Urban Leadership Development

Greenspun College of Urban Affairs
School of Environmental and Public Affairs
Preparing future school leaders to meet the challenges facing Southern Nevada in the 21st century.

M.A. in Urban Leadership
Every great leader I have known has been a great teacher, able to give those around him a sense of perspective and to set the moral, social, and motivational climate among his followers.

~Vice Admiral James Bond Stockdale
Leaders across the civic landscape — in our schools, our government agencies, our non-profit social service agencies, and in business and industry — must all work together for the well-being of the community.

Leaders as Systems Thinkers
Community Connections

- Community input—stakeholders’ needs
- Collaborative planning with Clark County School District
Specialization ~ Educational Leadership

- Nevada Educator Performance Framework: Administrator Standards
- Endorsement as School Administrator
- Meeting needs of diverse, urban community
- Preparing students for college and career success—Nevada Standards for Academic Success
Four modules-four semesters

1. Leadership to Develop 21st Century Structures
2. Collaborative/Distributive Leadership
3. Evidence-based Leadership
4. Leadership to Develop a Culture of Learning and Equity
Spring 2016

- Introduction to Urban Leadership ULD 720 (3 credits)
- Research and Analytic Methods ULD 722 (3 credits)
- Leading a Learning Organization for the Next Generation ULD 731 (3 credits)

Summer 2016

- Special Topics in Urban Leadership: Conflict Resolution ULD 700 (1 credit)
- Leading a Learning Organization Through Community Building ULD 732 (2 credits)
- Education Law and Public Policy Seminar: Student Rights and Responsibilities ULD 751 (1 credit)
- Special Topics Seminar: Educational Leaders as Financial and Social Entrepreneurs ULD 700 (3 credits)
- Education Law and Public Policy Seminar: Resource Management for Student Learning ULD 753 (2 credits)

Fall 2016

- Leading a Learning Organization through Evidence-Based Decisions ULD 735 (3 credits)
- Education Law and Public Policy Seminar: Exceptional and At-Risk Students ULD 755 (1 credit)
- Special Topics in Urban Leadership: Leadership to Support English Learners ULD 700 (1 credit)
- Instructional Leadership Seminar: Designing and Monitoring the Instructional Program ULD 740 (1 credit)
- Leadership Field Experience ULD 742 (3 credit)

Spring 2017

- Leading for Teaching and Learning ULD 737 (3 credits)
- Education Law and Public Policy Seminar: Teacher Evaluation ULD 757 (1 credit)
- Capstone Seminar: Educational Leadership ULD 780 (2 credits)
- Leadership Field Experience ULD 742 (3 credits)
Features of the Educational Leadership Specialization

- Focus on field-based experiences ~ theory to practice
- Mentoring
- Cohort model
- Convenient, impactful scheduling for working professionals
- Instruction from various disciplines and visiting scholars
Field Experiences

• Lead efforts to improve learning for a targeted population of students
• Provide leadership for teachers working with this group of students
• Consider impact of fiscal, contractual, and management structures on student achievement
• Develop skills in supervision to improve student learning
• Learn about the multifaceted job of the principal through shadowing
Are you ready to be an educational leader of the 21st century?

- Student advocate
- Instructional leader
- Change agent creating the future
- Leader for relevant curriculum
- Developer of teacher leadership
- Community collaborator
- Systems thinker
- Entrepreneur
- Resource developer
Application Process

- Admission Requirements: Bachelor’s Degree, 2.75 GPA, 3 years teaching experience
- GRE
- Apply Yourself application: Go to Urban Leadership MA
  - Include: 2 letters of reference, supplementary application outlining teacher leadership experiences and a written response regarding your leadership philosophy
- Interview
• Application Deadline: November 1, 2015
• Interviews: November (dates TBA)
• First Day of Class: Saturday, January 23, 2016
Further Information

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