The Master of Professional Studies (M.P.S.) is an interdisciplinary graduate degree program designed for working professionals who wish to earn a graduate degree in their area of expertise and excel in their careers. The 30-hour M.P.S. program, which combines studies in the social sciences and the professions, is available completely online 24/7. The program culminates with a professional project, developed in cooperation with the program director, and is generally applicable to the student’s professional work. If you are ready to build on your professional accomplishments with a master’s degree, this is the program for you!

“I used my final project to help resolve a long-term problem at work. I did the project in 2010, and I’m still using what my research revealed today.”

The M.P.S. has three concentrations:
- Strategic Leadership
- Human Resources Leadership
- Training and Development

Major Core Courses
Each M.P.S. program consists of 12 hours of core requirements, plus 15 hours related directly to your chosen concentration and the 3-hour culminating project.
Strategic Leadership
Leadership is the single greatest contributor to the overall success of any organization. Leadership affects all areas of operation and requires leaders to be well versed in strategic theory and its professional applications. This concentration examines such subject areas as leadership theory, research/data analysis, organizational structure and change, communication, and strategic planning and assessment.

Human Resources Leadership
Human resources professionals increasingly are becoming an integral part of an organization’s strategic planning process. Company executives are turning to HR professionals for policy directives and creative ways to use human capital for improved performance results. This concentration focuses on a variety of workplace factors (economic, environmental, ethical, legal, political, and administrative) and the impact they can have on organizational productivity, performance, and behavior.

Training and Development
The value of training is increasingly critical to the successful workplace, and the need for teachers and trainers has grown exponentially. This concentration is designed to prepare you to teach adults in corporate training environments or facilitate courses in online environments.

Professional Project
Each program culminates with a professional project designed in cooperation with the program director. The professional project course is taken in the final semester and builds on work done over the entire program.

“Taking the program online allowed me to fit it around my very hectic schedule.”

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