M.A. in German Studies and Higher Education Administration at Washington University in St. Louis

Dedicated to Training Versatile, Academically-Minded University Administrators

The Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures at Washington University in St. Louis announces a new M.A. program in German Studies and Higher Education Administration (HEA). This innovative program offers qualified students with a strong background in German the opportunity to combine advanced study of German language, literature, and culture with coursework in HEA. In its fusion of discipline-specific postgraduate study with practical career-oriented preparation in a rapidly growing area of higher education, the program enables students to develop new career paths while further developing their knowledge of German language, literature and culture. We seek for this program top students who have completed advanced undergraduate coursework in German and who are looking for creative alternatives to the conventional Ph.D. track in the graduate study of German.

Program Requirements
The M.A. in German Studies and Higher Education Administration requires 24 graduate-level units in German language and culture and 15 units of HEA courses and relevant coursework in psychology, statistics, education, business, social work, non-profit management and other disciplines. Courses will be supplemented by internships with academic and administrative units on the Washington University campus and with other higher education institutions in North America or the German-speaking world. In the final semester of coursework, the student will complete a capstone project.

The German Department at Washington University in St. Louis offers MA students in German Studies and Higher Education Administration the ideal blend of intellectual engagement and professional preparation. We have a strong research-active German faculty with a proven history of university leadership, experience in the areas of undergraduate and graduate education, and a network of national and international relationships. Students also have the opportunity to take coursework in a variety of disciplines related to HEA with renowned Washington University faculty and administrators.

Admission Criteria, Application Procedures and Financial Support
Admission is based on prior academic experience, ability, promise of achievement, and commitment to advanced study. Applicants should possess a B.A. (or equivalent) with German as either a major or minor. Additionally, they should demonstrate advanced proficiency in German, facility with writing in English, and interest in HEA. Candidates will need to submit an application, statement of purpose, writing sample (English or German), three letters of recommendation, transcripts of prior academic work, GRE scores (for domestic applicants only) and TOEFL scores for international applicants who have not studied for at least one year at an English-speaking institution.

Students admitted to the program will receive full tuition remission and a small stipend.

To apply to the program, please go to: german.wustl.edu/graduate/admission.

Deadline for applications: January 1.

For more information about the program, please contact the Director of Graduate Studies, Professor Erin McGlothlin (mcglothlin@wustl.edu).

To german.wustl.edu/graduate
First year (Fall semester)
- 2 graduate-level German courses (6 units)
- 1 proseminar on HEA (3 units)
- 1 designated core course in one of three areas (management/leadership, financial management, legal issues) (3 units)

First year (Spring semester)
- 2 graduate-level German courses (6 units)
- L 12 Educ 4022: Higher Education Administration: History, Research, and Practice (3 units)
- 1 internship

Summer after the first year
- Internship at higher education institution, possibly in Germany or Austria (depending on student interest and objectives)

Second year (Fall semester)
- 2 graduate-level German courses (6 units)
- 1 elective relating to HEA from a designated list (3 units)
- 1 internship

Second year (Spring semester)
- 2 graduate-level German courses (6 units)
- 1 capstone project (3 units)
- 1 internship

(Actual coursework may follow a different schedule)