

**COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCES** 

# MASTER OF ARTS IN HUMAN BEHAVIOR

# Learn to Understand and Motivate

Gain a trait common to successful managers — understanding people. National University's Master of Arts in Human Behavior offers students a strong theoretical and empirical base from which to begin to understand the human experience. You will gain exposure to a wide array of behavioral topics covering personal, social, and organizational issues. The program was developed for students who have specific ambitions in the fields of supervision, management, and administration, but also benefits those undergoing life transitions, seeking personal or career growth, or preparing for doctoral-level study.

# Program highlights:

- Entire program can be completed online
- Learn to understand and apply behavioral and organizational change in personal, social, and organizational settings
- Develop competence in the use of behavioral theory, research, and assessment
- Prepare for work in fields of supervision, management, and administration, or for pursuing a doctorate degree

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#### **Program Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Synthesize and apply communication theory and practice in real-world situations.
- Develop a personal and professional code of ethics based on knowledge and understanding of moral and ethical principles and values.
- Assimilate adult development and human sexuality theories and principles into personal and interpersonal growth.
- Analyze and apply behavioral and organizational change processes to personal, social, and organizational settings.
- Integrate theories of leadership into applied areas of supervision, management, and administration.
- Demonstrate practical competence in the use of behavioral theory, research and
  assessment
- Produce written materials (papers, essays, projects, journals, etc.) that analyze, integrate, and critique critical theories, issues and research in human behavior.
- Demonstrate oral fluency (class debates, group discussions, individual presentations, etc.) in articulation of the theory and practice of behavioral science.
- · Demonstrate multi-cultural awareness and appreciation of human diversity.

#### **Degree Requirements**

To receive the Master of Arts in Human Behavior, students must complete at least 54 quarter units of graduate work. A total of 13.5 quarter units of graduate credit may be granted for equivalent graduate work completed at another regionally accredited institution, as it applies to this degree and provided the units were not used in earning another advanced degree. Students should refer to the section on graduate admission requirements for specific information regarding application and evaluation.

For students in the Bachelor of Science in Organizational Behavior transition program, the university will waive up to two MA in Human Behavior courses taken as part of the bachelor's degree (see BS in Organizational Behavior transition program), but these students must still meet the residency requirements for the MA in Human Behavior. The number of courses waived is dependent on the courses taken and grades earned in the transition program.

## **Core Requirements**

HUB 648

(10 courses; 45 quarter units)

HUB 646 Personal and Pro. Ethics HUB 641 Stages of Adult Development HUB 639 Issues in Sexuality HUB 601A Organizational Behavior HUB 642 Theories of Behavior Change HUB 601D Creative Leadership HUB 650 Behavioral Research HUB 670 Research Applications Prerequisite: HUB 650 **HUB 680** Integrative Project

Personal Growth & Comm.

Prerequisite: HUB 650 and HUB 670

## **Program Electives**

(2 courses; 9 quarter units)

Students can select graduate elective courses from the following course prefixes: AGE, CHD, HRM, HUB, MKT, MGT, and SOC (HUB 660, CHD 601 and SOC 604 are highly recommended). In addition, some education and psychology courses are acceptable with the approval of the Chair of the Department of Psychology. (Note: Due to enrollment restrictions, special permission by the Chair of the Department of Psychology is required to take CHD 640 or any courses designated PSY 600 or above).