Graduate Programs in Leadership Studies

2024



IMPACTFUL INDIVIDUALIZED INTERDISCIPLINARY

The Leadership Studies programs offer graduate students, community organizers, and working professionals tools and techniques to better understand and navigate leadership opportunities within the context of communities, organizations, and systems.

The programs:

- are interdisciplinary
- include coursework in
 - leadership theory, contexts, and methods
 - race and ethnicity
 - women, gender, & sexuality
 - social differences
- draw from research traditions in humanities, social sciences, and education

DEVELOP YOUR POTENTIAL DETERMINE YOUR FUTURE DRIVE CHANGE

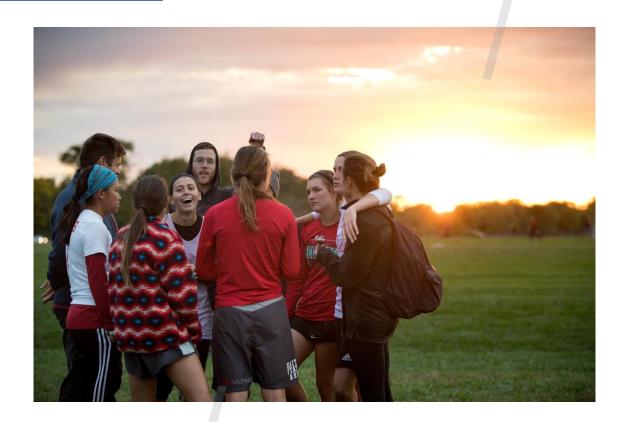
- **CERTIFICATE IN LEADERSHIP STUDIES** 12 hours over 2 semesters, online
- CERTIFICATE IN STUDIES IN EQUITY & SOCIAL DIVERSITY IN THE US 12 hours over 2 semesters, online & in-person
- MA IN LEADERSHIP STUDIES 30 hours, flexible scheduling, online & hybrid



PURPOSE-DRIVEN ADMISSIONS

WE ARE COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING STUDENTS WITH A(N):

- Clear personal, professional, and academic purpose for graduate studies
- Genuine interest in acquiring new leadership tools, skills, and perspectives
- Interest in various perspectives about diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Desire to contribute to the academic conversation
- Capacity to develop graduate level written and oral expression
- Coachable foundation of research and argumentation skills
- Attitude of resilience, grit, and determination to succeed in the classroom
- Dedication to integrity and ethical conduct
- Adequate support system for academic success and personal wellbeing





GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN

LEADERSHIP STUDIES



12 HOURS, 4 ONLINE CLASSES



LDST 710 History & Theory of Leadership Studies





Elective Mastery of Leadership Skills and Methods



Elective Leadership Contexts and Communities

*Other LDST course electives can be applied toward this certificate under consultation with the Director of Graduate Studies.

For more information about these courses, visit the Institute for Leadership Studies at **ils.ku.edu**



WHY LEADERSHIP STUDIES?

I believe the certificate has allowed me approach the work of leadership, in the roles of TA and GRA, using a mindful approach crafted to fit who I am and how I want to impact the field. These lessons will follow me in my future roles as educator, mentor, researcher, and community member.

By studying leadership styles and sources, I am better able to envision myself among them and direct my life towards being my best self and helping others do the same.



Kelly Berry, Ph.D. Clinical Assistant Professor Department of Hearing and Speech KU Medical Center

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN STUDIES IN EQUITY & SOCIAL DIVERSITY IN THE US



12 HOURS, 4 CLASSES OVER 2 PATHWAYS



US RACE & ETHNICITY

WOMEN, GENDER, & SEXUALITY



US SOCIAL DIFFERENCES

Approved Courses in: African & African American Studies American Studies Education Theater Approved Courses in: African & African American Studies American Studies Political Science Psychology Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies

Approved Courses in: African & African American Studies American Studies Education



WHY STUDIES IN EQUITY & SOCIAL DIVERSITY?

This certificate is the perfect way to supplement my Ed.D. coursework, which focused on Higher Education Administration, but narrow my focus to Equity within Higher Education.

The coursework I am doing ties directly to my professional goals and will help me hone my expertise in the CDO (Chief Diversity Office) field as leading voice related to student activism.

The flexibility to "create my own adventure" is allowing me to drive a specific focus (Black Women Student Activism) in ways to support my research interests.



Dr. Precious Porras, Ed.D Vice President for Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Dominican University

MASTER'S IN LEADERSHIP STUDIES



30 CREDIT HOURS, ONLINE/HYBRID



CORE COURSES, 12 HOURS

LDST 705: Professionalization Seminar LDST 710: History & Theory of Leadership Studies LDST 715: Leadership, Equity, and Inclusion LDST 720: Leadership Ethics



ELECTIVES, 6-9 HOURS Mastery of Leadership Skills/Methods/Theories



ELECTIVES, 6-9 HOURS Leadership Contexts and Communities



CAPSTONE, 3 HOURS LDST 850 Leadership Studies Capstone



TAKE THE NEXT STEP



Degree	Credit Hours	Mode of Instruction	Estimated Time to Completion
Leadership Studies Graduate Certificate	12 hours/ 4 classes	Online Synchronous & Asynchronous	2 semesters
Equity & US Social Diversity Graduate Certificate	12 hours/ 4 classes	Hybrid – full pathway Online – limited pathway	2 semesters
MA in Leadership Studies	30 hours/ 15 classes	Online and Hybrid	4 semesters full-time, can also be done part-time

ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE

Application Fee

\$30 certificate \$65-85 MA

Tuition and Fees See <u>KU Tuition and Fee tool</u> for most up-to-date rates



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO APPLY

ALTERNATIVE ADMISSIONS STANDARDS

The Graduate Programs in Leadership in Diversity and Inclusion may accept an applicant who does not meet an academic standards considered baseline for successful graduate work. This may occur, for example, if a student's overall undergraduate GPA is below a 3.0 but other application materials suggest strong potential for success in graduate study.

Such applicants may be required to take additional courses to prepare them for graduate-level research and writing.

To continue in the program, students must meet with the Director of Graduate Studies at the start of the academic term, must comply with any requests for additional meetings or communications, and must earn at least a 3.0 GPA in the first semester of graduate coursework at KU.



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO APPLY

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Certificate applications are accepted and considered on a rolling basis.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring all materials arrive by the appropriate deadline.

MA Deadlines:

•Summer 2024: May 1 •Fall 2024: August 1

APPLICATION MATERIALS

The following materials may be required, consult individual program for details:

- Online Admissions Application
- Application Fee
- Proof of English Proficiency
- Copy of Official Transcript(s)
- Statement of Purpose
- Letters of Recommendation (MA only)
- Writing Sample (MA only)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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