FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

SAGA Days

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The Student Affairs Graduate Association (SAGA) and the SAGA Days Committee are excited to welcome you to the Florida International University community! Applicants to FIU’s Master of Science in Higher Education Administration program are encouraged to participate in SAGA Days from February 25 - 27, 2018.

These visitation days will provide applicants with an opportunity to interview for graduate assistantships in Student Affairs and other related areas, tour our campuses, meet current students, faculty, and staff, and learn more about the academic program. As this year’s SAGA Days Committee, we are responsible for planning the interview days and ensuring you have a wonderful FIU experience! We look forward to meeting you in February!

SAGA Days Committee: Bethany, Bianca, Corey, Relandria, & Naeema
DEAR SAGA DAYS PARTICIPANTS

On behalf of the Faculty in Higher Education and the Division of Student Affairs, we are pleased you have decided to pursue the opportunity of a graduate degree at Florida International University. Our Master of Science in Higher Education Administration prepares graduates to serve in a variety of roles at colleges and universities and related institutions. The academic program operates as a partnership with FIU's Division of Student Affairs and integrates class work with an assistantship and practicums for a total learning experience. FIU is a diverse institution and a prototype for the universities of the 21st century.

We have 50 assistantships located in Student Affairs and other student service offices around the University. Our faculty and professionals are highly invested in the professional preparation and success of our graduate students. We believe FIU is a very special place, and so we look forward to having you visit us during SAGA Days.

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TRAVEL GUIDE

Hotel

The Comfort Inn Suites Miami (3901 SW 117th Ave, Miami, FL 33175) is the recommended hotel for all SAGA Days participants. It is your responsibility to make and pay for all lodging accommodations. If you want to save on rooming costs, please reach out to other attendees on the FIU SAGA Days 2018 Facebook Group. Don’t forget to ask about the FIU discount when reserving your room!

Transportation

SAGA will provide transportation to and from the MIA and FLL airports to participants flying in on Sunday, February 25th and departing on Tuesday, February 27th. Flights coming into Ft. Lauderdale International Airport must arrive no later than 12:30 pm. Pick up will be at 1:00 pm. Flights coming into Miami International Airport must arrive no later than 1:30 pm. Pick up will be at 2:00 pm. Flights leaving on Tuesday, February 27th should leave no earlier than 4:30 pm. Once your travel itinerary is confirmed, please share the details with the SAGA Days Committee at SAGAdays@gmail.com

Packing List

- Two Business Attire Outfits
- Business Casual Outfit
- Casual Outfit
- Sweater/Jacket
- Umbrella
- Thank You Cards
- Mints/Gum
- Notebook/Padfolio
- Cough Drops
- Business Cards
SCHEDULE
A more detailed schedule will be emailed to those who have registered for SAGA Days.

Sunday
Feb. 25th MMC
Check In
Welcome
Meet Your SAGA Buddy
Important Updates
Welcome Reception
Graduate Roundtable

Monday
Feb. 26th BBC
Breakfast
Higher Education Program Talk
Campus Tours
Lunch
Interviews
Dinner & Off-Campus Social

Tuesday
Feb. 27th MMC
Breakfast
Interviews
Campus Tours
Lunch
Closing Session
The purpose of the SAGA Buddy program is to allow each candidate an opportunity to have one-on-one interaction with a current student in the Higher Education Administration program. Shortly before SAGA Days, your SAGA Buddy will contact you to offer support and encouragement! You are encouraged to ask them questions about Miami, the program, SAGA Days, departments you may be interviewing with, or anything else you are curious about.

During your time on campus, your SAGA buddy can help you network and introduce you to professional staff or other graduate students that you may be interviewing with. Expect your SAGA Buddy to be contacting you about a week before you arrive in Miami and Florida International University!
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the program is done only in the Fall semester. The admissions deadline for the Fall semester is February 1st. There is no Spring and Summer semester admission to the program.

Applicants will need
- A baccalaureate degree and an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 in the last 60 credit hours of upper-division undergraduate study
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
  - Personal statement
  - Resume
- Work experience in higher education such as four-year institution, community college, or student affairs areas is preferred but not required

The application is available online. Letters and any other supporting documents may be uploaded directly to the FIU Graduate School's website (gradschool.fiu.edu) or may be sent to FIU Graduate Admissions Office, 11200 SW 8th Street, PC 230, Miami, FL 33199

Note: The GRE is not a requirement for admission into the M.S. in Higher Education Administration program

Contact Us

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
36 CREDIT HOURS

Professional Studies
(9 credit hours)
- EDF 5481 Analysis & Application of Educational Research
- EDH 6045 College Student Development Theory
Choose one of the following...
- EDF 6608 Social, Philosophical and Historical Foundations of Education
- EDF 6636 Intercultural Studies: A Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis

Required Courses
(15 credit hours)
- EDH 6633 Introduction to Higher Education Administration
- EDH 6634 Organization & Administration of Student Affairs
- EDH 6943 Practicum in Higher Education
- EDH 6404 Legal Issues in Higher Education Administration
Choose one of the following...
- EDH 6047 College Student Life and Culture
- EDH 6055 Access and Choice in US Higher Education

Electives
(12 credit hours)
Students will select a set of electives to meet their educational and professional interests. Selection of electives can include a concentration in a particular area of higher education as well as provide a breadth of knowledge about the field. Electives are designed to allow students to choose a path of study that reflects their immediate career goals, while maintaining program coherence. There are opportunities for electives at the student's discretion, as long as they are graduate level courses (5000 level or above).

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

The Master of Science in Higher Education Administration prepares graduate students to serve in a variety of roles at colleges and universities and related institutions. The academic program operates as a partnership with FIU's Division of Student Affairs and integrates classwork with assistantship and practicums for a total learning experience. As a majority-minority institution, FIU is the prototype for universities of the 21st century. Students in the program will have the opportunity to work and study in one of the most diverse higher education environments in the United States.
PRACTICUM EXPERIENCES

A professional degree in university administration should allow for some guided practical experience. The practicum experience allows students the opportunity to earn credit while gaining valuable hands-on experience in a variety of administrative areas. The three-credit practicum experience will include an academic component designed by the Higher Education faculty and the section supervisor.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

The Division of Student Affairs manages a number of graduate assistantships available each year that may be of interest to higher education administration masters students. These assistantships are promoted and placements are coordinated through the Student Affairs Graduate Association (SAGA); therefore, prospective students should visit their website for further information. Most assistantships for the following academic year are filled in March through interviews during SAGA Days. Graduate assistantships provide a tuition waiver, a bi-weekly stipend, and access to insurance coverage.

STUDENT AFFAIRS GRADUATE ASSOCIATION

The Student Affairs Graduate Association (SAGA) is an organization for students in the Higher Education Administration. SAGA’s mission is to foster graduate student education by providing unique learning opportunities that help students grow academically, professionally, and socially. Students will have an opportunity to expand their graduate experience, by serving as executive officers, committee chairs, or committee members for the association.
Modesto A. Madique Campus (MMC)
The majority of SAGA Days is held at MMC in the Graham Center (GC).

Biscayne Bay Campus (BBC)
Part of SAGA Days is held on BBC in the Wolfe University Center (WUC).
We look forward to meeting you!

If you have any questions, contact us at:

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