

APPLIED PROFESSIONAL STUDIES (MA)

The Master of Arts in Applied Professional Studies (MA) from the School of Continuing and Professional Studies (SCPS) is for adults like you who would benefit from a graduate degree program that's personally-relevant with room for flexibility and customization.

Whether you're a working professional seeking career advancement, a career changer or a curious learner, our master's of professional studies will deepen your knowledge, enhance your skills and advance your goals.

Our flexible approach to learning is shaped by your unique needs as an adult learner, with formats designed to fit your busy schedule. We offer options to study full-time or part-time, in online classes with synchronous meetings (Zoom) on nights or weekends.

Key Features

- Earn credit for professional certificates.
- Benefit from an advising team and instructors who are practicing experts in their fields
- Complete the degree requirements with courses, approved prior learning and certificates.
- Engage with fellow students—working professionals with diverse jobs, experience and interests.
- Complete your degree in as little as two years while attending class as a part time student.
- Program can be completed online.

Program Requirements	Quarter Hours
Degree Requirements	52
Total hours required	52

Alumni qualify for the Double Demon scholarship (<https://www.depaul.edu/admission-and-aid/Pages/scholarships.aspx>).

Learning Outcomes

Students who complete the MAAPS common curriculum plus their Focus Area demonstrate the following learning outcomes:

- Demonstrate advanced knowledge in their areas of professional study.
- Cultivate a regular practice of reflection on their professional practice.
- Engage methods of inquiry to improve practice in their areas of study.
- Take initiative to broaden professional networks and continually develop and refresh key skills.
- Anticipate, adapt and engage with emerging issues in their areas of study and practice.
- Exercise personal agency and collaborative skill to attain personal and professional goals.

Degree Requirements

Students are required to complete a minimum of 52 graduate credit hours with a cumulative GPA of not less than 2.5.

Professional Core (12 credit hours)

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
AP 500	FOUNDATIONS OF GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL STUDIES	4
AP 506	WRITING FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS	4
AP 508	APPLYING SYSTEMATIC INQUIRY	4

Liberal Learning Electives (12 credit hours)

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
LLS 410G	ADVANCED LEADERSHIP THEORY & PRACTICE	4
LLS 410H	EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP IN A CHANGING PROFESSIONAL ENVIRONMENT	4
LLS 420D	APPLYING ETHICS IN THE PROFESSIONS	4
LLS 420F	LEADERSHIP MODELS FOR STRONG ORGANIZATIONS	4
LLS 420G	EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE AT WORK	4
LLS 440A	UNDERSTANDING AND FLEXING MINDSETS	4

Capstone (4 credit hours)

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
AP 592	GRADUATE CAPSTONE PROJECT	4

- Educating Adults Track, Applied Professional Studies (MA) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/programs/applied-professional-studies-ma/educating-adults-concentration/>)
- Organizational Leadership Track, Applied Professional Studies (MA) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/programs/applied-professional-studies-ma/organizational-leadership-concentration/>)
- Social Change Track, Applied Professional Studies (MA) (<https://catalog.depaul.edu/programs/applied-professional-studies-ma/social-change-concentration/>)