MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ADMINISTRATION (M.S.)

The M.S. with a major in Administration is designed to develop leaders and managers who serve in the private or public sector and understand the impact of global transformations that affect our daily lives. Dedicated to professional leadership development, the program is designed to empower graduate students to cultivate their unique potential and talents as well as to promote mastery of the knowledge, skills and aptitudes necessary for effective leadership. Lynn University believes that this balance enables graduates to make a difference by creating new opportunities and providing workable solutions to current and future 21st century dilemmas.

Curriculum

The M.S. with a major in Administration has a unifying curriculum foundation shared among the specializations. Included in this foundation are a total of five courses, or 15 credit hours, as follows:

OVERVIEW OF THE M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION FOUNDATION

		15 CREDITS
MS 500	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION	3
MS 505	APPLIED RESEARCH METHODS	3
MS 510	ADMINISTRATIVE AND REGULATORY LAW	3
MS 530	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC POLICY AND DEMOCRACY	3
MS 560	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	3

Foundation requirements for the M.S. in Administration are designed to assure that students have the requisite theoretical and applied knowledge to pursue their individual interests in their specializations. Building on the breadth and depth of the foundation, specialization courses enable students to continue to expand and deepen their mastery through practical applications, simulations, case studies, applied research in areas of individual interest through the graduate projects and in some specializations, internships.

The M.S. in Administration foundation and specialization courses complement each other and address increasingly complex contemporary and future societal challenges and opportunities faced by 21st century managers/administrators. Through the development of critical thinking skills and a commitment to lifelong learning, graduates are able to understand changing trends and focus on institutional and human needs.

Graduate Project/Publishable Paper - Optional

A graduate project provides graduate students with an opportunity and the means to demonstrate the acquisition, mastery and integration of the knowledge and skills required by their specialization. The project focuses on an area of student interest that meets the acceptable standards for graduate level research.

Grading of the Graduate Project

The project is graded on the basis of a pass or fail. A pass is equivalent to a B or better, a fail to less than a B. In the event that a completed graduate project does not meet university standards and receives a grade of fail, the student will meet with the advisor to review the problems that must be addressed and will resubmit the revised project within 90 days of the meeting.

Specialization Options

Within this context, students cultivate their particular areas of professional interest while developing the talents, abilities and competencies essential for skilled, effective practitioner-leaders. Specializations are available in the following:

- a. Criminal Justice Administration (CJA)
- b. Emergency Planning and Administration (EPA)

The M.S. degree in Administration requires the completion of 36 credits.

M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION SPECIALIZATIONS

a. M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION

The Master of Science in Administration with a specialization in Criminal Justice Administration prepares individuals for leadership roles in a variety of fields within the profession of criminal justice. Despite the broad spectrum of careers within the profession, success and leadership is predicated on an individual's verbal and written mastery of the concepts, principles and functions involved in the management of criminal justice organizations. This specialization focuses on preparing the student to effectively integrate proven business methods with a genuine respect for dynamic and innovative approaches to issues facing the criminal justice executive in the 21st century.

Lynn University's South Florida location typifies the experiences of modern criminal justice agencies in diverse, densely populated urban centers. Using this laboratory for learning, expert faculty challenge graduate students to examine a broad spectrum of issues confronting the modern criminal justice administrator. By applying sound business and administration principles and practices, students debate and evaluate alternate solutions.

The required culminating graduate project enables our graduate students to demonstrate mastery of these complexities in a specific area of scholarly interest.

M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN CJA CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

I. M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION FOUNDATION COURSES		15 CREDITS
MS 500 MS 505 MS 510 MS 530 MS 560	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION APPLIED RESEARCH METHODS ADMINISTRATIVE AND REGULATORY LAW PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC POLICY AND DEMOCRACY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	3 3 3 3 3
II. SPECIALIZATION COURSES		21 CREDITS
CJA 540 CJA 608 CJA 636 CJA 656 CJA 657 CJA 659 CJA 661	TERRORISM: ITS EFFECT ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND EMERGENCY PLANNING ETHICS IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE CIVIL RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES CONFLICT RESOLUTION IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND THE COMMUNITY GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE YOUTH AND DELINQUENCY CONTROL	3 3 3 3 3 3 3
III. GRADUATE PROJECT (OPTIONAL)		3 CREDITS
CJA 665	GRADUATE PROJECT IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION	3

TOTAL CREDITS 36

M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION SPECIALIZATIONS

b. THE M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN EMERGENCY PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION (EPA)

The field of emergency management has undergone a tremendous transformation since the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001. Complex changes in technology, demographics and public policy have significantly influenced the management of emergencies and disasters. Moreover, the number and severity of recent disaster events clearly demonstrate the need for enhancing overall emergency preparedness and response capabilities in both the public and private sectors.

These complex challenges and demands suggest the need for insightful examination of relevant issues in Emergency Planning and Administration. More than ever, public agencies and private organizations require knowledgeable and skilled administrators who can effectively deal with the growing challenges of emergencies and disasters. The specialization in Emergency Planning and Administration is designed to provide tomorrow's leaders with the knowledge and skills necessary to meet these complex demands. Various emergency management related theories, concepts and contemporary practices will be examined thereby providing an understanding of crises within an intergovernmental framework.

The optional culminating graduate project enables graduate students to demonstrate mastery of these complexities in a specific area of scholarly interest.

M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN EPA CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

I. M.S. IN ADMINISTRATION FOUNDATION COURSES		15 CREDITS
MS 500 MS 505 MS 510 MS 530 MS 560	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION APPLIED RESEARCH METHODS ADMINISTRATIVE AND REGULATORY LAW PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC POLICY AND DEMOCRACY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	3 3 3 3 3
II. SPECIALIZATION COURSES		21 CREDITS
EPA 630 EPA 640 EPA 651 EPA 652 EPA 654 EPA 655 EPA 540	TECHNOLOGY IN EMERGENCY PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION PLANNING PROCESSES FOR EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION THE SOCIAL DIMENSIONS OF DISASTER POLITICAL & PUBLIC POLICY BASIS OF EMERGENCY PLANNING & ADMINISTRATION LIVING IN A HAZARDOUS ENVIRONMENT VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS AND HAZARD MITIGATION TERRORISM: ITS EFFECT ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND EMERGENCY PLANNING	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
Students may also	select one of the following courses:	
EPA 620 EPA 665	INTERNSHIP IN EMERGENCY PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION GRADUATE PROJECT IN EMERGENCY PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION	3 3