. Cr 3.

SWO 651 Social Work Practice IV: Individuals and Families
This course contextualizes the facilitation of change with individuals and families within organizations and communities. Approaches to social work practice are taught within an ecosystems, strengths-based framework that reflects a commitment to the values of social and economic justice, cultural diversity, and individual and collective self-determination. Cr 3.

SWO 652 Social Work Research III: The Research Project
This course involves the utilization of the research knowledge and skills learned in SWO 505 Social Work Research I and SWO 605 Social Work Research II, and their application to selected social problems or issues of relevance to the needs of special populations or to the social work profession. Cr 3.

SWO 654 Field Work III
A graduate internship during the concentration year at an approved community agency, designed to relate social work theory to practice under professional supervision. Fall semester. Cr 4.5.

SWO 655 Field Work IV

SWO 660 Advanced Biopsychosocial Assessment
This course is designed to facilitate the acquisition of practice skills specific to in-depth biopsychosocial assessment. Assessment is viewed as the process of understanding a person in order to formulate a practice approach rather than a fixed descriptive category. This course relies heavily upon theories presented in SWO 502 HBSE I and SWO 552 HBSE II. Consideration of persons within a cultural context is emphasized throughout. Cr 3.

SWO 661 Social Work in the Schools
This course exposes students to the specialized knowledge and skills needed for social work prac-
SWO 662 Advanced Practice with Families: A Narrative Approach
This course facilitates the acquisition of practice skills specific to in-depth work with families. It provides knowledge and skills for family practice within the advanced generalist in community social work curriculum. A social constructionist approach to family therapy that can be used in conjunction with an empowerment perspective is presented. Prerequisites: SWO 502, 503, 552, 553. Corequisite or prerequisite: SWO 651. Cr 3.

SWO 663 Social Work with Groups
This course incorporates knowledge building regarding the conceptual base and practice skills of social group work. There is a focus on the uses of groups to bring about change in the individuals, change in the social environment, or change in the larger social system. The range of group models from treatment/growth oriented to task/action oriented groups are addressed. Prerequisite: SWO 553. Cr 3.

SWO 664 Social Work Supervision and Consultation
This course focuses specifically on the role and function of the social work supervisor in human service agencies. It is designed to teach an understanding of the basic objectives, approaches, options, and strategies in designing, carrying out, and assessing supervision and consultation. Corequisite or prerequisite: SWO 603. Cr 3.

SWO 665 The Management of Social Services
This seminar provides an intensive focus on one of the essential macro-level roles of social work practice. The overall goal is to employ an interdisciplinary approach in order to expand the educational horizon of the seminar participants who already hold, or plan to seek, management positions. This seminar will prepare the future leaders of those social agencies which are responsive to human need, effective in fulfilling their missions, and efficient in their use of human, temporal, and financial resources. Corequisite or prerequisite: SWO 603. Cr 3.

SWO 666 Welfare State or Correctional State
The United States is currently the leading nation in the world in imprisoning its citizens, is the only industrialized nation to have capital punishment, and has been cutting back on its extremely limited (by world standards) provision of social welfare. This social policy elective provides a theoretical, historical, and practice-related exploration of punishment and repression in modern U.S. society. Prerequisite: SWO 501, 504. Cr 3.

SWO 667 Social Work and the Law
This interdisciplinary elective assesses the intersections of law and social work. It is designed to guide future practitioners regarding local laws and legal systems with which they need to be familiar in order to effectively serve their clientele as advocates, informatively design and reform policy and programs, and practice social work utilizing records, interventions, and actions that comply with legal requirements. The focus of the course is on the various special populations for which social workers need to advocate and discuss the most important laws affecting these populations. Cr 3.

SWO 668 Community and Organizational Change
This course is designed to equip students with the broad range of interactional, analytical, and political skills needed to assist communities and organizations and to serve as change agents to promote social and economic justice. The technical and practical elements of planning, organizing, and development work are explored with an emphasis on the values of democratic, participatory, collaborative models and methods which empower individuals, families, and groups. Prerequisite SWO 603. Cr 3.

SWO 669 Violence in Society: Policy and Program Issues
Recognizing violence as a social crisis which has reached epidemic proportions, this elective analyzes the causes, repercussions and responses, as well as the practice and policy implications of violence through micro, mezzo and macro systems approaches. Aiming to acquaint students with the crisis of violence, this course begins with study of the various theories regarding the potential causes of violent behavior; progresses to discussion of the responses to and repercussions of violence; and concludes with assessment of practice and policy implications, including evaluation of selected violence prevention or amelioration programs. Cr 3.

SWO 670 Social Work Practice with Low Income Families and Communities
This course is designed to facilitate student examination of the needs of families, neighborhoods, and communities struggling with high levels of poverty and its effects. It uses the ecological model to develop an understanding of multi-level assessment and practice focused on empowering families, neighborhoods, and communities. Prerequisites: SWO 501, 503; Corequisite or prerequisite: SWO 553. Cr 3.

SWO 671 Global Relations and Poverty in Mexico
This course is designed to focus on the direct and indirect impact of poverty, unequal access, and inequity on communities, families, and individuals in the global community. The historical background, cultural issues, theoretical concepts, and practice implications are examined during this two-week ex-
periential course in Cuernavaca, Morelos, about 50 miles south of Mexico City. Students participate in a variety of educational and community experiences as a way to understand culture, oppression, and action. Prerequisites: SWO 501, 503, 553, or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**SWO 672 Social Work in Juvenile Justice**

The emphasis of this course is on service delivery patterns and the roles and functions of social workers in the juvenile justice arena: gang workers, intensive supervision social workers, forensic social workers, police social workers, drug court workers, and correctional treatment specialists. In addition, this course examines the roles and functions of various actors in the criminal justice arena: community policing coordinators, victim-witness advocates, defense attorneys, probation officers, domestic violence advocates, and prison administrators. Cr 3.

**SWO 673 Rural Social Work Practice**

In this course students examine the distinctive nature of the rural generalist practice, where practitioners are often faced with multiple and changing roles and responsibilities. This class broadens the student's knowledge base by examining relevant history, technical expertise, useful personal traits, and current trends and issues facing rural people and rural services providers within local, national, and international contexts. Cr 3.

**SWO 699 Independent Study**

This is an individualized course of study, during the concentration year, on some aspect of social work or social welfare to be selected as a result of consultation between a student and a faculty member. Cr 1–3.

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**Master of Science in Statistics**

*Director*: Muhammad El-Taha  
*Professors*: El-Taha, Guay, B. Gupta, S. Gupta; *Associate Professor*: Valdés; *Assistant Professor*: Allman; *Adjunct Professor*: Thompson

The graduate program in statistics is designed to provide the student with a broad knowledge of the concepts and practice of statistics and related fields. Students are prepared to assume positions of responsibility and expertise. Graduates may find employment involving diverse statistics-related activities in business, industry, government regulatory agencies, insurance companies, biotechnology firms, and marketing research firms. Graduates possess a good foundation to pursue further advanced studies in statistical sciences and allied disciplines.

**Program Description**

The graduate program is offered in a flexible 4+1 format where currently enrolled undergraduate students in mathematics and other disciplines at USM may earn both an undergraduate degree and the M.S. degree in statistics in five years. Candidates planning to earn both the undergraduate and the graduate degrees in five years are advised to take MAT 281 Probability and MAT 282 Statistical Inference in the sophomore year, take upper-level undergraduate courses in relevant concentrations in the junior year, and take graduate-level courses in the senior year. The student will receive graduate standing after satisfactory completion of all requirements for the undergraduate degree. Candidates holding baccalaureate degrees from accredited institutions may join the program directly at the master's level. The student may earn up to two credits by way of internship with local industry. The program will provide guidance in locating internship opportunities.

**Program Concentrations**

The graduate program is truly interdisciplinary, providing the student with the opportunity to tailor programs specifically to individual interests. Students may customize their program of study. A list of possible concentrations and relevant courses is given below:

1. **Applied Statistics**  
   *Relevant courses*: STA 574, STA 579, any course from STA 580 though STA 589, OPR 562, OPR 563, and OPR 564.

2. **Operations Research**  
   *Relevant courses*: OPR 561, OPR 562, OPR 563, OPR 564, MAT 571, and COS 562. (COS 562 is offered by the Computer Science Department)
Admission Requirements

Applications from students with undergraduate degrees in business, computer science, education, mathematics, statistics, engineering, or one of the behavioral or social sciences are encouraged. It is required that the applicant have completed the following USM courses: MAT 152 Calculus A, MAT 281 Probability, and MAT 282 Statistics or their equivalents. Conditional admission status may be granted to students who do not fully meet these requirements, but have a good working knowledge of statistical methods. Upon successful completion of preparatory coursework, the student will be granted regular admission status.

Currently enrolled students at USM may apply for admission anytime after attaining junior standing by writing to the director of the graduate program. Additional requirements include copies of all transcripts, current vitae, a personal statement, a GPA of 2.75 or better, and two letters of recommendation.

A student already holding a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution may apply directly to the Office of Graduate Studies. Additional requirements include copies of all transcripts, current vitae, a personal statement, a GPA of 3.0 or better, GRE scores, and three letters of recommendation. Applicants whose first language is not English are required to submit TOEFL scores.

Application Deadlines

The program has a rolling admission policy. However, deadlines for candidates seeking financial support are April 15 for the fall semester and October 15 for the spring semester.

Degree Requirements

The requirements for the M.S. degree in statistics consist of 30 credit hours, at least 18 of which must be graduate courses, not counting graduate internship credits, offered by the graduate program (i.e., STA, OPR or MAT graduate courses, see the following course descriptions). STA 580 Statistical Inference is a required course for all degree candidates. A student meeting the above requirements has the flexibility of taking additional courses subject to the following policies:

1. At most six of the required credits may be earned by taking pre-approved relevant upper level undergraduate courses.
2. For students within the 4+1 format, at most two pre-approved relevant graduate courses may be used for both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.
3. All courses applied toward the graduate degree must be completed within six years of enrollment in the graduate program with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better. A student may choose to include a pre-approved, six-credit master’s thesis or project towards the degree. This option is highly recommended. If one chooses to pursue a project, it should solve a relevant problem from business or industry.
4. Our program policies allow a student to earn up to two credit hours as an intern, and up to three graduate independent-study credits under the supervision of a faculty member associated with our graduate program. With the approval of the graduate committee, a student may transfer a maximum of six credit hours for graduate work completed at other institutions or in other graduate programs at USM.

Financial Aid

A limited number of teaching assistantships and tuition waivers is available to students receiving regular graduate admission. Requests for an assistantship and/or a tuition waiver should accompany the application.

Graduate Certificate in Statistics

The Department also offers a graduate certificate in statistics for those candidates who are interested in attaining a working knowledge of statistical methodologies. Interested candidates should apply to the graduate program director and submit current vitae, copies of all undergraduate/graduate transcripts, and at least
one letter of recommendation. Applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75, and must have completed MAT 152, MAT 281, MAT 282 or their equivalents. To earn the graduate certificate, a candidate must earn a minimum of 15 credits in statistics, at least 12 of which are at the graduate level. A cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better is required in these courses. Courses taken for the certificate may also be used towards the master’s degree in statistics.

**OPR/MAT 561 Deterministic Models in Operations Research**
Formulation and analysis of deterministic models in operations research, linear programming, integer programming, project management, network flows, dynamic programming, non-linear programming, game theory, and group projects on practical problems from business and industry. Prerequisite: MAT 152 or MAT 295 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**OPR/STA 562 Stochastic Modeling in Operations Research**
Formulation and analysis of stochastic models in operations research, Markov chains, birth-death models, Markov decision models, reliability models, inventory models, applications to real world problems, and group projects on practical problems from business and industry. Prerequisite: MAT 281 or MAT 380 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**OPR/STA/MAT 563 System Modeling and Simulation**
Basic simulation methodology, general principles of model building, model validation and verification, random number generation, input and output analysis, simulation languages, applications to computer and communication networks, manufacturing, business, and engineering will be considered, and group projects on practical problems from business and industry. Prerequisite: MAT 281 or MAT 380 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**OPR/STA 564 Queuing Networks**
Queuing and stochastic service systems, birth-death processes, Markovian queues, open and closed Jackson networks, priority queues, imbedded Markov chain models, optimal control and design, stochastic scheduling, applications to computer and communication networks, manufacturing, business, and engineering will be considered, and projects on practical problems from business and industry. Prerequisite: MAT 281 or MAT 380 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**MAT 570 Theory of Matrices**
The course will begin with a brief review of vector spaces and matrices and some related concepts such as determinants, rank, nonsingularity, change of bases, and applications. It will also cover elementary canonical forms, Hermitian and symmetric matrices, and norms for vectors and matrices. Prerequisite: MAT 295. Cr 3.

**MAT/OPR 571 Graph Theory**
This course considers various properties of graphs and digraphs and includes applications to optimization questions and networks. Prerequisite: MAT 290 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**MAT 572 Numerical Analysis**
The course examines numerical solutions of linear systems, eigenvalue location, roots for systems of equations, polynomial interpolation, numerical integration, and numerical solution of differential equations. Prerequisites: MAT 152, MAT 153, and MAT 295. Cr 3.

**STA 574 Statistical Computer Packages**
The course will introduce two of the commonly used statistical packages such as SAS, MINITAB, SPSS, and S-Plus. Prerequisite: MAT 212 or MAT 282 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**STA/OPR/MAT 575 Graduate Internship**
The course is ideal for students who have had no work experience with statistical data analysis or mathematical modeling. Such students can try to locate paid or unpaid internship opportunities that might be available on-campus or off-campus. The students will submit to the graduate committee a formal written report on the internship experience. Prerequisite: graduate standing. Cr var.

**STA 579 Probability Models**
A calculus-based probability course covering various discrete and continuous probability models, central limit theorem and its applications, and order statistics. This course cannot be used toward the master's degree in statistics. Prerequisite: MAT 152. Cr 3.

**STA 580 Statistical Inference**
Sampling distributions such as Chi-square, t and F, order statistics, parametric point estimation covering methods of moments, maximum likelihood, and Bayesian techniques, concept of sufficiency and completeness, parametric interval estimation covering pivotal quantity method, parametric hypothesis testing covering GLR and UMP tests, and analysis of real and simulated data. Prerequisites: MAT 153 and MAT 282. Cr 3.

**STA 581 Statistical Quality Control**
Methods and philosophy of statistical process control, control charts for variables, control charts for attributes, CUSUM and EWMA control charts, some other statistical process control techniques,
process capability analysis, and certain process design and improvements with experimental design. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 582 Time Series Modeling
Overview of the basic concepts of trend and seasonality, ARMA and ARIMA models, parameter estimation with asymptotic properties, forecasting techniques, spectral analysis, bivariate time series, and some special topics. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 583 Sampling Methods
Simple random, stratified, systematic, cluster, and multi-stage sampling, PPS sampling, optimum sample size, use of auxiliary variables in sample surveys, ratio and regression estimates, double sampling, sources of error in surveys and ways of removing them, and methods of collecting data. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 584 Advanced Design and Analysis of Experiments
Factorial experiments, fractional replications in factorial experiments, BIB and PBIB designs, and response surface methodology. Prerequisite: MAT 484 or equivalent. Cr 3.

STA 585 Regression Analysis*
Certain concepts of data reduction, simple linear regression using matrices, residual analysis, certain techniques to select a best regression equation, multiple regression, analysis of variance and covariance, and data analysis and computation using statistical package programs. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 586 Nonparametric Methods
Empirical distribution functions and their properties, certain goodness-of-fit techniques, inference concerning quantiles, comparison of two and more treatments, rank tests in randomized complete designs, and some special topics. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 587 Applied Multivariate Analysis
Multivariate normal distribution, inference about a mean vector, comparison of several multivariate means, multivariate linear regression model, principal components, and factor analysis and canonical correlation. Prerequisites: MAT 295 and MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 588 Introduction to Biostatistics*
Basic concepts of estimation and hypothesis testing, standardization of rates, life tables, analysis of categorical data, multiple regression including binary response regression models. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA 589 Survival Analysis
Survival and reliability concepts, mathematics of survival models, parametric and non-parametric estimates from complete and censored data, Kaplan-Meier estimators, regression models including Poisson regression and Cox’s proportional hazards model, time-dependent covariates, and analysis of rates. Prerequisite: MAT 282. Cr 3.

STA/OPR/MAT 590 Master’s Project/Thesis
A project/thesis up to six credits is required of all students. The project must be approved by the graduate program committee in advance. Offered only as a pass/fail course. Prerequisites: full graduate standing and faculty approval. Cr 3-6.

STA/OPR/MAT 599 Independent Study
An opportunity for graduate students to pursue areas not currently offered in the graduate curriculum. Cr 3.

*Graduate credit cannot be earned for both STA 585 and AMS 677, or STA 588 and AMS 545.

Graduate Certificate in Theory, Literature, and Culture

The Department of English offers a graduate certificate that can be completed over the course of two summer sessions. This interdisciplinary program in literature and culture is designed for students who want to develop or expand their understanding of current critical theory.

Certificate Requirements
14 credit hours taken in the form of four classes and two colloquia broken down as follows:

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Typically, a three-credit course will run for four weeks during summer session in July. For the first summer, two courses will run concurrently during the afternoon and evening for three days per week.

At the conclusion of the four-week period, graduate students will be expected to complete a three-day colloquium, which will feature speakers from outside the institution. The invited faculty will conduct a public lecture and at least one workshop. Students who are not a part of the certificate program may take the colloquium for one academic credit.

The theme for the colloquium will change each time it is offered, but will fit under one of the five rubrics covered by the introductory course—subjectivity/identity; signification; ideology/hegemony/discourse; audiences/readers/spectators/literacy; and culture/popular culture. The subject matter of at least one of the topics courses will complement the colloquium and will be taught by USM faculty.

Admissions Requirements

For students participating in the colloquium only, completion of the application form and a deposit are required. For non-matriculating graduate and undergraduate students, there are the following additional requirements:

**Graduate students:** a bachelor's degree (with an official transcript from the degree-granting institution that shows the degree received and the degree date), a writing sample of no more than 20 pages, and a statement of purpose.

**Undergraduate students:** senior status (with an official transcript of classes), a writing sample of no more than 10 pages, a statement of purpose, and permission of the director.

Please note that though graduate credit in the program may eventually be transferable to a graduate program under the transfer credit policies outlined at that time, acceptance to this certificate program does not constitute acceptance to a master's or certificate of advanced study program.

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The School of Business at the University of Southern Maine is a community of educators and professionals dedicated to the development of the people and the economy of Maine. Our foremost responsibility is to encourage students and to help them learn.

The master of business administration program is designed for students who wish to advance their careers and contribute to their companies. Partnering with the business community, the program emphasizes the skills needed to inform and guide organizational change. Students in the program develop cross-functional business solutions to “real world” problems, and cultivate a broad critical perspective, interpersonal skills, and the analytical tools of management. The program also emphasizes an appreciation of the international and ethical contexts of professional practice. The M.B.A. program is designed to accommodate full- and part-time working professionals. Students are encouraged to apply to the program regardless of their undergraduate academic specialization.

The master of science in accounting program is designed to prepare students to meet the challenges of the rapidly changing accounting profession. The M.S.A. program is suitable for individuals currently working in the profession, and for those desiring to start or return to a career in accounting. The program is appropriate for students from a variety of educational backgrounds from liberal arts to engineering, as well as business and accounting. The M.S.A. program will provide students with a strong conceptual and applied understanding of accounting that integrates technical accounting knowledge with ethical professional judgment.

The School of Business is accredited by the AACSB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. AACSB International assures quality and promotes excellence and continuous improvement in undergraduate and graduate education for business administration and accounting.

Admission

At the University of Southern Maine, several factors are evaluated in determining a candidate’s admissibility to the M.B.A. or M.S.A. program. Included in the assessment of a candidate’s potential to perform satisfactorily in the M.B.A. or M.S.A. program are the undergraduate grade point average (GPA), the rigor of the undergraduate’s field of study, the reputation of the institution awarding the baccalaureate degree, academic performance in any previous graduate coursework taken, the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) score, three letters of recommendation, and a candidate’s record of successful business or professional experience. Fully admitted students must have a formula score of 1,100 or higher. (The formula is (GPA x 200) + GMAT. The GPA will be computed twice—overall GPA and GPA with the first 60 credits removed. The higher of the two scores will be used in the calculation). For the purposes of computing this score, all undergraduate-level coursework, including courses taken after receipt of the bachelor’s degree, is counted. Fully admitted students should have a minimum GMAT score of 500. Applicants whose formula score falls below 1,100 or whose GMAT is lower than 500, but who show evidence of exceptional (a) performance in outside activities, or (b) evidence of creativity and leadership, or (c) accomplishment in business may be granted full admission.

Conditional Admission Applicants whose formula score is between 950 and 1,100 but who show evidence of very good (a) performance in outside activities, or (b) evidence of creativity and leadership, or (c) accomplishment in business may be granted conditional admission. Applicants who would normally be granted full admission but about whom the Admissions Committee has questions regarding some aspect of the applicant’s background (e.g., weak recommendations, low
grades in key undergraduate courses) may be granted conditional admission. Applicants whose formula score is below 950 but whose GMAT score is 500 or greater and who show evidence of exceptional (a) performance in outside activities, or (b) evidence of creativity and leadership, or (c) accomplishment in business may be granted conditional admission.

Applicants admitted conditionally will be required to complete a specified set of courses (either foundation, regular or both). This specified set will normally contain 12 credits, but may be fewer, depending on the specifics of the case. Successful completion of the conditions will result in full admission to the program. Failure to complete the required conditions will result in dismissal from the program, unless there are extenuating circumstances. Under exceptional circumstances, a conditionally admitted student who fails to meet one or more condition(s) and is dismissed from the M.B.A. or M.S.A. program may be invited by the director to reapply for regular admission.

Decisions about which courses conditionally admitted students must take will be made by the Admissions Committee, in consultation with appropriate faculty members. In some circumstances, conditionally admitted students may be counseled to take undergraduate equivalents either in lieu of or in addition to foundation courses.

**Transient Students** Students must send a written request to enroll in a course, including the rationale for taking the particular course. Students must submit transcripts from (a) all undergraduate institutions attended and (b) the graduate program in which she or he is enrolled. Students must have necessary prerequisites for the desired course. Students must submit a GMAT score. This requirement is waived for students in good standing enrolled in programs at AACSB accredited schools. Students whose programs use GRE, LSAT, MCAT or MAT (Miller Analogies Test) scores may submit those. Note: MAT scores are acceptable only for special students or non-matriculated student purposes, and may never be used as a substitute for the GMAT in the regular admission process.

Pursuant to USM policy, special students, like regular students, are expected to provide the program with a score from a standardized test. Students from programs that do not require any standardized test may be allowed to enroll, subject to very close scrutiny by the co-director. However, this will be done only in exceptional circumstances. Students in this situation may be asked to take the GMAT prior to being allowed to enroll, or may submit valid scores from other standardized tests they may have taken.

Students must arrange for the head of the home program to send a letter stating that the student is enrolled in good standing in the program, and also stating that the course will count toward earning the degree.

The program office will compute a formula score as in the case of regular applicants. Students following these procedures whose formula scores are 950 or higher and who have a "B" average in their home programs will be allowed by the program director to enroll in courses, subject to permission of the instructor. All students in this group must sign a non-degree release (see page 62).

**Non-matriculated Students** All students wishing to enroll in M.B.A. or M.S.A. courses on a non-matriculated basis must follow the application process described for full admission, including submission of a GMAT or other standardized test score. However, consistent with that process, people who hold terminal degrees will not have to submit a standardized test score. Holders of these degrees normally will be allowed to enroll in M.B.A. or M.S.A. courses with few restrictions, subject to permission of the instructor and having taken the appropriate prerequisites. Decisions on this type of study may be made by the program director, alone or in consultation with the Admissions Committee.

Others seeking to enroll in M.B.A. or M.S.A. courses will not normally be allowed to do so. Exceptions may be made if these prospective enrollees provide evidence of exceptional (a) performance in outside activities, (b) creativity and leadership, and (c) accomplishment in business. Decisions will be made by vote of the Admissions Committee. All students in this group must sign a non-degree release (see page 62).

**Other USM Graduate Students** Students matriculated in other graduate programs at the University of Southern Maine may enroll in School of Business graduate-level courses on a space-available basis providing that appropriate course pre-
requisites or other equivalents as approved by the program director, have been satisfied. This privilege does not extend to graduate students conditionally admitted to other USM graduate programs. All students in this group must sign a non-degree release (see below).

Admitted students whose educational background is lacking the foundation courses listed under Program Requirements will have to complete satisfactorily each of these courses or their equivalents as stipulated in their letter of acceptance.

In addition to the materials described in the Admissions chapter, applicants for these programs must submit:

1. A completed application. In the required essay applicants should, in addition to stating their reasons for wanting an M.B.A. or M.S.A., make sure to touch on the following points, as applicable:
   a. Performance in outside activities
   b. Evidence of creativity and leadership
   c. Record of accomplishment in business

2. Official scores from the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT). (Note: Candidates with terminal degrees normally are not required to take the GMAT.)

3. Three letters of recommendation.

4. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of at least 550 on the paper-based TOEFL or 213 on the computer-based TOEFL for students whose native language is not English.

5. A résumé that includes post-baccalaureate, full-time work experience including military experience.

Application materials may be obtained from the USM Office of Graduate Studies. All applications should be returned to the USM Office of Graduate Studies.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Candidates are encouraged to complete applications by August 1 (for fall admission consideration) and December 1 (for spring admission consideration).

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of these programs are as follows.

Deferred Admission An applicant admitted for full-time or part-time study must register for that semester for which he or she has been admitted. In certain circumstances, with a written request received prior to the start of the semester in which the student has been admitted, deferred admission will be granted to regularly admitted applicants upon the approval of the M.B.A. or M.S.A. director. In the event that no written request is received, a student is considered to have withdrawn from the program.

Transfer Credit A student admitted to the M.B.A. or M.S.A. program may apply to have graduate credits transferred from other regionally accredited institutions of higher education. In order to apply, a student must have earned nine hours of graduate credits from the University of Southern Maine. A grade of B (3.00) or better must be received in each course requested for transfer credit. To be accepted, the course also must be judged applicable to a student's program of study. A maximum of six semester hours of transfer credit may be accepted. When possible, students should ascertain whether or not transfer credit will be granted by the School of Business before enrolling in a course at another institution.

Time Limit In order to be counted toward the M.B.A. or M.S.A. core and elective requirements, graduate coursework must be completed within six years of the date a student enrolls in his or her first course numbered MBA 610, ACC 630, or higher. Otherwise, coursework must be repeated.

Non-Degree Release Students taking courses on a non-matriculated basis must sign a release stating that they will not pursue an M.B.A. or M.S.A. from USM on the basis of accumulated non-matriculated courses, unless they gain admission through the formal admissions process described earlier.

Grade Policy Please see M.B.A. and M.S.A. program descriptions for specific grade policy details. The following policies pertain to both the M.B.A. and M.S.A. programs.

A student whose grade point average falls below 3.00 will be placed on probation. The student will have 12 semester hours in which to bring the grade point
average back to at least a 3.00. Students who fail to do this may be dismissed by
the program director. Any student may appeal any dismissal decision in writing to
the M.B.A. or M.S.A. Admissions Committee.

A student who has completed the program of study must have a cumulative
grade point average of 3.00 to receive the M.B.A. or M.S.A. degree. If a student
has completed all requisite courses with a cumulative grade point average below a
3.00, a maximum of six additional credits of 600-level courses may be attempted
in order to raise the cumulative grade point average to at least a 3.00.

Readmission A regularly admitted student who is dismissed from the M.B.A.
or M.S.A. program may not be readmitted. Under exceptional circumstances, a
conditionally admitted student who fails to meet one or more conditions and is
dismissed from the M.B.A. or M.S.A. program may be invited by the director to
reapply for regular admission.

Special Policies In order to receive graduate credit toward the M.B.A. or M.S.A.
degree, a student must be registered in a graduate course as a graduate student. If
a student has earned another graduate degree prior to admission to the M.B.A. or
M.S.A. program, no more than six credits used to fulfill requirements for that
degree may be applied toward completion of the M.B.A. or M.S.A. degree.

Master of Business Administration

The master of business administration program at the University of Southern
Maine is composed of 27 credit hours of core courses and 6 credit hours of elec­
tive courses. In addition, up to 24 credit hours of foundation courses may be waived
depending on the student's previous academic background.

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M.B.A. courses numbered below MBA 610 are not applicable toward the 33
credits needed for graduation. These courses are required for students whose pre­
vious undergraduate education has not included the equivalent content. Grades
earned in M.B.A.-level foundation courses are included in the student's grade
point average. However, any foundation courses in which a student earns less than
a C grade (2.0) must be repeated.

Faculty strongly recommend that students, who do not have a solid recollection
of foundation course content, retake or, at a minimum, review content material
independently prior to enrolling in core courses. Students may consult the School
of Business Web site or course instructors for information on course content.

Either a minimum grade of C (2.0) from a regionally accredited institution of
higher education or successful completion of an equivalent CLEP exam or depart­
mental exam (if available) is needed to meet a foundation course requirement.
Coursework from non-accredited institutions will be evaluated on an individual
basis. After admission, students may petition the director for permission to enroll
in undergraduate equivalent courses to meet M.B.A.-level foundation course re­
quirements. Any undergraduate courses taken will not be included in the computa­
tion of the student's graduate grade point average.

BUS 340 Managing Organizational Behavior 3
BUS 345 Information Technology/MIS 3
MBA 601 Economic Analysis:
  An intensive survey of micro and macroeconomic theory 3
MBA 602 Fundamentals of Accounting:
  An intensive survey of financial and management accounting 3
MBA 604 Probability and Statistics for Business Decision Making 3
MBA 605 Financial Management 3
MBA 607 Principles of Marketing 3
MBA 608 Management Science 3

Computer application skills All students are expected to have basic computer
skills in word processing and spreadsheet usage, either through prior experience
or education. Students lacking in computer application skills are responsible for
seeking coursework that will fulfill these expectations.
All admitted students are required to participate in a one-day experiential learning exercise during the first year of enrollment. The experiential learning exercise is held in the fall semester. The exercise is geared toward developing a sense of community and enhanced communications and trust among the M.B.A. students and faculty. Information on the exercise will be provided. There is a fee for this experience.

**MBA Grade Policy**

All graduate courses numbered MBA 610 or higher must be completed with a minimum grade of C- (1.67) in order to carry graduate degree credit. If a student receives a grade of D+ (1.33) or D (1.00) in a required course numbered MBA 610 or higher, the student must repeat the course. When a student repeats one of these courses, all grades received in that course are included in the student’s grade point average. A student who receives two grades of D (1.00) or D+ (1.67) or one grade of F (0.00) in courses numbered MBA 610 or higher will be dismissed from the program by the program director.

### Credit Hours

**Core Courses**

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**Electives (Choose two)**

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The M.S.A. program will provide students with a strong conceptual and applied understanding of accounting that integrates technical accounting knowledge with ethical professional judgment. Because accounting professionals need a broad understanding of the business disciplines and how those disciplines interact with accounting, students with undergraduate degrees outside of business or accounting will be required to take a number of foundation courses prior to enrollment in graduate classes. In addition, all students who do not have prior experience in the accounting profession are encouraged to participate in an internship experience as part of their program. Opportunities exist for part-time and full-time internship experiences to provide flexibility in meeting student needs.

Students may customize their M.S.A. by spreading graduate electives over a variety of areas or by selecting electives in a particular non-accounting area complementary to their individual preference. All students must take at least three (and may take up to four) non-accounting electives as part of their program. Thus, the electives provide an opportunity for breadth or additional depth within the program.

The M.S.A. degree may be pursued on either a part-time or full-time basis. Classes meet once a week in late afternoon and evening time periods. Students, provided all prerequisites have been met, may be able to complete the M.S.A. in one year of full-time study through careful scheduling and advanced planning with the M.S.A. director.

M.S.A. Common Body of Knowledge and Accounting Foundation courses are not applicable toward the 30 credits needed for graduation. These courses are required for students whose previous undergraduate education has not included the equivalent content. Each course must be completed with a grade of C+ (2.33) or higher. Any undergraduate courses taken to fulfill MSA Common Body of Knowledge and Accounting Foundation requirements will not be included in the computation of the student's graduate grade point average.

Faculty strongly recommend that students, who do not have a solid recollection of foundation course content, retake or, at a minimum, review content material independently prior to enrolling in core courses. Students may consult the School of Business Web site or course instructors for information on course content.

Common Body of Knowledge (15 credits)
All courses listed are 3 credit hours, unless noted.

BUS 340 Managing Organizational Behavior
* PPM 601 Applied Statistics for Public Policy and Management or
* MAT 120D Introduction to Statistics
MBA 601  Economic Analysis
MBA 605  Financial Management
MBA 607  Principles of Marketing

*Certain M.B.A. electives require a more rigorous exposure to statistics; therefore, MBA 604 or its equivalent may be required. Accordingly, students desiring these M.B.A. electives are encouraged to take MBA 604.

Computer Applications Skills All students are expected to have basic computer skills in word processing and spreadsheet usage, either through prior experience or education. Students lacking in computer application skills are responsible for seeking coursework that will fulfill these expectations.

Accounting Foundation Core (12 credits)
Prior to enrollment in ACC 301, students must either complete ACC 223 Introduction to Accounting Systems, or demonstrate proficiency with the accounting cycle (debit and credit entries and general ledger). Prior to enrollment in ACC 329, students must either complete ACC 223 or demonstrate proficiency with basic computerized general ledger systems (e.g., Peachtree, Quickbooks).

ACC 301  Financial Reporting I
ACC 302  Financial Reporting II
ACC 329  Accounting Information Systems
ACC 602  Fundamentals of Accounting

MSA Grade Policy
All graduate courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C (2.0) to carry graduate degree credit. If a student receives a grade below C (2.0) in a graduate course, the student must repeat the course and has only one opportunity to raise the grade for that course to C (2.0) or higher. A student receiving two grades below C (2.0) will be dismissed from the program.

M.S.A. Requirements (12 credits)
ACC 631  Current Issues and Developments in Accounting
ACC 632  Financial Statement Reporting and Theory
ACC 636  Professional Responsibilities and Commercial Law
MBA 611  Introduction to Organizational Change

Accounting Electives (9-12 credits)
ACC 410 required if no prior external auditing course in undergraduate or graduate work; ACC 413 or ACC 633 required if no prior tax course in undergraduate or graduate work. Note: A maximum of six hours of 400-level ACC courses may be taken as MSA electives. Undergraduate 400-level ACC courses taken as MSA electives are included in the computation of a student’s graduate grade point average.

ACC 406  Advanced Managerial Accounting
ACC 410  Auditing and Assurance
ACC 413  Concepts and Strategies of Taxation
ACC 416  Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting
ACC 441  International and Advanced Accounting Topics
ACC 630  Management Accounting Systems
ACC 633  Taxation for Business and Investment Planning
ACC 634  Advanced Taxation
ACC 691  Independent Study
ACC 695  Internship

Non-Accounting Electives (6-9 credits)
At least six credit hours of electives must be in non-accounting coursework and may include M.B.A. courses numbered 615 or higher or other graduate courses approved by the M.S.A. director. Additional prerequisites may be required before enrolling in certain M.B.A. courses listed below.

MBA 615  Ethical and Legal Issues in Business
MBA 625  International Finance
MBA 626  Strategic Valuation
The master of business administration (M.B.A.) and the master of science in accounting (M.S.A.) programs allow interested and qualified students to complete a bachelor's degree and an M.B.A. or M.S.A. in five years depending on the undergraduate major. (Degree requirements for some majors necessitate a longer completion time.) Generally, students in the 3-2 program focus on their bachelor's degree requirements during their first three years, a mix of bachelor's and M.B.A. or M.S.A. requirements in the fourth year, and mostly M.B.A. or M.S.A. requirements in the fifth year. Each degree is awarded once the specific degree requirements are successfully met.

Admission Requirements

Students may enroll in the 3-2 program either directly from high school, or after the end of their first semester of undergraduate studies. Students entering directly from high school need an SAT combined score of 1200 or higher. Students entering directly from high school will be required to attain a GPA of 3.0 or higher after 90 credit hours of undergraduate coursework to remain in good standing and be allowed to continue in the 3-2 program. Students currently enrolled in a baccalaureate degree program may enter the 3-2 program by meeting the regular M.B.A. or M.S.A. admission criteria of a formula score of 1100 or higher with a minimum GMAT score of 500. (The formula is: undergraduate GPA x 200, plus the GMAT total score.) Students entering the 3-2 program after they are enrolled in a baccalaureate degree program will be required to attain a GPA of 3.0 or higher after 90 credit hours of undergraduate coursework to remain in good standing and be allowed to continue in the program.

Enrollment in M.B.A.- and M.S.A.-level courses

In either admission path, a student may not enroll in M.B.A.- or M.S.A.-level courses until they have accumulated 90 credit hours of undergraduate coursework.

The M.B.A. 3-2 program for majors outside the School of Business

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**Internship Program**

Students are encouraged to participate in an internship to experience on-the-job learning. Employment in a professional setting provides opportunities to apply and evaluate classroom learning, develop work-related skills, and explore careers. Credit may be received for paid or non-paid positions with new employers, or for new responsibilities with current employers. Credit is not granted for past work experience. Students are encouraged to contact employers to develop internship positions, or they may learn of positions through the program manager and by contacting the School of Business internship coordinator. In a typical three-credit internship, a student works a minimum of 140 hours on-site and will be advised by a faculty member during the
ACC 223 Introduction to Accounting Systems
All accounting procedures required for an accounting cycle are practiced in this course indepth; to include transaction processing, journals, ledgers, trial balances, preparation of financial statements, and the closing process. A manual practice set is required. The course then moves on to experience accounting procedures using a computerized integrated general ledger system. Accounting data analysis and report writing are emphasized, with spreadsheet integration examined as time permits. Prerequisites: ACC 110 (or ACC 602), and computer proficiency. Cr 2.

ACC 301 Financial Reporting I
An examination of the conceptual framework, the primary financial statements, and the methods and rationale for recording and reporting assets. Emphasis is on the effect of present and potential economic events on the financial statements. The course discusses the advantages, limitations, and deficiencies associated with generally accepted principles in connection with presenting decision-useful information. Prerequisites: ACC 211 (or ACC 602), and ACC 223 (or proficiency) and junior standing. Cr 3.

ACC 302 Financial Reporting II
An examination of the methods and rationale for recording liabilities and owners’ equity. The course also examines the statement of cash flows. Emphasis is on the effect of present and potential economic events on the primary financial statements. The course discusses the advantages, limitations, and deficiencies associated with generally accepted principles in connection with presenting decision-useful information. Prerequisites: ACC 301 and junior standing. Cr 3.

ACC 329 Accounting Information Systems
This is a survey course that builds on the topics introduced in ACC 223. The course provides the theory and basic tools needed to use, develop, and audit accounting systems. Business activities performed in the expenditure, production, and revenue cycles are covered along with the reporting requirements and controls appropriate to each cycle. The collection and reporting of managerial accounting information (e.g., product cost, budget, variance analysis) in an accounting system are also discussed. Students will gain hands-on experience with several accounting software packages; Excel is used to interface spreadsheet applications with accounting software; and Microsoft Access is used as a data base technology tool for supplementing the functionality of integrated G/L accounting packages. The processes involved in on-line ordering, paying for goods, selling products, and accepting payments will also be explored. Prerequisites: ACC 211 (or ACC/MBA 602), ACC 223 (or proficiency), and junior standing. Cr 3.

ACC 406 Advanced Managerial Accounting
This course will cover current topics in managerial accounting. Examples include the design and implications of management control systems for performance measurement and compensation; the design and implications of balanced scorecards; the role of budget and budgeting in organizations; the design and implications of activity-based costing systems; customer profitability analysis; and the role of the controller and the CFO. Prerequisite: ACC 305 (or ACC 630). Cr 3.

ACC 410 Auditing and Assurance
This course examines the public accounting profession, auditing standards, and professional ethics. The course explores the process by which an auditor forms an opinion as to the “fairness of presentation” of financial statements, giving an overview of audit evidence and audit evidence accumulation methodology. The course exposes students both to the demand for and supply of the profession’s flagship service, financial statement audits, and to the nature of the value-added assurance and attestation services decision makers demand in the information age. The course illustrates with real companies, links class discussion and assignments to student skills, and encourages unstructured problem solving. This course provides an opportunity for students to study auditing concepts and theory at an advanced level by examining a number of issues, with extensive reading from the auditing research literature, in addition to textbook material. Students with prior coursework in external auditing may not enroll for M.S.A. degree credit. Prerequisites: ACC 302 and senior standing. Cr 3.

ACC 413 Concepts and Strategies of Taxation
This course provides a conceptual understanding of the federal tax system and its impact on individuals, corporations, and partnerships. The primary emphasis is on fundamental income tax concepts and principles, with an overview of other taxes. Detailed technical coverage and return preparation are minimized. The economic, political, social, and judicial reasoning underlying tax provisions are explored. Tax issues and changes under current consideration at the national, state, local, and inter-
national levels are discussed. Basic research skills and methodology are introduced. Prerequisites: ACC 110 (or ACC/MBA 602) ECO 101J (or MBA 601), and junior standing. Cr 3.

ACC 416 Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting
An analysis of the environment and characteristics of government and nonprofit organizations, with an in-depth study of the basic concepts and standards of financial reporting for such entities. Financial management and accountability considerations specific to government and nonprofit organizations are emphasized. Prerequisite: ACC 301. Cr 3.

ACC 441 International and Advanced Accounting Topics
The first part of the course explores a variety of advanced accounting topics such as the theoretical and practical concepts of direct asset acquisitions, the basics of preparing consolidated income statements and balance sheets, the entire life cycle of a partnership, including profit and loss agreements, and an overview of governmental and not-for-profit accounting issues. The second part of the course involves the exploration of the international accounting environment, including an understanding of the influences of political, legal, and financial factors involved and discussion of re-measurement and translation of a foreign entity’s financial statements into U.S. currency. Prerequisites: ACC 301 and junior standing. Cr 3.

ACC 602 Fundamentals of Accounting
This course provides an intensive survey of the fundamentals of financial and management accounting. It includes an appreciation and understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and their application in the preparation and analysis of financial statements with an emphasis on decision making. The course also introduces the concept of cost used by managers in decision making in planning and controlling operations in organizations. Cr 3.

ACC 630 Management Accounting Systems
This course examines how management accounting systems can be used to help businesses survive/succeed in an increasingly competitive global economy. Emphasis is on designing management accounting systems which: (1) support both the operational and strategic goals of the organization, (2) provide feedback to senior management about organizational units' performance, and (3) serve as the linkage between the strategy of the organization and the execution of that strategy in individual operating units. A blend of contemporary theory with practical applications and actual company experiences will be utilized to accomplish the course objectives. Prerequisites: MBA 601, ACC/MBA 602. Cr 3.

ACC 631 Current Issues and Developments in Accounting
The study of current output concerning accounting issues of a technical, professional, and academic nature. Areas of accounting studied will include recent developments in financial, managerial, auditing, taxation, and systems at the local, national, and international levels. Prerequisites: ACC 410, ACC 329, and ACC/MBA 633 (or ACC 413). Cr 3.

ACC 632 Financial Statement Reporting and Theory
This course presents financial statement reporting with an emphasis on the foundations and employment of generally accepted accounting principles. This course will provide a critical analysis of the strengths and deficiencies in financial reporting, including an overview of international variances. Particular emphasis will be placed upon reviewing financial statements and case studies. Controversial topics such as: asset impairment, accounting for intangibles, lease accounting, income tax accounting, contingent liabilities, marketable securities and debt issues and restructures, earnings per share computations, and accounting for non-monetary compensation will be covered, including an analysis of underlying theory and reasoning of authoritative pronouncements. Prerequisites: ACC/MBA 602 or equivalent; ACC 223 (or proficiency), ACC 301, ACC 302. Cr 3.

ACC 633 Taxation for Business and Investment Planning
An examination of the implications of current federal income tax laws and policies for business management decisions; and recognition of tax traps and potential tax savings. Prerequisites: MBA 601, ACC/MBA 602, MBA 605. Cr 3.

ACC 634 Advanced Taxation
This course provides an overview of the federal tax treatment of various entities including corporations, partnerships, tax-exempt organizations, trusts, and estates. The course will also examine the tax treatment of transactions between the entity and its owners including distributions and changes in ownership. An overview of estate and gift taxation will be provided. Limited international applications and advanced individual income tax issues will also be covered. Tax research skills will be developed and applied. The course will also address the ethical responsibilities of tax practice. Prerequisites: ACC 413 or ACC/MBA 633. Cr 3.

ACC 636 Professional Responsibilities and Commercial Law
This course will address the ethical and professional responsibilities of accountants to various stakeholders including the public, the accounting profession, and governmental authorities. Professional and corporate codes of conduct will be examined along with comprehensive ethics management programs.
and ethics decision-making models. This course will also cover the legal implications of commercial transactions generally encountered by the practicing accountant. The law of contracts, negotiable instruments, creditors' rights and bankruptcy, business organizations, property, and accountants' liability will be covered. Prerequisite: ACC 301. 

ACC 691 Independent Study 
Selected topics in the areas of accounting may be studied and researched on an independent basis. Enrollment is normally limited to M.S.A. degree candidates. Prerequisites: permission of instructor and director of M.S.A. program. 

ACC 695 Internship 
This internship education course is described in the preceding text. Prerequisites: completion of foundation courses, 3.0 GPA or higher, and permission of instructor and M.S.A. director. Enrollment is normally limited to M.S.A. majors who have not completed their degree requirements. A maximum of three credits of ACC 695 may be used toward the degree. 

BUS 340 Managing Organizational Behavior 
A comprehensive survey of the disciplines of management and organizational behavior, and of the practices managers employ in planning, organizing, leading, and controlling organizations. Topics include self-awareness, perception, motivation, leadership, group dynamics and teamwork, communication, strategic planning and organizational design, planned change and continuous improvement, and information and control systems. The environmental context, workforce diversity, the global economy, and managerial ethics are core integrating themes. 

BUS 345 Information Technology/Management Information Systems 
Surveys information/systems technology for the management of corporate information as a resource. Managerial and technical dimensions of information systems are blended in a framework of information technology. Specific topics will evolve with the field but may include data communications, information systems theory, database concepts, and decision support systems. 

MAT 120D Introduction to Statistics 
An introductory course including basic probability, random variables, and their distributions; estimation and hypothesis testing; and regression and correlation. Prerequisite: successful completion of the University's mathematics proficiency requirement. 

MBA 601 Economic Analysis 
An intensive survey of microeconomic theory and macroeconomic theory. Economic problems such as price and output decisions, resource allocations, inflation, and unemployment are analyzed. 

MBA 602 Fundamentals of Accounting 
This course provides an intensive survey of the fundamentals of financial and management accounting. It includes an appreciation and understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and their application in the preparation and analysis of financial statements with an emphasis on decision making. The course also introduces the concept of cost used by managers in decision making in planning and controlling operations in organizations. 

MBA 604 Probability and Statistics for Business Decision Making 
An introduction to the concepts and use of probability and statistics as tools for business decision making. 

MBA 605 Financial Management 
The primary objective of this course is to provide a balanced introduction to the theory and practice of financial management. Emphasis is placed on the management of capital to enhance shareholder wealth. Topics include time value of money, risk and return, stock and bond valuation, capital budgeting, and cost of capital. Prerequisites: MBA 601, ACC/MBA 602, MBA 604. 

MBA 607 Principles of Marketing 
This course represents and expands upon the principle that organizations need to sustain a market-driven philosophy. It addresses the need for understanding the environmental context within which the organization operates, anticipating and meeting the needs of different market segments, developing programs involving products or services, pricing, distribution and promotions, and monitoring the effectiveness of such programs in satisfying consumer needs and wants. 

MBA 608 Management Science 
This course examines the role, perspective, and commonly used tools of quantitative analysis in operational decision making. Emphasis is placed upon developing students' abilities to recognize the need for quantification; formulate operations management problems quantitatively; select and test computer-based decision-support system models; collect meaningful data; and interpret the implications of analysis results. Prerequisite: MBA 604. 

MBA 611 Introduction to Organizational Change 
Focuses on understanding organizations and the organizing process through different images, including the organization as a machine, as an organism, and as a political system. Examines the issues involved in helping organizations that wish to use the images to inform and guide organizational change. Prerequisite: BUS 340.
MBA 615 Ethical and Legal Issues in Business
This course examines business ethics and attempts to develop practical solutions to ethical issues which confront today's global managers. This course also examines legal issues including such topics as drug testing in the workplace, an employee's right to privacy, sexual harassment, and the rights and responsibilities of officers and directors. Prerequisite: MBA 605 or equivalent. Cr 3.

MBA 625 International Finance
This course is intended to give students a solid introduction to the very important field of international finance. It offers a rigorous examination of and the financial management of the multinational corporation and of international financial markets. Intensive coverage of foreign exchange markets and methods of managing exchange rate risk are emphasized. Topics include currency derivative markets and risk management, arbitrage and international parity conditions, market efficiency, short- and long-term asset management, and capital budgeting. Prerequisite: MBA 605 or equivalent. Cr 3.

MBA 626 Strategic Valuation
This is the M.B.A. corporate finance course, focusing on strategic and quantitative analyses of complex, real asset investment. It prepares students for making investment decisions and evaluating investment decisions made by others. Topics include incremental cash flows, traditional capital budgeting, capital structure, required rates of return, real options, and valuation of business entities for purposes of acquisition or divestiture. Prerequisite: MBA 605. Cr 3.

MBA 627 Investment Management
An introduction to the various investment media and financial markets from the viewpoint of institutional investors. The course provides an in-depth analysis of the nature, problems, and process of evaluating securities and managing portfolios. Emphasis is placed on the structure of the securities markets, portfolio theory, and trading strategies of portfolio managers. Theoretical and empirical research addressing recent developments in portfolio management will be examined. Prerequisite: MBA 605. Cr 3.

MBA 628 Financial Institutions
This course is an intensive examination of the management of financial institutions including risk management, response to changes in regulations, and mergers and acquisitions. This will be accomplished through exposure to a wide assortment of current literature which examines financial institutions and markets on the domestic and international levels. The primary focus will be how managers of financial institutions manage different types of risks including: interest rate risk; credit risk; off-balance sheet risk; foreign exchange risk; and liquidity risk. Prerequisite: MBA 605. Cr 3.

MBA 629 Financial Economics
Studies the economic principles and theories that govern financial markets. Examines the supply, demand, and flow of funds in allocating credit and distributing risks in the macrofinancial system. Studies the saving-investment process, the rationale for financial markets, and the role of financial intermediaries. Reviews important empirical and practical issues concerning the operation of financial markets. Special attention is given to the operation of money, capital, futures, foreign financial markets, and the impact of public policy on the structure and performance of financial markets. Selected topics are chosen from antitrust, affirmative action and employment discrimination, and business and property valuation. Prerequisites: MBA 601, MBA 605. Cr 3.

MBA 630 Management Accounting Systems
Examines how management accounting systems can be used to help businesses survive/succeed in an increasingly competitive global economy. Emphasis is on designing management accounting systems which: (1) support both the operational and strategic goals of the organization, (2) provide feedback to senior management about organizational units' performance, and (3) serve as the linkage between the strategy of the organization and the execution of that strategy in individual operating units. A blend of contemporary theory with practical applications and actual company experiences will be utilized to accomplish the course objectives. Prerequisites: MBA 601, ACC/MBA 602. Cr 3.

MBA 633 Taxation for Business and Investment Planning

MBA 642 Leadership
The course integrates five perspectives of leadership: individual differences and diversity; transactional leadership; power and politics; transformational leadership; and the physical, psychological, and spiritual dimensions of leader well-being. Prerequisite: BUS 340. Cr 3.

MBA 643 Change and Creativity
This course will provide an applications-oriented understanding of change—both personal and organizational, and will help students develop creative problem-solving skills that not only allow one to survive, but actually thrive in the context of change. Perspectives covered in the course include organizational development, contemporary models of change, linear and nonlinear creativity techniques, innovation and creativity models, and various psychological theories useful to better understand change from a personal point of view. Prerequisite: BUS 340. Cr 3.
MBA 647 Organizational Strategy
Using strategic tools such as competitive analysis and the value chain, this course provides an in-depth examination of the resource-based view of the firm. Emphasizes entrepreneurial strategy approaches in high-velocity business environments. Prerequisites: MBA 615 (or concurrent), MBA 605, MBA 607, and BUS 340. Cr 3.

MBA 649 Special Topics in Management: Introduction to System Dynamics
An examination of how the world can be understood through dynamic processes controlled by positive and negative feedback links. A general introduction to systems thinking, drawing on system dynamics, a computer-based technique for modeling systematically created problems. Requires an understanding of algebra. Prerequisite: BUS 340. Cr 3.

MBA 649 Special Topics in Management: Entrepreneurship and Business Formation
The entrepreneur’s role in a technological society, with emphasis on the techniques and problems implicit in the launching of new enterprises or in their evaluation by investors. This course is designed for aspiring entrepreneurs and for the professionals or institutions with whom they interface when starting a business. Students are expected to have basic communication skills, a background (educational or experiential) in accounting and marketing, and a grasp of economics and the principles of management. Attention will be paid to emerging opportunities in Maine. Materials are discussed by the instructor or invited guests in a seminar format that requires student participation and assignments calling for research, report writing, and presentation. Prerequisite: BUS 340. Cr 3.

MBA 649 Special Topics in Management: Strategic Human Resource Management
This course offers an applications-oriented overview of the fundamental issues involved in the practice of human resource management. Human resource productivity and quality of work life are the principal foci of this course. Strategies to enhance productivity and quality of work life comprise the content of the course. Topics covered include: human resource planning, staffing, performance appraisal, compensation and reward system design, training and development, employee rights, employee-management relations, and the international dimension of personnel and human resource management. Prerequisite: BUS 340. Cr 3.

MBA 660 Managerial Marketing
This course has a decision-based perspective, relying heavily on the case approach. It focuses on the logical development of market-driven strategies and assessment of their impact on other marketing functions within the organization. Students will gain experience in analyzing complex market behavior, recommending changes in marketing strategy, and articulating the development, implementation, and control of marketing plans. Prerequisite: ACC/MBA 602, MBA 607. Cr 3.

MBA 665 Consumer Behavior
Examines three aspects of consumer behavior: 1) cultural, social, and psychological influences on consumer motivation, 2) consumer acquisition of product information and formation of attitudes, and 3) the process consumers use to make consumption decisions. Implications for marketing strategy and segmentation will be discussed and students will apply marketing research techniques to analyze consumer behavior. Prerequisite: MBA 607. Cr 3.

MBA 668 Service Quality and Customer Satisfaction
This class examines the management of service quality. The primary focus is on how organizations identify customer requirements and assess service quality and satisfaction levels. To a lesser extent, the course covers service delivery systems, processes improvement, service marketing, and the interrelationship among operations, marketing, and human resource management. Prerequisite: MBA 607. Cr 3.

MBA 669 Multivariate Methods for Marketing
This course focuses on the application of multivariate statistical methods in the development of marketing strategy and the investigation of marketing problems. Building of descriptive and predictive models using multi-dimensional techniques such as factor analysis, regression analysis, cluster analysis, analysis of variance, conjoint analysis, and perceptual mapping. Use of statistical packages. Prerequisites: MBA 604, MBA 607. Cr 3.

MBA 671 Quality Management: Systems, Strategies, and Tools
This course treats all aspects of managing quality through examination of contemporary concepts and methods of design, control, and improvement. Emphasis is placed on developing the students’ ability to apply both qualitative and quantitative aspects of this subject matter to quality-related issues found within their own environments. Prerequisites: MBA 608. Cr 3.

MBA 672 Supply Chain Management
This course examines supply chain concepts and current practice in the context of just-in-time production, total quality management, and continuous productivity improvement. System-oriented managerial tools, models, and techniques are considered for their value-adding potential. Directed projects of the students’ choosing are used to address specific, company-based supply-chain problem situations. Prerequisites: MBA 608. Cr 3.
MBA 673 Business Systems Simulation
Computer simulation is used to examine the quantitative aspects of operational planning and control. Emphasis is placed on defining managerial problems quantitatively and modeling these problems using computer-based simulations. The course extends classic procedures in queueing theory, decision analysis, project planning, network and inventory analysis. Topically, the course analyzes problems concerning resource planning, inventory control, scheduling, sequencing, material handling, and reliability within logistics systems, production systems, and service-delivery systems. Prerequisites: MBA 608. Cr 3.

MBA 674 Topics in Information Systems Management
A topics course exploring major issues in the management of information technology. Students completing this course should have acquired an understanding of the strategic, tactical, and operational importance of information systems within an organization, and an understanding of how to leverage information technology in the management of an organization. Topics include, but are not limited to: strategic use of information technology, emerging technologies, systems development and project management, managing information systems resources, and knowledge management. Prerequisite: BUS 345. Cr 3.

MBA 675 Production/Operations Management
An examination of the role of operations within manufacturing and service organizations. Emphasis is placed upon recognizing operational opportunities and tradeoffs, and employing computer simulation and other quantitative tools and decision support systems to assist strategic and operational decision making. Topics include: quality management, capacity management, process design, facility location, layout, production planning, and manufacturing philosophies such as group technology, the theory-of-constraints, and just-in-time. Prerequisite: MBA 608. Cr 3.

MBA 676 Forecasting for Business Decision Making
This course treats both the quantitative and qualitative aspects of forecasting for business decision making. With the help of PC-based software, tools and techniques for short, medium, and long-range forecasting are developed conceptually and exercised. Emphasis is placed upon developing the students' ability to apply this subject matter to situations relevant to their own work environments. Prerequisites: MBA 608. Cr 3.

MBA 677 Advanced Topics in Quantitative Analysis
This course introduces and applies advanced tools, techniques, and perspectives drawn from operations research and statistics. While conceptual frameworks are developed and mathematical foundations are presented, emphasis is placed upon developing the students' ability to identify, formulate, and solve complex real-world business problems. Prerequisites: MBA 608. Cr 3.

MBA 691 Independent Study
Selected topics in the areas of business and/or administration may be studied and researched on an independent basis. Enrollment is normally limited to M.B.A. degree candidates. Prerequisites: permission of the instructor and the director of graduate programs. Cr 1-3.

MBA 695 Internship
This internship education course is described in the preceding text. Prerequisites: completion of foundation courses, 3.0 GPA or higher, and permission of the instructor and M.B.A. director. Enrollment is normally limited to M.B.A. majors who have not completed their degree requirements. A maximum of three credits of MBA 695 may be used toward the degree. Cr 1-3.

MBA 698 Practicum
This course is organized around projects provided by organizations in the southern Maine business community. Working with a faculty coach, teams of three to five MBA students work in organizations as consultants. The student teams analyze their assigned projects and recommend courses of action. Business leaders help with the identification of problems and evaluate the team's analysis and recommendations. In addition, students attend discussion sessions designed to allow all the teams to discuss with and seek advice from other teams. This course is usually taken in a student's final semester. Cr 3.

PPM 601 Applied Statistics for Public Policy and Management
This course introduces students to a variety of analytical approaches to studying management and policy questions. The course concentrates on the acquisition of skills that will enable the student to choose and apply statistical methodology appropriately, and to evaluate critically work done by others. Topics include tabular and visual displays of data; data analysis including central tendency, dispersion, measures of association and linear regression; and the use of a statistics software package. Cr 3.
Center for Business and Economic Research

Director: Bruce H. Andrews  
Associate Director: Charles Colgan  

The Center for Business and Economic Research (CBER) was originally formed in 1974 as an EDA University Center, and now serves as a conduit for bringing the expertise and skills of faculty from the School of Business, the Muskie School of Public Service, and other academic units at USM, to the challenges and opportunities facing the public and private sectors in Maine. As a joint center managed by the School of Business and the Muskie School, CBER is dedicated to helping the state prosper.

Supported by both public and private sources, the Center offers applied research and technical assistance services to Economic Development Districts, profit and nonprofit organizations, and individuals. These services include: survey-based research, economic impact analysis, forecasting, strategic planning, program evaluation, statistical/quantitative analysis, simulation modeling, feasibility studies, risk management, market research, financial/economic modeling, and other forms of customized business/economic analysis. The Center also publishes Maine Business Indicators, a semi-annual newsletter focusing on School of Business activities as well as key business and economic issues facing Maine. CBER has created and now maintains an Internet-accessible database system covering the entire state of Maine. For additional information, contact the Center for Business and Economic Research, University of Southern Maine, P.O. Box 9300, Portland, ME 04104-9300, (207) 780-4187.

Center for Entrepreneurship and Small Business

Director: Valarie C. Lamont

In November 1996 the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System approved the creation of the Center for Entrepreneurship and Small Business. Housed within the School of Business, the Center is simultaneously developing an academic program for undergraduate students and non-credit offerings to serve the needs of start-up and existing small businesses. In partnership with the Heart of Maine, the Center sponsors the FastTrac business development program statewide. The Center also sponsors participation in the Price-Babson Fellows Program at Babson College and hosts the student business plan competition. More information can be found on the Center’s Web site at www.usm.maine.edu/cesb or by contacting the Center for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Office at the University of Southern Maine, 68 High Street, Portland, ME 04101, (207) 228-8400, http://cree.usm.maine.edu.

Institute for Real Estate Research and Education

Director: Valarie C. Lamont

The Institute for Real Estate Research and Education was established to address the statewide education and research needs of the real estate community. The Institute consists of two centers: The Center for Real Estate Education (CREE) provides prelicensing and continuing education courses in real estate, appraisal, banking, and property management. Courses are delivered using a variety of formats, including live classroom, public television, video, computer, Internet, and correspondence courses. Selected real estate courses can be used for academic credit. The Center for Housing and Land Use was established in 1987 to conduct, disseminate, and promote research related to real estate issues in Maine and nationally. Research activities are undertaken at the local, county, regional, and state levels. Liaison is maintained with other government agencies, public and private associations, and other organizations which have an interest in public policy re-
lated to housing and land use. Persons interested in additional information may contact the Institute for Real Estate Research and Education, University of Southern Maine, 68 High St., Portland, ME 04101, (207) 874-6520.

Maine Small Business Development Centers

Director: John Massaua
Associate Director: Alma H. Newell

Maine Small Business Development Centers (Maine SBDC) provide comprehensive business management assistance, training, and information services to Maine’s micro and small business community. The focus of the Maine SBDC is to assist in the creation and maintenance of viable micro and small businesses and the jobs these businesses provide. Established in 1977 and administered at USM, Maine SBDC staffs and operates a network of service centers and outreach offices throughout the state.

Maine SBDC is a partnership program of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) in association with the SBA/SBDC, the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD), USM’s School of Business, and leading economic and/or community development hosting organizations.

To learn more about how the Maine SBDC helps small businesses develop and grow, visit the Maine SBDC Web site at www.maine.sbdc.org or call (207) 780-4420. The Maine SBDC statewide and administrative offices are located on the USM Portland campus at 15 Surrenden Street. The mailing address is P.O. Box 9300, Portland, ME 04104-9300.
College of Education and Human Development

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Director of Center for Educational Policy, Applied Research and Evaluation: David L. Silvernail; Director of Professional Development Center: George C. Lyons; Director of Southern Maine Partnership: Lynne Miller

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Education today occurs in a dynamic and demanding arena with many external pressures—financial constraints, public concern about the quality of life and learning in schools, changes in family lifestyles, and demands for services to meet the needs of various populations. For professionals in schools and human service agencies, this context calls for a unique combination of initiative and responsiveness as well as careful reflection on purposes and strategies. Such a setting highlights the importance of the professional as a lifelong learner.

Since the introduction of graduate courses in 1964, the College of Education and Human Development has been engaged in developing programs of study that prepare educators and human development practitioners for America’s future. The College and allied programs in art, music, and applied science at the University of Southern Maine prepare professionals for teaching, counseling, school psychology, administration, and teacher leadership. The content knowledge, skills, and understandings needed for these areas form the heart of our programs. Common to all of these fields is an emphasis on connections and partnerships, reflection and critical inquiry, diversity, and performance assessment.

USM’s College of Education and Human Development degree programs are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP).

Graduate Programs

The College of Education and Human Development offers degrees and certificate programs in the following areas:

**Adult Education**
- Master of Science in Adult Education
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Adult Learning

**Counselor Education**
- Master of Science in Counselor Education
  - Mental Health Rehabilitation Technician III Certificate
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Counseling

**Educational Leadership**
- Master of Science in Education in Educational Leadership
  - Assistant Principal Certificate
  - Athletic Administrator Certificate
  - Middle Level Education Certificate
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Leadership

**Literacy Education and English as a Second Language**
- Master of Science in Education in Literacy Education
  - Literacy Certificate
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Literacy Education
College of Education and Human Development

Department of Human Resource Development

Chair: John M. Sutton, Jr.

Adult Education—Professor: Brady; Associate Professor: Atkinson; Assistant Professor: Larson; Instructor: Collins

Counseling—Professors: Fall, Murphy, Sutton, VanZandt; Associate Professors: Katsekas, Stevens; Instructor: Bernacchio

School Psychology—Professor: Steege; Assistant Professor: Brown-Chidsey

The Department of Human Resource Development aims to improve the individual practices of human services professionals and to enhance school, community, organizational, and agency practices through education, research, and public service.

Three graduate programs are offered by the Department: adult education, counselor education, and school psychology. The adult education program offers concentrations in adult development, training and development, educational gerontology, community/international education, teaching adult learners, student affairs in higher education, public school adult education director certification, and self-designed. The counselor education program offers specialties in school counseling, rehabilitation counseling, and clinical mental health counseling. Certificate of Advanced Study Programs in adult learning and counseling are also available.

Department of Professional Education

Chair: James Curry

Educational Leadership—Professors: Capelluti, Miller, Silvernail; Associate Professors: Barnes, Broyles, Goldsberry; Assistant Professors: Beaudry

Industrial Education—Associate Professors: Nannay, Zaner

Literacy Education—Professors: O’Donnell, M. Wood; Associate Professor: Amoroso; Adjunct Assistant Professor: Bouchard

Special Education—Associate Professor: Curry; Assistant Professor: Washburn

The Department of Professional Education provides initial educational and professional development opportunities to new and current educators. The Department offers programs in three areas of study: educational leadership, literacy education, and special education. Within educational leadership, the Department offers a master’s degree, three certificate programs, and a certificate of advanced study. The master’s program is divided into three areas: administration, for certification as a school principal; administration, for certification as a director of special education; and teacher leadership. Within literacy, the Department offers a master’s degree with the option of a concentration in English as a second language, a literacy certificate program, and certificates of advanced study in literacy education and in English as a second language. Within special education, the Department offers a master’s degree that includes concentrations in elementary education, secondary education, and education of gifted and talented learners.
Department of Teacher Education

Chair: Nicholas Colucci
Professors: Kimball, Whitford; Associate Professors: Austin, Davis, Kissen; Assistant Professors: Fallona, Kuech, Ross, Shank; Clinical Lecturer: Canniff

The Department of Teacher Education provides a teacher education program in the context of a rapidly changing profession. The Extended Teacher Education Program (ETEP) is a nationally recognized, post-baccalaureate, teacher certification program which includes an intensive nine-month internship; completion of certification requirements; and optional completion of a master’s degree in teaching and learning.

College of Education and Human Development graduate programs seek candidates whose baccalaureate degree program, scholastic achievement, interest, motivation, and personal recommendations are indicative of success in graduate studies and the chosen profession. To be eligible for admission to a graduate education program, an applicant must meet the following requirements: hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution; have earned a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) in a baccalaureate degree program; have earned a score of 40 points or above on the Miller Analogies Test (MAT), or 900 or above combined verbal and quantitative scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) (this requirement is waived for applicants already holding a graduate degree); and have earned a score of at least 550 on the paper-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or 213 on the computer-based TOEFL for students whose native language is not English.

Applicants who do not have a 2.5 overall grade point average or who did not score 40 on the MAT or 900 combined on the verbal and quantitative sections of the GRE must enclose a letter asking for special consideration, in which they provide evidence of an ability to complete graduate studies successfully. Without such a letter, applicants who fail to meet eligibility requirements may be automatically denied. Special admission requirements are listed for some programs. Please consult the following pages for details.

Candidates for admission to the graduate degree programs must file all application materials with the College of Education and Human Development postmarked by the application deadline. All application materials should be submitted to the College’s Admissions and Advising Office, 128 School Street, Gorham, Maine 04038.

Application materials must include:

a) One completed copy of the Application for Admission to Graduate Study, including an essay on a topic specified by the program, and an application fee of $50.00 (nonrefundable);

b) Official transcripts of all previous college or university work sent directly from the awarding institution;

c) Three letters of recommendation. These should be from persons in a position to judge the applicant’s academic preparation and ability to pursue graduate and professional work;

d) Official scores on the MAT or the GRE, taken within five years of application sent directly from the testing service. This requirement is waived for applicants already holding a graduate degree.

In extenuating circumstances, applications completed after the deadline may be reviewed for admission on a space-available basis.

Criteria for admission include successful completion of a master’s degree, strong recommendations, documentation of excellent written communication skills, and clarity and strength of professional goals.

Candidates for admission to the CAS programs must file the following materials with the College postmarked by the application deadline. All application materials should be submitted to the College’s Admissions and Advising Office, 128 School Street, Gorham, Maine 04038. Applications materials must include:

a) One completed copy of the CAS application form, including an essay (see d on page 79), and a $50.00 nonrefundable application fee;
Admission to Certificate Programs

Criteria for admission include successful completion of a bachelor's degree and relevant professional experience. To earn a certificate, students must complete 75 percent of the required coursework at USM, and earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in each course. Candidates for admission must submit:

- a) Application for Certificate Program, including $20.00 nonrefundable application fee;
- b) Official transcript from bachelor's degree granting institution;
- c) Up-to-date résumé.

Credits earned through enrollment in a certificate program are transferrable to the respective graduate programs under the transfer credit policies outlined below. However, acceptance to a certificate program does not constitute acceptance to a master's or certificate of advanced study program. Applications for degree status must be made under separate cover under the guidelines above.

Application Deadlines

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Admissions Appeals

Applicants may appeal an admissions decision by submitting a written appeal to the department chair for the appropriate program within 30 days of notification of rejection. The appeal will be reviewed by the appropriate program faculty and the chair will notify the applicant of action taken on the appeal. Should the applicant wish to pursue the appeal process further, a written appeal should be submitted to the Dean of the College of Education and Human Development. Further appeals may be made to the Associate Provost for Graduate Studies.

Graduate Assistantships

A limited number of graduate assistantships are available for graduate students. Assistants must carry a minimum of six credit hours per semester. Duties may involve teaching, research, advising, office administration, and supervision of students/interns. Applications for assistantships are available from the Admissions and Advising Office, 128 School Street. The recommended application deadline is April 1.

Graduate Scholarships

The College of Education and Human Development has limited tuition scholarships available for continuing CEHD graduate students. Awards are based on academic merit, professional promise, and financial need. Recipients must be currently matriculated students intending to take six or more credits per semester during the following year. Applications for graduate scholarships are available each January from the Admissions and Advising Office, 128 School Street, and are due March 1.
In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter of this catalog, specific policies for education programs are as follows:

**Transfer Credit** A maximum of six credit hours may be approved as transfer credit, provided these credits were earned no more than three years prior to matriculation and grades of B or better were received. Additional transfer credit may be approved by the appropriate program chair in exceptional circumstances, including certificate program courses. Graduate students in master's level programs at other universities may transfer into our programs, bringing some or all of their credits with them if the program from which they are transferring is an approved program from an accredited university. Requests for transfer courses must be included on the graduate application, and will be considered on a course-by-course basis at the time of admission. Additional transfer policies may be listed under individual programs.

**Admission Credit** A maximum of six credits taken during the semester of application may be approved by the appropriate department chair for admission credit. These are in addition to transfer credits. In exceptional cases, students may petition to have additional credits accepted, upon admission to a program.

**Undergraduate Credits** Graduate credit will not be given for courses taken to fulfill undergraduate degree requirements. Any other advanced undergraduate-level courses must be approved in advance by appropriate College of Education and Human Development graduate faculty if those credits are to be applied to fulfill graduate program requirements.

**Course Waivers** Should a student wish to waive course requirements or request course substitutions, he or she must contact their faculty advisor to work out program changes. No more than six hours of academic credit may be waived or substituted. Waived courses must be substituted with elective credits.

**Comprehensive Examination/Portfolio/Practicum/Capstone Project** All degree students must complete a comprehensive examination/portfolio/practicum/capstone project that will assess the student’s breadth and depth of knowledge of the program field. Please consult each program of study for specific information regarding comprehensives, portfolios, practica, or capstone projects.

Degree students will have an opportunity to receive an examination briefing at least two weeks prior to the examination date, and the criteria to be used in evaluating the examination will be available in written form. In addition, students have the right to receive an explanation of the examination results.

**Master's Thesis** A degree student may earn up to six credit hours for completing a master's thesis. Students are encouraged to consult with their faculty advisor regarding thesis requirements.

**Teacher Education Program Policy** The faculty of the College of Education and Human Development reserve the right to accept and retain only those students who, in the judgment of the faculty, satisfy the requirements of scholarship, maturity, and personal suitability for teaching. The program maintains the ability to change admission and/or program requirements as needed to meet changes in state certification standards.

**Governance** The Executive Council, comprised of Department chairs and selected faculty and staff from the College, is the governing body for program review and evaluation for all advanced level professional education programs at USM. The Teacher Education Council, comprised of deans, department chairs, faculty, and school representatives from all programs offering initial teacher preparation, is the governing body for program review and evaluation for initial level teacher education programs at USM.

**Technology Standards**

**Recommended Entry Standards for Students in CEHD**

In order to engage successfully in program and department communication and in course learning activities, students should be able to:

- operate a computer system in order to use software successfully
- use e-mail communication applications, e.g., attachments, nicknames, signature; sending, replying, forwarding; cutting and pasting from documents; utilizing a listserv; organizing messages
- access and use appropriate library databases
- use word-processing productivity tools
- access and use the World Wide Web
- use remote access to University (if applicable)

Students admitted into programs in CEHD who need further training in any of the above areas should use the following resources for computer support:
- USM computer workshops (call 780-4029 for more information)
- USM Extension workshops (call 780-5900)
- USM computer labs (Portland, Gorham, and Lewiston-Auburn College campuses)
- USM HELP!Desk: 780-4029

Master of Science in Adult Education

The master of science in adult education is the only graduate program of its kind in northern New England. Established in 1972 to meet the region's need for trained public school administrators of adult education programs, the program today prepares educators for a variety of human resource development roles in all types of organizational and community settings. Today's students are also educators in non-school settings—hospitals, recreation agencies, businesses, and human service organizations. Most seek professional competence and recognition for a position currently held. Usually, the student is a professional with credentials in a specified field such as nursing, social work, counseling, criminal justice, or education and now practices that profession through an adult educator role. These roles include those of trainer, teacher, staff development specialist, program designer, or organizational change agent. Other students contemplate career change or entry and see adult education as a versatile field with strong growth potential.

Special Admission Requirements

In place of the standard essay required on the graduate application, candidates should provide a 3-5 page narrative, which addresses the following topics:
- relevant educational and experiential background;
- reasons for wanting to be in a helping profession;
- commitment to pursuing a career in adult education;
- reasons for seeking admission to the program;
- a statement of personal philosophy;
- a statement of personal strengths and weaknesses.

The narrative will be evaluated in terms of clarity of expression, grammatical construction, and other facets of English composition, as well as the quality of responses.

The admissions process requires a formal interview. Candidates to be interviewed will be selected on the basis of the above information. During the interview, issues relating to the following topics will be covered: a) self-awareness; b) awareness of social issues; c) awareness of others as persons; d) communication skills; and e) commitment to the field.

Graduate students in master’s level adult education programs at other universities may transfer into the program if they take their final 12 hours, including directed study or internship and graduate seminar, in USM's adult education program. A maximum of 9 credits in self-designed coursework may be counted toward this degree.

Program Requirements

The master of science in adult education requires 42 credits of coursework. Students must also submit a professional portfolio to complete the degree.

Basic Core (12 credits)

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Middle Core (12 hours required from the following)
HRD 601  Marketing Training and Adult Education
HRD 630  Facilitating Adult Learning
HRD 632  Program Development in Adult Education and Human Resource Development
HRD 633  Managing Adult Education and Human Resource Development
HRD 634  Using Technology in Education
HRD 667  Action Research and Evaluation Methodologies
HRDX 638  Program Evaluation
HRDX 639  Teaching for Transformation
One of the following three counseling courses may be taken as 3 credits toward the middle core:
HCE 620  Fundamentals of Counseling Theories
HCE 621  Fundamentals of Counseling Skills
HCE 626  Group Process and Procedures

Field-Based Practice Courses (3 credits, choose one)
HRD 687  Internship in Adult Education and Human Resource Development or
HRD 698  Directed Study in Human Resource Development

Concentration Courses (9 credits, see below)

Senior Course (3 credits)
HRD 649  Seminar in Adult Education and Human Resource Development

Elective (3 credits)
HRD 699  Independent Study in Human Resource Development

Concentrations (3 courses, 9 credit hours)
1. Adult Development
   HRDX 552  Mysticism and Human Development
   HRD 558  Summer Institute in Educational Gerontology: Aging and Life Review
   HRD 643  Multicultural Adult Development
   HRD 664  Culture, Tradition, and Diversity
   HRD 693  Life Stories and Personal Mythmaking
2. Community Education
   EDU 560  ESL Classroom Teaching Practices
   EDU 561  Aspects of the English Language
   EDU 562  Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the Classroom
   HRD 637  Community Education
   HRD 646  International Adult Education
3. Educational Gerontology
   HRD 557  Gerontology for Educators
   HRD 558  Summer Institute in Educational Gerontology: Aging and Life Review
   HRD 559  Summer Institute in Educational Gerontology: Aging, Death, and Bereavement
4. Public School Adult Education Director Certification
   EDU 678  School Law
   EDU 679  Evaluation and Supervision of School Personnel
   EDU 683  School Finance
   Note: This concentration requires a variation in the basic and middle core requirements; please consult with your advisor.
5. Student Affairs in Higher Education
   HRD 555  Introduction to Student Affairs in Higher Education
   HRD 556  Summer Institute in Special Topics
   Note: This concentration requires a variation in the basic and middle core requirements; please consult with your advisor.
Certificate of Advanced Study in Adult Learning

The certificate of advanced study program in adult learning is designed for the experienced educator—teacher, counselor, administrator, program planner, or policy maker—who works with adults in any educational setting, or seeks to explore the use of adult learning strategies as an alternative educational approach for working with younger learners. The 30-credit program emphasizes personal learning as a central theme, both as an approach to educator development and as a set of concepts and tools for working with adults in schools, businesses, social service agencies, hospitals, and other community organizations where adult education programs are planned and delivered. This is an individualized, flexible program which permits students to apply their learning to field-based projects.

Program Requirements

Required Courses (9 credits)

- EDU 660 CAS Seminar
- HRD 600 History and Philosophy of Adult Education
- HRD 631 The Adult Learner

The HRD courses will be waived for students who have a master’s degree in adult education or who have taken them previously. These students will take 6 credits of advisor-approved coursework instead.

Electives (18 credits)

- HRD 685 CAS Completion Project in Adult Learning (3 credits)

A field-based capstone project will be completed as one of the following: a field-based study; a public policy initiative; a publishable theory paper; or a personal learning curriculum for adults. Students will present their projects in a seminar of faculty and peers.

Master of Science in Counselor Education

Within the area of counselor education, the College offers a master’s degree, certificate programs, and a certificate of advanced study. The master of science in counselor education degree provides its graduates with the counseling knowledge and skills used in school, clinical, mental health, and rehabilitation settings. Students study human development and behavior, individual counseling theory, group theory and dynamics, research methodology, and psychological measurement and evaluation, in addition to courses in individual specialties—school counseling, clinical mental health counseling, and rehabilitation counseling. The Mental Health Rehabilitation III Certificate Program may be taken independently of the master’s degree. The certificate of advanced study in counseling is a post-master’s program for current counselors who are interested in pursuing advanced coursework.

The mission of the counselor education program is to prepare counselors for ethical practice. The program prepares its graduates to act as facilitators of change in the lives of individuals at all developmental levels. By modeling high standards of professionalism and offering a foundation of knowledge, skills, self-awareness, and practice, the program aspires to prepare counselors of the highest quality to
work in schools, mental health agencies, businesses, hospitals, rehabilitation organizations, private practice, and other settings.

Program Description

The master's program in counselor education provides students with counseling knowledge and skills used in school, agency, private practice, and rehabilitation settings. Students study human development and behavior, individual counseling theory and skills, group theory and dynamics, research methodology, psychological measurement and evaluation, as well as courses in the individual specialty areas of school counseling, clinical mental health counseling, and rehabilitation counseling. Program training includes traditional university-based courses, distance education, and clinical instruction. The program provides an integrated and conceptually sound framework of knowledge, skills, and self awareness as a foundation for ethical practice in the fields of counseling and rehabilitation. In addition, the program provides leadership for the counseling profession at the state, regional, and national levels.

Students in the counselor education program will be able to:
1. demonstrate knowledge of core curriculum.
2. demonstrate an integration and application of their knowledge and skills in the specialty areas in counseling (school, clinical mental health, and rehabilitation).
3. demonstrate knowledge and skills in addressing issues of diversity
4. apply individual and group counseling skills and techniques
5. reflect on their personal and professional strengths, weaknesses, abilities, and challenges to identify professional development needs.
6. analyze and apply relevant technologies for the growth and practice of counseling and rehabilitation.

The master of science in counselor education degree is divided into three specialty areas: school counseling, clinical mental health counseling, and rehabilitation counseling. Depending on the specialty area, the counselor education program requires 48-60 credit hours of coursework, which includes core courses, required specialty courses, and electives. In addition to coursework, each student must successfully complete the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE).

The counselor education program holds accreditation from the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP).

Special Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the College, candidates to the master's program should provide a narrative, preferably typed, in the form of an autobiography that relates the applicant's experiences that have led to an interest in counseling and application to the counselor education program. It should be limited to three typewritten, double-spaced pages which will be evaluated in terms of clarity of expression, grammatical construction, and other facets of English composition, as well as the quality of responses.

The admissions process requires a formal interview. Candidates to be interviewed will be rated on three areas of personal criteria: a) understanding of and commitment to the counseling field; b) self-awareness; and c) thinking skills/decision making ability.

Graduate students in master's level counseling programs at other universities may transfer into the program if they take their final 21 hours, including the internship requirement, in USM's counselor education program.

I. School Counseling Specialty

The school counseling specialty requires a total of 54 credit hours of coursework. Upon completion, students are eligible for certification from the Maine Department of Education in the area of school guidance and counseling, levels K-12. Certified graduates are qualified to become employed in elementary, middle, and secondary schools in Maine. Students are trained to become specialists in the planning and delivery of comprehensive developmental school counseling programs that reflect current research and validated paradigms. Graduates of this specialty are eligible to sit for the National Counselor Examination.
### Program Requirements

#### Core Courses (33 credits)

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#### Required Specialty Courses (15 credits)

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<td>Internship in Counselor Education (6 credits - 600 hours)</td>
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#### Electives (6 credits)

For those persons interested in working in the area of substance abuse, the counselor education program offers coursework which will enable students to obtain a Certificate in Substance Abuse Counseling within their master’s degree. This expertise is available as part of the clinical mental health counseling specialty. Students who complete this certificate as part of their master’s degree meet all...
academic requirements necessary to become a licensed alcohol and drug counselor (LADC) in Maine. The following courses are required for the certificate:

- HCE 642 Perspectives on Chemical Dependency
- HCE 643 Psychopharmacology and Substance-Related Disorders
- HCE 644 Crisis Intervention
- HCE 650 Basic Concepts of Systems Theory and Family Therapy
- HCE 686 Internship in Counselor Education (6 credits - 600 hours in an in-patient/out-patient substance abuse treatment facility)

III. Rehabilitation Counseling Specialty

The master’s program in rehabilitation counseling is intended to promote quality rehabilitation services to persons with disabilities through the education of rehabilitation professionals, providing services to rehabilitation organizations, and sponsorship of rehabilitation-related research and training. The graduate program’s primary goal is to help students acquire the basic foundation, knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to enter the profession of rehabilitation counseling and practice effectively as rehabilitation counselors.

The program’s mission is achieved through pursuit of the following objectives:

To teach students the basic philosophic tenets of rehabilitation, specifically:

a) the value, worth, dignity, and capabilities of all people;

b) the right of all people to full societal participation with individuals in settings of their choice;

c) the treatment of persons with disabilities as equal partners in the rehabilitation process;

d) the emphasis on societal, community, and professional change as much as individual change;

e) the importance of hope, individual capacity, community inclusion, support, and education; and

f) the adherence to the Code of Professional Ethics for Rehabilitation Counselors.

To provide the practical knowledge and skills so that students become competent rehabilitation counselors in a wide variety of settings through:

a) the use of class and community experiences to acquaint students with rehabilitation philosophies, methods, and organizations;

b) the exposure to varied, experiential and field-based learning in rehabilitation counseling.

To offer services, training, and research to area rehabilitation agencies, consumer groups, and professional organizations through faculty and students:

a) participation on local professional and consumer boards and committees;

b) presentation at local and regional conferences;

c) provision of local in-service training and consultations.

This program is designed to provide students with the basic competencies to provide rehabilitation counseling to a broad range of individuals with disabilities in a variety of settings, such as state vocational rehabilitation facilities, independent living centers, rehabilitation hospitals, employment assistance programs, private industry, the veteran’s administration, and private-for-profit rehabilitation companies. The rehabilitation counseling specialty holds accreditation from the Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE).

The rehabilitation counseling specialty requires a total of 48 credit hours of coursework. This specialty focuses on the medical, psychological, vocational, and societal issues that surround people with disabilities and the practice of rehabilitation. Students are also offered practicum and internship experiences in community agencies that promote equity and empowerment of people with disabilities. Upon completion of their degree, students are eligible to take a national exam that qualifies them as certified rehabilitation counselors (CRC). Graduates of this specialty become employed in public, private, and nonprofit rehabilitation agencies in Maine and across the country.

Students interested in receiving training in psychosocial rehabilitation, which has direct application to current trends in mental health practice in Maine, should take HCE 614 Principles of Psychosocial Rehabilitation as one of their electives. Those who do are eligible to receive the MHRT IV certificate from the state of Maine upon completion of the degree program.
Program Requirements

Core Courses (21 credits)

- HCE 605 Psychological Measurement and Evaluation
- HCE 620 Fundamentals of Counseling Theories
- HCE 621 Fundamentals of Counseling Skills
- HCE 626 Group Process and Procedures
- HRD 668 Human Development
- HCE 690 Individual Counseling Practicum
- EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques

Required Specialty Courses (21 credits)

- HCE 610 Introduction to Rehabilitation Counseling and Services
- HCE 611 Medical and Psychological Aspects of Disability and Rehabilitation
- HCE 612 Disability and Family in a Multicultural Society
- HCE 615 Vocational Counseling and Placement in Rehabilitation
- HCE 619 Myth, Madness, and Mental Illness
- HCE 686 Internship in Counselor Education (6 credits - 600 hours)

Electives (6 credits)

HCE 614 Principles of Psychosocial Rehabilitation is a required elective for students seeking HMRT IV certification.

Mental Health Rehabilitation Technician (MHRT) III Certificate

The MHRT III certificate program is especially suited for practitioners who work in the mental health system and desire training in psychosocial rehabilitation, and persons with prior graduate training who need flexible coursework to update their skills and knowledge in the psychosocial rehabilitation approach. Persons with a bachelor’s degree and one year direct experience in the mental health field may apply for the five-course sequence. Applicants for the MHRT III certificate program must call (207) 780-5316. To qualify for certification, students must complete:

- HCE 610 Introduction to Rehabilitation Counseling and Services
- HCE 611 Medical and Psychological Aspects of Disability and Rehabilitation
- HCE 612 Disability and Family in a Multicultural Society
- HCE 614 Principles of Psychosocial Rehabilitation
- HCE 615 Vocational Counseling and Placement in Rehabilitation

Certificate of Advanced Study in Counseling

The certificate of advanced study (CAS) in counseling is designed to offer a broad range of professional development opportunities for practicing counselors. The overall goal of the certificate program is to enhance and enrich the counselor’s educational foundation and to give focus to advanced knowledge and skills that will shape future professional practice. The CAS in counseling requires 30 credit hours of graduate coursework. Students will work cooperatively with faculty to design a certificate program that is substantive, developmental and focused, and may also take advantage of special certification options in counseling supervision, play therapy, substance abuse counseling, psychosocial rehabilitation counseling, and couple and family therapy.

Transfer Policy

Students may not transfer courses that were part of a master’s degree of fewer than 60 credits toward the CAS. Up to six post-master’s graduate credits may be accepted by the CAS admissions committee, provided these credits were earned no more than three years prior to matriculation in the CAS and were completed with a grade of B or better.

Students may be able to apply up to 12 credits that were part a master’s degree that required 60 or more credits toward the CAS. These courses must be directly related to the student’s proposed CAS program of study, provided these credits are approved by the counselor education program faculty and were completed with a grade of B or better.
Special Admission Requirements
In addition to the general requirements of the College, candidates should provide a proposed plan of study for the CAS that includes:

a) a brief autobiography, including the area of study in the master’s degree and related experience, professional training, and credentials;
b) overall goal to be accomplished through the program;
c) future aspirations and professional development needs;
d) proposed coursework, including a tentative list of courses or other curricular experiences.

Program Requirements
EDU 660 CAS Seminar (3 credits)

Concentration (27 credits)

a) Self-Designed Concentration
27 credits, selected with the assistance of an advisor. Possible options include play therapy, substance abuse counseling, counseling supervision, and psychosocial rehabilitation counseling.
b) Concentration in Couple and Family Therapy
The Certificate of Advanced Study in counseling with a concentration in couple and family therapy is a collaborative effort of Sweetser and the College of Education and Human Development. This program is designed to assist advanced-level clinicians to develop competence as couple and family therapists. The program requires 30 credit hours of graduate coursework. Courses are taught by Sweetser faculty, who have advanced-level specialty training in couple and family therapy and many years experience in both couple and family therapy practice and teaching. Students work collaboratively with faculty from both Sweetser and the College to design a course sequence that is substantive, developmental, and focused. The program is designed to be completed in two calendar years of part-time study and will assist clinicians seeking state licensure in marriage and family therapy. The courses are open to graduate students from other departments and to community clinicians wishing to enrich their educational foundation or to advance their theoretical knowledge and clinical skills.

CAS in Couple and Family Therapy
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<td>HCE 693</td>
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Elective Courses—At least two courses (6 credits) must be selected from the following:

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<td>HCE 666</td>
<td>Advanced Practice in Couples and Sex Therapy</td>
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Portfolio—Students will develop a professional portfolio describing progress toward professional goals while in the CAS program. Seminars will be scheduled once each semester in which students who are in the last semester of their CAS program will summarize and share highlights of their programs and portfolios.
Master of Science in Education in Educational Leadership

The master of science in education in educational leadership focuses on the preparation of leaders for educational settings that promote equal learning opportunities for all students. The 39-credit program of study is designed to develop general leadership perspectives and specific technical skills for people assuming roles as principals, special education directors, curriculum coordinators, or teacher leaders.

The educational leadership program is divided into three areas of study: administration, for certification as school principal; administration, for certification as a director of special education; and teacher leadership. Graduates of the educational leadership program will be able to:

a) evaluate research and use it as a tool to improve educational practice;
b) analyze and understand teaching as a science, an art, and a craft and develop strategies for its improvement;
c) plan, implement, and evaluate programs of instruction that promote learning for all students;
d) establish clear learning standards and multiple forms of assessment of student learning;
e) work effectively as a member of a team and as a collaborative change agent;
f) demonstrate reflective practice tools, strategies, and habits of mind; and

g) utilize appropriate communication when interacting with the internal and external environments.

In addition to these common outcomes, graduates of the administration strands leading to certification as a school principal or director of special education programs will be able to:

a) understand the culture of schools, leadership theories, and the impact of the leadership function;
b) assess school climate and culture and develop a positive organizational environment for adult and student learning;
c) understand the politics of decision making and how to make decisions that promote the school-wide agenda for learning;
d) fulfill the daily operations and management requirements of the principalship or directorship;
e) understand legal constraints and precedents which dictate educational policy and practice;
f) supervise and evaluate teacher performance and provide positive mechanisms for the improvement of practice;
g) understand and apply knowledge about adult learning and teacher development.

The teacher leadership area of study prepares educators for roles as team leaders, staff development specialists, curriculum coordinators, and lead teachers. Students may enroll in a concentration leading to certification as a curriculum coordinator or middle level teacher in Maine. In addition to the common outcomes, graduates of the teacher leadership program will be able to:

a) evaluate the societal values, trends, and issues that impact education;
b) conduct classroom research using both qualitative and quantitative methods;
c) demonstrate expertise in an area of concentration relevant to their own setting; and

d) complete extensive action research projects drawing upon multiple resources and strategies.

Special Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the College, applicants to the educational leadership program should provide evidence of strong overall undergraduate performance; evidence of professional experience (with preference in the administration strand given to those candidates with three or more years of teaching and evidence of successful leadership experience in school settings); a well-written, thoughtful personal statement; recommendations from persons able to comment from direct knowledge of the applicant’s potential for success as a building
Program Requirements for Certification as a School Principal

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Program Requirements for Certification as a Director of Special Education

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Program Requirements for Teacher Leadership

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**Concentrations (15 credits)**

Self-designed Concentration

Students may design individual concentrations under the supervision and with the approval of their advisors.
Curriculum Concentration
- EDU 671 Organizational Behavior
- EDU 679 Evaluation and Supervision of School Personnel
- EDU 680 Staff Development

One additional curriculum course
One HCE or HRD course such as
- HCE 626 Group Process and Procedures
- HRD 631 The Adult Learner

Special education requirement met in undergraduate or inservice education.

Middle Level Concentration
- EDU 514 Improving Teaching in Content Areas through Literacy
- EDU 615 Middle Level Curriculum and Organization
- EDU 617 Teaching in the Middle Level School
- EDU 619 Special Topics in Middle Level Education
- HRD 669 Adolescent Development

Note: In order to earn middle-level endorsement, candidates must also complete 18 credit hours in each of two academic disciplines.

The assistant principal certificate program is designed to meet the state requirements for assistant principal certification in Maine and to provide a foundation for graduate work in educational administration. This 12-credit program consists of 4 courses:
- EDU 670 Introduction to Administration
- EDU 671 Organizational Behavior
- EDU 678 School Law
- EDU 679 Evaluation and Supervision of School Personnel

Courses may be taken in any sequence. At the conclusion of the certificate program, students will not only have satisfied state requirements for a Maine assistant principal's certificate but will have completed a significant part of the entry and foundation coursework for a master's degree in educational leadership. In addition, they will receive USM certificates of program completion which can be cited on résumés and vitae. Although credits from the certificate program may be transferable to a master's program, students who wish to matriculate into a master's program must apply separately for admission.

The athletic administrator certificate program is designed to prepare graduates for the responsibilities of the athletic administrator in middle and high schools in Maine. Students who complete the athletic administrator certificate program will not only have impressive graduate background in athletic administration, but will have satisfied the state course requirements for a Maine assistant principal's certificate. In addition, graduates will have completed a significant part of the entry and foundation coursework for a master's in educational leadership. Courses may be taken in any sequence. Upon completion of the program, students will be awarded USM certificates for both athletic administration and the assistant principalship, which can be included on résumés and job applications. Upon submission of the USM transcript, the state office of certification will issue a state of Maine assistant principal certificate to candidates with appropriate professional prerequisites established by the state of Maine. Although 12 of the 18 credit hours earned in this program (indicated by asterisks below) can be transferred into a master's program, students who wish to matriculate into the master's program must apply separately for admission.

- EDUX 690 Introduction to Athletic Administration
- EDU 670 Introduction to Administration
- EDU 671 Organizational Behavior
- EDU 679 Evaluation and Supervision of School Personnel
- EDU 678 School Law
- EDUX 691 Sports Law and Regulation Compliance
Middle Level Education Certificate

The middle level education certificate program is designed to meet the professional knowledge certificate requirements for the middle level teacher endorsement in Maine and to provide a foundation for graduate work in middle level education. (Students seeking middle-level endorsement are also required to meet the academic content area requirements as established by the State.) This 12-credit program consists of 4 courses:

- EDU 615 Middle Level Curriculum and Organization
- EDU 617 Teaching in the Middle Level School
- HRD 669 Adolescent Development
- EDU 514 Improving Teaching in the Content Areas through Literacy

Courses may be taken in any sequence. At the conclusion of the certificate program, students will not only have satisfied the professional knowledge area state requirements for middle level teacher endorsement but will have completed a significant part of the coursework for the master’s degree in educational leadership. In addition, they will receive USM certificates of program completion which can be cited on résumés and vitae. Although credits from the certificate program may be transferrable to a master’s program, students who wish to matriculate into a master’s program must apply separately for admission.

Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Leadership

The certificate of advanced study program in educational leadership is designed to meet the needs of practicing educators, including teachers, principals, curriculum directors, and superintendents, who are interested in pursuing advanced academic work in educational reform and leadership. The CAS requires 30 credit hours of graduate coursework beyond the master’s degree, including an introductory seminar and a 3-6 credit capstone experience. Students engage in careful reading of research and scholarship, oral and written presentations, and applied projects. As a result of completing this program, students will have demonstrated: self-assessment and reflective practice tools, skills, and habits of mind; research design and methodological decision-making skills; advanced oral and written communication skills; knowledge of current scholarship in educational reform and leadership; and capacity for connecting theory and practice in posing and solving educational problems. Maine certification as a principal, assistant principal, or curriculum coordinator may be earned through the CAS program.

Program Requirements

EDU 660 CAS Seminar (3 credits)

Self-designed Concentration (21-24 credits)

Graduate coursework may be taken in any existing graduate program within the College of Education and Human Development or USM’s Muskie School of Public Service, School of Business, and College of Arts and Sciences or from other institutions, upon approval of the faculty advisor.

Capstone Project (3-6 credits)

Three capstone project options are available: EDU 612 Practicum/Seminar; EDU 685/686/687 Internship in Principalship/Special Education Administration/Superintendency; or EDU 665 CAS Directed Study.

Master of Science in Education in Literacy Education

The master of science in education in literacy education provides students with a sound theoretical and empirical knowledge base relating to literacy acquisition. The purpose of the program is to enable students to become informed decision makers who are capable of designing and implementing appropriate up-to-date instruction in reading and writing at all levels. Students will acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to become effective advocates for improving literacy instruction in their schools. The program is designed for classroom teachers, literacy teachers, and other experienced educators whose primary responsibility is helping students to become competent users of language. This program requires
36 credit hours of coursework and successful completion of a comprehensive examination. Maine certification as a literacy specialist may be earned through this program.

Program Requirements
First Tier Courses (15 credit hours)
- EDU 510 The Writing Process
- EDU 511 Children’s Literature or
- EDU 513 Adolescent Literature
- EDU 520 Reading Development and Instruction
- EDU 560 ESL Classroom Teaching Practices or
- EDU 562 Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the Classroom
- EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques

Second Tier Courses (12 credit hours)
- EDU 514 Improving Teaching in Content Areas through Literacy
- EDU 607 Teacher Research in Literacy
- EDU 621 Literacy Problems: Assessment and Instruction
- EDU 622 Designing and Managing Literacy Instruction, PS-3 or
- EDU 630 Designing and Managing Literacy Instruction, 4-8

Third Tier Courses (9 credit hours)
- EDU 634 Seminar in Literacy Research
- EDU 639 Practicum in Literacy Education (6 credits)

Students are advised, in general, to take first tier courses before second tier courses, and to take third tier courses last. Within each tier, the order of courses taken does not matter. Each tier builds on previously taken courses, and upper level courses often have prerequisites.

Concentration in English as a Second Language
The master of science in education in literacy education with a concentration in English as a second language (ESL) provides students with the knowledge base related to language acquisition by English language learners (ELLs). The emphasis is on literacy development in the second language. The program provides classroom practitioners with the skills needed to assess language and implement instruction to improve learners’ proficiency for competent second language use.

Program of Study (36 credits)
- EDU 510 The Writing Process*
- EDU 514 Improving Teaching in Content Areas through Literacy
- EDU 520 Reading Development and Instruction*
- EDU 560 ESL Classroom Teaching Practices*
- EDU 561 Aspects of the English Language*
- EDU 562 Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the Classroom*
- EDU 563 Language Testing and Assessment*
- EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques
- EDU 607 Teacher Research in Literacy
- EDU 635 Seminar in Second Language Literacy
- EDU 639 Practicum in Literacy Education (6 credits)

State endorsement in ESL requires prior professional teacher certification as well as coursework in ESL instruction. The master’s degree in literacy education with an ESL concentration does not qualify graduates for Maine literacy specialist certification.

*These courses meet state requirements and should be selected with the guidance of an advisor. Further information on the ESL concentration and courses may be obtained from the program coordinator.

**Literacy Certificate**

The literacy certificate program is offered to accommodate teachers and special education teachers, educational technicians, and other holders of baccalaureate degrees who do not want to complete all of the requirements for a master’s degree but who wish to obtain a basic background in literacy. Students who com-
plete program requirements receive official transcript recognition of their work and a certificate from the literacy education program attesting to their completion of coursework in reading and writing instruction. Holders of the certificate have the competencies and proficiency levels needed to plan effective literacy instruction for their students. Although credits from the certificate program may be transferable to a master’s program, students who wish to matriculate into a master’s program must apply separately for admission.

This 12-credit program consists of four graduate-level courses in literacy education.

The courses include:
- EDU 520 Reading Development and Instruction
- EDU 510 The Writing Process
- EDU 511 Children’s Literature or
- EDU 513 Adolescent Literature
- EDU 514 Improving Teaching in Content Areas through Literacy or
- EDU 521 Electronic Literacy and Education

Admission to the literacy certificate program is based on successful completion of a bachelor’s degree and an interest in literacy-related issues. Application materials must include:

a) a completed literacy certificate program application and $20 registration fee;
b) a brief essay;
c) a current résumé.

Certificate of Advanced Study in Literacy Education

The certificate of advanced study program in literacy education is designed to meet the needs of classroom teachers, administrators, and other educators who want to pursue advanced graduate study in literacy education and related areas. The CAS requires 30 credit hours of graduate coursework, including a capstone experience. Students may design a program to suit their needs for advanced study. The program will vary, depending on the focus of the master’s degree and the student’s goals. Students will have considerable choice in designing coursework and projects, and will work closely with a faculty advisor. Maine certification as a literacy specialist may be earned through the CAS program. Please consult your advisor.

Program Requirements

EDU 660 CAS Seminar (3 credits)

Electives (24 credits)

With advisor consultation, students may select graduate courses in education or other disciplines that relate to their focus in literacy and contribute to their overall plan of study.

Advanced Seminar in Literacy/Capstone Project (3 credits)

Certificate of Advanced Study in English as a Second Language

The certificate of advanced study in English as a second language (ESL) is designed to meet the needs of classroom teachers, administrators, and other educators who want to pursue advanced graduate study in ESL and related areas and/or earn Maine endorsement as an ESL teacher, K-12. The CAS requires 30 credit hours of graduate coursework beyond the master’s degree, including a capstone experience. Students may design a program to suit their needs for advanced study. The program will vary depending on the master’s degree focus and the goals of the student. Participants will have considerable choice in designing coursework and projects, and will work closely with a faculty advisor.

Program Requirements

EDU 660 CAS Seminar (3 credits)
Concentration (18 credits, endorsement program)

EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques

or

EDU 607 Teacher Research in Literacy
EDU 560 ESL Classroom Teaching Practices
EDU 561 Aspects of the English Language
EDU 562 Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the Classroom
EDU 563 Language Testing and Assessment
EDU 635 Seminar in Second Language Literacy

Electives (6 credits)

Advanced Seminar in Literacy/Capstone Project (3 credits)

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Master of Science in School Psychology

The master of science in school psychology offers the student comprehensive studies that integrate general psychological content, methodology, and research with educational principles and practitioner skills. The program is based on a data-based problem-solving model. A more detailed listing of program outcomes can be found in the program handbook. Through practicum training, students are introduced to children’s cognitive, social, and emotional behavior, instructional models; teaching styles; and the differential effects of teacher-student interactions and classroom climate. Students demonstrate competencies in assessment and interventions through completion of a comprehensive examination and a performance-based portfolio. During the final portion of the program, students participate in a 1,500 clock hour internship in the public schools, working under the supervision of a licensed psychologist or a certified school psychological service provider. The school psychology program requires 72 credit hours of coursework.

Individuals graduating from this program are eligible to sit for the examination leading to licensure as a psychological examiner by the Maine Board of Examiners of Psychologists, for certification as a nationally certified school psychologist, and for certification by the Maine Department of Education as a school psychological service provider. The program conforms to training standards specified by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP), the Maine Department of Education, and the Maine Board of Examiners of Psychologists.

Special Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the College, candidates should provide a typed narrative, which will be evaluated in terms of clarity of expression, grammatical construction, and other facets of English composition, as well as the quality of responses. The narrative should address the following topics:

a) relevant educational and experiential background;
b) reasons for wanting to be in a helping profession;
c) commitment to pursuing a career in school psychology;
d) reasons for seeking admission to the program;
e) a statement of personal philosophy;
f) a statement of personal strengths and weaknesses.

The admissions process requires a formal interview. Candidates to be interviewed will be selected on the basis of the above information. During the interview, issues relating to the following topics will be covered: a) self-awareness; b) awareness of social issues; c) awareness of others as persons; d) communication skills; and e) commitment to the field.

Graduate students in master’s level school psychology programs at other universities may transfer into the program if they take their final 21 hours, including the internship requirement, in USM’s school psychology program.

Program Requirements

Psychological Foundations (12 credits)

HRD 668 Human Development
HRD 671 Physical Bases of Behavior
Master of Science in Special Education

The master of science in special education prepares individuals who wish to work in the area of special education. Cross categorical coursework is offered at two levels: elementary education and secondary education. In addition, there is a specialty program in gifted child education. There is also a course sequence in special education administration offered for those individuals matriculated into the educational administration program. The master of science in special education requires 39 credits of coursework. Students must also submit a professional portfolio.

Graduates will demonstrate a range of knowledge and ability to meet the needs of children and youth whose needs are exceptional. Specifically, graduates will be able to describe and/or demonstrate:

a) educational and behavioral characteristics, needs, and services appropriate for children and youth included in state and federal laws, regulations, court decisions, and guidelines;

b) methods of assessing academic, behavioral, social, pre-vocational, and vocational strengths and weaknesses of students;

c) methods, materials, and procedures for organizing, conducting, developing, and evaluating individual educational programs;

d) the effects of culture, disability, gender, race, and socioeconomic status on individuals;

e) methods, materials, and procedures for accommodating students who have diverse racial and cultural backgrounds;

f) methods of ensuring equity and fairness in the practice of special education;

g) methods of managing disruptive and inappropriate student behavior and fostering pro-social behavior;

h) processes of consultation and program planning with parents, teachers, and other professionals, including interpersonal skills and techniques associated with effective consultation; and

i) principles of organizing and administering special education programs as well as the supervision of teachers, aides, and other professionals who deliver services.
Program Prerequisite
SED 611 Nature and Needs of Learners Who Are Exceptional
This three-credit course is a prerequisite to the program, and contributes no credit toward the degree. This course must be taken prior to matriculation or during the first semester following matriculation. Equivalent experience may be substituted for this course upon approval by program faculty.

Program Requirements (39 credits)
Elementary and Secondary Education
Core (27 credits)
EDU 520 Reading Development and Instruction
EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques
SED 614 Methods of Teaching Mathematics for Students with Special Needs
SED 615 Classroom and Behavior Management for Learners with Special Needs
SED 618 Programming for Learners with Special Needs
SED 639 Communication Disorders in Students
SED 679 Consultation and Special Education
SED 682 Special Education Law: Conflict and Resolution
SED 692 Transition for Elementary and Secondary Students

Elementary Education (6 credits)
SED 653 Assessment in Special Education
SED 687 Technology in Special Education

Secondary Education (6 credits)
SED 689 Vocational/Vocational Assessment and Education
SED 690 Psychology of Adolescents with Disabilities

Capstone (6 credits)
SED 685 Advanced Seminar in Special Education
SED 699 Directed Study

Internship (6 credits)
SED 688 Internship in Special Education

Note: This course is required for students without prior certification in special education.

Education of the Gifted/Talented
Core (9 credits)
EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques
SED 653 Assessment in Special Education
SED 699 Directed Study or EDU 699 Independent Study

Specialization (12 credits)
SED 659 Education of the Gifted/Talented
SED 660 Curriculum and Methods for Teaching the Gifted
SED 662 Productive Thinking and the Gifted Learner
SED 663 Management in Education of the Gifted

Electives (18 credits, selected with the consent of the advisor)
SED 550 Teaching Gifted Students in the Regular Classroom
SED 661 Advanced Curriculum and Methods for Teaching the Gifted
SED 664 Gifted Students in Special Populations
SED 665 Institute for Program Planners in Education of the Gifted/Talented
SED 666 Models in Education of the Gifted
SED 667 Social/Emotional Needs of the Gifted
SED 668 Seminar in Education of Gifted/Talented
SED 669 Technical Assistance Systems
SED 670 Secondary Programs for the Gifted/Talented
SED 679 Consultation and Special Education
Special Education Administration (open only to students matriculated in the educational leadership program). See section on educational leadership program for specific requirements.

Portfolio

All students in the special education program, as well as those concentrating in special education administration through the educational leadership program, must complete professional portfolio requirements. The purpose of the portfolio is to provide an opportunity for students to reflect upon and to demonstrate what they have gained in the program. It is expected that portfolio responses will demonstrate the integration of knowledge, an understanding of the principles of one’s specialty area, the application of knowledge to practice, an understanding of research methodology, and the ability to communicate effectively. Students are encouraged to discuss the portfolio process in detail with their advisors.

Extended Teacher Education Program (ETEP)

The task of preparing teachers to meet the needs of learners in the 21st century is complex and demanding. The College, through its Extended Teacher Education Program (ETEP), offers a teacher preparation program based on the premise that teachers best develop through building on related experiences, beginning at the undergraduate level and continuing on through the graduate level. The faculty is committed to the continuing development of the teacher who:

- Understands that all knowledge is provisional and tentative and recognizes that teachers are, above all else, learners.
- Exhibits a sense of active inquiry and curiosity through a commitment to lifelong learning.
- Models respect for individual differences and the basic worth of each individual.
- Has a genuine respect for children.
- Communicates the joy and satisfaction of active inquiry and personal learning.
- Demonstrates knowledge of the framework of the discipline(s) being taught, including the tools of inquiry and interdisciplinary connections.
- Uses teaching strategies needed to manage instructional nuances and decisions necessary to promote learning of complex concepts and shape positive learning environments.
- Demonstrates knowledge of human development through teaching commensurate with the needs of the learners, including a special focus on the development of learners at the level of professional interest.
- Appreciates and encourages in others an appreciation of cultural diversity and the global community.
- Enhances instruction through continuing evaluation, reflection, and adaptation of teaching to the learning needs of the students.
- Participates in learning activities that foster independent thinking.
- Speaks and writes fluently and communicates clearly.
- Is technologically literate and competent in information gathering, analysis, retrieval, and application.
- Recognizes the similarities in teaching and learning in a wide range of contexts.
- Understands organizational and social systems and continual change as a paradigm of personal and professional development.
- Proactively establishes professional development activities appropriate for the current level of professional experience.

The undergraduate and graduate levels of the Extended Teacher Education Program are:

- Undergraduate: USM’s undergraduate students may pursue individual courses in teaching and learning or the 18-credit minor in educational studies. The minor offers important content and teaching experiences that help students determine
whether to pursue careers in education. The minor is also open to students who do not plan to teach but who simply want to learn more about the field of education.

Students must also complete specific academic courses during their undergraduate degree program to meet state certification requirements for their intended teaching field. Students should consult with the Admissions and Advising Office in 117 Bailey Hall about these requirements.

b) Graduate: The post-baccalaureate program consists of two phases:

1. The certification year, which is a full-time, year-long program of study and practice in teaching that prepares people to teach in one of the following areas:
   - Elementary and middle level (K-8)
   - English (7-12)
   - Foreign Language (K-12)
   - Life Science (7-12)
   - Mathematics (7-12)
   - Physical Science (7-12)
   - Social Studies (7-12)

   The program also provides a concentration in conjunction with the special education program. This opportunity provides K-8 special education certification, K-8 general certification, and a master’s degree in special education through a 14-month course of study. The certification year program is a cohesive, integrated program that takes place in Professional Development School sites in southern Maine, ranging from urban to rural, and leads to state teacher certification. Coursework and experiences focus on the acquisition and application of learning principles and practices.

   A program is offered for aspiring secondary independent school teachers at the western Maine site of ETEP in cooperation with Fryeburg Academy. This program will prepare interns to educate independent school students inside and outside of the classroom and will include academic, residential, and extracurricular preparation. At program completion, interns may take an additional three credits to become eligible for certification to teach in public schools in Maine.

   Notes: All content area requirements for the desired level and subject for teacher certification must be met before beginning the certification year. Health insurance is required of all students in the program.

   2. The advanced level, which leads to the master of science in education degree. Students participating in the special education concentration will earn a master's degree in special education; other ETEP interns should consult the options below.

Master's Degree Options

Teaching and Learning Concentration Upon successful completion of the certification year and the meeting of specific criteria which include the submission and acceptance of a teaching portfolio, students will be invited to continue to work toward completion of requirements for the master of science in education degree, with a concentration in teaching and learning. This innovative program extends teacher education beyond initial certification as beginning teachers continue to develop their knowledge, skills, and beliefs. The 13 credits required for completion of this master's degree are scheduled during the summer and one weekend each month during the academic year. Each sequence of courses is designed to be taken by a group of ETEP graduates who will work and learn together for the duration of one school year.

Applied Literacy Concentration This concentration provides an opportunity for ETEP students to complete their master's degree in a focused area (literacy). The concentration in applied literacy builds upon the curriculum and experiences of ETEP, gives novice teachers increased skill as literacy teachers, and leads to further opportunities for specialist certification, ESL endorsement, and/or a Certificate of Advanced Study in Literacy.

After graduating from ETEP with initial teacher certification, a student can complete the 18 (elementary) to 21 (middle/secondary) credits required for the master's degree in approximately one and a half years. Certification as a literacy specialist requires 12 additional credits beyond the degree, and endorsement in English as a Second Language (ESL) requires 9 additional credits beyond the degree.
Other Options  Students completing the certification year of ETEP also have the option of applying to one of these other master's degree programs in the College: educational leadership, literacy education (including ESL), and special education. Students must meet all admission requirements specific to the desired program and will be required to complete degree requirements by a deadline determined by program faculty. Certain courses completed during the certification year of ETEP may be accepted as credit toward completion of requirements for these degrees. In all cases, completion of these programs will require a greater number of credits than the programs in teaching and learning or applied literacy. 

Admission

For more information about the Extended Teacher Education Program and a copy of the ETEP handbook, please contact the College of Education and Human Development's Admissions and Advising Office.

EDU 510 The Writing Process
This course emphasizes the development of writing proficiencies through a process approach. Writing growth and its relationship to reading and oral language development are examined. A thorough study of current research and theory relating to the composition process leads to the development of instructional programs that will foster students' growth as writers. Students gain experience with the writing process through participation in an ongoing, in-class writing workshop. Appropriate for elementary and middle level teachers; secondary teachers can be accommodated. Cr 3.

EDU 511 Children's Literature
This course is designed for teachers who wish to develop a deeper understanding of the literature written for children ages 4-12 and who want to become competent and creative catalysts in bringing children to books. Attention is given to standards of selection, curriculum implications, and methods of using books to individualize reading instruction. Students are expected to read widely in juvenile collections in order to establish a basis for selecting appropriate literary fare. Cr 3.

EDU 513 Adolescent Literature
This course is designed for middle or secondary teachers who wish to develop a deeper understanding of literature for adolescents and who needs to learn how to help young people read widely. Attention will be given to the dynamics of adolescence, individualizing reading, standards of selection, and creative methods of introducing books. Cr 3.

EDU 514 Improving Teaching in Content Areas through Literacy
This course explores literacy techniques and processes that can be applied by content teachers to enhance learning. Emphasis is on competencies that students use in content areas and strategies for teaching them how to apply them—a process of integrating the teaching of reading, writing, and study skills while teaching subject matter. The course has practical application for all classroom teachers in grades 4-12. Cr 3.

EDU 515 Teaching Writing: Middle/ Secondary Levels
This course is designed for teachers of grades 5-12 in language arts and other content areas. Focus is on writing as a process. Topics include using writing for promoting content learning as well as testing knowledge. Cr 3.

EDU 520 Reading Development and Instruction
This course traces the development of literacy and examines conditions which foster its growth. Topics relate to major stages of literacy development and include: preschool influences on literacy, initial reading, the development of fluency, vocabulary development, comprehension, study skills, and refinement of reading. Informal diagnostic techniques are demonstrated and practiced. The invariant nature of literacy acquisition among students of all ages is stressed. Cr 3.

EDU 521 Electronic Literacy and Education
This course offers educators and librarians a hands-on experience in the uses of the Internet in K-12 education. The course covers electronic mail, online conferencing, academic and educational resources, online learning techniques, electronic research, and construction of individual home pages. Participants learn to: evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of online resources; integrate the Internet into the curriculum; use the Internet for professional development; compose and publish home pages; and analyze pedagogical, legal, social, ethical, and economic issues embedded in electronic literacy. Cr 3.

EDU 524 Supervised Practicum in Literacy
Working under supervision, students use selected assessment instruments with adults and children who have learning and reading difficulties. Instructor permission is required. Cr 1-6.

EDU 560 ESL Classroom Teaching Practices
This course explores current methods and practices of teaching second languages, including ESL, at various age and proficiency levels with an examination of the underlying assumptions about language and language learning; the role of the teacher; the role of learners; the nature of learning experi-
ences; and the role of instructional materials. Emphasis is on evolving a thoughtful approach to meaningful ESL classroom instruction, as well as on the application of course content to other second-language teaching contexts. Cr 3.

**EDU 561 Aspects of the English Language**
This survey course examines the elements of English and their relevance in second language acquisition. The course analyzes the phonetic, morphological, syntactic, and semantic structure of English; the social aspects such as variation, change, and register; and the communicative aspects such as pragmatics, psycholinguistics, and acquisition. Application of these language aspects will be accomplished through problem solving and discussion activities integrating the aspects of English within the second language classroom context. Cr 3.

**EDU 562 Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the Classroom**
This course examines cross-cultural communication and the effects on thinking and assumptions. Perception, stereotyping, prejudice, ethnocentrism, culture shock, and nonverbal communication are among the topics to be studied. Specific emphasis is on the relevance of cultural diversity in classroom interaction and learning. Cr 3.

**EDU 563 Language Testing and Assessment**
This course examines the variety of assessments, formats, and procedures for evaluating ESL proficiency in the classroom. Participants develop appropriate approaches to testing and evaluation as an integral part of the language teaching and learning process. Cr 3.

**EDU 564 Second Language Curriculum Design**
This course focuses on curriculum design and implementation and syllabus construction based on needs assessment of the learner of English as a second language. There is an examination of language acquisition from the perspective of oral proficiency to literacy instruction and the considerations involved in the design of instructional materials. There is also an examination of commercially produced materials and methods by which teachers can prepare materials. Cr 3.

**EDU 600 Research Methods and Techniques**
This course studies the concepts, principles, and techniques of educational research with an emphasis on scientific inquiry and problem solving, designed for both the producer and consumer of educational research. Individual research proposals and reports are completed. Prerequisite: open to matriculated students only. Cr 3.

**EDU 601 Naturalistic Inquiry and Qualitative Research**
This course introduces students to an approach to educational research that studies schools as natural settings. Depending largely on qualitative methods, students learn the assumptions underlying field research and develop the ability to read qualitative/naturalistic studies critically and to do small site-based research projects. Prerequisite: EDU 600 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**EDU 603 Analysis of Teaching**
This course provides an opportunity to view teaching from the perspective of selected conceptual frameworks and research findings in the theory and practice of teaching. Analysis of individual teaching behavior is an important aspect of this course. Cr 3.

**EDU 604 Curriculum Development**
This course provides students with an understanding of curriculum and curriculum development. Using a collaborative approach, teachers and administrators plan the design of a curriculum consistent with personal ideals and a given context. Students analyze the curriculum in terms of knowledge, skills, learning processes, and affective dimensions. Special emphasis is given to the processes of curriculum implementation and curriculum evaluation. Cr 3.

**EDU 605 Testing and Assessment**
This course develops students' knowledge of testing and assessment and provides opportunities for students to apply that knowledge. Topics include methods of assessment (standardized tests and selected response assessments, essays, performance assessment, and student-teacher communication and attitudes), as well as targets of assessment (knowledge, reasoning skills, products, and attitudes). Students will 1) increase their understanding of the purposes of testing and assessment (for example, monitoring student progress, making instructional decisions, evaluating students' achievement, and evaluating programs); 2) demonstrate their understanding of the connections among assessment, curriculum, and teaching and learning standards; and 3) be able to effectively communicate their knowledge of testing and assessment to a variety of audiences. Cr 3.

**EDU 607 Teacher Research in Literacy**
This course is designed to enable students to become both knowledgeable consumers of the research of others and generators of new knowledge through their own classroom-based research and inquiry. Students are exposed to various research paradigms, and learn and practice techniques of data collection and analysis. During the semester each student selects a problem, designs an action research study or piece of naturalistic inquiry, collects and analyzes sample data, and summarizes findings. In addition, they reflect upon and critique their study. Prerequisites: EDU 510, EDU 520. Prerequisites for teachers who are non-matriculated students may be waived by the instructor. Cr 3.
EDU 610 Critical Issues in Teaching and Learning
This course provides grounding and direction for a spiral of learning to continue throughout the educational leadership program. It draws on direct and observed experience of participants, as well as on the literature of theory, research, and practice, to explore critical issues in teaching and learning. It provides students with a process of inquiry useful for identifying, classifying, and analyzing instructional problems and the skill in making decisions about curriculum and pedagogy. Cr 3.

EDU 612 Practicum/Seminar
This practicum/seminar, for experienced teachers in the teacher leadership program, is a two-semester, field-based project and concurrent seminar requiring a culminating activity in which the student utilizes the major learnings from the program in identifying and applying problem-solving strategies to a specific area of concern in a field setting. A written practicum report will be presented and discussed in an open forum. Cr 6 (3 credits each semester).

EDU 615 Middle Level Curriculum and Organization
This course provides students with a basic understanding of middle level education. The course focuses on: a) the history, development, present status, and future direction of middle level education; b) the unique physical, social, emotional, and intellectual characteristics of early adolescents as they relate to school programs and practices; and c) instructional strategies, curriculum organization, and administrative structures of middle level schools. Cr 3.

EDU 617 Teaching in the Middle Level School
This course provides an understanding of the role the teacher plays in the intellectual, social, emotional, and personal development of young adolescents. Students investigate, try out, and evaluate responsive teaching strategies and explore the design and structure of advisor/advisee programs and curricula. Cr 3.

EDU 619 Special Topics in Middle Level Education
This course examines issues in middle level education research and practices. Students have the opportunity to discuss current topics with leading experts in the field. Cr 3.

EDU 621 Literacy Problems: Assessment and Instruction
This course conceptualizes reading assessment as a process of becoming informed about learners. The course focuses on the development of diagnostic insights and corrective strategies for disabled readers of all ages. Current trends from research and practice are explored. Case studies and in-class practica help teachers implement effective procedures in the classroom. Prerequisite: EDU 520 or equivalent. Cr 3.

EDU 622 Designing and Managing Literacy Instruction, PS-3
This course focuses on the development of language (both oral and written) in children 3-8 years of age. Content includes the characteristics of language learners, the conditions that promote emergent literacy, and organization and management of literacy instruction in the primary grades. Prerequisite for matriculated students: EDU 520. Cr 3.

EDU 630 Designing and Managing Literacy Instruction, 4-8
This course identifies and explores the components of effective literacy programs at the upper elementary and middle school levels. Emphasis is on the design and implementation of literature-based instruction and management of self-selected reading and writing. Prerequisite for matriculated students: EDU 520. Cr 3.

EDU 633 Special Applications in Literacy
Independent study opportunities to apply course experiences in field-based situations are encouraged. Considerable latitude is possible in pursuing options of professional interest with approval of an advisor. Examples of activities include: writing project (meeting standards of professional journals), intensive clinical experiences, educational consultation and research. Independent options must be approved in writing by the program coordinator. Cr 1-6.

EDU 634 Seminar in Literacy Research
The course provides an overview of basic principles of assessment and current research trends in literacy theory and practice. Students will review and analyze contemporary research. Prerequisites: all literacy program courses or permission of the instructor. Cr 3.

EDU 635 Seminar in Second Language Literacy
This course integrates the knowledge base acquired in core ESL literacy courses by focusing on the characteristics of a fluent second language reader and writer. There will be an analysis of first language acquisition in English as a second language. The impact of variables such as native language proficiency, perception, lexical knowledge, cognition, metacognition, and culture will be examined. Prerequisites: completion of all core literacy and ESL courses, except the practicum, and permission of instructor. Cr 3.

EDU 639 Practicum in Literacy Education
This course requires the application of strategies for planning and implementing literacy programs for students at different stages of reading progress. Tutoring experiences are augmented and related to
The CAS seminar is designed to engage learners in extended reading from basic texts, current references, and periodicals are stressed. Emphasis is on the appropriate application of research-validated teaching and diagnostic techniques in supervised settings. Prerequisites: completion of tier-two courses and instructor permission. Cr 6.

EDU 660 CAS Seminar
The CAS seminar is designed to engage learners from a variety of disciplines in written and oral discourse about substantive educational and human development issues. The seminar uses a theme-based approach that features universal issues of importance to educators, learners, and human resource professionals. The course is taken within the first two semesters of the CAS student's program. Prerequisites: open to matriculated CAS students in the College of Education and Human Development. Cr 3.

EDU 663 CAS Seminar II
This capstone seminar combines close reading of common texts with individual literature reviews. The course is a true seminar where close textual reading, precise analytic writing, and student-led discussion are emphasized. Prerequisite: completion of 21 credits in CAS Program. Cr 3.

EDU 664 CAS Workshop in Educational Leadership
This course serves as one of the options for the capstone project for the CAS in educational leadership. In this two-semester experience that leads to an exhibition of student learning, students demonstrate both a plan to address a particular problem of interest and relevance and a disciplined collection of data that will determine the success with which the problem has been addressed. The focus of the first semester is on developing and documenting a clear plan for addressing the selected problem; the focus of the second is on implementing the action plan and collecting data. Class meetings will also emphasize collaborative action and networking. Prerequisite: completion of most courses in CAS program. Cr 6.

EDU 665 CAS Directed Study
This course provides CAS students with an opportunity to focus on long-term applied research projects near the beginning of their programs of study, rather than wait until they have completed their regular CAS coursework. Some students enter the program having embarked upon long-term projects that will positively impact their schools or school systems. This capstone option gives them the opportunity to combine work on those projects at the same time that they take other graduate courses in their individual CAS programs. This project will be carried out through the program, but the culminating synthesis should take place in the last academic year of the program. Cr 3-6.

EDU 670 Introduction to Administration
This is the required first course for all master's degree candidates in educational administration. The course introduces theories of administration and provides each student with diagnostic data to conduct a needs assessment as the basis for planning a personalized program of study. Cr 3.

EDU 671 Organizational Behavior
A systems approach to understanding and predicting human behavior within organizations is studied in this course. Emphasis is on analytical means to a) reveal forces which affect decision-making and leadership behavior, and b) identify implications for managerial functions. Basic concepts such as authority, influence, motivation, communication, conflict, pattern maintenance and tension management are discussed and applied. Cr 3.

EDU 672 Political Basis of Decision Making
Educational leaders must be influential beyond the school system as well as within it. Distribution of power and influence across interrelated social systems is seldom equal leading to competition for bases of influence. This course examines the ramifications of this social circumstance for education with emphasis on administrative decision making. Cr 3.

EDU 673 Seminar in School Management
This course emphasizes the skills needed to survive and succeed during one's first year as a principal. The course, through the use of case studies, simulations, readings and interactions with practicing administrators will focus on: a) learning the nuts and bolts needed for daily management, b) examining current issues facing the principalship, and c) learning strategies for managing and understanding oneself within the principal's role. Prerequisite: instructor's permission. Cr 3.

EDU 674 School Law
This course acquaints students with general principles of school law as found in the interpretation of constitutional and statutory provisions by the higher courts. Laws governing pupils, teaching personnel and boards of education will be stressed with particular emphasis on Maine school law. Cr 3.

EDU 675 Evaluation and Supervision of School Personnel
The course considers the underlying concepts and principles of evaluating school personnel. Readings, lectures, discussions, and simulated activities focus on a variety of evaluation models and strategies which facilitate the appraisal of administrators, teachers, and supporting staff. Attention is directed to how personnel evaluation affects program evaluation. Cr 3.
EDU 680 Staff Development
This course is designed for students in administration and teacher leadership and examines the theory and practice of staff development in schools and other human service settings. Building on current research on adult development, organizational analysis, and school improvement, students develop an understanding about the structure and process of staff development planning, programming, implementation, and evaluation. A final project applying class learnings to a work setting is required. Cr 3.

EDU 683 School Finance
This course provides a working knowledge and understanding of Maine state law and of school system finances and the funding process. An historical perspective is explored as well as current issues and problems on a statewide and national level. Specific emphasis is given to revenue generation and distribution, state and federal influences, local tax issues, budget development, budget management, and budget administration and control. Cr 3.

EDU 685 Internship and Applied Research Project
This two-semester course combines the 120-hour internship field experience with the development of an applied research project in educational administration. The early focus of the course is on the internship in a school setting designed jointly by the student, the internship supervisor, and a school-based field supervisor. The internship is designed to encourage application of formal coursework to the management issues that face school leaders in the workplace. Out of the internship experience will develop an applied research project in which the student will be expected to take a leadership role in designing, implementing, and assessing a project that addresses an important educational problem in an organizational setting. Each student will be required to produce a written report on the project and to defend it verbally at the conclusion of this course. Cr 6 (3 credits each semester).

EDU 686 Internship in Special Education Administration
This two-semester internship course is designed to encourage application of formal coursework to the management issues that face school leaders in the workplace. Out of the internship experience will develop an applied research project in which the student will be expected to take a leadership role in designing, implementing, and assessing a project that addresses an important educational problem in an organizational setting. Each student will be required to produce a written report on the project and to defend it verbally at the conclusion of the course. Cr 6 (3 credits each semester).

EDU 687 Internship in Superintendency
This internship, made up of supervised field experiences in the school superintendency, is the capstone course for CAS students whose program focus has been certification and preparation in the superintendency. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Cr 6.

EDU 689 Peer and Clinical Supervision
This course focuses upon skills and techniques for observing classroom teaching and providing constructive and collaborative consultation for the improvement of teaching. Self-evaluation and approaches for promoting it are emphasized. Cr 3.

EDU 699 Independent Study
This course provides an opportunity for students to pursue a topic of interest on an independent basis. The specific content and evaluation procedures are arranged with an instructor. Permission of supervising instructor and the department chair is required. Cr var.

HCE 500 Orientation to the Counseling Profession
This introductory course is designed to acquaint individuals who are preparing to enter the counseling profession with a broad overview of the profession's historical and theoretical foundations and to begin the development of their professional identities. This course must be taken the first semester following matriculation. Cr 3.

HCE 502 The Family: Implications for Educators
This course reviews selected topics in the area of family life that are relevant to educators. The course provides a multidisciplinary overview of major theories of family behavior, precursors to marital and family life, and the variability of family life across the life span. Consideration is given to such issues as parenting styles, sibling relationships, effects of divorce, single-parent families, blended families, family violence, and substance use, abuse, and dependence within the family. Cr 3.

HCE 504 Women's Issues in Counseling
This course examines the impact of sex roles and sex role stereotypes on the development, understanding, and treatment of psychological problems. Biases in psychological theories and attitudes of professionals have often reflected the sexism of society at large, and these explanations of human motivation and behavior may not sufficiently describe mental health problems today. Thus, the course focuses on the role of human service professionals in promoting and understanding these concepts. Cr 3.

HCE 505 Ethical Issues in the Helping Professions
This course will give students an overview of the codes of ethics and regulations related to the helping professions, explore areas of potential ethical violations within the counseling process, present
models for ethical decision making, and examine the relationship between ethical and legal issues in counseling. A major focus will be on ethical concerns and questions that emerge as part of the ongoing relationship between counselor and client. Recognizing and handling unethical situations will be examined in depth. Cr 3.

**HCE 604 Career Development**
This course examines the ways in which counselors assist people of all ages in their life/career development. Emphasis is on understanding theories, information systems, materials, activities and techniques for fostering career awareness, exploration, decision making, and preparation. The interrelationships among work, family, and other life roles, including multicultural and gender issues, is also addressed. Cr 3.

**HCE 605 Psychological Measurement and Evaluation**
This course focuses on group tests and related measurement techniques. The course content includes a review of the history of testing, current issues, fundamental statistics for understanding, evaluating and using tests, including selected aptitude, intelligence, achievement, interest, and personality tests. A variety of standardized and non-standardized evaluation measures are reviewed. Cr 3.

**HCE 606 Counseling Services for Students with Exceptional Needs**
This course focuses on the role of the counselor in working with students who have special learning needs. Content includes an overview of the historical development of special education laws and regulations, methods for assessing and identifying students with exceptional needs, guidance and counseling interventions and responsibilities, and parent consultation and community resource services. Cr 3.

**HCE 607 School Guidance Programs and Services**
This course is intended for those preparing to be school counselors. It considers the conceptual framework for comprehensive developmental guidance and counseling practices in elementary and secondary schools. Major areas of focus include program management, guidance curricula, individual planning and advising, and responsive services that are organized to meet the educational, personal, and career needs of students. Prerequisite: matriculated graduate students in the counselor education program or permission of the instructor. Cr 3.

**HCE 609 The Practice of School Counseling**
This course will provide students with an introduction to the practices of consultation and large group guidance for counselors working within a developmental model of school counseling. Assignments will incorporate field experiences that promote reflective learning and skill building. Prerequisite: matriculated student or by permission of instructor. Cr 3.

**HCE 610 Introduction to Rehabilitation Counseling and Services**
This course will provide an orientation to the counseling profession, focusing on rehabilitation concepts, services, and settings. Included will be: history, trends, and related legislation; critical components of the rehabilitation process; contemporary counselor roles and functions; professional education, associations, standards, and credentials; ethical and legal issues; technology issues and practices; and rehabilitation agencies and services. Field visits and the examination of rehabilitation services from various participant perspectives will be required. Cr 3.

**HCE 611 Medical and Psychological Aspects of Disability and Rehabilitation**
This course explores the medical and psychological issues surrounding the concepts of disability and rehabilitation. Particular emphasis is given to examining: a) the medical model as an organizing framework for viewing disability and rehabilitation; b) the diagnoses and treatment of various physical, developmental, sensory, and emotional conditions; c) the perspectives and responses of people with disabilities toward their diagnosed conditions and prescribed treatments; d) the principles and practice of functional assessment; and e) the ethical issues surrounding medical and rehabilitation services. Also examined are psychological explanations of disability, their applications, and their implications for rehabilitation practice. A primary focus is on highlighting the perspectives that people with disabilities hold toward their life situations, and the medical and rehabilitation settings and professionals they encounter. Cr 3.

**HCE 612 Disability and Family in a Multicultural Society**
This course provides an in-depth analysis of the effects of disability on individuals and their families within the context of a pluralistic society. It explores the experience of living with a disability and family dynamics in the context of the broader community and society. Students study multicultural issues relative to disability and rehabilitation. The course also examines the reactions, adjustments, and accommodations to disability as perceived by individuals with disabilities and rehabilitation professionals. Cr 3.

**HCE 614 Principles of Psychosocial Rehabilitation**
This course provides a foundation of knowledge and skills useful in habilitation and rehabilitation work with persons who have psychiatric disabilities. A major emphasis of this course addresses skill development and attitudinal changes needed by the helper/counselor/caseworker in implementing a
HCE 615 Vocational Counseling and Placement in Rehabilitation
This course encompasses the theoretical foundations of vocational counseling, the vocational implications of disability, the application of occupational and labor market data, and vocational choice with rehabilitation consumers. The use of job selection, analysis, and modification and matching skills in the development of work and career options for persons with disabilities is included. The course also presents the role, functions, and strategies used by rehabilitation professionals in job placement and the supported employment of persons with severe disabilities. Accommodation of rehabilitation consumers in accordance with federal statutes such as the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is examined in the context of a multicultural society. Cr 3.

HCE 619 Myth, Madness, and Mental Illness
This course covers the historical, scientific, professional, and societal beliefs that have surrounded the concepts of madness and mental illness. Particular emphasis is given to issues related to recovery, the ex-patient’s movement, legal rights and protections, medications, alternative treatments, trauma, and ethical issues in service delivery. Students will also explore their own values and motives for entering the field and examine the strengths and liabilities they may bring to their work. Cr 3.

HCE 620 Fundamentals of Counseling Theories
This course is for those who are or will be engaged in counseling in an educational or mental health setting. Selected theories and related techniques are closely examined. Research literature which has a bearing on the effectiveness and noneffectiveness of counseling is reviewed. Cr 3.

HCE 621 Fundamentals of Counseling Skills
This course emphasizes the development of fundamental counseling skills such as attending behavior, listening, reflection of feeling, paraphrasing, and questioning. The course examines the process and content of the counseling interview as well as verbal and nonverbal factors which influence the interactions within the counseling relationship. Primary focus is on helping the student develop greater self-knowledge and skills in interpersonal communication within the counseling relationship. Prerequisite: open to matriculated graduate students only. Cr 3.

HCE 622 Counseling Children and Adolescents
This course examines selected theories, related techniques, and skills for counseling children and adolescents. Attention is given to examining personal philosophies about working with children and adolescents, and to the exploration of possible interventions for various counseling situations with these populations. Counselor effectiveness literature is reviewed. Prerequisites: matriculation in counselor education or school psychology and HCE 668, or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 623 Theories and Applications of Play Therapy: Summer Institute
This intensive, one-week summer institute presents an overview of the various theories of play therapy and examines them in the social, cultural, and economic contexts in which they were first implemented. Applications of the theories to special settings and with special populations are explored. The course is an introductory course and is one of the required courses for becoming a registered play therapist. Prerequisite: none. Cr 3.

HCE 624 Child-Centered Play Therapy
This course is intended for those students who wish to use a child-centered theory of play therapy in counseling children. It presents the theoretical framework of a child-centered approach to working with children and begins the necessary training for skill development in using this theory. Prerequisites: HCE 621 and HCE 622. Cr 3.

HCE 626 Group Process and Procedures
This course focuses on basic principles of group development and on dynamics of group interaction. The improvement of facilitative skills is emphasized. Open to matriculated graduate students only. Cr 3.

HCE 627 Group Counseling
This course focuses on the development of concepts, attitudes, and skills necessary to lead counseling groups effectively in a variety of settings. Integration of group dynamics with counseling theory and group techniques is emphasized. Additionally, behavior of leader and participants is analyzed to promote a deeper understanding of group roles and functions. Prerequisites: HCE 621 and HCE 626 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 640 Professional Issues for Mental Health Counselors
Mental health clinics, hospitals, substance abuse facilities, and social service agencies are among the various organizations involved in helping people through mental health counseling. This course examines the mental health needs of people in rural and urban communities and the views of mental health counseling held by those organizations who serve these people. Students will examine problems organizations encounter in helping people and the
HCE 642 Perspectives on Chemical dependencies of services that interfere with helping. Attention is given to interprofessional and interorganizational approaches to improving the quality of mental health counseling. Mental health counselor roles, functions, professional associations, credentialing and ethical standards will also be examined. A special emphasis of the course is to examine mental health counseling from a historical, ethical, legal, philosophical, and developmental perspective.

Cr 3.

HCE 641 Mind/Body Techniques
This course addresses the relationship between cognitive processes and physiology from a healing/personal wellness perspective. Various aspects of Eastern thought/religion, as well as Western behavioral medicine are explored in regard to physical health and emotional well-being. Research on the mind/body relationship is reviewed and discussed. Participants will be required to learn and practice meditative and mind/body techniques.

Cr 3.

HCE 642 Perspectives on Chemical Dependency
This course focuses on the overall dynamics of chemical dependency and will serve as an introduction to understanding the various stages, processes, and effects of such addictions. Specific topics will include social and psychological dynamics of chemical dependency involving family, peers, and co-workers. The roles that professional educators, human service workers, and other helping professionals play in prevention, early intervention, and the various approaches to recovery and aftercare are considered in depth.

Cr 3.

HCE 643 Psychopharmacology and Substance-Related Disorders
This course provides participants from non-scientific backgrounds with a basic understanding of the effects of licit and illicit drugs. The role of these drugs in distorting brain chemistry and promoting substance-related disorders is explored. Relationships between substance-related disorders and mental illnesses are outlined. Interactions among the biological, psychological/emotional, and behavioral aspects of substance abuse are examined in relation to symptom reduction and identification, intervention strategies, and the treatment of substance abusing clients.

Cr 3.

HCE 644 Crisis Intervention
This course introduces students to the theory and practice of crisis intervention. A theoretical perspective is established, and short-term crisis counseling strategies examined. Several different crisis situations will be discussed in relationship to agencies or persons responsible for interventions. Prerequisite: HCE 621 or permission of the instructor.

Cr 3.

HCE 645 Diagnosis and Treatment Planning
This course focuses on the diagnostic systems and their use in counseling. The development of treatment plans and the use of related services are reviewed. The role of assessment, intake interviews, and reports are examined. Prerequisite: HCE 690 or permission of the instructor.

Cr 3.

HCE 650 Basic Concepts of Systems Theory and Family Therapy
This course provides students with an historical context for the field of family therapy. A general historical overview is followed by the presentation of sociological theories of family and family development. General systems theory and its application to family therapy are explored, providing students with an understanding of the systemic underpinnings of family therapy. Other theories that have influenced the field will be explored.

Cr 3.

HCE 651 Diagnosis and Assessment from a Systems Perspective
This course defines the parameters of systemic assessment and how it differs from and can be integrated with individual assessment. How systemic assessment operates within the current legal/medical context is explored. Students learn specific models, methods, and measures of systemic assessment, including interpersonal/communication models, formal assessment measures, structural mapping, tasks/exercises, tracking family sequences, genograms and family diagrams, the scale of differentiation, and assessing larger systems. The influence of race, culture, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation in the assessment and treatment process is explored. Prerequisite: HCE 650 or permission of instructor.

Cr 3.

HCE 652 Classic Models of Family Therapy
This course familiarizes students with the classic models of family therapy with an emphasis on Bowen family systems and structural family therapy models. Students will be exposed to the differing view of "system" represented in these approaches. They also will learn the contrasting theoretical principles of each model, as well as the basic technical skills specific to each model. Prerequisite: HCE 650 and HCE 651 or permission of instructor.

Cr 3.

HCE 653 Postmodern Family Therapy Practices
This course familiarizes students with the contemporary developments in the field that have influenced the emergence of new practice paradigms such as narrative therapy, collaborative language systems therapy, and solution-focused therapy. The course emphasizes the theoretical principles of these models as well as the basic technical skills associated with each. Prerequisite: HCE 650 or permission of instructor.

Cr 3.

HCE 655 Human Sexuality for Counselors
This course provides information about human sexuality, to heighten an individual's awareness of his/her own sexuality and of sexual issues, and to
integrate this knowledge to improve the overall effectiveness of counseling skills. The course explores a wide spectrum of sexual behaviors and to examine the relationship between sexuality, self-esteem, sex roles, and life styles. Emphasis is placed on developing an awareness of personal values associated with human sexuality.

HCE 657 Treating Children and Adolescents in Structural Family Therapy
This course examines the treatment of child-focused problems within the context of structural family therapy. A family therapy framework is compared to and contrasted with an individual, psychodynamic framework. The integration of play therapy into structural family therapy is explored. Family therapy strategies for a variety of child problems will be studied. Additionally, students will learn about theories of child development as applied to family therapy practice. Prerequisite: HCE 650, 651, 652, 655, or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 658 Community-Based Models of Family Treatment
Counselors are increasingly called upon to provide services to families in the form of case management, crisis response, and in-home behavioral support or therapy. They may work as members of interdisciplinary teams in schools. This course examines the range of community-based services for families and the strategies that make them successful. Grounded in structural family therapy concepts, the course investigates the use of a comprehensive, multi-systemic approach to complex family problems. It describes interventions that include community outreach to support groups, peers, schools, church, and extended family. The course prepares clinicians for out-of-office work that is sensitive to the needs of diverse populations. Prerequisite: HCE 650 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 659 Therapy for the Contemporary Couple
This course examines the pressures that impact the formation, development, and maintenance of couple relationships from both heterosexual and homosexual orientations. Couples today cope with a wide range of stress that test their ability to form and maintain functional, satisfying relationships. The course will outline the major clinical approaches to couples work. The course will introduce effective techniques for treating couples in clinical practice, including an exploration of multigenerational patterns related to intimacy, sexuality, and parenting styles. Cultural differences in couple behavior as well as gender patterns that impact role behavior will be a major focus. Prerequisite: HCE 650 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 660 The Contemporary Family Life Cycle
This course focuses on the developmental stages of the family and explores the individual life cycle from a family systems perspective. It introduces a multicultural context for examining family values and development and explores the impact of changing political and economic systems on development. The course investigates contemporary family structure and its evolving new cultural rites, rituals, and meanings. It focuses on the unique experiences of women, men, and children in contemporary families as well as the impact of stressors such as migration, loss, divorce, and differing sexual orientation.

HCE 661 The Impact of Trauma in the Family
This course examines the many forms of trauma in families and describes the impact of trauma on individual and family functioning and development. The course explores the intergenerational and structural impact of traumatic events on successive generations in families. It will include trauma topics, such as family violence, sexual abuse, substance abuse, mental illness, loss, chronic illness, and forms of external trauma such as refugee resettlement, migration, natural disaster, and war. The course investigates resiliency factors that help families adapt to trauma and identifies treatment approaches that foster resilience and heighten coping strategies. Prerequisite: HCE 650 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 662 Divorce and Remarriage
This course provides a basic understanding of the issues involved in divorce, single parenting, and remarriage. It will prepare students to choose appropriate techniques for interventions with divorcing or divorced families. Various political and sociological debates about the impact of divorce on children will be examined, as will the gender issues related to the changing roles of men and women in families that serve as a context for divorce. Concepts such as the "blended family," the "good divorce," and the arguments for and against more stringent legal mandates regarding divorce will be discussed, as well as the impact of "divorce" on gay and lesbian families. Prerequisite: HCE 650 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 663 Professional Seminar in Couple and Family Therapy
This seminar examines licensing and accreditation requirements for the study of research, ethical practice, and evaluation procedures in the field of marriage and family therapy. It will explore the major venues for publication of research in marriage and family therapy theory and practice and will provide an overview of tools and approaches for evaluating the validity and scope of published research. The course will identify ethical standards for practicing marriage and family therapy both independently and within agencies, and it will compare and contrast instruments for assessment and evaluation that may be useful in therapeutic practice. Designed for students who wish to complete the CAS in Couple and Family Therapy. Cr 3.
HCE 664 Advanced Topics in Structural Family Therapy
This course explores in-depth the principles and techniques of structural family therapy. Concepts such as boundaries, subsystems, hierarchy, triangles, detouring, parentification, isomorphism, and complementarity will be studied. Structural assessment and intervention techniques such as mapping, blocking, joining, challenging, restructuring, and unbalancing will also be explored. Adaptation of the model to the treatment of couples as well as families, and to a variety of presenting problems will be discussed. The model's application to a culturally diverse population will also be examined. Prerequisite: HCE 652 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 665 Current Concepts in Narrative Therapy
This course examines in-depth the principles and techniques of narrative therapy, as formulated by Michael White and David Epston. The two principle metaphors of narrative practice will be explored: the narrative metaphor, about people's stories and their meanings, and the metaphor of social construction, which examines the influence of society and culture on the meanings of people's lives. The curriculum will include and elevate to primary importance the voice of the consumer in the treatment process, and to challenge many of the accepted practices of conventional psychotherapy. Prerequisite: HCE 653 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 666 Advanced Practice in Couples and Sex Therapy
This course will examine theory and practice at a more advanced level in couples treatment, and in addition, explore both traditional and more contemporary models of sex therapy. Advanced treatment topics will include working with same sex couples, domestic violence in couples, substance abuse, couples with a history of childhood sexual abuse, extramarital affairs, and cultural differences between partners. This course will encourage students to explore their own values and attitudes regarding sex, marriage, and other controversial themes critical to work with couples. Prerequisite: HCE 655 and HCE 659 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 681 Clinical Supervision
This course introduces students to the practice of clinical supervision within the counseling profession. The course focuses on such topics as the history of supervision, supervision models, tasks and functions of supervision, relationships in supervision, supervisory responsibilities, administration, cultural differences, and ethical standards. An organizing principle of this course is to examine these topics from three perspectives: theoretical knowledge, skill development, and self-awareness. Prerequisite: master's degree in counseling or permission of the instructor. Cr 3.

HCE 686 Internship in Counselor Education
This course provides an opportunity for the student to integrate formal coursework with on-the-job experience in selected institutions. Prerequisite: HCE 690. Cr 1-9.

HCE 687 Internship in Clinical Supervision
This course provides an opportunity to develop advanced skills in clinical supervision. Interns will be assigned to supervise master's level students in such courses as practicum and internship. Prerequisites: HCE 681 and HCE 694. Cr 3.

HCE 690 Individual Counseling Practicum
This course is an intensive supervised experience in applying professional knowledge and skills to the practice of counseling with individuals. Role playing, videotapes, audio tapes, and demonstrations are used in helping each student develop an integrated counseling style. Prerequisites: HCE 620, HCE 621, HCE 622 (school counseling specialty only), and HCE 626. Cr 3.

HCE 691 Group Counseling Practicum
This course is designed to be an intensive supervised experience in applying professional knowledge and skills to the practice of counseling with groups. Role playing, videotapes, audio tapes, and demonstrations are used in helping each student develop an integrated leadership style in working with groups. Available only to students who have completed HCE 690. Prerequisite: approval of the supervising professor. Cr 3.

HCE 692 Advanced Individual Practicum
This is the advanced course in counseling practicum. In addition to building on the skills developed in HRD 690 (practicum), emphasis is placed on the structural analysis of typical client problems and the use of appropriate strategies of intervention. Other emphases include the staffing of actual cases and a knowledge of community resources available to the counseling clientele. Prerequisite: HCE 690. Cr 3.

HCE 693 Practicum in Couple and Family Therapy
This course is an intensive supervised experience in applying professional knowledge and skills to the practice of couple and family therapy. Role playing, video and audio tapes, live supervision, and demonstrations are used in assisting each student develop an integrated therapy style. In addition, the course provides experience in conducting systemic interviews with individuals, couples, and families, making initial assessments, and learning to manage a professional practice. Prerequisites: HCE 650, HCE 651, HCE 652, HCE 653, or permission of the instructor. Cr 6.

HCE 694 Practicum in Individual Supervision
This is an intensive supervised experience in applying specialized knowledge and skills to the practice of clinical supervision. Students will be as-
signed supervisees and through observation, audio/video tapes, and co-counseling, will both supervise and be supervised. Prerequisites: HCE 681 and matriculation in the CAS program. Cr 3.

HRD 556 Summer Institute in Special Topics
This summer institute is designed to provide students with a week-long immersion experience applying professional knowledge and skills in the practice of counseling children using play therapy techniques. Role playing, video tapes, and demonstrations are used in helping each student develop an integrated counseling style. Prerequisites: HCE 621, HCE 622, HCE 623, HCE 624, and HCE 690. Cr 3.

HRD 501 Strategies and Techniques in Classroom Management
This course consists of a variety of strategies, techniques, and philosophical issues related to adult-child relationships. The focus of the course provides both a theoretical base and practical experience for dealing with classroom and school-related issues. Cr 3.

HRD 555 Introduction to Student Affairs in Higher Education
This course provides students with an overview of student affairs in colleges and universities. Particular attention will be given to historical developments rooted in the emergence of the unique model of higher education in the U.S., to models of student development, to evaluation of the various models of student affairs organizations, and to emerging issues in managing student affairs programs. The intent is to provide students with the information and skills necessary to understand and evaluate the field as well as to assess their own interest and commitment to student affairs. Cr 3.

HRD 556 Summer Institute in Special Topics
This summer institute is designed to provide students with a week-long immersion experience in a topic selected because of its significance to student affairs in higher education. Topics addressed are those that have been identified as timely by student affairs professional organizations and/or highlighted in recent student affairs literature. The topics for the institute and the faculty to teach it will change each summer. Recent institutes have covered as part of their adult education master’s program.

HRD 557 Gerontology for Educators
This introductory course examines key issues such as demographic trends, theories of aging, problems and opportunities in later-life learning, productive retirement, and educational opportunities for elders. A major goal of the course is to invite professional educators to explore human aging with an eye toward improving teaching and/or program development with elder populations. Cr 3.

HRD 558 Summer Institute in Educational Gerontology: Aging and Life Review
This course examines the process of life review and its role in human aging. The phenomena of memory, imagination, and identity in later age are examined. Students develop practical methods of facilitating life review of themselves and older clients. Cr 3.

HRD 559 Summer Institute in Educational Gerontology: Aging, Death, and Bereavement
This course examines the phenomenon of death in modern society, with a special emphasis on implications for older persons. Issues such as the meaning of death, the dying process, survivorship, and suicide are treated. Special attention is paid to the role of the professional in death education. Cr 3.

HRD 560 History and Philosophy of Adult Education
This course examines historical and philosophical foundations of adult education. Key trends and theoretical frameworks are explored. Students will be introduced to a range of adult education practice domains in Maine and elsewhere. Creating a “community of learners” and modeling other adult education practices is a central goal of this course. Cr 3.

HRD 601 Marketing Training and Adult Education
This course acquaints the student with the purpose, organization, function, methods, tools, and techniques of marketing within the setting of adult education, continuing education, and training programs. Attention is given to the development of a customized marketing plan, focusing on the research and planning phases of the plan. This is an applied course in which students spend a significant amount of time participating in hands-on learning experiences, working in teams.

HRD 603 Consultation in School Psychology
This course examines how school psychologists can provide consultation services in school and clinical settings. A review of research which outlines a variety of consultation roles and procedures is incorporated with case studies and opportunities to explore the use of consultation as part of a problem-solving, data-based approach to school psychology. Cr 3.

HRD 604 Self-Directed Education: Orientation
This is the first of three one-credit core courses that establish the foundational concepts and skills of self-directed education to be built on throughout the program. This course introduces new and interested students to the adult education program, and emphasizes educational planning, key books and themes, professional networking, reflective writing, and development of a professional portfolio. This course is to be taken at the beginning of the program. Cr 1.
HRD 605 Self-Directed Education: Review and Focus
This is the second of three one-credit core courses that establish the foundational concepts and skills of self-directed education. The course is intended for students who have completed 12-18 hours of coursework in the program, to enable them to reflect upon and strengthen their interest in adult education and to plan the rest of their program, especially their field work and capstone seminar topic. Students carry out explorations of resources that can enhance their professional knowledge and practice. Prerequisite: To be taken the semester before HRD 687, HRD 698, or HRD 699. Cr 1.

HRD 606 Self-Directed Education: Comprehensive Exam
This is the third of three one-credit core courses that establish the foundational concepts and skills of self-directed education to be built on throughout the program. The course is intended to be taken as the final course of the program to prepare students for the comprehensive examination and future learning and work. Cr 1.

HRD 609 Orientation to School Psychology
This course provides an introduction to the profession of school psychology. Incorporating historical information with issues of current practice, students will be exposed to an overview of the skills, knowledge base, work requirements, and responsibilities of school psychologists. In order to reveal the daily expectations of school psychologists, the course includes practicum activities that introduce students to the daily routines of school psychology practitioners. Cr 4.

HRD 630 Facilitating Adult Learning
This course examines the theory and practice of facilitating adult learning. The aim of the course is to develop a working knowledge of numerous approaches to facilitation including analysis of students’ strengths and weaknesses in particular learning contexts. Special emphasis is placed on developing skills in making presentations and leading group discussions. Cr 3.

HRD 631 The Adult Learner
This course examines the social, psychological, economic, and cultural situation of the variety of adults served by adult education programs today. The aim of the course is to develop a theory of learning which is applicable to adults in diverse circumstances and with diverse goals, needs, and styles of learning. Attention is given to stages of adult growth, the development of learning goals, learning environments, and to a variety of theories on learning. Cr 3.

HRD 632 Program Development in Adult Education and Human Resource Development
This course presents the models, techniques, and practices of constructing curricula and developing programs for adult learners as individuals, groups, and community organizations. The course covers both educational and training programs and emphasizes practice, skill acquisition, and competence in curriculum development for adults with diverse needs and in diverse learning environments. Cr 3.

HRD 633 Managing Adult Education and Human Resource Development
This course examines the administrative and leadership skills necessary for the development and management of units such as adult education centers, continuing education offices, and training and staff development departments in profit and non-profit organizations. Particular attention is given to the development of mission statements, the use of advisory boards, community needs assessment approaches, personnel management, and the development of a management style. Cr 3.

HRD 634 Using Technology in Education
This course explores uses of technology in a variety of educational contexts including distance education, higher education, adult basic education, non-formal education, workplace education, the classroom, and self-directed learning. It provides a broad overview of educational technology (particularly microcomputer) development, use, evaluation, and selection. Concepts, skills, and hands-on laboratory exercises using knowledge of one computer system to help understand other computer types, applications, and systems. Participants will explore using computers and other technologies as a strategy for teaching, managing, and learning. The course is presented in three concurrent modules: a) theory, b) practice, and c) project. Cr 3.

HRD 635 Training and Staff Development
This course acquaints the student with the organization, staffing, functions, methods, and techniques of training and staff development units in modern work organizations. Attention is given to the development of in-service training programs for key levels of staff such as supervisors, managers, front-line workers, and support staff. Special emphasis is given to the systematic relationship of the training office to other human resource development functions in contributing toward an effective organization and a supportive climate in which to work. Cr 3.

HRD 637 Community Education
Community education is concerned with major issues and trends affecting the lives of citizens of a community. It measures well-being by the extent to which people have the opportunity to learn all they need to survive and flourish. It is a philosophy, a movement, an approach to school organization, and a mode of community development. Community education is examined in such forms for relevance to improved practice of educators and other community human resource developers. The course begins with social trends bearing upon the
HRD 640 Human Resource Development in Organizational Settings
This course will introduce students to the contemporary workplace which is made up of diverse workers and is in a constant state of change; and the role and function of human resource development in that workplace. The course asks the question: how can HRD be both a strategic partner to management and a supporter of employees; be both a compliance officer and a resource to help the organization and employees grow and develop? The course explores a variety of principles and practices that HRD professionals use to carry out this very complex role. Cr 3.

HRD 643 Multicultural Adult Development
This course examines adult cognitive and psychosocial developmental theory and practice from a multicultural perspective. It considers multiple identities within different social and cultural populations (gender, ethnicity, sexuality, disability, socioeconomic class), and presents an overview of the multicultural adult development literature intended for masters students preparing to work with young or middle-aged adults in educational, training, or supervisory settings. Cr 3.

HRD 646 International Adult Education
This course provides students with a broad overview of some of the historical roots and current practices of adult education internationally. It provides information about significant leaders and agencies, as well as subjects such as: women’s education, literacy, peace and human rights, research, the environment, and new technology as they relate to adult education. Cr 3.

HRD 647 Work and Learning Institute
The course examines concepts of the learning workplace, including double loop learning, team learning, action reflection learning, and personal learning. Students explore how such learning strategies are being used to transform workplaces. Learning strategies are applied in actual work situations. This is an advanced level course intended primarily for students in the training and development concentration. Cr 3.

HRD 649 Seminar in Adult Education and Human Resource Development
This seminar addresses current issues, problems, and topics in adult education and human resource development. Participants are to select, develop, and present topics of interest to them as well as benefit from presentations prepared by the instructor. Usually taken toward the end of the program, this seminar is an opportunity to apply knowledge and skill to problems of current interest in the field of adult education. Cr 3.

HRD 659 Research Methods in Applied Interventions
This course examines research techniques appropriate for educational and clinical settings. The research techniques covered in the course emphasize a problem-solving assessment methodology with a particular focus on measuring progress toward reduction or elimination of problem behaviors. The research methods taught in the course are utilized by students to conduct a pilot study of a specific individual target behavior of concern, including academic, social-emotional, or social skill problems. Using a single-subject research design, students design, implement, and monitor the efficacy of an applied intervention. Cr 3.

HRD 664 Culture, Tradition, and Diversity
This course focuses on developing multicultural awareness, understanding the role of culture and tradition in the life cycle, examining issues of diversity in human interactions, and on exploring the attitudes and perceptions of diverse populations. The course surveys world views, values, and beliefs of specific groups to better understand and appreciate diversity as they relate to professional applications. This course includes a field experience. Cr 3.

HRD 666 Individual Assessment: A Holistic Approach
This course explores the principles, purposes, and application of individual assessment. The course content includes instrument selection and evaluation, data interpretation, and intervention strategies in the following areas: academic skills, intellectual functioning, psychomotor performance, medical and family history, and social development. A case study format is used. Emphasis is placed on a holistic approach to data collection, interpretation and intervention. This is a basic orientation course for educators and others involved in planning specialized programs for individuals. It is not intended to produce skills in test administration. Prerequisites: HCE 605 and EDU 600 or equivalents. Cr 3.

HRD 667 Action Research and Evaluation Methodologies
This course provides an overview of the role of research and evaluation within organizations and community settings. Techniques in survey development and evaluation strategies are emphasized. A number of methodologies is presented, such as: the normal group, the Delphi technique, assessment centers, performance appraisal, interviews and observation. Cr 3.

HRD 668 Human Development
This course examines the processes underlying growth and development across the life span from conception through childhood, adolescence, adulthood and aging to death. The interaction of bio-
logical, cultural, and environmental factors will be considered in studying physical, cognitive, and psychosocial changes throughout the stages of life. This course includes a field experience. Cr 3.

HRD 669 Adolescent Development
This course introduces developmental theory and research as it relates to adolescence. A multi-disciplinary view of adolescent development is taken to examine the processes underlying growth, development, and behavioral changes during adolescence. The interaction of biological and environmental factors is considered in studying the physical, cognitive, social, affective, and moral aspects of adolescent development. The primary focus is on the adolescent as a learner. Note: This course is intended for students matriculated in the Extended Teacher Education Program and middle level education program. Cr 3.

HRD 671 Physical Bases of Behavior
This course examines neural, endocrine, and response systems that are related to attention, motivation, emotion, memory, and psychological and/or learning disorders. It includes consideration of typical and atypical patterns of development and neurological and health problems of children and adolescents. Cr 3.

HRD 673 Social Skills Assessment and Training
The course will include a discussion of the importance of social skills and provide a rationale for promoting and teaching pro-social behavior. Students will review and learn how to administer and score both screening-level and evaluation-level social skills assessment instruments. In addition, students will review a variety of interventions and develop social skills interventions based on assessment information. Cr 3.

HRD 674 Child and Adolescent Psychopathology
This course acquaints the student with definitions of and development of normal versus abnormal behavior from infancy through adulthood as well as presents common classification systems for psychopathology. Continuity from normal to abnormal behaviors, behavior problems in children as indices of pathology, and the prediction of psychopathology in adolescence and adulthood are also considered. The course takes a developmental orientation to psychopathology and discusses specific disorders in terms of symptoms, age considerations, and family and sociocultural dynamics. Cr 3.

HRD 676 Psychological Principles of Learning
This course is an introduction to concepts and principles of conditioning and reinforcement, perception and attention, memory, information processing, and problem solution. The course includes the neural bases of learning and cognition as well as consideration of the acquisition or loss of habit patterns. Cr 3.

HRD 677 Cognitive and Psychoeducational Assessment
This course is an examination of the historical and theoretical bases of individual differences and intellectual and psychoeducational testing. It includes supervised practice in administration, scoring, interpretation, and reporting assessment results. prerequisite: open to school psychology majors with permission of the instructor. Offered in a two-semester sequence, three credits each semester. Cr 6.

HRD 678 Behavioral Assessment
This course examines a variety of behavior assessment methods addressing social-emotional behavior issues. Assessment techniques covered in the course emphasize a functional behavior assessment methodology including interviews, observations, behavior rating scales, and adaptive behavior assessment. This course includes practica experiences in which students are supervised in the administration, scoring, and interpretation of assessment procedures. Cr 4.

HRD 679 Seminar in Psychological Assessment
This course examines and integrates a variety of cognitive, educational, and behavioral assessment procedures in the context of an individual's overall psychological functioning. The course requires knowledge of psychopathology in children and adolescents. Assessment models covered in the course emphasize the integration of a multi-method, multi-informant, and multi-setting, problem-solving model. This course includes internship experiences in which students are supervised in the administration, scoring, and interpretation of assessment procedures. Cr 3.

HRD 685 CAS Completion Project in Adult Learning
Students will undertake a major project of their own design as a final requirement for completion of the certificate of advanced study in adult learning. Students will participate in a support seminar and will make a formal presentation to an audience of program peers, faculty, colleagues, family, and friends. There are four options for projects: (1) field-based study, (2) public policy initiative, (3) publishable theory paper, or (4) personal learning curriculum for adults. Cr 3.

HRD 687 Internship in Adult Education and Human Resource Development
Designed to provide professional experience in the student’s selected area of concern. A plan for the internship is presented for approval to the student’s advisor. On approval, the intern completes his/her planned program under the supervision and evaluation of a responsible person for the internship assignment. Cr 1-9.

HRD 688 Internship in School Psychology
The internship is a 1,500-hour field experience in school psychology under a qualified supervisor in
a public school setting. It is undertaken at the end of the program. Prerequisites: satisfactory completion of HRD 603, HRD 609, HRD 677, HRD 678, HRD 694, and permission of the program faculty (total of 8 semester hours for the internship). Cr var.

HRD 693 Life Stories and Personal Mythmaking
This course serves as a reflective, self-exploration component of the master’s program for counselors, educators, administrators, and other service-providing professionals. It offers a theoretical and methodological framework for the indepth study of individual lives. As a course in autobiographical reflection, the underlying assumption is that telling the stories of our lives is an important way of uncovering the personal truth in our lives. As a course in theory and research, it takes a broad look at the study of lives approach to defining personality development across time, drawing upon the writings of those from various disciplines who use personal narratives and life stories as primary documents. The seminar uses a workshop approach, combining autobiographical writing, personal mythmaking, writing circles, and life story interviews to better understand process and pattern in life cycle development from a subjective point of view. Cr 3.

ITE 650 Technology: Its Evolution and Social Impact
This course will concentrate on an anthropological study of industry and technology over the millennia. Emphasis is placed on the examination of the great technological innovations and inventions that have impacted on civilization throughout history. National and global ramifications of civilization’s technological progress are analyzed. Cr 3.

ITE 651 Curriculum Trends in Industrial/Technology Education
This course is geared toward acquainting the industrial arts/technology education and vocational education teacher with the rapid curriculum changes that are occurring in the profession: the transition from a traditional industry content base to that associated with modern industry and technology. Emphasis is placed upon the analysis of contemporary technology education curriculum models, career education and occupational training, instructional strategies, delivery systems, and the development of appropriate technology learning activities applicable to the K-12 curriculum. Cr 3.

ITE 653A & 653B Contemporary Problems/Technical Developments in Selected Technologies
This directed studies course focuses on contemporary developments in and problems associated with student-selected areas of material processing, energy/power, and technical communications technologies. The course provides an opportunity to study recent technological developments and to analyze their impacts on society and the environment. Specific topics are identified through a formal proposal process and will be studied independently. The group meets on a regular basis to discuss study progress and present their findings and conclusions in formal oral and written presentations. Both ITE 653A and ITE 653B are required. Cr 3 (for each course).

ITE 654 Measurement and Evaluation in Industrial/Technology Education
This course focuses on the preparation and use of teacher-made written achievement and performance tests and rating scales and basic statistical procedures and evaluation techniques for the industrial arts/technology education and vocational/occupational (trade and industry) educator. Cr 3.

ITE 655 Practicum/Seminar
The ITE 655 Practicum/Seminar and its major project, the Practicum Report, constitute the culminating project of the program. The Practicum Report documents the student’s attempt to synthesize and apply learning from the program through the identification of a problem pertaining to industrial/technology education in a field setting. The written Practicum Report will be verbally defended. Cr 6.
SED 550 Teaching Gifted Students in the Regular Classroom
This course is for teachers who serve gifted/talented students within the structure of the regular classroom. Topics include adapting the “required” curriculum to meet the needs of students; teaching/facilitating independent/small group activities; using learning centers, task learners with mild handicapping conditions and/or students with academic gifts and talents. Students study strategies for adapting, developing, implementing, and assessing learning experiences. Cr 3.

SED 611 Nature and Needs of Learners Who Are Exceptional
This course focuses on the unique characteristics and educational and social/emotional needs of children and youth who display a range of learning and behavioral difficulties including learning disabilities, mild forms of developmental delay, and mild to moderate forms of behavioral and adjustment problems. Cr 3.

SED 613 Curriculum and Instruction for Learners with Special Needs
This course is for individuals who are providing or who plan to provide educational services to learners with special needs. This may include learners with mild handicapping conditions and/or students with academic gifts and talents. Participants study strategies for adapting, developing, implementing, and assessing learning experiences. Cr 3.

SED 614 Methods of Teaching Mathematics for Students with Special Needs
This course for practicing teachers focuses on teaching methods and new teaching approaches in mathematics used with students with special needs. Current issues of concern, major curriculum thrusts, such as the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Standards, Maine’s Learning Results, promising practices, and methods to differentiate instruction and assessment techniques are addressed in this course. Approaches for students of different age levels from early childhood through secondary school are included. Cr 3.

SED 615 Classroom and Behavior Management for Learners with Special Needs
This course examines a variety of strategies for promoting positive behavior. Topics include preventing misbehavior through classroom organization strategies, responding to misbehavior in constructive ways, and designing strategies to help children develop appropriate school skills. Students are expected to conduct several classroom application projects. Cr 3.

SED 618 Programming for Learners with Special Needs
This course is for individuals who provide educational services to learners with special needs. This may include learners with mild handicapping conditions and/or students with academic gifts and talents. Participants will learn strategies for planning and providing differentiated learning experiences within appropriate learning environments. Cr 3.

SED 639 Communication Disorders in Students
This course is designed for educators working with pre-school and school-age children in regular and special education. The course considers the typical development sequence of language and speech skills and the physiological process involved in normal speech and language production. The range of communication disorders likely to be seen in children is discussed. Particular attention is given to disorders of receptive and expressive language that may result in academic difficulties. Possible etiologies, common symptoms, and classroom modifications that may be suggested for a younger with a specific communication disorder are reviewed. Communication differences seen in multicultural populations are considered. The role of the pre-school and classroom teacher in various service delivery models is presented. Class participants are encouraged to exchange information about their experiences in working with different service delivery models. Cr 3.

SED 640 Communicating with Students Who Are Deaf and Hard of Hearing
The course describes the full range of communication modes currently used with students who are deaf and hard of hearing in the United States, and the presuppositions behind the various approaches, including: spoken English, American Sign Language, manually coded English, cued speech, fingerspelling, etc. The relationship between communication and language and the role of vision and residual hearing in language acquisition are studied. Factors associated with the selection of a particular mode of communication over the other modes are examined. Cr 3.

SED 643 Including Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing in Public Schools
This course is for educators who work with students who are deaf and hard of hearing in public schools. The course explains the impact of hearing loss on a school-age child. Different approaches to the education of deaf and hard of hearing children are explored and individuals reflect upon their roles and responsibilities as educators working with students, their families, and the deaf community. Cr 3.

SED 646 Audiology/Aural Habilitation
This course offers an overview of audiology and aural habilitation for teachers of children who are deaf or hard of hearing. The anatomy, physiology, and pathologies of the ear are explained. Students are taught the physics of sound and principles of pure tone audiology. Auditory training equipment, including hearing aids and other assistive devices,
SED 654 Assessment in Special Education  
Part II  
Students examine a variety of informal procedures for use in the assessment of the instructional needs of exceptional learners. Students learn how to develop and conduct interviews, observations, and continuous and periodic assessments of instruction. Record keeping procedures are also examined. Students are expected to develop several in-depth projects. Prerequisite: SED 653. Cr 3.

SED 659 Education of the Gifted/Talented  
This course is for individuals responsible for initiating, mainstreaming, and/or extending services for gifted/talented students. Topics for study include: a) identification procedures, b) curriculum development and implementation, c) administration and classroom management, d) staff development and community involvement, and e) evaluation of student growth and program effectiveness. Cr 3.

SED 660 Curriculum and Methods for Teaching the Gifted  
This course is for individuals responsible for developing or modifying learning experiences for gifted/talented students at the elementary or secondary school level, b) implementing differentiated learning experiences within the regular classroom or through a special grouping arrangement, and/or c) creating/selecting instructional materials to support the implementation of differentiated learning experiences. Cr 3.

SED 661 Advanced Curriculum and Methods for Teaching the Gifted  
This course is for teachers, consultants, coordinators, and directors who work in programs for gifted/talented who are responsible for developing and implementing a curricular scope and sequence plan for the program, articulating services between grade levels and among content/skill areas within a district, coordinating the use of instructional materials within a program, and assisting others in utilizing, adapting, and creating learning activities for gifted/talented students. Cr 3.

SED 662 Productive Thinking and the Gifted Learner  
This course is for individuals responsible for a) identifying creative potential within students, b) planning and implementing learning experiences for nurturing creative thinking, c) selecting or developing instructional materials for enhancing creativity, d) establishing learning environments conducive to creativity, and/or e) evaluating program effectiveness and student growth in creativity training. Cr 3.

SED 663 Management in Education of the Gifted  
This course is for individuals responsible for coordinating services for gifted and talented students within a district. Topics of study include program administration, program evaluation, personal interaction skills, and group dynamics. Cr 3.

SED 664 Gifted Students in Special Populations  
This course is for individuals responsible for identifying and serving gifted students from special populations. These populations include underachievers, females, culturally diverse and/or economically deprived, rurally isolated, bilingual, artistic, creative, physically challenged, and highly gifted. Cr 3.

SED 665 Institute for Program Planners in Education of the Gifted/Talented  
This course is for individuals and teams of individuals responsible for planning district-wide programs for gifted and talented students. Participants develop a procedural written plan of action for guiding the development and the implementation of programs. Planning areas include: a) identification, b) curriculum, c) administration, d) staff development, and e) evaluation. Cr 3.

SED 666 Models in Education of the Gifted  
This course is for individuals responsible for choosing, adapting, or designing a model to serve gifted/talented students. Selected models prominent in the field are reviewed and critiqued. Prerequisite: SED 659 or SED 660 or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

SED 667 Social/Emotional Needs of the Gifted  
This course is for classroom teachers, program coordinators, parents, and other individuals who interact with gifted and talented students. Topics for examination include: a) factors affecting social and emotional development, b) achievement and underachievement, c) curriculum and the affective domain, and d) resources/strategies for responding to the needs of the gifted/talented. Cr 3.

SED 668 Seminar in Education of the Gifted/Talented  
This course is for students who have completed at least four courses in education of gifted/talented students. The seminar focuses on critical issues related to the field. Students collect and critically analyze information relating to the issues. Cr 1.

SED 669 Technical Assistance Systems  
This course is for administrators, consultants, pro-
gram coordinators, teachers, and other individuals responsible for initiating, maintaining, or extending educational programs. Topics for study include assessing resources and needs, relating with client systems, diagnosing relationships and situations, acquiring resources, choosing and supporting solutions, and stabilizing innovations. Prerequisite: advisor’s permission.

SED 670 Secondary Programs for the Gifted/ Talented
This course is for administrators, program coordinators, and teachers who are responsible for planning, implementing, maintaining, and/or extending programs for gifted and talented students at the secondary school level.

SED 679 Consultation and Special Education
This course is for individuals who are responsible for the planning and coordination of programs for exceptional learners. The focus of the course is on utilizing a non-categorical, process-oriented approach to providing services for students.

SED 682 Special Education Law: Conflict and Resolution
Laws relating to the education of exceptional students and recent judicial decisions are discussed. Methods of conflict resolution, including mediation, are presented. Prerequisite: SED 611 or permission of instructor.

SED 683 Topical Seminar
This is an advanced course that covers selected topics in exceptionality. Several current issues are examined in-depth each semester. Individual and group presentations are required.

SED 684 Administration in Special Education
A field-based course designed to offer experience in administering special education programs. The course emphasizes the organization and administration of special education programs. Prerequisite: SED 611 or permission of instructor.

SED 685 Advanced Seminar in Special Education
This is an advanced course that integrates and synthesizes research and practices across disciplines in exceptionality. Individual and group presentations are required as well as a major paper. Prerequisite: completion of three core courses or advisor’s permission.

SED 687 Technology in Special Education
This course introduces students to the use of technology in the education and rehabilitation of individuals with special needs. A range of technological systems are examined from “low tech” devices such as simple switches to computers, adaptive devices, and software appropriate for handicapped individuals. A variety of equipment, materials, hardware, and software are available for demonstration and student use. Methods and techniques for evaluation and determination of appropriate and inappropriate use of technology are stressed.

SED 688 Internship in Special Education
Students complete 350 hours of supervised teaching experience. Interns apply effective instructional practices and experience interdisciplinary planning, team work facilitation, and consultation. Internship experiences reinforce the acquisition of ethics and standards of the teaching profession. Prerequisite: completion of 18 hours of coursework in the special education program and instructor permission.

SED 689 Prevocational/Vocational Assessment and Education
This course introduces the fundamentals of selecting and administering prevocational and vocational assessment tools, including their types, purposes, and methods of interpretation. Participants learn how to use the tools in order to plan and implement programming for secondary-level students who have handicapping conditions and other special needs. Participants are introduced to strategies for assisting secondary students in preparing for, locating, and participating in training and employment opportunities.

SED 690 Psychology of Adolescents with Disabilities
This course examines the growth and development of disabled adolescents within a social context. Society’s historical treatment of disabled people and the effect social attitudes have on development are addressed. Developmental theory presented through classwork and readings are supplemented by research and interviews with adolescents and their teachers and families.

SED 692 Transition for Elementary and Secondary Students
This course introduces participants to the concept of transition from school to work and community living for disabled secondary students. Students develop skills in interdisciplinary team planning and an awareness of community resources necessary to aid exceptional students in achieving career goals and a satisfactory adjustment to adult life.

SED 699 Directed Study
This course is an opportunity to gain, apply, and integrate knowledge and skill in exceptionality by planning and conducting a project. The project must be intellectually sound, have direct applicability to the student, and produce a high quality product. Specific content and methods of evaluation are determined in conjunction with faculty supervisor. Prerequisite: completion of three courses, including EDU 600, or advisor’s permission.
The University of Maine School of Law has long offered a high quality of legal education to a carefully selected student body. With a fine faculty, excellent library resources, and a nationally oriented curriculum strong in basic legal courses, the Law School takes pride in educating men and women who will become capable and motivated attorneys.

The academic program is rigorous and demanding. Thanks to the School’s size, however, its students have the benefit of small classes, frequent and informal contact with the faculty, and a friendly atmosphere. These factors do much to ease the strains attendant upon entry to an exacting profession.

The School averages 80-85 students per class, of whom approximately 50 percent are women; the number of students in the School is about 250. The student body is remarkably varied in age, professional and academic experience, and background.

The School’s faculty of 17 full-time and a number of part-time instructors is drawn from the local community of attorneys, and represents a diversity of backgrounds, expertise, and interests.

The School is fully accredited by the American Bar Association and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools.

Established at Portland in 1961, the Law School is an administrative unit of the University of Southern Maine, but has responsibilities to the statewide University system. The School is located in a building, accessible for handicapped students, that provides facilities for classroom and seminar discussion, library research, moot court participation, clinical practice, legal publications, and student activities.

For more information on the Law School, contact the Admissions Office, University of Maine School of Law, 246 Deering Avenue, Portland, Maine, 04102, (207) 780-4341, or visit the Law School Web site at www.law.usm.maine.edu.

Marine Law Institute

Director: John Duff

The Marine Law Institute is committed to research and education in the field of coastal and ocean resource law and policy. Its research considers interjurisdictional problems in marine resource management, the use of scientific knowledge in marine law, issues affecting coastal zone management including analysis of the adequacy of federal and state coastal resource laws and regulations to effectively manage coastal development pressures.

The Institute is a component of the University of Maine School of Law. Its policy research and educational projects are supported by grants and contracts from government agencies and private foundations. The Institute’s research publication, the student-edited Ocean and Coastal Law Journal, is partially supported by subscribers.

Technology Law Center

The Technology Law Center at the University of Maine School of Law was established in 1999 with funding from the Maine Legislature to recognize the role of law in technological innovation and the expansion of electronic commerce. The Center provides educational opportunities in intellectual property and technol-
ogy-related law to students, practicing attorneys, and the Maine business community through courses, conferences, and seminars. The Technology Law Center also administers the Maine Patent Program, a service program funded by the Maine Legislature to assist inventors, entrepreneurs, and small businesses with intellectual property education and protection.
Master of Occupational Therapy

Lewiston-Auburn College offers a professional, entry-level master’s degree in occupational therapy for people who hold a baccalaureate degree in a discipline other than occupational therapy. The master of occupational therapy program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA).

Occupational therapy (OT) is a health profession that recognizes humans as occupational beings. People define who they are by what they do—or by the occupations in which they engage. Occupational therapists use meaningful occupation as treatment to help people of all ages maximize wellness and perform the skills they need to live as independently as possible. OTs intervene with people who are experiencing varying degrees of activity impairment as a result of developmental, physical, psychological, or environmental dysfunction. OTs help people develop, compensate for, or regain the skills necessary for participation in meaningful life roles and skills of self care, work, and leisure.

Graduate entry-level occupational therapy education builds upon the previous education and experience of the student by providing a sequential course of professional study that stresses active, independent inquiry, critical thinking, strong communication skills (oral, nonverbal, and written), problem solving, clinical reasoning, and professional behaviors. Realizing that consumers may receive occupational therapy services in a wide variety of settings, students are exposed to practice in hospitals, institutions, schools, community agencies and centers, and other facilities where potential clients may be effectively served.

Admission to the master of occupational therapy program is selective and limited to 24 spaces. The program seeks applicants who have a bachelor’s degree with a record of academic achievement and who are committed to employing interdisciplinary approaches and materials in the study of occupational therapy. The program also seeks candidates who are committed to self-development as a necessary foundation for helping others. Academic coursework and clinical experiences require that students be available throughout the day and some evenings. Part-time options are now available where students may complete their academic work in either three or four years. In addition to four semesters of academic coursework, students are required to complete six months of full-time fieldwork.

Students should request an application packet which contains all of the required forms and detailed procedures for their completion. The application, transcripts, and other supplemental materials should be sent to: Administrative Assistant, Occupational Therapy, Lewiston-Auburn College, 51 Westminster Street, Lewiston, Maine 04240.

The following criteria are used in the selection process:
1. Baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university.
2. A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or a B average is highly recommended. If you have a graduate degree, your graduate cumulative GPA will be used. If your cumulative GPA is not 3.0 or better, the likelihood of acceptance is significantly diminished. Your application will not be considered if you have a cumulative GPA lower than 2.75.
3. Prerequisite courses: Either as part of your baccalaureate degree or subsequent to receiving it, you must have completed the following courses with a grade of B or better. All of the science prerequisites must have been taken within six years prior to the fall semester for which you are applying. If science courses were completed with a B or better more than six years ago, you may do one of the following: 1) use more current upper division courses in the discipline to satisfy the requirement; 2) retake the course; or 3) take a CLEP exam if one is available. If you have questions regarding the prerequisite requirements, contact the M.O.T. director.
Math Competency
** Statistics (such as MAT 120D or SBS 328 or equivalent) 3 credits
* College Algebra (such as MAT 108 or equivalent) 3 credits

* College Level English
(at least 3 credits must focus on writing) 6 credits

* Intro to Sociology
(or an upper level SOC or SBS course) 3 credits

*** Abnormal Psychology 3 credits

** Human Growth and Development
(Lifespan course) 3 credits

Intro to Physics with lab 4 credits

*** Human Anatomy & Physiology I 4 credits
or equivalent

*** Human Anatomy & Physiology II 4 credits
or equivalent

Microcomputers 3 credits

* There are CLEP exams available for these courses.
** There are DANTES exams available for these courses.
*** There are REGENTS College Exams available for these courses.

4. If you have not already completed the English and math course requirements, please register to take Lewiston-Auburn College's placement exam in reading, writing, and math. The exam will determine whether you need to take any developmental courses in preparation for the college level math and English courses.

5. All applicants must complete a minimum of 15 hours of job shadowing or work experience in an occupational therapy department.

6. All applicants who meet the above requirements will be scheduled for a writing sample and interview.

7. Completion of the application requirements does not guarantee admission into the program. Admission will be based on a comparative evaluation of the applicants’ materials as they relate to academic achievement, writing skills, and interviewing. If two or more applicants are otherwise equally qualified, additional consideration will be given for work experience in a related field (e.g., education, recreation, or other health related profession).

8. Based on the applicant's performance on the first seven criteria, and other conditions noted in the M.O.T. admissions brochure, the admissions committee will make a decision.

9. Upon being accepted into the program, students must submit documentation that they are in good health as evidenced by a physical examination, including specific immunizations, prior to beginning the fall semester. Forms will be sent with acceptance letters.

The M.O.T. program has a rolling admissions process, and will accept applications from October 1 to August 1 prior to the fall semester to which one is applying. Unconditional acceptance to the M.O.T. program will be extended only to students who are competitive and who have submitted documentation that all of their requirements have been completed at the time of their application. Students who are in the process of completing prerequisite courses will receive only conditional acceptances until all their requirements have been completed. Conditional acceptances will be rescinded unless the remainder of the requirements are completed by August 1.

Although there is a rolling admission process, admission is competitive and the 24 spots will be filled on a first-come basis with qualified applicants. It is important that you submit your application as soon as possible.
Program Policies

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of this program are as follows.

Time Limit  Unless applying for a part-time option, the program's academic work is designed to be completed within four semesters of being admitted to the program. To ensure continuity of application of academic concepts, all fieldwork MUST be completed within 24 months following completion of academic preparation.

Grade Policy  All courses in the occupational therapy curriculum must be completed with a minimum of C in order to carry graduate credit. If a student receives a grade below C, the student must repeat the course in the next semester that it is offered. Given that occupational therapy courses are only offered once a year, it will be necessary for the student to receive permission from the faculty committee in order to take other courses in the curriculum prior to repeating the course. A student is only permitted to repeat one course. If a student gets a grade below C in a second course, he or she will be dismissed from the program.

Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 in each semester in order to progress in the program. A student whose grade point average falls below a 3.0 in the first, second, or third semester will be placed on probation and will have one semester to bring the grade point average up to at least a 3.0. Students who fail to do this will be dismissed. A student may not be placed on probation more than once.

Any student whose cumulative GPA is below 3.0 in their final semester will be dismissed and will not be permitted to graduate. Students must also demonstrate satisfactory professional behaviors. Unsatisfactory ratings of professional behaviors in two or more semesters may result in termination from the program.

The master of occupational therapy program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, P.O. Box 31220, Bethesda, MD 20824-1220. AOTA's phone number is (301) 652-AOTA. Graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT). After successful completion of this exam, the individual will be an Occupational Therapist, Registered (OTR). Most states require licensure in order to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the NBCOT Certification Examination. NBCOT is located at 800 S. Frederick Ave., Suite 200, Gaithersburg, MD 20877-4150.

Program Requirements

Students in the M.O.T. program will complete 78 graduate credits consisting of 4 semesters of full-time coursework, 6 additional months of full-time fieldwork and a capstone project.

Students are required to complete three Level I Fieldwork experiences in psychosocial, physical dysfunction, and developmental disabilities. The fieldwork is completed concurrent with the semester in which the relevant coursework is taken.

Personal health insurance is required for all students in this program. Students may select the University insurance coverage or a private company as long as the coverage meets that of the University policy.

Students are required to become members of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA).

Program of Study

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OTH 501 Occupational Therapy Foundations
This course introduces students to the profession of occupational therapy by studying its history, philosophy, and standards. Students will examine the socioeconomic and political factors that influence the practice, professional behaviors, responsibilities of practitioners, and occupational choice. Additionally, students will learn about the role and functions of OT practitioners; local, national, and international associations; the OT process; activity and occupational analysis; OTR and OTA collaboration; and the culture of disability. Cr 2.

OTH 502 Occupation and Clinical Reasoning
Introduces students to the theory of occupation and the relationship between occupation and occupational therapy practice. Students will develop an appreciation of the complexity of occupations across the life span by observing and analyzing a variety of occupations on and off campus. Clinical reasoning theory will be taught and practiced as part of the observation analysis. Cr 4.

OTH 503 Communication for Health Professionals
Provides an understanding of human behavior; therapeutic use of self; and development of interpersonal communication both personally and professionally. The implications of cultural diversity on communication style will be addressed. Medical terminology will be included. Cr 3.

OTH 504 Applied Research I
This course introduces the student to the spectrum of investigative strategies that can be used to answer questions of concern to occupational therapists. Students will learn to examine critically current research and to master basic research skills. Students will practice basic research skills through targeted assignments, and the development of re-
search questions, a literature review, and a research project. Cr 3.

OTH 505 Mental Health Theory and Practice
Emphasis is on occupational therapy theory, evaluation, planning, and treatment techniques commonly used with individuals who have psychosocial impairment across the life span. The etiology, symptoms, and course of each condition are reviewed, as is the analysis of occupational performance as it relates to psychosocial dysfunction. Activity analysis and problem solving are used to assess the use of intervention strategies from multiple perspectives with a focus on understanding the importance of culture, gender, and developmental level on occupational choices. Prerequisites: OTH 502, OTH 507. Cr 7.

OTH 507 Social Issues and Ethics in Occupational Therapy
This course is designed to assist students to understand the larger social, ethical, professional, and systematic issues that impact on health care and occupational therapy practice. It will focus on ethical issues, dilemmas, and decision making, as well as the OT code of ethics. Sociopolitical pressures and legal issues, and their impact on ethical practice, will also be explored. Cr 3.

OTH 508 Occupational Performance and the Brain
This course will provide analysis of brain function and its relationship to human occupation across the life span. Emphasis will be on learning and other related perceptual and cognitive functions of the brain most pertinent to occupational performance and dysfunction. The psycho-social, physical, and developmental practice domains of OT will be introduced as they relate to brain functions. Assessment and intervention regarding perceptual and cognitive issues will be addressed and placed within an occupation context. Cr 3.

OTH 509 Level I Fieldwork: Mental Health
Students are placed in clinical settings where they can begin to develop professional behaviors, communication skills, and skilled observation in a psychosocial setting. The accompanying seminar allows students to share and process their experiences as a group. Corequisites: OTH 505, OTH 507, OTH 508. Cr 1.

OTH 510 Level I Fieldwork: Physical Dysfunction
This course provides fieldwork experience as a participant/observer in the practice area of adults with physical dysfunction. The format for the weekly seminars will be a mix of discussion of fieldwork experiences, further investigation into material presented in concurrent semester courses, an opportunity to meet with clinicians and clients/consumers, and a forum for discussing issues related to evidence-based practice. The combination of direct fieldwork experience plus an integrated seminar allows students to further integrate course material and provide a common link between the above mentioned classes. Prerequisites and corequisites: OTH 508, OTH 601, and OTH 603. Cr 1.

OTH 511 Level I Fieldwork: Developmental Disabilities
This course provides fieldwork experience as a participant/observer in the practice area of developmental disabilities. The format for the weekly seminars will be a mix of discussion of fieldwork experiences, further investigation into material presented in concurrent semester courses, an opportunity to meet with clinicians and clients/consumers, and a forum for discussing issues related to evidence-based practice. The combination of direct fieldwork experience plus an integrated seminar allows the student to further integrate classroom and clinical knowledge. Corequisites: OTH 604, OTH 615. Cr 1.

OTH 512 Applied Research II
This course provides the opportunity for students to expand their application of research concepts to the investigation of an occupational therapy question, need, or evaluation of occupational therapy practice. Students will conduct a research project, culminating in a public poster presentation. Course sessions and assignments will be devoted to guiding students through the research process. Cr 3.

OTH 513 Basic Kinesiology
This course will cover the basic science needed to understand normal body movement. The student will gain an understanding of the functional anatomy of the musculoskeletal system and how it relates to the biomechanics, kinematics, and kinetics of human motion. In addition, the student will learn skills in assessment of musculoskeletal functioning from a biomechanical frame of reference. The course will include hands-on laboratory experiences that will facilitate the learning of concepts and skills. Corequisite: OTH 514. Cr 3.

OTH 514 Human Anatomy: Structure and Function
This course provides an in-depth study of the structure and function of the systems of the human body. Emphasis will be placed on the neuro, skeletal, and muscular systems. Labwork will consist of independent study with models, CD-ROM, and online programs. Cr 4.

OTH 601 Neuroscience
This course will provide foundation knowledge in neuroanatomy and neurophysiology as it relates to human occupation. Emphasis will be on understanding the concepts of neuroscience that are the underpinnings of theory and treatment applications of occupational therapy. Prerequisites or corequisites: OTH 510, OTH 514, OTH 603, OTH 614. Cr 3.
OTH 603 Physical Dysfunction: Theory and Practice
This course integrates occupational therapy theory and practice in the area of adults with physical dysfunction. The format of the class includes weekly lectures and two lab sessions per week. This format provides students with an opportunity to apply new knowledge to clinical cases, develop clinical reasoning skills, and learn hands-on skills needed for entry-level practice. Learning areas involve working with the OT process including performance of OT assessments and meaningful, occupation-based and client-centered intervention, as well as integrating OT in a variety of practice settings with a variety of team members. Continued emphasis on occupational performance and activity analysis will be offered. Written and verbal skills are highlighted, and role playing/modeling of interdisciplinary teamwork is stressed. It is expected that students are able to access information on the Internet and have basic computer skills. Prerequisites and corequisites: student is matriculated into the M.O.T. program, and has successfully completed OTH 510 and OTH 514, or is currently taking OTH 601 and OTH 614. Cr 1.

OTH 612 Capstone Preseminar
Students will meet with their advisor individually or in groups to refine and begin working on their topic for their reflective capstone project. The capstone experience provides students with an opportunity to engage in a process that facilitates personal and professional growth. This personal and professional growth is a crucial part of the journey in becoming a competent “advanced beginner” therapist. Specifically, students will have the opportunity to use self-reflection and writing to achieve a number of goals including: exploration of the personal meaning of the learning experience, the integration of personal and professional knowledge, the development of ownership and engagement in being a life-long learner, and creation of his or her emerging professional identity. Cr 1.

OTH 613 Capstone Project
By the end of both capstone seminars, the student will have completed a 20-25 page paper which includes an analysis of the student’s experience with the capstone principles. The student will also prepare and offer a presentation that reflects the capstone experience and meaning it has created for the student’s self-knowledge and practice of occupational therapy. Cr 2.

OTH 614 Clinical Conditions for Physical Dysfunction
Medical conditions and diagnoses for adults with physical dysfunction will be addressed. Emphasis will be on understanding medical conditions as they relate to occupational therapy practice. Prerequisites or corequisites: OTH 510, OTH 601, OTH 603. Cr 2.

OTH 615 Developmental Adaptation and Dysfunction
Understanding developmental theory will be the focus of this course with particular emphasis on sensorimotor development. Medical conditions and developmental disabilities from birth, early childhood, and adolescence will be described and identified. The impact of these conditions on occupational performance will also be addressed. Prerequisites or corequisites: OTH 511, OTH 513, OTH 514, OTH 601, OTH 615. Cr 7.

OTH 620 Level II Fieldwork
One of two, three-month, full-time placements required at a variety of health care agencies and facilities affiliated with the University. Students practice the skills of an entry-level occupational therapist under the supervision of a registered occupational therapist. This affiliation will take place following the completion of all necessary M.O.T. course requirements. Cr 6.
OTH621 Level II Fieldwork
The second of two, three-month, full-time placements required at a variety of health care agencies and facilities affiliated with the University. Students practice the skills of an entry-level occupational therapist under the supervision of a registered occupational therapist. Prerequisite: completion of all program course requirements. Cr 6.
College of Nursing and Health Professions

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Master of Science in Nursing

Professor: Kirschling; Associate Professors: Burson, Hart, Healy, Hentz, Johnson, Keith, Lawson, Merrill, Moody, Peake-Godin, Rodgers, Sepples, Thompson, Toy, Vines; Assistant Professors: Childs

Program Description

The master of science in nursing presents a vibrant, challenging, future-oriented program of study that prepares graduates for practice in diverse health care settings. The program is designed to prepare nurses as nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists. Coursework builds on the baccalaureate degree in nursing and is based on theory and research in nursing and related disciplines. The program provides the foundation for continued professional development and for doctoral study. Students are prepared to provide leadership and initiate collaborative relationships with others for the purposes of improving nursing and health care and influencing health policy. Special emphasis is given to working with underserved and vulnerable populations. Master’s students in nursing gain skills and knowledge that build on their clinical experience and on their generalist undergraduate preparation.

Graduate students extend their clinical expertise in working with individuals and high risk populations. Master’s students and nurse practitioner students gain skills in clinical decision making and differential diagnosis, in case management and consultation, in client teaching, in community assessments and interventions, and in program design, implementation, and evaluation. Upon graduation, adult and family nurse practitioner students may choose to sit for certification as a family or adult nurse practitioner or to become certified as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in community health nursing with completion of requisite post-master’s hours.

In the adult psychiatric/mental health/clinical nurse specialist concentration, students gain advanced skills in interventions with individuals, families, and groups. Graduates are prepared to sit for certification as clinical nurse specialists in adult psychiatric mental health nursing. In Maine this allows nurses to be reimbursed for services. In addition, preparation as a psychiatric nurse practitioner is available.

In the adult health management clinical nurse specialist concentration, students gain advanced skills in medical-surgical and home care intervention with individuals, families, and groups. Graduates are prepared to sit for clinical nurse specialist certification. Additionally, the increased management emphasis prepares graduates to represent and advocate for nursing practice by offering advanced study of the organizational, fiscal, and political context within which nursing is practiced. Depending on electives selected, a student may receive a certificate in health policy and management from the Muskie School of Public Service.

Admission

Admission to the master of science degree program in nursing is on a competitive basis. The graduate program in nursing seeks candidates whose baccalaureate preparation, scholastic achievement, professional experience, interest, motivation, and references are predictive of successful graduate study.

Each student applying for admission must meet the following requirements:

1. A baccalaureate degree with a major in nursing from a degree program accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

2. A minimum undergraduate cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or a B average.

3. A course in introductory statistics which includes descriptive and inferential statistics.
4. A course in total health assessment.
5. A score of 45 points or above on the Miller Analogy Test, or combined aptitude scores of 1000 (V.Q.)/1500 (V.Q.A.) or above on the Graduate Record Examination taken within the past 5 years.

A personal interview with graduate faculty of the College of Nursing and Health Professions may be requested by the program following a preliminary review of all required admission materials. Individual consideration will be given to each applicant based upon the total profile presented.

**Application Material**

In addition to the materials described in the Admissions chapter, applicants for this program must submit:

1. Two letters of reference reflecting professional practice and academic achievement.
2. Evidence (photocopy) of current licensure as a registered professional nurse in Maine.

**Application Deadline**

The application deadline is March 1.

**Health Requirements**

Students must comply with the University’s immunization requirements. In addition, students must comply with College of Nursing and Health Professions health policy requirements and any additional requirements of those health care agencies to which they are assigned for clinical practice.

- PPD
  - Lab test (titler) providing immunity to:
    - Rubella
    - Rubeola
    - Mumps
    - Chicken Pox
    - Tetanus & Diphtheria
    - Hepatitis Vaccine (3 doses) and Hepatitis titer

Student health records and evidence of RN licensure must be on file in the College of Nursing and Health Professions prior to entry into clinical courses. Health insurance, equal to or better than the USM Student Health Insurance Basic Plan, is required prior to beginning clinical coursework.

**Program Requirements**

The M.S. program in nursing is four academic semesters in length for students taking an average of twelve (12) credits per semester. Both full-time and part-time study are available. A total of 45-56 credit hours are required for completion of the master’s degree program in nursing. The number of required clinical hours (contact hours) is based on national certification examination requirements, not on a credit hour to contact hour basis. Adult and family practitioner tracks, adult psychiatric/mental health and adult health care management clinical specialty tracks have a total of 585 clinical hours, 105 hours in spring one, 240 hours in fall 1, and 240 hours in spring 2. For the psychiatric nurse practitioner, an additional 105 hours is required in NUR 677.

Advanced practice clinical areas available for study include:
- Nurse Practitioner
  - Adult
  - Family
  - Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner
- Clinical Nurse Specialist
  - Psychiatric/Mental Health
  - Adult Health Care Management

Sample Full-Time Program Sequence

Adult and Family Nurse Practitioner

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NUR 604  Nursing Research 3  
NUR608  Applied Theory of Family and Small Groups 3  
NUR 652*  Primary Care Management of the Well Child 1  
NUR664  Primary Health Care of the Adult I 6  
Total credits 12/13

FALL II  
AMS 535  Epidemiological Research 3  
or  
NUR 658  Clinical Project 3  
NUR 653*  Primary Care of the Child with Acute Episodic Illness 1  
NUR 665  Primary Health Care of the Adult II 6  
Total credits 12/13

*Family only

SPRING II  
NUR606  Health Policy, Ethics, and Change 3  
NUR 684  Community Health and Medical Care 3  
NUR 656  Advanced Family Health Primary Care 6  
or  
NUR 666  Primary Health Care of the Adult III 6  
(Adult NP Concentration)  
Total credits 12

Total Graduate Program Credits 54/56

Note: Six graduate elective credits are required. It is recommended that they be taken as summer courses.
Thesis credits may be substituted for 6 elective credits.

Sample Full-Time Program Sequence  
Adult Psychiatric/Mental Health

FALL I  
NUR603  Nursing Theory and Knowledge Development 3  
NUR 671  Foundations of Advanced Practice Mental Health Nursing 3  
NUR 672  Biological and Behavioral Components of Mental Health and Illness 3  
NUR 680  Principles of Advanced Psychopharmacology /Pharmacology 3  
Total credits 12

SPRING I  
NUR 604  Nursing Research 3  
NUR 606  Health Policy Ethics and Change 3  
NUR 674  Advanced Mental Health I 6  
Total credits 12

FALL II  
NUR 658  Clinical Project 3  
NUR 675  Advanced Mental Health II: Theory and Practice (Family) 6  
NUR 6xx  Graduate Elective I* 3  
Total credits 12

SPRING II  
NUR 676  Advanced Mental Health III 6  
NUR 6xx  Graduate Elective II* 3  
Total credits 9

Total Graduate Program credits 45

*Thesis may be substituted for six elective credits. Thesis requirement=6 credits
To be eligible to take the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner exam, the student must also complete:
1. NUR 601 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics, 3 cr.
The R.N. to master of science option at the University of Southern Maine College of Nursing and Health Professions has been created specifically for registered nurses whose career goals will be enhanced through graduate study. The program facilitates and supports educational mobility and strengthens the leadership abilities of nurses who already have a foundation of professional experience. When required undergraduate courses have been completed, students in this program proceed directly into the master’s program, bypassing the baccalaureate degree.

This option is designed so that students may complete the required junior and senior undergraduate nursing courses in one full-time year, beginning in May and ending the following May. Part-time study is also possible. The R.N. completes courses in new areas of content. In addition, there is assessment of and credit for previously attained knowledge and skill.

The R.N. to master’s option is built upon prerequisites to the nursing major that include courses in the physical and behavioral sciences, humanities, fine arts, and core courses required of all undergraduate students at USM.

Credits-by-Examination

Credits-by-examination may be earned in both undergraduate nursing and non-nursing courses. Non-nursing undergraduate courses open to credit by examination include English composition, general psychology and sociology, growth and development, human anatomy and physiology, and pathophysiology. Prior learning assessment examinations can earn credits for non-nursing required courses. Call Kathie Blinick, director of Prior Learning Assessment, 780-4040, for an appointment or information.
A. BIO 345 Pathophysiology 3 credits
B. **CON 308 Professional Communications and Technology Utilization in Nursing and Health Sciences 3 credits
*NUR 209/210 Total Health Assessment 4 credits
C. NUR 314 RN Credit Options 30 credits
NUR 684/HPM 674 Community Health and Medical Care 3 credits
CON 401 Health Related Research 3 credits
CON 472 Professional Issues for Nursing and Health Professions 3 credits
D. NUR 419 RN Community Partnerships 2 credits
RN lab may not be taken unless RN credit options have been completed and posted.
*Courses available for credit-by-examination.
**Not required if RN has completed a baccalaureate degree in another field.

Sequencing of Courses
Some courses and credits-by-examination have prerequisites which must be completed prior to enrollment or taking the challenge exam. Some prerequisites may transfer into USM from another accredited institution; others may be taken at USM.
Upon completion of undergraduate courses, the R.N. to master of science student enrolls in graduate courses. All graduate courses are required and earn a total of 45 or 54/56 credits.

Admission Requirements
Admission to the R.N. to master of science option for registered nurses is on a competitive basis. Each student applying for full admission must meet the following requirements:
1. An associate degree or diploma in nursing.
2. Evidence (photocopy) of current licensure as a registered professional nurse in Maine.
3. Two letters of reference reflecting professional practice and academic achievement.
4. A score of 45 points or above on the Miller Analogy Test, or combined aptitude scores of 1000 (V.Q.)/1500 (V.Q.A.) or above on the Graduate Record Examination taken within the past 5 years.
5. Transcripts from a diploma school or an associate degree program. A 3.0 GPA (B average) is required.

The post-master's certificate is designed to meet the educational needs of the master's prepared registered nurse interested in obtaining preparation for advanced practice. Students enrolled in this program join the master's students enrolled in the respective concentrations.

Program Requirements in Adult Health or Family Health

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*Clinical courses are sequential and cannot be taken concurrently
Program Requirements in Advanced Practice
Psychiatric/Mental Health for Students Holding a Master's Degree in Nursing

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For students who have a master’s degree in nursing and who are certified clinical specialists in psychiatric/mental health nursing the following coursework is required:

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Admission Requirements

Students applying for admission must meet the following requirements:

1. M.S. degree in nursing (official transcripts) from an NLN accredited program.
2. Two letters of reference reflecting current professional practice.
3. Personal letter describing past clinical experience, current goals, and program expectations.
4. Evidence (photocopy) of current licensure as a registered professional nurse in Maine.
5. Admission deadline is March 1.

This option, initiated in 1990 as a pilot project, allows students who hold a baccalaureate degree in another field to earn a master’s degree in nursing in three years of full-time study. Students taking this option build their undergraduate and graduate nursing courses upon previous academic and life experiences.

During their first year students complete upper-division undergraduate courses with regularly enrolled baccalaureate nursing students. In the fall of the second year, students begin graduate non-clinical nursing courses with regularly enrolled master’s students. Upon completion of the fall of the second year, students must sit for the State Board Examination (NCLEX-RN) and become licensed as a registered nurse. Failure to pass the NCLEX-RN licensure examination prior to the first graduate clinical practicum will stop progression in the program. Upon completion of all graduate courses, an M.S. is conferred.

Employment Opportunities

Graduates of this program are prepared to work as nurse practitioners or clinical nurse specialists in a variety of healthcare settings, including public health and
community health agencies, hospitals, long-term care facilities, ambulatory settings, health promotion centers, and educational institutions.

Admission to the Option

Admission is competitive and limited. This program requires full-time enrollment in the planned sequence of study. Some scholarship monies are available. Individual consideration will be given to each applicant based upon the total profile presented. Deadline for submitting completed applications is December 1. If space allows, late applications will be considered until April 1.

Requirements

1. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university.
2. A minimum undergraduate cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or a B average.
3. A score of 45 or above on the Miller Analogy Test or combined aptitude scores of 1000 (V.Q.)/1500 (V.Q.A.) or above on the Graduate Record Examination taken within the last five years.
4. Two letters of reference.
5. A personal interview may be required.

Prerequisite Course Requirements

1. Completion of a course in pathophysiology with a grade of C or above.
2. Completion of a course in introductory statistics (applied statistics is recommended), including descriptive and inferential statistics, with a grade of C or above (must be taken prior to NUR 604 Nursing Research).
3. Completion of a course in Anatomy and Physiology is highly recommended.
4. The Graduate Admissions Committee will review each individual’s undergraduate coursework and make individual prerequisite requirements if any one or more areas are significantly under represented. (For instance, an individual whose major includes no social sciences may be required to take sociology/psychology courses.)

Prerequisites

Pathophysiology (BIO 345 offered spring semester and Summer Session)
Statistics (prior to NUR 604)

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The master’s degree program for certified or state-approved Advanced Practice Nurses is designed to meet the educational needs of certified nurse practitioners who do not hold either a baccalaureate and/or master’s degree in nursing. Program length varies according to the academic credentials of the individual entering the program. Those practitioners without a baccalaureate degree must complete additional undergraduate coursework required in the R.N. to M.S. option. Certified and state approved Advanced Practice R.N. to M.S. students are not required to take undergraduate health assessment, microbiology, pathophysiology, or NUR 417 RN Lab.

Sample Curriculum—Full Time

FALL I
NUR 601 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics 3
NUR 603 Nursing Theory and Knowledge Development 3
AMS 535 Intro to Epidemiological Research 3
Graduate Elective I 3
Total credits 12

SPRING I
NUR 604 Nursing Research 3
NUR 608 Applied Theory of Family and Small Groups 3
NUR 684/HPM 674 Community Health and Medical Care 3
Graduate Elective II 3
Total credits 12

FALL II
NUR 606 Health Policy, Ethics, and Change 3
NUR 658 Graduate Clinical Project 3
Graduate Elective III 3
Total credits 9
Total program credits 33

Note: R.N. to M.S. students must complete additional undergraduate coursework.

* For women’s health nurse practitioners, an articulation agreement has been established with Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc., of Philadelphia, Penn. Graduates of other programs will be evaluated on an individual basis.

Program Policies

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies for the graduate program in nursing are as follows.

Admission Credit: This credit, which has been earned at USM, must be approved by the graduate faculty prior to admission and is subject to the condition
that a grade of B- or better was received for the coursework. A maximum of six credit hours may be approved for admission credit. Exceptions to the maximum must be approved by the program faculty.

**Transfer Credit** This credit must be approved at the time of admission and request for approval included as part of the admissions application. Up to a total of nine credit hours may be approved as transfer credit provided these credits were: a) earned no more than five years prior to matriculation, and b) a grade of at least a B was earned in the course. Additional credit may be approved in unusual circumstances.

**Program Grade Policies** In the undergraduate portion of their program, students in the R.N.-M.S. program and students in the M.S. option for non-nurses must achieve a minimum of a B- in all NUR and CON designated undergraduate courses. If such students earn below a B-, they may retake the course one time; however, they will be placed on probation and may not progress to graduate courses. Failure to correct probationary status after one semester will result in dismissal from the University. A grade of less than C- in a required undergraduate course will result in dismissal from the University.

In the graduate portion of their program, all students must achieve a minimum of a B- grade for all required graduate courses. If students earn below a B-, they may retake the course one time. If the course in which a grade below a B- has been earned has a practice component, progression in the theory/practice course sequence stops until a grade of B- or better has been achieved in the course which is repeated. A grade below a C- in the clinical component of a course will result in dismissal from the University. In any semester in which the cumulative GPA falls below 3.0 (B average) the student will be placed on probation. Failure to correct probationary status after one semester will result in dismissal from the University. An incomplete grade in a practicum course must be satisfied prior to progression to the next sequential course unless an arrangement involving the student and the faculty of both courses has been agreed to in writing. A 3.0 GPA is necessary for graduation. Students may only count 3 credits of C in an elective toward graduation. A cumulative GPA below 2.0 will result in dismissal from the University.

**Continuous Enrollment** Continuous enrollment requires that every graduate students must earn at least 6 credits toward his or her degree every calendar year from the time of the first registration until completion of all requirements for the graduate degree.

Students working on their thesis must enroll each semester until the thesis has been completed, but may take less than six credits per calendar year.

**Time Limit** All requirements for the degree must be completed within six years from the date of first matriculation.

**Professional Licensure** Students are required to maintain current registered professional nursing licensure.

**New England Regional Student Program** The University of Southern Maine master’s degree program in nursing is a participant in the New England Regional Student Program. For further information contact the Office of Graduate Studies, University of Southern Maine, 96 Falmouth St., Portland, Maine 04103, (207) 780-4386.

The College of Nursing and Health Professions is accredited by the National League for Nursing. For additional information contact: the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, 350 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014, (212) 989-9393.

The programs of the College of Nursing and Health Professions are subject to change at any time without advance notice.

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**Elective Courses**

**NUR 520 Ethical Issues in Health Care** Analysis of selected contemporary ethical issues confronting healthcare professionals. Examination of major ethical theories and principles and related decision-making models. Particular attention is paid to the ethical concerns of the nurse. Cr 3.

**NUR 535 Death and Dying: Contemporary Issues** This course focuses on dying, death, and bereavement in contemporary Western society within the context of theory, research, and practice. Issues around sudden death and dying from a chronic and/or terminal illness will be explored. Selected top-
ics include cardiopulmonary resuscitation, palliative and hospice care, pain and symptom management, physician-assisted suicide, family caregiving at the end of life, advance care planning, pregnancy loss, and the death of a child. Normal grief will be differentiated from pathological or traumatic grief. Finally, the continuum of services (e.g., support groups, psycho-educational groups, Internet chat groups) available for bereaved persons will be explored.  

Cr 3.

NUR 540 International Health

This is a multi-disciplinary elective course, which presents multiple perspectives on improving the health of populations in the interconnected global environment.

Cr 3.

NUR 577 Historical Foundations of Nursing

By exploring the trends and the contexts of the times in which key events occurred, this course provides an overview of the historical foundations of nursing. Nursing history will be viewed from both the vantage point of the contributions of nursing leaders and from the perspective of the average working nurse. Theoretical issues and research methods essential for historical inquiry, including the use of primary source documents, are emphasized.

Cr 3.

NUR 590 Therapeutic Touch: Theory and Practice

This course is designed to introduce nurses and other health professionals to the theory and practice of the Krieger-Kunz method of therapeutic touch, a research and theory-based nursing intervention. Students will be introduced to Martha Rogers' nursing theory, in which human beings are conceptualized as energy fields. Through readings, demonstrations, and guided practice, students will become aware of human field energy as it extends beyond the visible boundaries of the physical body, and learn to use therapeutic touch to assess human energy fields and to promote relaxation. Integrating therapeutic touch into clinical practice to reduce pain and accelerate healing will be discussed.

Cr 3.

NUR 591 Advancing in Therapeutic Touch

This course is designed for people who have completed a basic course in the Krieger-Kunz method of Therapeutic Touch (TT). Students will consider the nature of energy fields in the contexts of science, world religions, and philosophies. Inner work, using exercises developed by Krieger, will enhance awareness of the healer-healee process which underlies the practice of TT, and increase clarity in receiving and responding to energy field cues. Supervised TT practice in class will be supplemented by required additional practice as students learn to promote comfort consistently in people with non-life threatening injuries and illnesses, including chronic pain and grief. Students will analyze TT guidelines for practice and teaching; policies, procedures, and scope of practice; and ethics. Examining a series of studies students will explore the challenges of TT research and outcome studies. Integrated health care models will be examined, and students will develop proposals they can use to introduce TT into a health promotion or health care setting. Prerequisite: NUR 590 or equivalent.

Cr 3.

NUR 597 Understanding Addictions: Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs

This course is an interdisciplinary examination and study of issues surrounding alcohol and other drug addictions. Emphasis is placed on epidemiology; pharmacology; theoretical models; strategies for prevention, treatment, and relapse prevention; needs of special populations; and ethical, legal, and sociopolitical aspects surrounding addiction. A class project provides guided experience with survey research methods, application of data management, and analysis skills using SPSS PC/Windows. No prior experience necessary. Practice using the Internet to explore topics of interest is incorporated each week.

Cr 3.

NUR 630 Evolving Concepts in HIV Prevention, Management, Research, and Policy

This course focuses on the HIV epidemic from historical, cultural, and research perspectives. Metaphorical and ethical concerns that have affected the course of this epidemic are discussed. Physical, social, and psychological issues in long-term case management of diverse clients with HIV are reviewed. Students evaluate the efficacy, cost, and ethics of complex treatment modalities. Current CDC guidelines and policies for testing, counseling, and treatment will be considered. Students choose a focus area of interest and consider current research within that area.

Cr 3.

NUR 601 Advanced Pharmacotherapeutics

This course builds upon undergraduate understanding of pharmacological principles and agents by preparing students to evaluate and prescribe medications for common acute and chronic health problems. Students will examine the regulatory aspects of drug administration and prescription from the perspective of advanced nursing practice. The development of clinical decision-making skills essential to safe and effective pharmacological intervention will be the focus of the course. Current concepts in pharmacological therapies as part of the treatment of commonly encountered health problems will be stressed.

Cr 3.

NUR 602 Advanced Pathophysiology/Health Assessment

This course builds upon and extends undergraduate knowledge of anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, and health assessment. It provides students...
an opportunity to develop physical assessment skills needed for advanced practice as an adult, family, or psychiatric nurse practitioner. Abnormal assessment findings are related to underlying pathophysiology. A clinical laboratory component is required. Cr 6.

NUR 603 Nursing Theory and Knowledge Development
This course explores contemporary issues in theory development and the social production of knowledge in nursing. Students examine the social and historical context of knowledge development in nursing with an emphasis on the relationship between theory, research, and practice in nursing. Cr 3.

NUR 604 Nursing Research
The research process in nursing is explored with emphasis on the nature of inquiry in a practice discipline. An overview of conventional and alternative paradigm approaches to research is provided. Students critically examine contemporary questions of ethics and social responsibility in research. Cr 3.

NUR 606 Health Policy, Ethics, and Change
Sociopolitical, economic, and ethical frameworks are used to analyze public policies with an emphasis on a policy’s impact on vulnerable populations. The implications of policy on health care restructuring and nursing roles are addressed. Attention is given to the role of the master’s prepared nurse who influences, creates, and puts policy into operation. Cr 3.

NUR 608 Applied Theory of Family and Small Groups
This course focuses on the theoretical and practical aspects of working in and with small groups and families. It affords students the opportunity to gain insight into themselves as individuals and as participants in their family of origin and in small groups. Cr 3.

NUR 644 Advanced Adult Nursing Assessment and Intervention I
This course provides the theoretical and research foundations for the clinical nurse specialist adult health care management concentration. Laboratory practice provides a foundation for medical surgical nursing of adults across clinical settings. Case management, nursing interventions, and outcome evaluations of selected populations are emphasized. The CNS role is introduced with specific emphasis given to the direct care and educator role components. A clinical practicum is required. Cr 6.

NUR 645 Advanced Adult Nursing Assessment and Intervention II
This course provides the opportunity for students to build on the theoretical and research concepts introduced in NUR 644. Case management, nursing interventions, and outcome evaluations of selected populations are emphasized. The collaborator, consultant, and research role of the CNS are emphasized. A clinical practicum is required. Cr 6.

NUR 647 Advanced Nursing Management
This third clinical course in the clinical nurse specialist: adult health care management sequence emphasizes the management role of the CNS. In the final clinical course the student is expected to synthesize and apply to nursing management the knowledge gained in prior nursing and health policy courses. Content focuses on patient care delivery systems; quality improvement; risk, staffing, and resource management; and rules and regulations governing health care. A clinical practicum is required. Cr 6.

NUR 652 Primary Care Management of the Well Child
This course is to be taken concurrently with NUR 654 Advanced Family Health I. The emphasis is on assessment and interventions for well children and anticipatory guidance and education for the parents of well children. Decision making related to prioritizing child and family health care and health education needs is emphasized. Concurrent with NUR 654. Cr 1.

NUR 653 Primary Care of the Child with Acute Episodic Illness
This course is to be taken concurrently with NUR 654 Advanced Family Health II. The emphasis is on assessment and therapeutic management of children with acute episodic illnesses. Prerequisites: NUR 652, 654. Cr 1.

NUR 656 Advanced Family Health Primary Care
This is the final in a sequence of three courses designed to prepare advanced practice nurses to provide primary care to individuals and families in the context of community. The emphasis is placed on caring for children and women of childbearing age within the family context. Therapeutic interventions are focused on both the individual client and family. Concomitant clinical component required. Pre-requisites: NUR 653, 665. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 606, 684/HPM 674. Cr 6.

NUR 658 Graduate Clinical Project
In this course, students identify a problem of clinical importance and conduct a clinical improvement or research project. A written paper and an oral presentation will be required. Prerequisite: at least 9 credits including NUR 604 Cr 3.

NUR 664 Primary Health Care of the Adult I
This is the first in a sequence of three clinical courses designed to prepare advanced practitioners of adults. The emphasis is on assessment and intervention strategies with adults who are in need of acute episodic care and health maintenance. Students develop physical and psychosocial assessment
and intervention skills specific to the adult population in primary care settings. Decision-making abilities and role development are emphasized. Lecture, seminar, and case study analysis constitute teaching methods for the course. Clinical practicum is required. Prerequisites: NUR 601, 602. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 608. Cr 6.

NUR 665 Primary Health Care of the Adult II
This is the second in a sequence of three courses designed to prepare advanced practice nurses to provide primary care to individuals and families in the context of community. The emphases are on assessment, diagnosis, intervention, and management strategies in the adult, elder, and adolescent populations related to long-term health problems and the accompanying social and cultural issues. Particular focus will be on interdisciplinary and collaborative aspects of the advanced practice role, direct care for selected groups, and concepts of case management. Concomitant clinical component required. Prerequisite: NUR 654, 664. Family health students only: NUR 652. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 608, 603, and AMS 535. Family health students only: concurrent with NUR 653. Cr 6.

NUR 666 Primary Health Care of the Adult III
This is the final in a sequence of three courses designed to prepare advanced practice nurses to provide primary care to adults and elders within the context of family and community. Emphases are on case management and direct care throughout the adult life span for people experiencing complex acute and chronic health problems. Students will implement and evaluate a clinically based, patient education project. Weekly seminars will examine clinical topics of relevance to the practicum. Concomitant clinical component required. Prerequisites: NUR 665. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 606, 684/HPM 674. Cr 6.

NUR 671 Foundations of Advanced Practice Mental Health Nursing
This course examines the range of issues pertinent to the advanced practice psychiatric mental health nurse. Specific emphasis is on advanced mental health assessment and the initial clinical interview from a theoretical and research perspective. Other content includes the role, history, and development of the advanced practice clinician in this specialty and in specific areas of practice including case management and consultation/liaison. The health care environment will be discussed and implications for psychiatric mental health nursing practice and research will be examined. Cr 3.

NUR 672 Biological and Behavioral Components of Mental Health and Illness
This course inclusively examines mental health and illness from several theoretical perspectives. Students will be introduced to theory and applications of biological psychiatry, psychiatric epidemiology, and psychosocial theories. Emphasis will be on developing knowledge and skill in diagnosis using the DSM IV. The course will also examine common medical problems that mimic the major psychiatric disorders and identify strategies for making differential diagnoses. Cr 3.

NUR 674 Advanced Mental Health I
This course examines the theoretical, research, and practical application of clinical interventions appropriate for the advanced nurse in mental health nursing working with individuals. Specific emphasis is on clinical interviewing, assessment, and treatment using both brief psychotherapy and psychodynamic approaches. Concomitant clinical component required. Prerequisites: NUR 680, 671. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 603, 672. Cr 6.

NUR 675 Advanced Mental Health II: Theory and Practice (Family)
This course provides the theoretical and research foundations for the advanced practice of mental health nursing with families. Major family therapy frameworks used in clinical practice are explored. The structure and dynamics of traditional and variant family forms will be analyzed utilizing selected conceptual frameworks. Concomitant clinical component required. Prerequisite: NUR 674. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 606. Cr 6.

NUR 676 Advanced Mental Health III
This course provides the theoretical and research foundations for the advanced practice of mental health nursing in groups. Major group therapy frameworks are explored and analyzed within the context of contemporary political and economic forces affecting health care and in terms of their potential effectiveness with vulnerable populations. Concomitant clinical component required. Prerequisites: NUR 675. Cr 6.

NUR 677 Clinical Practicum for Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners
In this course the student focuses on the application of advanced clinical skills to the practice of psychiatric assessment, diagnosis, and psychopharmacology. Working directly with a clinical preceptor who has prescriptive authority, students participate in direct client care activities which focus specifically on comprehensive psychiatric/mental health assessments, the formulation of psychiatric diagnoses, and treatment of patients with acute and chronic psychiatric problems. Safe and effective prescription and management of psychopharmacotherapeutic agents in the clinical setting is emphasized. A clinical practicum is required. Prerequisites: NUR 601, NUR 602. Prerequisite or concurrent: NUR 680. Cr 3.

NUR 680 Principles of Advanced Psychopharmacology/Pharmacology
This course will review the application of pharmacotherapeutic principles to psychiatric disorders. Each major class of medication will be covered: antidepressants, mood stabilizers, antipsychotic
medications, and anxiolytics. The indications, contraindications, side effects and severe adverse reactions, and drug interactions will be reviewed in detail. The application of psychopharmacology to clinical case studies and practice will also be emphasized.

Cr 3.

NUR 682 Sports Medicine Orthopedic Evaluation and Treatment for the Primary Health Care Professional
This course reviews the current clinical literature on the prevention, recognition, assessment, and treatment of sports-related orthopedic conditions that occur in the physically active. A lab component is included that provides practice in common orthopedic screening techniques as part of pre-participation screening as well as practice in evaluation of sports-related injuries and initial interventions.

Cr 3.

NUR 684/HPM 674 Community Health and Medical Care
This course investigates the relationship between the health care system and health. Areas of study include definitions and indicators of health and its relationship to medical care; epidemiology, the determinants of health, prevention; public health and vulnerable populations. The course investigates ways that society’s health and social institutions can be integrated for maximal impact on the health status of individuals and populations.

Cr 3.

NUR 692 Thesis
Completion of thesis under the guidance of a faculty thesis committee.

Cr 5.

NUR 694 Thesis Continuation
Students who have completed all thesis credits but have not completed the thesis and continue to need faculty advisement must register for this course each semester until completion of the thesis.

Cr 1.

NUR 695 Directed Study
A student will select a faculty member to guide readings to a chosen topic. A research paper may be required. Credit allocation up to 3 credits is negotiated with faculty.

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The Edmund S. Muskie School of Public Service is a non-partisan education, research, and public service organization dedicated to producing leaders, knowledge, and new ways to use knowledge; and to bettering the lives of our people and our nation. The School combines the significant research capabilities of three nationally recognized applied research centers with the graduate programs in public policy and management, health policy and management, and community planning and development, and a Ph.D. program in public policy and management.

The School has grown in both size and reputation since it was founded in 1990—faculty and staff now number over 300, and research awards in 2001 amounted to over $20 million. The Muskie School is nationally distinguished for its scholarship and the quality of its graduates, and sought after as a source of knowledge on issues of local, regional, state, and national importance.

What makes the School successful is its practical, innovative approach to issues; its active efforts to span traditional boundaries among university, government, and nonprofit organizations; and its success in bridging University departments and disciplines in the search for creative solutions.

The School actively seeks to assure a diverse and representative faculty and student body consistent with its public service, educational, and professional responsibilities. The School has a special commitment to Maine’s historical minorities—Franco-Americans and Native Americans.

The research institutes of the Muskie School are dedicated to improving public policy and management through research and program evaluation, policy analysis, technical assistance, and training. In addition, the research institutes provide faculty and students with rich, “real-life” research and public service experience which expands and informs classroom learning within the School.

The School has three major research institutes: the Institute for Child and Family Policy; the Institute for Health Policy; and the Institute for Public Sector Innovation. The institutes conduct funded projects for federal departments, state agencies in Maine and other states, local agencies, and private foundations. The School’s research institutes are committed to bringing the research and public service resources and capacity of the University to bear on problems of critical importance to Maine and the region. Collaborative partnerships with community and state agencies and organizations have served as vehicles for innovative policy and program development.

The School’s public service and research institutes are also national in scope. Since 1984, the Muskie School’s Institute for Child and Family Policy has been designated and funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as a National Child Welfare Resource Center for Management and Administration. The Institute for Health Policy houses a national rural health research center and maintains a formal affiliation with the National Academy for State Health Policy, based in Portland, Maine. It also houses the Community Partnership for Older Adults funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The institutes employ a staff of over 280 research associates and assistants from a wide variety of academic, public management, and direct service backgrounds, including sociology, health and social policy, business, finance, psychology, social work, public health law, public administration, and mental health. Some hold faculty appointments with the Muskie School and/or other schools within the University of Southern Maine. Many graduate students are employed as research assistants.
The Muskie School offers master’s degrees in public policy and management, health policy and management, and community planning and development (with joint degrees with the School of Law). These programs educate students for leadership roles in government and the private and nonprofit sectors through interdisciplinary, problem-focused education. A combination of classroom and applied field experiences imparts a broad understanding of the challenges of democratic governance and develops competencies in policy planning and analysis and organizational and management skills.

The Muskie School also offers a Ph.D. in public policy and management. The Ph.D. program is designed for students who are interested in studying and influencing critical public policy issues facing Maine and the nation. Graduates of the Ph.D. program prepare for senior policy and management positions in all levels of government, nonprofit agencies, school districts, research organizations, and consulting firms as well as positions in colleges and universities.

Joint Degrees Program

The joint degrees programs in law and public policy, in law and health policy and management, and in law and community planning and development offer the juris doctor degree (J.D.) through the University of Maine School of Law, and the master’s degree through the Muskie School of Public Service. The programs allow students to earn both the J.D. and master’s simultaneously by designating a certain number of crossover courses that satisfy the graduation requirements of each degree. Students may thus complete both degrees in four years instead of the five years that would ordinarily be required.

Admission

Admission to the master’s degree programs is granted to those students with a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university who demonstrate evidence of commitment to leadership in public service, health policy and management, or in community planning and development, and the ability to perform graduate studies successfully. Ability to master a diversity of skills and subjects, to handle complex analytical tasks, and to think creatively is essential.

Applications are submitted to the USM Office of Graduate Studies. Applications for admission to the master’s degree programs are considered in the spring of each year for the fall semester, and in the fall for matriculation in January.

Credit toward completion of degree requirements owing to previously completed graduate study or prior learning experience may be granted in certain cases. Admission decisions to the Ph.D. program are based on the applicant’s overall academic record, GRE scores, professional experience, and educational goals. The Ph.D. Admissions Committee will carefully consider each applicant’s ability to perform doctoral studies successfully. Ph.D. applications are considered in the spring for fall matriculation.

Application Deadline

The application deadline for the master’s degree programs is March 1 for the fall semester (September), and December 1 for the spring semester (January). Applications received after the deadline will be considered on a space available basis.

The application deadline for the Ph.D. program is February 1. Applications received after the deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.

Application Material

Applications for the master’s degree programs or Ph.D. program must include:

1. An official USM graduate application, including a written statement of educational goals.
2. Official scores of the Graduate Record Examination.
3. Official transcripts of all undergraduate and other graduate education.
4. Three letters of recommendation.
5. Application fee ($50.00).

In addition to the general policies described in the Academic Policies chapter, specific policies of these programs are as follows.

Time Limit

All students must complete requirements for the degree within six years.
Full-Time Students

Full-time students will be able to complete the program in two years or less. They should take as many core courses as possible in the first year, remaining sensitive to the possible need to fit in an occasional track/concentration course and/or elective course scheduled only in alternate years. Track selection must be complete prior to the end of the first year. In the second year, full-time students should first make certain all core and track requirements are fulfilled; they are then free to exercise concentration and elective options for the remaining credits, finishing with the capstone course.

Part-Time Students

Students planning to graduate in May of the third year should plan to take 14 to 18 credits the first and second years (two courses in the fall, two in the spring, and one or two in the summer session), for a total of 33 credits the first two years, and all remaining credits the third year. It is suggested that the three-year, part-time student take all core courses in the first year and a combination of core, track, and elective courses in the second and third years. Again, sensitivity to alternate year course sequencing is advised.

Special Students

Public service professionals, advanced undergraduates, and community residents may, with instructor permission, enroll in Muskie courses as a special student. Because special student status is dependent on space availability, those interested are urged to contact instructors as early as possible. Special students may take up to 9 credit hours in either the PPM, HPM, or CPD degree prior to matriculation. Taking classes as a special student does not guarantee admission to the PPM, HPM, or CPD program.

Transfer Credit

Students who have completed coursework in another graduate program may petition the PPM, HPM, or CPD Academic Affairs Committee for transfer credit. Upon approval of the Academic Affairs Committee, students may receive up to 9 transfer credits for graduate courses taken at other institutions to be counted toward the total credits required for the master’s degree. Requests for transfer credit normally are made at the time of admission or during the first semester of matriculation.

Transfer credit may be approved for required courses, track choices, electives, or some combination thereof. In all cases, an official graduate transcript from the institution where the courses were taken must be on file with the director of Student Affairs.

In the event the student desires transfer credit to replace a required course or track choice, evidence of equivalence to the PPM, HPM, or CPD course must be demonstrated. At a minimum, a course syllabus must be submitted to the appropriate Academic Affairs Committee.

In the event the student desires that transfer credit be used in place of PPM, HPM, or CPD electives, a description of the course or course syllabi must be submitted to the Academic Affairs Committee.

Transfer credit will not be approved for:
1. Courses which would not have received graduate credit if taken at the University of Southern Maine.
2. Correspondence courses.
3. Courses in which a grade lower than B was received.

Extramural Credit

Students who are matriculated in the PPM, HPM, or CPD master’s program and would like to take a course at another University of Maine campus or other University, or who would like to include a course from another department at USM that is not currently cross listed, must obtain permission from the appropriate Academic Affairs Committee. The procedure is the same as for transfer credit requests.
Certificates of Graduate Study

Waiver Request

A student may request a waiver from a program requirement by showing adequate mastery of the subject matter. Evidence may include the undergraduate transcript or a transcript of other graduate work, successful completion of an examination or other academic exercise prepared by the course instructor, submission of samples of work, or through other means acceptable to the Academic Affairs Committee. The Academic Affairs Committee may solicit input from the course instructor as to the advisability of the substitution and may request supplemental information. Approval of a course waiver does not reduce the credit requirement for graduation; students may take additional electives to meet the required credits.

To expedite the process, a student contemplating a request for permission to substitute a course should meet with the chair of their program’s Academic Affairs Committee for more information about the required information to be submitted to the committee, given the basis for the request.

Certificates of graduate study may be taken as additional credits of coursework to augment the master’s degree, or as a 12-credit certificate program that does not require matriculation in a degree program. Certificate programs include courses selected from the master’s programs’ curricula. Certificate students may transfer their coursework into a degree program if they decide to pursue and are accepted into a master’s degree program.

The certificate of graduate study in community planning and development provides a unique combination of land use planning and economic development skills which permits students to understand basic elements of managing community growth, the forces that shape community growth, and how to influence those forces responsibly and effectively.

The certificate of graduate study in health policy and management provides the opportunity to learn about the broad social context of health service or health service policy and to develop both policy analysis and management skills appropriate to the field.

The certificate of graduate study in nonprofit management gives professionals and volunteers in the nonprofit sector a foundation of organizational knowledge and managerial skills and techniques necessary to respond to the challenges of this important and changing sector of society, including grant writing, strategic planning, and information technology.

Certificate of Graduate Study in Community Planning and Development

The certificate in community planning and development has two major objectives: to provide students with a grounding in land use and environmental planning, economic development, law and policy analysis, infrastructure programming, and growth management; and to develop an understanding of economic, social, legal, ethical, and political contexts within which decisions about land use, economic growth, and environmental protection are made. These objectives are met through course readings, class lectures and discussions, case analyses, and problem-solving exercises in various community-based settings.

Persons contemplating a career in local or state government or nonprofit organizations, and who are particularly interested in the fields of land use, economic development, and environmental policy are invited to discuss their goals with the coordinator of the certificate in community planning and development. Those who already practice in the field and wish to enhance their skills and understanding of the issues are also welcome.

The certificate requires the completion of 12 credit hours of coursework, at least one course must be selected from each of Groups A and B. Students may propose other courses from the CPD program in their certificate program. These must be approved by the chair.

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Certificate of Graduate Study in Health Policy and Management

The certificate program in health policy and management provides the opportunity to learn about the broad social context of health service or health service policy and to develop both policy analysis and management skills appropriate to the field. The certificate program provides health professionals from diverse backgrounds with a solid foundation of knowledge and skills in health policy, planning, and financing, as well as the fundamentals of health care management and community health. Enrollment in the certificate program is limited to ensure active participation and interaction among faculty and program participants.

Students select four courses (12 credits) from a list of five approved courses from the graduate program in health policy and management. Courses are offered at the Muskie School in Portland, with several offered at University of Maine System campuses through UNET (the University’s Interactive Television Network). Students admitted to the master of science in health policy and management program will receive credit for courses taken in the certificate program in which they received a grade of B or better.

Four courses must be completed to earn the certificate:

- HPM 670 The American Health Care System
- HPM 673 Fundamentals of Health Care Management
- HPM 674 Community Health and Medical Care
- HPM 676 Health Care Planning and Marketing
- HPM 677 Managed Care

Certificate of Graduate Study in Nonprofit Management

The certificate program in nonprofit management provides traditional students, working professionals, and volunteers in the nonprofit sector with the knowledge, managerial skills, and techniques to respond to the challenges of this important and rapidly changing sector of society.

Students gain valuable expertise in critical areas such as managing human and financial resources, using technology to further organizational goals, and successfully mastering the system of performance contracting being introduced in Maine. Other topics examined include grant writing, fundraising, volunteer recruitment and management, board development, and interagency collaboration.

Students select four courses (12 credits) from among the following courses from the graduate program in public policy and management. Many certificate courses are offered through the Education Network of Maine at locations throughout the state. Students may request to transfer certificate courses to the School’s master’s degree program in public policy and management upon matriculation.

Select four of the following eight courses:

- PPM 632 Human Resource Management
- PPM 633 Strategic Planning in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
- PPM 635 Managing in the Nonprofit Sector
- PPM 636 Management Information Systems in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
- PPM 638 Foundations and the Philanthropy Process
- PPM 639 Topics in Public Management
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- PPM 645 Grant Writing and Financial Management in the Nonprofit Organization
Master of Public Policy and Management

Since 1984, the public policy and management (PPM) program has offered a master’s degree in public policy and management for both full- and part-time students. The program received national accreditation in 1994 from the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA), Washington, D.C.

A master’s degree in public policy and management prepares individuals for careers in government, nonprofit organizations, and the private sector. Over time some graduates will become local and state policy leaders in such fields as planning, social and health services, court administration, education, business regulation, and legislation. They will work as agency directors, town and city managers, and policy analysts. Others will work in management and consulting firms, regional planning offices, institutions of basic and higher education, and some will be elected officials.

Job opportunities for graduates are not limited to nonprofit organizations and government. Some students will find work in major corporations, banks, and the private sector in the areas of strategic planning, personnel management, government relations, finance, research, and corporate philanthropy.

Applicants with prior public service experience will significantly broaden their skills and abilities, enabling them to assume increased responsibilities. Students without public experience will find the combination of formal training and practical experience ideal preparation for public service.

The program provides each student with a strong multidisciplinary foundation of skills and knowledge and the opportunity to apply them to contemporary issues of public concern.

Program Requirements

A total of 42 credits is required to earn the master’s degree in public policy and management. A core curriculum of 21 credits assures an understanding of basic principles of political science, management, economics, law, public finance, and the use of microcomputers and statistics.

Following the core courses, students elect one of two tracks of study: policy analysis or public management. Each track requires a combination of required and elective courses totaling 12 credits.

Students who specialize in policy analysis examine the role of analysis in public policy making, and are taught the methods typically employed by analysts. The curriculum provides students with numerous opportunities to apply developing skills to real decision-making situations.

The track in public management allows the student to focus on either organizational or financial aspects of public management. Organizational management provides the student a greater understanding of how organizations and people work in the public sector, and the skills to improve the management of public and nonprofit organizations. Financial management builds skills in accounting, economics, and the financial management of public agencies and governments. Special attention is offered to the financial management problems confronting local governments.

After the core and track courses, students have three credits of electives to be used in any manner. Typically, a student will either take an additional course in a track, or courses toward a certificate of graduate study.

The Core Curriculum

At the center of the curriculum is a core of study in policy analysis and public management, providing a foundation of knowledge and skills for effective performance in public policy and management.

The core of study includes a course which integrates politics, management, and policy making, as well as courses which approach the study of public policy from the perspectives of economics, law, and ethics, and courses in the theory and techniques of computing, statistics, research design, and public finance and budgeting.

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Tracks of Study
After completion of the core courses, students select a twelve-credit track of study in either policy analysis or public management. The tracks are designed to provide more depth of knowledge in one of the two primary curriculum areas. Each track requires one or two courses, with the additional six credits selected from a range of designated courses which may change over time as student interests and program initiatives vary.

Policy Analysis Track
Required Course
PPM 620 Introduction to Policy Analysis
Select three credits
PPM 603 Advanced Research Methods
PPM 604 Evaluation Methods
PPM 622 Applied Policy Analysis
Select an additional six credits from above courses or from the following
PPM 551 Public Policy Dispute Resolution
PPM 619 Communication Skills for Public Managers
PPM 623 Risk and Public Policy
PPM 624 Gender, Race, Politics, and Public Policy
PPM 625 Hate Crimes in America: Public Policy Implications
PPM 626 Public Policy and Children
PPM 629 Policy Analysis Practicum
PPM 633 Strategic Planning in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
PPM 642 Seminar in Financial Analysis
PPM 643 Fiscal Analysis for Community Development
PPM 650 State and Regional Economic Development
PPM 651 Government-Business Relations
PPM 652 Community Economic Development
PPM 666 Environmental Policy
CPD 622 Introduction to ArcView

Public Management Track
Organizational Management
Required Course
PPM 630 Organizational Dynamics
Select an additional six credits
PPM 604 Evaluation Methods
PPM 632 Human Resource Management
PPM 633 Strategic Planning in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
PPM 636 Management Information Systems in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
PPM 641 Public Financial Management
PPM 643 Fiscal Analysis for Community Development
Select an additional three credits
PPM 619 Communication Skills for Public Managers
PPM 622 Applied Policy Analysis
PPM 634 Managing the American City
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PPM 639 Topics in Public Management
PPM 645 Grant Writing and Financial Management in the Nonprofit Organization
PPM 651 Government-Business Relations

Financial Management
Required Course
PPM 641 Budgeting and Accounting for Public and Nonprofit Managers
Select an additional nine credits

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Beyond the core and track requirements, students take three credits of electives of their choice which may include further courses from the tracks, the beginnings of a certificate, or other combination of courses.

**Field Experience**

A three-credit field experience is required for preservice students with little or no prior experience in public or nonprofit organizations. Faculty and staff work with managers and policy makers throughout the region to develop meaningful opportunities. Incoming students will be screened by the Admissions Committee as to whether a field experience is required. If the Admissions Committee recommends that a field experience is not required, the student and the Academic Standing Committee will be notified and the student will be given the opportunity to formally petition for a waiver of the field experience requirement from Academic Standing. In no case shall field experience be waived except by approval of a petition submitted by a student to the Academic Standing Committee. *A waiver of the field experience requirement does not reduce the number of credits otherwise required to receive the degree.*

**Capstone Project**

A three-credit capstone project is required for all students. The capstone project experience is intended to integrate learnings from all program courses, and should be taken in the final year of study, just prior to graduation.

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**PPM 550 Media and Public Policy**

Introduces the relationship between the press and policy, focusing on state and national issues ranging from the Augusta Mental Health Institute crisis to the Gulf War and current events as they develop. The course is designed to help policymakers deal effectively with the media. Open to PPM students and senior undergraduate students. **Cr 3.**

**PPM 551 Public Policy Dispute Resolution**

An introduction to alternative dispute resolution (ADR) techniques with specific application to environmental, land use planning, and resource management issues, emphasizing facilitation, negotiation, and mediation. Process techniques for both bargaining and public involvement settings, such as stakeholder analysis, active listening, and joint model-building will be explored. The course combines many in-class simulations to skill building with rigorous theoretical background. For practicing professionals and graduate students in public administration, planning, program and resource management, as well as advanced undergraduates (with permission from instructor). **Cr 3.**

**PPM 560 Topics in Public Policy**

Selected topics in public policy intended to provide an overview of important contemporary issues. **Cr 3.**

**PPM 561 Natural Resources Economics**

Introduces students to environmental problems and their economic impacts. It assesses the economic importance of both environmental degradation and environmental quality, the economic causes of many environmental problems, and the design of economic incentives and policies to slow, halt, or reverse degradation and pollution. The course also focuses upon tools of analysis and exploration of alternative economic frameworks for understanding environmental issues and problems. **Cr 3.**
PPM 563 Public Policy Tribal Governance and the Native American Experience in Maine
An interdisciplinary approach to examining some of the major issues Native American tribes and nations in Maine face as the 21st century approaches. Topics include sovereignty, economic development, cultural and language preservation, land and water rights, and health and social welfare. Concepts of “nation building” and leadership from tribal points of view are central themes of the course. Additionally, students focus on the Maine experience of Native American tribes with particular attention to the issues of land resettlement and tribal autonomy. Cr 3.

PPM 565 Environmental Politics and Policy
Provides an introduction to policy making and implementation processes through a survey of current waste disposal issues, air and water pollution control policies, and management issues in environmental protection. Cr 3.

PPM 575 International Environmental Politics and Policy
Addresses factors that can be obstacles or incentives in the process of negotiating effective agreements. Such factors include the role of the United Nations, nationalism, sovereignty, the North-South conflict, and the role of non-governmental organizations. Cr 3.

PPM 600 Computer Applications for Public Policy and Management
Designed for students with little or no background in spreadsheet applications, the course focuses on the acquisition and refinement of basic desktop analysis skills using a spreadsheet program and the statistical software Systat™. Cr 1.

PPM 601 Applied Statistics for Public Policy and Management
Introduces students to a variety of analytical approaches to studying management and policy questions. The course concentrates on the acquisition of skills that will enable the student to choose and apply statistical methodology appropriately, and to evaluate critically work done by others. Topics include tabular and visual displays of data; data analysis including central tendency, dispersion, measures of association and linear regression; and the use of a statistics software package. Cr 1.

PPM 602 Research Design
Focuses on social research as it applies to policy and organizational analysis. Emphasis is on the employment of the scientific method. Basic dimensions of social science inquiry are covered: philosophy of science, research ethics, processes of theory construction, hypothesis testing, validity and reliability issues of measurement, and methods of data collection. Includes survey of applied social research techniques. Course materials are specifically designed to illustrate the particular research problem faced by policy analysts and public/nonprofit managers. Prerequisite: PPM 601. Cr 3.

PPM 603A Advanced Research Methods: Introduction to Survey Research
Introduces students to the practice of survey research. Students will work individually and in teams to design survey samples, develop survey instruments, and analyze survey data. The emphasis will be on learning the theoretical and practical applications of survey research in planning and policy settings. Prerequisite: familiarity with spreadsheet use. The course will use Microsoft Excel for the analytical exercises. Students may use another spreadsheet or statistics package, but instruction will focus on Excel. Cr 1.

PPM 603B Advanced Research Methods: Introduction of Forecasting Using Regression Analysis
Introduces students to forecasting using regression analysis. Students will work individually and in teams to conduct a series of forecasting projects using autoregressive, multiple regression, and mixed models. The emphasis will be on learning the theoretical and practical applications of regression analysis and introducing the problems of forecasting. Prerequisite: familiarity with spreadsheet use. The course will use Microsoft Excel for the analytical exercises. Students may use another spreadsheet or statistics package, but instruction will focus on Excel. Cr 1.

PPM 603C Advanced Research Methods: Applied Cost-Benefit Analysis
Provides an opportunity to learn how to conduct cost-benefit analysis. Students will work individually and in teams to analyze the quantitative and qualitative issues involved in measuring and forecasting costs and benefits and in preparing analysis for decision makers. The emphasis will be on learning the practical issues involved in conducting cost-benefit analysis. It is assumed that students will be familiar with the underlying economic theory, either from an economics course or from the text. Prerequisite: familiarity with spreadsheet use. The course will use Microsoft Excel for the analytical exercises. Students may use another spreadsheet or statistics package, but instruction will focus on Excel. Cr 1.

PPM 603D Advanced Research Methods: Introduction to Economic Impact Analysis
Introduces students to the practice of economic impact analysis, with a primary focus on the estimation of secondary and induced impacts from the construction and operation of new facilities such as office buildings, highways, power plants, etc. The focus of the course is on the basic theoretical approaches to regional economic impacts and the application of widely used economic impact analysis models. This course will require students to access and run economic analysis software. Cr 1.
PPM 603E Advanced Research Methods: Introduction to Transportation Economics
A largely non-mathematical introduction to economic principles as they are applied in transportation. It is designed for transportation professionals who wish to explore the fundamentals of economics in their field and for graduate students wishing an economics-based introduction to transportation issues. Prior economics courses are helpful, but not essential. Basic concepts covered include the theory of transportation demand, transportation costs and investment planning, and current topics in transportation economics such as regulation-deregulation and social cost pricing. The course may be taken on a noncredit basis or may be taken for graduate credit by completing a graded assignment at the end. Election of the graded/non-graded option must be made by the end of the course, and may not be reversed once the course is complete. Cr 1.

PPM 603F Advanced Research Methods: Introduction to Correlation and Regression Methods
Provides an introduction to explanatory data modeling using correlation analysis and linear regression. The course may be taken to obtain an initial introduction to these topics or as a refresher for students with some previous exposure to correlation and regression analysis. The course emphasizes application to real world policy, planning, and management issues. Cr 1.

PPM 603G Advanced Research Methods: Hands-on Multiple Regression
A computer lab-based course that extends and refines the student's understanding of basic regression analysis. Using data supplied by the instructor, students build models to practice regression methods, to see how violations of regression assumptions affect model parameters, and to learn to diagnose problems, evaluate impact, and take remedial action where indicated. Cr 1.

PPM 604 Evaluation Methods
Introduces students to the methods and techniques used to assess effectiveness and monitor the performance of programs, whether provided directly by government agency or under contract. Specific attention is given to problem formulation, determination of evaluation or assessment plan, conducting the research, and presenting results for the intended audiences. Information gathering through surveys and interviews as well as statistical analysis of data are emphasized. Evaluating research done by others and the RFP process of obtaining evaluators is covered. Prerequisites: PPM 601 and 602. Cr 3.

PPM 605 Seminar in Quantitative Methods
Provides an in-depth examination of multivariate statistical techniques used in public policy research. Topics include regression, principal components analysis, factor analysis, canonical correlation, discriminate analysis, and time series analysis. Prerequisites: PPM 601, 602, and 603 or permission of the instructor. Cr 3.

PPM 610 Foundations of Public Policy and Management
Examines the relationship between the political process, policy-making, and public management. Topics include policy formulation, adoption, implementation, and evaluation. Specific attention is given to the ways that key political variables (public opinion, elections, parties, interest groups, and leadership styles) influence public policy; the role of policy analysis in government; contemporary issues of public policy; and how public bureaucracies implement policy through planning, organizing, and other administrative processes. Cr 3.

PPM 611 Economics and Public Policy
Introduces students to fundamental economic concepts and illustrates their application in a wide range of public policy problems. The central theme is the usefulness and limitations of economic analysis in the public policy formation and evaluation process. Particular attention is paid to the theory of consumer behavior, markets and market processes, the nature and causes of market failure and strategies, and models for government intervention. Application exercises and case materials are drawn from a variety of substantive policy areas such as the agricultural price support system and government transfer programs. Previous background in economics, especially microeconomic theory, is most helpful. Cr 3.

PPM 613 Law and Public Policy
Introduces the student to legal analysis and emphasizes the role of the law in the choices faced by public policy makers. Students will examine materials ranging from constitutional provisions to statutes, regulations, and case decisions. The course will consider social values and custom; how these factors limit and shape the law and then directly or indirectly shape the options of policy makers. The course provides an introduction to the fundamentals of legal research and insight into judicial and administrative processes. There is some exposure to substantive law particularly in the areas of jurisprudence, constitutional law, procedure, and administrative law. Cr 3.

PPM 615 Foundations for Public Service and Management
An examination of issues and approaches in the management of the human organization. Topics include classic and modern theories of management; understanding individual, interpersonal, and group behavior; leadership and power; organizational structure and culture; and managing change. Throughout the course special attention is given to issues affecting management in the public sector and to the ethical aspects of management. Cr 3.
PPM 619 Communication Skills for Public Managers
The course focuses on professional communication skills (oral, written, and graphic) required in public organizations. Students will become familiar with types and styles of public speaking and writing, and the techniques and tools for developing professional presentations, as well as a greater understanding of communication theories. The course incorporates a variety of learning experiences, including in-class exercises to develop technical writing skills, individual and group presentations, case studies, and presentations by guest speakers. Cr 3.

PPM 620 Introduction to Policy Analysis
An introduction to the role of policy analysis in the development of public policy designed for students entering the policy analysis and planning track. Students are introduced to historical and scientific methods of policy analysis through the use of case studies. Prerequisites: PPM 601 and 602. Cr 3.

PPM 621 Applied Policy Analysis
Designed as an integrative course that will reinforce other analysis courses. Introduces students formally to the application of policy analysis to public sector problems and issues. The course will be case-based, with substantive material introduced to provide more detail and food for discussion for the cases. Prerequisite: PPM 610. Cr 3.

PPM 622 Risk and Public Policy
Introduces students to varied models for the conceptualization and management of risk. Emphasis is given to analytic frameworks and findings on how individuals and communities respond to risk information bearing on health. Ethical issues and responsibilities in risk management will also be considered. Draws on multiple perspectives, including medical, social, environmental, and political sciences. Cr 3.

PPM 623 Gender, Race, Politics, and Public Policy
A gender-informed approach to racial analysis, practice, and activism. Purpose of seminar is to develop a framework for relating gender to other systems of inequality and to apply this framework to a critical rethinking of policy and planning in spheres such as employment, the environment, housing, and community development. Cr 3.

PPM 624 Hate Crimes in America: Public Policy Implications
Explores the problem of hate crimes from the perspective of policy makers in government, law enforcement, education, and health care. Examines a number of discrete and frequently controversial issues arising from hate crimes, including: the need for and effectiveness of hate crime laws, who commits hate crimes and why, and the impact of hate crimes on victims and their communities. Cr 3.

PPM 625 Policy Analysis Practicum
Provides an intensive, one-semester, client-directed experience in which students work as a team under the direction of faculty on problems and issues of current concern. Cr 3.

PPM 626 Human Resource Management
Introduces basic conceptual frameworks, techniques of analysis, and contemporary issues in human resource management in the public and nonprofit sectors. Topics include: motivation, satisfaction, and the worker; fairness and representation in the workplace; systems approaches to work analysis; labor and productivity measurement; analyzing work and identifying competence; recruitment, screening, and selection; performance appraisal; strategies of human productivity improvement; programmatic alternatives for human resource management; and integrating human resource management into the organization. Cr 3.
PPM 633 Strategic Planning in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors
Examines how public organizations can utilize strategic planning in responding to environmental change and the future. Approaches to and techniques of strategic planning are covered, including goal-setting, environmental scanning, resource audits, and the formulation of strategy and its implementation. Examples are drawn from Maine state and local government and the nonprofit sector.
Cr 3.

PPM 634 Managing the American City
Explores essential themes which will provide the students with a theoretical understanding of the fundamental issues involved in managing complex and diverse urban environments. Special emphasis will be placed on examining emerging management issues that have sparked a new demand for excellence and innovation in city governments. While the city of Portland will serve as a useful reference point, the course will also explore the difficult management issues involved in our larger central cities.
Cr 3.

PPM 635 Managing in the Nonprofit Sector
An examination of the managerial dimensions of nonprofit organizations. Major foci include the nonprofit environment, organizational roles and processes, interagency relationships, and problems of change and adaptability. Specific attention is given to current issues in nonprofit management such as strategic planning, board/staff relationships, computerization of the workplace, fund raising, and volunteer development.
Cr 3.

PPM 636 Management Information Systems in the Public, Health, and Nonprofit Sectors
Designed to give those who work in the public and nonprofit sectors the knowledge and skills they need to understand the underlying principles and theories of management information systems and the roles which they play in public and nonprofit organizations. Students will participate in the design, implementation, and evaluation of information systems in their organizations, and become conversant with key issues and problems in contemporary public policy and law relative to information policy and telecommunications.
Cr 3.

PPM 637 Intergovernmental Relations
This course analyzes the revolutionary changes taking place in traditional relationships among the federal, state, and local levels of government. Topics include: how traditional intergovernmental approaches are changing and what those changes mean for the future of government; what innovative policies and methods federal, state, and local governments are using to make policy and deliver services in an era of declining resources; and how governments are using mandates to enforce policy decisions at other levels of government. Special attention will be given to Maine state and local governments as well as national trends and perspectives.
Cr 3.

PPM 638 Foundations and the Philanthropy Process
This course examines the intricate and sometimes secretive composition and dynamics of the foundation universe found in the U.S. today generally, and in Maine specifically. Central questions to this course of study are: what are foundations' guiding principles and why do they act as they do? This seminar-based course will be offered to students with two goals in mind: total immersion in the elements of the foundation world and practical and theoretical exposure to foundation grant/project approval procedures.
Cr 3.

PPM 639 Topics in Public Management
Selected topics in public management determined from time to time.
Cr 3.

PPM 640 Public Finance and Budgeting
Provides students with both a theoretical and practical introduction to the debates, tradeoffs and implications of budgeting for public services and securing financing for their provision. Examines essential public finance theory as it relates to revenue raising and resource allocation decision making by the public sector. Specific topics include market failure and government economic intervention, public revenue sources, characteristics of high quality revenue systems, budget review and analysis, and budget development and presentation using Quattro. Prerequisite: PPM 601.
Cr 3.

PPM 641 Budgeting and Accounting for Public and Nonprofit Managers
Examines the finance function in public organizations as it operates during the fiscal year and in the longer range setting. Topics include government fund accounting, internal resource analysis and management, including cash management, risk management, purchasing and capacity management, capital planning and programming, and debt financing and management. Prerequisite: PPM 640 or EDU 683.
Cr 3.

PPM 642 Seminar in Financial Analysis
Examines a selected number of public financial management topics in depth. Students enrolled in the course participate in a research project with significant public policy or management implications. The central course coverage focuses on the financial analysis of governments, including the evaluation and management of financial condition. Other topics will vary slightly each semester. The course is offered to correspond to the research focus selected. Prerequisite: PPM 641.
Cr 3.

PPM 643 Fiscal Analysis for Community Development
Introduces students to the methods and techniques of evaluating, monitoring, and managing the short and longer term fiscal effects of community change.
Designed for planners, local government managers, and elected officials, this course emphasizes the application of fiscal tools to decision-making and planning problems. Specific topics include fiscal impacts of growth, assessing financial conditions, infrastructure finance, and debt analysis. Cr 3.

PPM 645 Grant Writing and Financial Management in the Nonprofit Organization
Concentrates on the process of securing the resources to support effective nonprofit projects. The goal of the course is to prepare students to identify sources of funding, to write proposals that will attract grant awards, and to develop an understanding of what it takes to build an organization that foundations, public entities, and individual donors are confident in supporting. The course will begin with an examination of current trends in this post-industrial economy in which money is available to the voluntary and private sector. It will also focus on the importance of understanding the “ways of money” and knowing how to develop and administer a budget that will inspire trust in the organization’s reputation for effectively managing its programs and its fiscal resources. Cr 3.

PPM 649 Applied Research in Finance
Provides an intensive client-directed experience in which students work individually or in groups investigating an important finance policy issue or exploring a municipal financial management concern. Prerequisite: PPM 640. Cr 3.

PPM 650 State and Regional Economic Development
This course surveys basic regional economic concepts, economic impact analysis, and economic modeling. Students work extensively with economic data for Maine and other states. Cr 3.

PPM 651 Government-Business Relations
This course will examine government regulation of business (including basic elements of competition policy, the regulation of transportation and utilities, and environmental regulation) and basic elements of economic development policies (financing, business development assistance, research and development, location subsidies, etc.). The course will also emphasize understanding of public issues from the perspective of both public and private sectors. Cr 3.

PPM 652 Community Economic Development
This course will examine the origins and principles of community economic development, including strategies, the involvement of affected citizens, and development of a framework to evaluate community economic development programs. The course will also provide particular reference to federal community development policies. Cr 3.

PPM 666 Environmental Policy
A seminar on environmental issues in Maine, New England, and the nation. Topics may include air quality, water quality, toxic and hazardous waste management, solid waste management, wildlife habitat, landscape degradation. Federal, state, and local roles in reconciling natural resource threats, economic growth, property rights, and the public interest will be explored. Cr 3.

PPM 691 Public Speaking
Integrates the mechanics of effective speech writing and delivery. The goal of the class is to give students experience in preparing and delivering speeches; to provide historical and current background on the nature of oral and written communication; to provide exposure to important speeches and orators; and to provide instruction for preparing and delivering speeches. Cr 1.

PPM 692 Working Effectively in Small Groups
This course explores basic concepts and strategies for enhancing personal effectiveness in working groups, whatever their purpose. In addition to discussing effective communication strategies and group dynamics, the course will introduce students to the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator. The MBTI, a widely used and respected psychological instrument based on the theories of Carl Jung, characterizes 16 personality types which differ in styles of gathering information, making decisions, and responding to the world. The course seeks to heighten awareness of critical group processes, and to develop practical personal skills. Cr 1.

PPM 695 Independent Study
Cr 3.

PPM 696 Field Experience
Students without a substantial and relevant work experience in public service are required to complete an internship during the course of their studies. Determination of whether an internship will be required will be made upon admission to the program. The internship will be designated to expose the student to the formulation and implementation of public policy in a work setting. It will usually be with a public or nonprofit agency, although internships with private agencies involved in a public policy issue may be accepted. Cr 3.

PPM 699A Capstone Seminar
The capstone seminar is designed to provide PPM students assistance with thinking about possible capstone topics, general research strategies, time frames, and organization and assistance in identifying a faculty member to serve as a capstone advisor. The seminar normally meets several times throughout the fall semester. The syllabus of the course details enrollment requirements, faculty capstone advisors, the capstone proposal, and final project presentations. Cr 3.

PPM 699B Capstone Project
The capstone project is undertaken by students
working independently or in a team, under faculty supervision. The capstone project requires the student to integrate knowledge and skills acquired in the PPM program, and to demonstrate competence in their application to a specific topic in public policy or management. The project may take many forms, including a piece of policy research, the development of a strategic plan for a public nonprofit agency, an organizational or human resource analysis, or a financial study, among others. The precise form will be determined by the student in consultation with his or her capstone advisor. Cr 2.

Master of Science in Health Policy and Management

The master of science in health policy and management program offers a problem-focused, experiential curriculum designed to prepare students for a rapidly changing health policy and management environment that is characterized by a shift from inpatient to outpatient care, a rapidly changing reimbursement environment, and the decentralization of management and decision making amidst mergers and the formation of networks and consortia. The program emphasizes a core of data management and analytic skills, communication skills, and solid knowledge in all aspects of the health care delivery system, supplemented by learning experiences designed to enhance skills in problem solving and adapting to change.

The master’s degree in health policy and management is offered to both full- and part-time students. Applicants with experience in health services delivery, management and/or policy will find that the program broadens their skills and equips them to meet the challenges posed by the ever-changing health care environment. Students without such experience will find the field experience and opportunities for hands-on research an excellent preparation for a career in health policy and management.

The program has been accepted by the Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration as a candidate for accreditation.

Forty-seven credits of coursework are required to complete the master’s in health policy and management. In addition to course content, writing and communication skills are emphasized throughout the curriculum. Organizing and presenting material orally to students and faculty is a performance requirement in several courses, as are writing assignments of increasing complexity.

Program Requirements

The Core Curriculum

At the center of the curriculum is a required core of study providing a foundation of knowledge and skills for effective performance in health policy and management. The core curriculum, which is required of all HPM students, consists of 27 credits, including courses in statistics, economics, health economics, community health, health politics, health care finance, health care management, health law, and the American healthcare system.

An additional 15 credits of electives are required. A field experience and a capstone project complete the 47-credit curriculum.

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Total: 27 credits

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PPM 624 Gender, Race, Politics, and Public Policy (M)
PPM 626 Public Policy and Children (P)
PPM 630 Organizational Dynamics
PPM 632 Human Resource Management (M)
PPM 636 Management Information Systems in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors (MP)
PPM 685 Medical Legal Process (MP)

M=recommended for students with an interest in management
P=recommended for students with an interest in policy

Other courses:
- Field Experience 2 credits
- Capstone 3 credits
Total 47 credits

* Students with prior coursework in microeconomics may request an exemption from PPM 611. If students can demonstrate that such work was completed at the graduate level, they may also petition to transfer the credit hours from the graduate institution to USM, subject to current procedures and limitations on transfer credit. If graduate credit is not awarded for prior coursework in microeconomics, the student must make up the credit hours with another elective or an independent study.

Field Experience
Each student is required to demonstrate proficiency in the skills learned in the program in one of two ways. Students with substantial work experience in a health care setting have the option of a two-credit independent study that focuses on a topic related to their current or recent work experience. For students with limited experience, or for those interested in broadening their experience, a two-credit field experience is required in a participating health care organization under the direction of an approved preceptor. Either of these field experiences is available to students who have earned at least 24 credits in the HPM program.

Capstone Project
The capstone project is undertaken by students working independently under faculty supervision. The capstone project requires the student to integrate knowledge and skills acquired in the HPM program, and to demonstrate competence in their application to a specific topic in health policy or management. The project may take many forms, including a policy or management research project, the development of a strategic plan for a health care organization, an organizational or human resource analysis, or a financial study, among others. The precise form will be determined by the student in consultation with his or her capstone advisor.

Research Opportunities
The Muskie School's Institute for Health Policy has become, over the past decade, a nationally recognized and funded center for health policy and services research. All core faculty in the health policy and management program have joint appointments in the Institute for Health Policy. In addition to state-level health policy and services research in Maine (with substantial collaboration with governmental and other organizations throughout the state), the Muskie School has a substantial and growing national research agenda. The Institute also maintains an affiliation with the National Academy for State Health Policy, based in Portland.

The HPM Program will utilize extensive research, demonstration, and technical assistance activities and projects underway within the Institute for Health Policy to provide practical, hands-on research and/or management experience for five to ten HPM students each year. These experiences may include paid graduate or research assistantships working with center faculty and staff, and internship and field experiences. HPM students will also have the opportunity to access the Center's extensive databases for capstone and other projects.
AMS 535 Epidemiologic Research
Intended to give students a basic foundation in principles for the conduct and interpretation of population-based studies of the distribution, etiology, and control of disease. Topics will include randomized experiments, nonrandomized cohort studies, case-control studies, cross-sectional and ecological studies, causal inference, sources of bias, and measures of effect. Recent publications from the epidemiologic and general medical literature will be used to illustrate the application of the concepts to specific epidemiologic issues. Cr 3.

AMS 545 Applied Biostatistical Analysis
Intended to give students a working understanding of the major types of biostatistical analysis used in contemporary epidemiology and in other areas of public health research. Topics will include hypothesis testing, estimation, descriptive statistics, standardization of rates, cross tabulations, and stratified analysis, life tables, multiple regression, and logistic regression. Designed primarily for students with little formal training in biostatistics, but may also prove valuable to other students who desire a course providing an integrated approach to diverse biostatistical techniques within an applied framework. Students will learn to manipulate datasets, analyze them, and interpret the results using the SAS software package. Cr 3.

HPM 636 Health Information Management
This course addresses the uses of health information by managers. With an emphasis on the strategic forces that drive our need for timely, accurate information, the course inventories the numerous systems (patient record, finance, scheduling, laboratory, pharmacy, etc.) within the health care system that generate such information, with current examples from southern Maine organizations. The course also addresses data security and the procurement of information systems. Cr 3.

HPM 670 The American Health Care System
Introduces students to the organization and financing of the American health care system and the dynamic changes that are occurring as a result of market-based and policy forces. The course develops an understanding of the key elements of the system and the relationship among consumers and purchasers, providers (including the new organizational arrangements of providers and insurers), and the regulatory and policy environment in which the system functions. Students will explore the underlying political, policy, and market forces that are affecting the health care system and will examine the implications of these trends for federal and state-level policy and health system reform efforts. Cr 3.

HPM 671 Economic Issues in Health Care
Introduces students to the critical, contemporary issues in health economics and current problems and choices in the financing of health care, including physician and hospital services, mental health, and long-term care. The evolution of the current financing systems, including market and regulatory strategies, is discussed. The course also covers health care reimbursement as a specialized topic in health care finance. Cr 3.

HPM 672 The Politics of Health Policy
Acquaints the student with the following factors influencing health policy: ethical values as expressed through theories of distributive justice; politics, including political parties, congressional committees, and interest groups; and public opinion, as expressed through news media and opinion polls. Also analyzes examples of both state and national health care legislation and the influences exerted upon them by these factors. Cr 3.

HPM 673 Fundamentals of Health Care Management
Examines the application of organizational and management theory to health organizations. Focusing on the management process and the problems of achieving results, the course covers a variety of topics including organizational design, human resource management, financing and capital management, leadership and administrative ethics, and strategic planning. Cr 3.

HPM 674 Community Health and Medical Care
This course investigates the relationship between the health care system and health. Areas of study include definitions and indicators of health and its relationship to medical care; epidemiology; the determinants of health; prevention; public health and vulnerable populations. Current models of community-based health planning and health systems development are used by students to assess the needs of vulnerable populations in Maine. Cr 3.

HPM 675 Health Care Finance
Examines the processes and methods of accounting and finance for health care institutions. Topics include a brief review of accounting practices including record keeping, inventory control, bad debt and charity care, and depreciation. Cost finding, cost and revenue centers, financial statement analysis, net present value analysis, capital management, debt financing, and hands on experience with Medicare cost reports and other fiscal reporting protocols are also covered. Cr 3.

HPM 676 Health Care Planning and Marketing
This course examines concepts in strategic planning and marketing of health services. Topics include environmental analysis, service area and market definition, medical staff analysis, competitor identification and analysis, market research, medical staff analysis, and product and service specific markets and marketing strategies. Cr 3.
HPM 677 Managed Care
This course provides a history of HMOs and other models of managed care with a close investigation of the distribution of financial risk, inter-organizational relationships, planning, development, financing, and legal issues. The data systems necessary for managed care models are discussed, including acquisition, storage, and the analysis of data to support patient care, financial, and strategic decision making. Cr 3.

HPM 678 Health Law (LAW 618)
Intended to provide an overview of the business and regulatory aspects of our health care system. Although the case study method of instruction will be used, this will be done in the context of the class “building” an integrated delivery system. The objective of the course is to understand the organizational structure of the health care delivery system and the interrelationship of the providers comprising the system. Topics covered include: the financing of health care, both historically, and as anticipated under various principles of health care reform; the regulatory oversight of health care, including such principles as maintaining tax-exempt status, licensure, accreditation, and financial fraud; and the regulatory oversight, licensure, and disciplining of individual providers. Cr 3.

HPM 679 Research Seminar in Health Care Policy
Provides students “hands-on” experience in conducting a health policy analysis project. The course is designed to develop students’ abilities to think critically about health policy problems and issues and to perform policy research and analysis. The course provides students the opportunity to apply, integrate, and refine analytic skills acquired in core courses and in the health policy sequence. Students work as a group to conduct an analysis of a policy problem/issue. Class sessions are devoted to special topics and assignments, both methodological and substantive, related to the research project. Cr 3.

HPM 681 Quality and Outcomes of Health Care
This survey course provides an overview of health care quality and outcomes. It covers a conceptual framework for describing and studying quality and outcomes, commonly used measurement and monitoring systems, key agencies and organizations, and policy and technical issues related to quality improvement and outcome measurement. The course focuses on several recent developments in the field: the focus on outcomes rather than process, including the patient’s perspective, measuring quality and outcomes among populations of managed care enrollees, and using risk adjustment to “level the playing field” when comparing quality outcomes across providers. Cr 3.

HPM 695 Independent Study
Cr 3.

HPM 696 Field Experience
Cr var.

HPM 699 Capstone Project
Cr 3.

Master of Community Planning and Development

The community planning and development degree provides an opportunity for those with an interest in shaping the environment and economy of cities and towns to acquire the skills and knowledge needed to be effective members of the planning and economic development professions.

The professional field of community planning and development concerns itself with the continuing attempt by society to strike a balance among community growth, environmental quality, and human welfare. It involves the development of economic growth strategies, the formulation of capital budgets and infrastructure programs, the analysis of existing and proposed land use policies, the preparation of comprehensive community plans, and the evaluation of private development proposals to manage change in the built and natural environments.

The Muskie School’s CPD program is designed to meet the unique challenges of our region. It is neither strictly urban, nor strictly rural in focus, but reflects the wide variety of communities found in Maine and New England. Students will acquire a firm grounding in the past, through courses in planning history, as well as the latest technologies, such as Geographic Information Systems (GIS). All students will learn about the interaction between the economy and the environment which makes planning such a challenging profession.

A major component of the program is that it provides opportunities to do professional work in the planning and development field. All students without significant experience in the field are required to complete a field experience equivalent to three credits. Many other opportunities are made available by the school and by local and state agencies to help acquire job experience while completing the degree program.
Program Requirements

The master's degree in community planning and development requires 54 credits. A required core of 39 credits (including capstone and field experience) provides basic skills for planning (such as geographic information systems and conflict resolution), with basic courses in economics, politics, law, and methods of analysis. As part of this core, students take a sequence of four courses to lead them from theory to practice. Starting with a review of planning theory and history in the first semester, the student next explores the meaning of “sustainable communities,” and then undertakes an actual planning project working with one of the towns in the Portland area. Finally, the student is provided an opportunity to display his or her professional skills in a capstone project of his or her choosing.

Core Curriculum

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Total Core Credits 39

Students select an additional 15 credits of focused course work from among three specializations: land use and environment, community and economic development, and health planning. A joint-degree option with the University of Maine School of Law is available.

Land Use and Environment Track

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PPM 637 Intergovernmental Relations 3
PPM 643 Fiscal Analysis for Community Development 3

Community and Economic Development Track
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CPD 665 Transportation Planning 3
CPD 667 Housing and Real Estate 3
PPM 650 State and Regional Economic Development 3
PPM 652 Community Economic Development 3
PPM 666 Environmental Policy 3
Select 3 credits
CPD 660 Comprehensive Planning 3
CPD 661 Land Use Control and Zoning 3
Select 6 credits
CPD 669 Historic Preservation Through Growth Management 3
MBA 649 Special Topics in Management: Entrepreneurship and Business Formation 3
PPM 551 Public Policy Dispute Resolution 3
PPM 619 Communication Skills for Public Managers 3
PPM 633 Strategic Planning in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors 3
PPM 643 Fiscal Analysis for Community Development 3
PPM 651 Government-Business Relations 3

Health Planning Track
Required course
HPM 670 The American Health Care System 3
Select 3 credits
CPD 660 Comprehensive Planning 3
PPM 650 State and Regional Economic Development 3
Select 9 credits
CPD 622 Intro to Arc View 1-3
HPM 672 The Politics of Health Policy 3
HPM 674 Community Health and Medical Care 3
HPM 675 Health Care Finance 3
HPM 676 Health Care Planning and Marketing 3
PPM 619 Communication Skills for Public Managers 3
PPM 633 Strategic Planning in the Public and Nonprofit Sectors 3

Law and Community Planning Joint Degree
Select 3 credits
CPD 660 Comprehensive Planning 3
CPD 661 Land Use Control and Zoning 3
Select 12 credits*
LAW 633 Natural Resources Law 3
LAW 637 Environmental Law 3
LAW 658 Ocean Law 3
LAW 684 Alternative Dispute Resolution 2
LAW 689 Environmental Law Clinic 3
*Or other University of Maine School of Law courses approved by the CPD chair.

CPD 601 Planning Theory and History
This course introduces students to basic elements of planning theory and history. Other topics covered include: planning in a diverse society and an introduction to ethical issues facing planners. Cr 3.

CPD 602 Sustainable Communities
This course will provide an overview of fundamental forces affecting the design and patterns of human settlement in cities, towns, and villages, as well as an introduction to basic principles of ecology and natural resource management. Emphasis throughout the course will be on the special issues facing planners in Maine and neighboring states and provinces. Cr 3.
CPD 603 Planning Workshop
This course will center around one or more group projects in planning and/or economic development. It will focus on getting students to be able to design, research, produce, and communicate professional-level projects during one semester, and is intended to serve as the foundation for the capstone. In all but exceptional cases, it will be a prerequisite to the capstone. Cr 3.

CPD 607A Analytic Methods for Planning and Development: Fiscal Impact Analysis
A five-week course covering the theory and techniques used to conduct fiscal impact analyses for state and local governments. Issues to be covered include the impact of land-use activity on community demographics, government revenues and expenditures, demand for services, and state funding formulae. Cr 1.

CPD 615 Citizen Involvement and Dispute Resolution in Planning
Introduces students to the processes of conflict resolution, stakeholder involvement, communication with non-technical audiences, and styles of leadership that are essential to effective adoption and implementation of plans. Cr 3.

CPD 620 Spatial Analysis
This course provides an introduction to the analysis of spatial characteristics of regions and communities, with particular emphasis on the use of geographic information systems (GIS). Cr 3.

CPD 621 GIS Laboratory
This course is an examination of advanced techniques in using geographic information systems on a single major project that may be client-directed. Cr 3.

CPD 622 Introduction to Arc View
An introduction to the Arc View program, a Windows-based Geographic Information Systems program. Covers beginning and intermediate uses of the program. This course is available as a track elective in all CPD tracks. Cr 1-3.

CPD 625 Community Planning Analysis
This is an introduction to estimating and projecting the demand for land, housing, and public space in comprehensive land use plans and development project impact evaluations. Exercises, profile of a municipal land-use database, and a final impact analysis exam exercise are key requirements, as is attendance at all meetings. Cr 1.

CPD 656 Principles of Development Finance
This course explores various approaches to providing financial assistance to firms for economic development purposes. The roles of nonprofit community development corporations as well as public sector programs such as tax increment finance, industrial development bonds, and loan guarantees are examined. The emphasis is on developing an understanding of both the underlying principles and actual operations of finance programs. Cr 2.

CPD 660 Comprehensive Planning
This course will examine the methods and techniques of preparing small-area and community land use plans, with particular emphasis on rural and small town planning incorporating housing, transportation, development, and resource protection. Techniques for preparing community resource and problem inventories, population and employment forecasts, assessing land consumption trends, and public involvement also will be covered. Cr 3.

CPD 661 Land Use Control and Zoning
This course will cover the procedures and practices employed in the implementation of land use plans, programs, and policies, including zoning, subdivision regulations, site plan review procedures, and official mapping. The course covers the use of nonregulatory methods of implementation such as tax incentives, capital planning and budgeting, special assessment districts, and tax increment financing. Cr 3.

CPD 664 Principles of Design
This course examines the elements of design affecting decisions about buildings, landscapes, neighborhoods, and communities. Cr 3.

CPD 665 Transportation Planning
The basic elements of transportation planning and engineering and the relationship between transportation planning and land use will be examined throughout this course. Cr 3.

CPD 667 Housing and Real Estate
This course provides an introduction to major economic and social factors affecting the development of real estate for housing and commercial purposes and the interplay between these factors and land use planning. Cr 3.

CPD 669 Historic Preservation Through Growth Management
This course examines the policy foundations for preservation of historic, scenic, and natural resources, including elements of preservation planning for rural and urban areas. It also provides students the opportunity to identify and evaluate historic, cultural, and natural resources in the comprehensive planning process. Cr 3.

CPD 695 Independent Study
Cr 3.

CPD 696 Field Experience
Internship in a planning or development agency. Students without significant professional experience in the planning or development field will complete a field experience. Students should consult their advisor or the program chair early in their career to assess the need for a field experience and identify suitable options for filling this requirement.
Students with sufficient professional experience (generally six months or more in a responsible position in a planning or development agency) may have this requirement waived but must take an additional elective. Cr 3.

Cross-Listed Courses

AMS 535 Introduction to Epidemiologic Research
Intended to give students a basic foundation in principles for the conduct and interpretation of population-based studies of the distribution, etiology, and control of disease. Topics will include randomized experiments, non-randomized cohort studies, case-control studies, cross-sectional and ecological studies, causal inference, sources of bias, and measures of effect. Recent publications from the epidemiologic and medical literature will be used to illustrate the concepts. Cr 3.

ANE 612 Documenting New England: Oral History and Ethnography
Introduces the practice, politics, and history of documentary field studies, focusing on oral history and ethnography as both a method and as a particular genre of culture, writing, and representation. In class, students explore various strategies and practices of ethnography, including travel writing, local color, anthropology, exploration literature, documentary history, and post-colonial interventions, and grapple with contemporary issues that confront modern practices of “field work” such as cultural authority, displacement, marginalization, modes of cultural interpretation, stranger talk, insiders/outiders, “wrong” stories and “true,” among others. In the field, students work with informants to record and interpret the cultures and histories of a particular place and people. Cr 3.

ANE 638 Landscape, Culture, and Region
This course will examine the New England and American human landscapes as texts which can be read to reveal cultural attitudes, values, priorities, and experiences. Emphasis will be on the analysis of ordinary landscapes of the sort which surround us every day. The course will focus on typical landscape “settings” or “compositions,” not necessarily on individual components within those landscapes: that is, domestic or residential landscapes, commercial landscapes, industrial landscapes, civic landscapes, historic landscapes, and so on. Cr 3.

ANE 641 Environment and Culture
This course is an interdisciplinary examination of the ways in which occupants of the North American continent, from the pre-contact period to the present, have conceived of and interacted with the natural environment. The history of human use of and attitudes toward the environment will be examined within a cultural context. Course materials will be drawn both from New England and from other regions of the country. Cr 3.

CPD 699 Studio/Capstone
Students will complete individual capstone research or planning projects that will provide the opportunity to integrate material from throughout the curriculum. The capstone element is similar to the existing requirement in PPM. Cr 3.

LAW 616 State and Local Government
Emphasizes understanding the relationship among federal, state, and local governments. The character of institutions and fiscal policies will be examined as well as the actual mechanics of how they work. Cr 3.

LAW 618 Health Care Law
Provides an overview of the business and regulatory aspects of our health care system. Although the case study method of instruction will be used, this will be done in the context of “building” an integrated delivery system. The objective of the course is to understand the organizational structure of the health care delivery system and the interrelationship of the providers comprising the system. Cr 3.

LAW 633 Natural Resources Law
Examines the federal and state frameworks affecting the use of public lands and waters, forestry resources, fish and wildlife resources, and energy and mineral resources. Problems of multiple use and sustainability will be considered, as will issues of federalism, public and private rights, and the philosophical and economic implications of various institutional approaches to resource allocation. Cr 3.

LAW 635 Land Use and Growth Policy
This course examines a range of land use problems that demand some type of regulatory (police power) response: rapid growth, growth in fragile land areas, locating difficult to find but essential land use activities, providing affordable housing. Tensions between federal, state, and local governments in the land use decision-making process will be examined, as well as a range of sophisticated land use control strategies, i.e., transferable development rights, contract zoning, planned unit development, carrying capacity zoning. Cr 3.

LAW 637 Environmental Law
Provides a survey of major federal and state environmental control laws and cases interpreting these laws. Concepts of standing, burden of proof, strict liability, nuisance, and tax policy are examined as they relate to environment problems. Cr 3.

LAW 658 Ocean Law
Provides an introduction to the basic principles of
ocean law, including international law of the sea and maritime boundary delimitations. Emphasis is on the role of U.S. law and policy in shaping international norms. Federalism in U.S. ocean legislation is also examined. Legal texts explored include the 1982 Law of the Sea Treaty, the Fishery Conservation and Management Act, the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, the Coastal Zone Management Act, and the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act. Class exercises include a maritime boundary simulated negotiation.

**LAW 675 Medical-Legal Process**

Designed to explore a range of difficult medical, moral, and legal questions that surround such issues as death, right to life, right to treatment, dealing with the incompetent, suicide, and patient rights. Public policy questions dealing with health care delivery systems, organ transplants, and medical malpractice are also examined.

**LAW 684 Alternative Dispute Resolution**

Undertakes a critical examination of the alternatives to court movement in the United States. Students will survey the range of formal and informal dispute resolution mechanisms now available, as well as their twentieth-century antecedents; sample anthropological literature describing dispute resolution models in small-scale societies and social states; study the philosophical underpinnings of the alternatives to court movement; examine the growing literature in which the advantages and disadvantages of dispute resolution alternatives are debated and discussed; and observe and perhaps participate in a variety of local court alternatives.

**LAW 687 Coastal Zone Law**

Examines common law principles and legislation affecting public and private rights in the shoreline. Topics explored include the public trust doctrine, littoral rights, the navigational servitude, public use of the beach, land use controls to protect public values in the shoreline, and the taking issue. Course materials were prepared by the instructor.

**LAW 689 Environmental Law Clinic**

Students have an opportunity to work under faculty supervision on current environmental and natural resources law problems on behalf of public interest organizations in the state or region. Enrollment is limited. Prerequisite: LAW 617 or 637.

**MBA 643 Innovation and Change**

The design and application of change strategies to improve organizational effectiveness. The planned, systematic, and long-range efforts to change "how an organization operates," with a focus on various aspects of an organization's culture and its human and social processes. Diagnosis of such processes as cultural norms and values; power, competition, and collaboration; expectations and both formal and informal reward systems; social interaction and feedback patterns; conflict resolution; the structure and process of work; people development; and goal setting, planning, and evaluation systems. Simulations, case studies, experiential exercises, and applied strategies for changing and improving organizations, using an array of behavioral science approaches. Prerequisite: MBA 606.

**MBA 649 Special Topics in Management: Entrepreneurship and Business Formation**

The entrepreneur's role in a technological society, with emphasis on the techniques and problems implicit in the launching of new enterprises or in their evaluation by investors. This course is designed for aspiring entrepreneurs and for the professionals or institutions with whom they deal when starting a business. Students are expected to have basic communication skills, a background (educational or experiential) in accounting and marketing, and a grasp of economics and the principles of management. Attention will be paid to emerging opportunities in Maine. Materials are discussed by the instructor or invited guests in a seminar format that requires student participation and assignments calling for research, report writing, and presentation. Prerequisite: MBA 606.

**NUR 606 Health Policy, Ethics, and Change**

Sociopolitical, economic, and ethical frameworks are used to analyze public policies with an emphasis on a policy's impact on vulnerable populations. The implications of policy on health care restructuring and nursing roles are addressed. Attention is given to the role of the master's prepared nurse who influences, creates, and puts policy into operation.
Ph.D. Program in Public Policy and Management

The doctor of philosophy degree is designed to offer the highest level of professional and academic education in public policy and management. It aims to prepare persons for advanced research, teaching, and administration. Graduates of the program will be prepared to serve in a variety of governmental, consulting, and research organizations as well as in appropriate academic positions. Students are strongly encouraged to develop an area of specialized focus for their studies.

Admission

Admission to the program is competitive. The first admission criterion relates to programmatic capacity and the match between student and faculty research interests. There must be a clear match between an applicant's research interests and the capacity of the program to make available faculty who share such interests and can mentor the doctoral student through his or her research. Applicants with the potential to undertake doctoral study may not be accepted into the program if the match between the applicant's interests and that of program faculty cannot be assured. Program capacity also includes the number of students in the program in relationship to the number of faculty who can serve as major professors.

Applicants must demonstrate outstanding potential to be successful in the coursework required for doctoral studies and to conduct high quality doctoral-level research appropriate to their policy field of study. Applicants are expected to be outstanding in academic qualifications, standardized examinations, professional experience, and the statement of educational and professional goals. However, each applicant's record is reviewed as a whole; superior performance on three of the criteria may compensate for performance which is not outstanding on the fourth.

Academic Qualifications

The applicant's overall academic record should show a superior level of accomplishment. Students with prior graduate study would have maintained a GPA of 3.3 or higher.

Standardized Examinations

Students are expected to demonstrate the verbal and quantitative capacity to complete doctoral study. Therefore, all students are required to submit official scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE). Scores must be for tests taken within five years of application deadlines.

Professional Experience in the Proposed Field of Study

Applicants are expected to have professional-level work experience prior to commencing doctoral study, preferably in the proposed field of study. Normally, professional experience does not include university-sponsored work experience done as an undergraduate or graduate student.

Applicant's Statement of Educational and Professional Goals

Applicants must provide a clear statement of career goals, their motivation to complete doctoral work, and how the Muskie Ph.D. program will assist them in obtaining those goals. The applicant's goals must be consistent with the purposes of the program.

To be considered complete, an application must include:

* A completed application form
* Three letters of recommendation, preferably with at least one from a person familiar with academic performance
* Official transcript(s) of all previous undergraduate and graduate work
* Official GRE scores. Scores must be for tests taken within 5 years of the application deadline
* Official TOEFL score of 550 or higher on the paper-based test or 213 or higher on the computer-based test. The TOEFL is required if the applicant is a foreign student and has not completed a degree program in an accredited U.S. institution
* A nonrefundable $50 application fee
Applications that are completed, including GRE scores, by February 1 will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee. Applications that are completed after February 1 and before March 15 may be reviewed by the committee, but only on a space-available basis. Applications completed after March 15 will not be reviewed for the next academic year. Applications that are completed by February 1 will be given priority consideration for scholarships and fellowships. Students are admitted to begin study in the fall semester only.

**Academic Requirements**

As part of the program, students must complete from 54 to 75 credit hours. The number of credits required depends on the extent to which previous studies address the content of the foundation courses.

**Foundation (21 credits)**

Each student must complete foundation study in each of the fields listed prior to enrollment in doctoral coursework. The foundation requirements may be met by the Muskie School courses shown in parentheses or by equivalent graduate courses in other institutions. Graduate-level coursework completed prior to enrolling in the Ph.D. program can be used to fulfill the foundation requirements.

- Politics and Policymaking (PPM 610, PPM 620, or HPM 672)
- Economics and Public Policy (PPM 611)
- Public Management (PPM 615 or HPM 673)
- Law and Public Policy (PPM 613)
- Public Finance and Budgeting (PPM 640 or HPM 675)
- Applied Statistics (PPM 601 or AMS 545)
- Research Design (PPM 602)

**Doctoral Core (12 credits)**

Admission to doctoral study requires successful completion of the foundation course requirements and review by the doctoral academic standing committee. To be admitted to doctoral study, a student must have a GPA of 3.5 for all courses completed at the Muskie School after admission to the doctoral program. After admission to doctoral study, the student takes the doctoral core courses. The doctoral core consists of 12 credits of coursework in policy and management theory. These courses make up the common body of knowledge needed for advanced study and are required of all students.

- Intellectual Foundations of Public Policy and Management
- Seminar in Public Policy
- Economic Foundations for Public Policy Research
- Seminar in Public Organizations and Management

**Research Methods (15 credits)**

Each student is required to take or demonstrate competency in the following courses:

- Conduct of Inquiry
- Seminar in Quantitative Methods
- Advanced Quantitative Methods
- Qualitative Methods
- Advanced Methods in Doctoral Specialization. (Separate sections may be offered for education policy, health policy, policy development, and sustainable development.)

A student may request that a specific research methods course requirement be waived. To do so, he or she must demonstrate mastery of the required content and skills covered in the course through successfully completing a similar course. If waived, the student must replace the course with another 3 credit methods course.

Students are strongly encouraged to focus their advanced studies on a particular policy problem or issue, or in an area of interest.

*Note:* Subject to approval of the adviser and the Ph.D. academic standing committee, a student may enroll in up to 9 credits of coursework offered by a non-
Muskie USM school or program or by another accredited institution toward the methods or specialization requirements.

Examinations
Each student must pass two doctoral examinations, the first covering public policy and management theory and research methods and the second covering the student's specialization. A student must pass all sections of the examination to continue in the program. A student failing any part of the examination may retake that section once.

Dissertation (12 credits minimum)
The dissertation is an extended, comprehensive research project that demonstrates the ability of the candidate to contribute to knowledge in the field of public policy and management and to conduct independent research.

Withdrawal from the Program
A student may be withdrawn from the program by the Ph.D. program chair if he or she has not made satisfactory progress toward fulfilling degree requirements; has failed the preliminary examination two times, failed the specialization examination two times, or has not completed the dissertation within 5 years after attaining candidacy status. A student may appeal to remain in the program. The dean will make the final decision regarding appeals.

PPM 701 Intellectual Foundations of Public Policy and Management
Advanced graduate-level course of readings and discussion focusing upon the problems of democracy and democratic renewal in both historical and contemporary contexts. Readings from the Ancients through the Enlightenment, from Tocqueville to Rorty, the course seeks to ask critical questions about the nature of democracy, the role of change in democratic cultures, and the structure of civil society in democratizing and democratic policies. Cr 3.

PPM 702 Seminar in Public Policy
Explores theories and perspectives on the policy development process and of policy analysis, emphasizing alternative views of policy development and analysis. Examines formulation of different theories of public policy and implications of theories for the making of public policy. Major topics covered include theories of the policy development process, rational decision making and alternatives to rational models, and the accountability revolution in public policymaking. Cr 3.

PPM 703 Economic Foundations for Public Policy Research (formerly Fundamentals for Public Policy and Management)
Provides doctoral students with the foundations for using economic analysis to analyze issues in public policy. Emphasis is on developing advanced understanding of macroeconomic theory and its application, and developing skills in basic econometrics. Cr 3.

PPM 704 Seminar in Public Organizations and Management
Examines the major issues and perspectives in organization theory and behavior. Topics covered include: history and development of organization studies; contemporary perspectives in organization theory; individual and group behavior; leadership, power, and influence; organization design and structure; organizational culture. Prerequisite: Ph.D. student or permission of instructor. Cr 3.

PPM 706 Conduct of Inquiry
Examines the philosophy, history, and method(s) of science within social and behavioral and social sciences and, more specifically, within policy and organizational research. Reviews classical as well as more contemporary approaches to inquiry. Current ideas and debates in policy analysis, program evaluation, and other areas of applied research in public policy and management are also considered. Cr 3.

PPM 707 Seminar in Quantitative Methods
Provides an in-depth examination of multivariate statistical techniques used in public policy research. Cr 3.

PPM 708 Qualitative Methods
A semester-long seminar/workshop course in qualitative research methods to support policy analysis and program evaluation studies relevant to the field of public policy and management. It is one of five courses in the research methods sequence required of all students in the Ph.D. program in public policy. Cr 3.

PPM 709 Advanced Quantitative Methods
Cr 3.

PPM 711 Seminar in Health Policy
Introduces doctoral students to the research literature in health policy and develops tools and knowledge for the examination of research and policy issues in the field. Cr 3.
PPM 712 Seminar in Sustainable Development  
Introduces doctoral students to the research literature in sustainable development and develops tools and knowledge for the examination of research and policy issues in the field. Cr 3.

PPM 713 Seminar in Education Policy  
Introduces doctoral students to the research literature in education policy and develops tools and knowledge for the examination of research and policy issues in the field. Cr 3.

PPM 714 Doctoral Seminar in Public Policy and Management  
Cr 3.

PPM 721 Advanced Studies in Health Policy  
Directed study of selected topic(s) in health policy. May be repeated for a maximum of 9 credits. Cr 3.

PPM 722 Advanced Studies in Sustainable Development  
Directed study of selected topic(s) in sustainable development. May be repeated for a maximum of 9 credits. Cr 3.

PPM 723 Advanced Studies in Education Policy  
Directed study of selected topic(s) in education policy. May be repeated for a maximum of 9 credits. Cr 3.

PPM 724 Advanced Studies in Public Policy and Management  
Cr 3.

PPM 731 Advanced Methods in Health Policy  
Cr 3.

PPM 732 Advanced Methods in Sustainable Development  
Cr 3.

PPM 733 Advanced Methods in Education Policy  
Cr 3.

PPM 734 Advanced Methods in Public Policy and Management  
Cr 3.

PPM 740 Supervised Research  
Applied policy research project conducted by doctoral student under supervision of faculty adviser. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 credits. Cr 3.

PPM 799 Dissertation  
Cr 12.
Office of Sponsored Programs

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The Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) is responsible for encouraging externally funded initiatives in support of program-related activities of academic, research and development, and administrative units; and serves as the major resource to faculty and staff who wish to pursue such projects. The Office maintains information on and promotes awareness of funding opportunities, assists in refining project ideas and matching them with a potential sponsor’s priorities and requirements, assists in the preparation of grant applications, and serves as the final approving authority for such applications.

OSP subscribes to a number of governmental and foundation references and maintains a variety of supplementary materials useful to grantseekers. In addition to having access to many on-line funding sources, OSP maintains a subscription to an on-line funding opportunities database via the Community of Science. This is accessible by all faculty and staff and can be invaluable to individuals seeking to do their own searches.

OSP publishes a monthly newsletter during the academic year that provides information on funding opportunities for scholarly, creative, or research oriented projects; highlights currently funded projects, and provides recognition for new faculty and staff awards.

Post-Award Services

The OSP provides financial management assistance and administrative support to principal investigators (PI), project directors (PD) and research staff after an award is received. These services are a collaborative effort on the part of OSP staff and project staff. Services include: review and approval of all award documents, preparation and submission of financial reports, requests for reimbursement, budget revisions, amendments, etc. Services continue through the termination date, ending with the submission of the final program and final financial reports.

Increasingly, governmental agencies are turning to OSPs to provide management and approval for post-award modifications. In many cases, such requests can be approved and processed by OSP with proper notification to the sponsor.

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USM Extension is responsible for providing lifelong learning opportunities to the people of southern Maine. As Maine’s largest, most comprehensive educational outreach program, USM Extension is dedicated to providing the people of southern Maine with a rich array of opportunities for completing their degrees, acquiring new skills, or furthering their intellectual interests in convenient times, places, and formats.

USM Extension encompasses the Center for Extended Academic Programs, which includes Weekend College, English as a Second Language Services, Off-Campus Programs, Distance Education, Early Study, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (Senior College), and Stone House Conference Center at Wolfe’s Neck, Freeport; Summer/Winter Session and International Programming; Office of International Exchange; Center for Continuing Education; the Department of Conferences; the Institute for Family-Owned Business; and the Lifeline Center for Fitness, Recreation, and Rehabilitation.
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Portland Campus

1. Alumni House
2. 25 Bedford St.
3. 92 Bedford St.
4. 94 Bedford St.
5. 98 Bedford St.
6. 102 Bedford St.
7. 118 Bedford St.
8. 120 Bedford St.
9. 126 Bedford St.
10. Woodbury Campus Center
11. 1 Chamberlain Ave.
12. 7 Chamberlain Ave.
13. 11 Chamberlain Ave.
14. 15 Chamberlain Ave.
15. 19 Chamberlain Ave.
16. Child Care
17. 209 Deering Ave.
18. 222 Deering Ave.
19. 228 Deering Ave.
20. 39 Exeter St.
21. 45 Exeter St.
22. 47 Exeter St.
23. 49/51 Exeter St.
24. 55/57 Exeter St.
25. 59/61 Exeter St.
26. 65 Exeter St.
27. 11 Granite St.
28. Law Building
29. Albert Brenner Glickman Family Library
30. Luther Bonney Hall
31. Masterton Hall
32. Payson Smith Hall
33. Physical Plant
34. USM Police Department
35. Powers House
36. Science Building
37. James Sullivan Gymnasium
38. 13-15 Surrenden St.
39. Portland Hall

Parking
* P1. Faculty/Staff
* P2. Student Commuter
* P3. Student Commuter/Resident/Faculty/Staff/Meters
* P4. Faculty/Staff
* P5. Faculty/Staff
* P6. Faculty/Staff/Meters
* P7. Faculty/Staff
* P8. Faculty/Staff
* P9. Faculty/Staff
* P10. Meters
* P11. Meters
* P12. Student Commuter/Resident/Faculty/Staff
* P13. Faculty/Staff/Meters
* P14. Student Commuter/Resident/Faculty/Staff (not illustrated on map, location is on Marginal Way)

Emergency Telephone Key
T1. Science Building
T2. Masterton Hall
T3. Campus Center
T4. Payson Smith/Luther Bonney Hall
T5. Surrenden Street
T6. Law Building
T7. Library Building

To Portland campus:
From I-295, take Exit 6B (Forest Avenue North) onto Forest Avenue. At the second traffic light take a left onto Falmouth Street. Payson Smith Hall is on the left.

From the Maine Turnpike, take Exit 8. Turn left at the traffic light onto Riverside Street and follow the road up the hill. Turn left at the first light onto Route 25 (Brighton Avenue) and proceed for about two miles. The campus is located at the intersection of Falmouth Street and Route 25. Turn left onto Falmouth Street. Payson Smith Hall is on the right.
Gorham Campus

1. Academy Building
2. Admission Office
3. Anderson Hall
4. Art Drawing Classroom
5. Art Gallery
6. Bailey Hall (Library)
7. Kenneth Brooks Student Center
8. 7 College Ave.
9. 19 College Ave.
10. 51 College Ave.
11. Corthell Hall
Costello Sports Complex:
12. Field House
13. Ice Arena
14. Warren Hill Gymnasium
15. Dickey-Wood Hall
16. Mechanical Maintenance Shop
17. McLellan House
18. John Mitchell Center
19. Physical Plant
20. Philipp Hall
21. President’s House
22. Robie-Andrews Hall
23. Russell Hall
24. 62 School Street
25. 128 School Street
26. 134 School Street
27. Upton-Hastings Hall
28. Woodward Hall

Information is available at USM Police in Upton-Hastings Hall (22).

Parking
Parking in designated lots only. A University parking permit is needed for on-campus parking. Meters are available for visitor parking.

Information available at USM Police in Upton-Hastings Hall (22).

G1. Admission Office visitor parking only
G2. Parking permit required
G3. Faculty/Staff parking
M-F, 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
G4. Parking permit required
G6. Meter parking
G7. Parking permit required
G8. Faculty/Staff parking
M-F, 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
G9. Parking permit required
G10. Faculty/Staff parking
M-F, 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
G11. Parking permit required
G12. Parking permit required
G12A. Parking permit required
G13. Parking permit required
G14. Parking permit required
G15. Parking permit required
G16. Parking permit required
G17. Parking permit required
G18. Parking permit required
G19. Ice Arena parking
G20. Parking permit required
G21. Parking permit required
G22. Parking permit required
G23. Parking permit required
G24. Parking permit required
GS1. Parking permit required
GS2. Parking permit required

Emergency Telephone Key
T21. GS-1 School Street
T22. Bailey Bus Stop
T23. G-2 Bailey Hall
T24. G-17 Mitchell Center
T25. Warren Hill Gym
T27. 19 College Avenue
T28. G-13 Towers
T29. G-19 Mitchell Center
T30. G-19 Mitchell Center
T32. Field House
T33. G-20 Parking Lot
T34. G-20 Parking Lot
T35. G-12 Parking Lot
T36. GS2 Parking Lot

Directions to the Gorham Campus
From the north, take the Maine Turnpike to Exit 8. Follow Route 25 west to Gorham. At Gorham Center, turn right onto Route 114. Take the first left onto College Avenue. The campus will be on your right. From the south, take the Maine Turnpike to Exit 6 and turn left after the toll booth. At the second traffic light turn left onto Route 114 north. Follow Route 114 to the village of Gorham. Turn left after the first traffic light onto College Avenue.

Directions to the Lewiston-Auburn Campus
From either the north or south, take the Maine Turnpike to Exit 13. Coming from the south, take a left at the stop sign; if you’re coming from the north, go straight. Follow the signs for Lisbon Falls and Brunswick. Proceed to the second stop light and turn left onto Westminster Street. Lewiston-Auburn College is the cedar-shingled building at the top of the hill on the right.
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