NC State’s Higher Education program provides exceptional opportunities for students interested in higher education administration to explore a core body of knowledge, gain real-world professional experience and pursue advanced study. Program content is informed by relevant theory, scholarly research and best practice in the fields of higher education and student affairs. In addition, the program links theoretical foundations of higher education leadership and administration to practical application of skills.

Students in the program, you will develop the professional expertise required for entry or advancement in colleges and universities, governmental agencies or public service organizations.

By participating in this master’s program, students will benefit from several distinct program characteristics:

- Diverse students and faculty representing a variety of backgrounds, experiences and research interests
- A commitment to educational equity
- Access to multiple institutional types in the Triangle area that provide diverse contexts for learning and professional development

Admissions Requirements

- Personal statement of interest and desired career goals
- Professional resume or CV
- Transcripts from all institutions attended (except NC State)
- Three professional/academic recommendations
- TOEFL or IELTS scores for international students

Master of Education

At 39 credit hours, typically the Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Higher Education Administration degree takes 2–3 years to complete, depending on enrollment status.

Degrees

- Higher Education Administration (MEd) ([http://catalog.ncsu.edu/graduate/education/higher-education-administration/higher-education-administration-med/](http://catalog.ncsu.edu/graduate/education/higher-education-administration/higher-education-administration-med/))

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