



NORTHWESTERN STATE

Student Affairs in Higher Education (SAHE-574)

The Student Affairs in Higher Education (SAHE) program is a 36 semester hour master of arts degree offered online. The program offers coursework to prepare professionals for various roles in student affairs and higher education administration. The curriculum addresses the needs of a diverse student population entering postsecondary educational settings, including community and technical colleges, as well as public or private four year institutions. Upon completion of the program, graduates will be prepared to serve as coordinators, assistant directors and directors in a wide range of areas related to student affairs administration, including academic advising, career services, financial aid, Greek life, residence life, and student activities.

Students engage in high quality online instruction with interaction among faculty, peers and higher education professionals. Using the latest educational technology, the curriculum allows students to research practices that address real world issues in student affairs and higher education. Program objectives align with ACPA/NASPA standards for professional practice. Graduates are expected to demonstrate competency in areas such as student learning and development, advising, assessment, diversity, ethics, resources, leadership, and governance.

Participation in the SAHE program, develops competent, responsible professionals who can address diverse student affairs and administrative issues, work collaboratively across functional areas, and utilize current research and best practices to make informed decisions.

Who Should Apply?

You! If you have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution and currently work in or want to work in student affairs and higher education administration, this program is ideal. This flexible, online program allows working students to take courses part-time or full-time. Additionally, the curriculum's electives allow students to tailor their studies to fit interests or current job demands.

Course Availability Rotation

<i>Fall Semester</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>	<i>Summer Semester</i>
SAHE 5500, Intro to Student Affairs in Higher Education	SAHE 5920, The American College Student	SAHE 5970, Current Issues
SAHE 5950, History of Higher Education	SAHE 5960, Legal and Ethical Issues	SAHE Elective(s)
SAHE 5930, Organization and Administration of Student Affairs in Higher Education	COUN 5610, Multicultural and Diverse Populations	Elective(s)*
SAHE 5570, Internship	SAHE 5570, Internship	
EDUC 5010, Educational Research	EDUC 5010, Educational Research	
EDUC 5850, Action Research	EDUC 5850, Action Research	
Elective(s)*	Elective(s)*	



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* In coordination with their major professor, students may select two elective courses offered online at the 5000-level or above in Counseling, Adult Education, Educational Technology, Health and Human Performance, or Special Education. This option allows students to tailor their studies to their interests or current or projected employment needs.

Admission Process

To be admitted to the SAHE program, prospective students must first apply to the Graduate School at Northwestern State. Regular admission requires a GRE score of 282. Please, contact the Graduate School for additional admission provisions. Additionally, applicants must submit during the application process a current resume and an autobiographical career statement of purpose highlighting interest in SAHE and how the program can assist in reaching career goals.

About Northwestern State

For more than 125 years, Northwestern State University has met the educational needs of students through quality academic programming. Recognizing the power of technology to bring educational opportunities to all students beyond Natchitoches, Louisiana, Northwestern State now delivers over 30 accredited online degree programs. It is a pioneer in distance education and is regarded as the marquee online university in Louisiana.

To Apply to Graduate School

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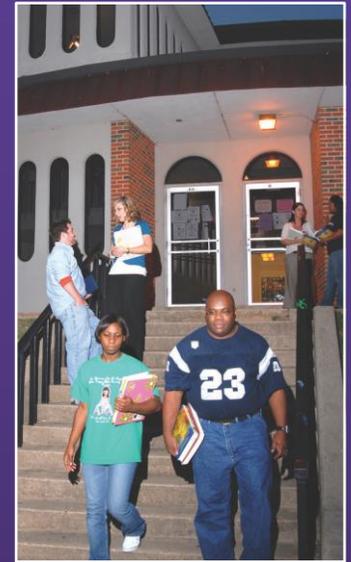
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ACCREDITATION

Northwestern State University is accredited by the Commission of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia, Telephone number 404-679-4501) to award associate, baccalaureate, master's, and specialist's degrees.

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Northwestern State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies (i.e., Title IX):

- Employees/Potential Employees – Veronica M. Biscoe, EEO Officer (318-357-6359)
- Students – Frances Conine, Dean of Students (318-357-5286)

For Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) concerns, contact the Disability Support and Tutoring Director, Catherine Fauchaux, at 318-357-4460.

Full disclosure statement: <http://universityplanning.nsula.edu/notice-of-non-discrimination/>

*Inquiries regarding employment applications should call Business Affairs (318-357-5446).

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