Welcome to Union Graduate College. We hope that you find the contents of this catalog useful. For additional information please feel free to contact our Student Services Office.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It’s my pleasure to introduce you to the unique programs offered by Union Graduate College. We are a student centered organization located just off of the beautiful Union College campus in Schenectady, New York at 80 Nott Terrace.

Union Graduate College serves full- and part-time students, providing outstanding master’s-level professional degree and certificate programs in education, engineering, computer science, engineering and management systems, business administration, health administration and bioethics.

A Union Graduate College degree is defined by:

**Individual attention to student goals.** Student orientated services are unrivaled in the region. Small classes foster healthy discussions and debates between faculty and students, and support a dynamic case-method approach to learning as well as team projects that strengthen students’ leadership and interpersonal skills.

**Professionalism.** Programs where the mature graduate student is treated with respect as an adult responsible for their own education.

**Real – World Experience.** Internships, capstone and other real world based projects, completed in collaboration with faculty and dynamic schools, hospitals, corporations and organizations, prepare students to take on complex problems and questions, assume responsibility, and become the professionals on which successful organizations rely.

**High Motivation.** We challenge students to work hard, think innovatively, and demonstrate strong self-discipline. Through collaboration and teamwork, students encourage one another and develop the ability to work effectively with others.

**Return on Investment.** Close relationships with leading employers in manufacturing, healthcare, financial services, education, and other fields provide students extensive opportunities to work on real projects and problems with faculty, and to land internships that provide valuable hands-on experience in their fields of interest. Union Graduate College alumni hit the ground running. Job placement and degree completion rates remain high despite the poor economy.

**Graduate-Only Focus.** Rather than serving many student populations, our career and placement office serves only graduate students and the employers who hire students with advanced degrees. The office’s professionals have developed strong relationships with local companies and organizations. They understand the skills and qualifications graduate students need to secure top jobs and internships.
**Responsiveness.** Most faculty have hands-on experience in the areas they teach, and are highly sensitive to important trends and changing employer needs. They are quick to respond with courses and programs that meet the interests of students and the changing demands of the marketplace.

Of course, no catalog can capture the heart and soul of a college: the dedication of our faculty, the camaraderie and collegial relationships of our students, the care and concern of our administrators and staff, and our close working relationships with the professional community are hard to express fully in print.

We invite you to start your exploration of Union Graduate College with our catalog. However, we hope that you will call us or visit the campus to meet my wonderful colleagues and enjoy our environment.

Laura Schweitzer, PhD
President
UNION UNIVERSITY

Union Graduate College as a separate institution is part of Union University, a federation of independent institutions. Other members are Union College, Albany Medical College, Albany Law School, Dudley Observatory, and Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Each has its own governing board and is responsible for its own programs. However, there are several degree programs jointly offered by Union University Schools.

HISTORY OF UNION GRADUATE COLLEGE

The graduate programs of Union University date back to the 1900’s. Bolstered by expanding enrollments in all graduate programs, and the growing regional demand for full- and part-time graduate study, a need for a new professional graduate college was recognized. Union Graduate College, as a separate institution, was formed in 2003 from all of the graduate programs of Union College. In 2009 Union Graduate College moved to its own campus, the Graduate Center on Nott Terrace and Liberty Streets. At the end of 2014 we will celebrate our Decennial: 100 years of Excellence in Graduate Education, Ten years at Union Graduate College.

Union Graduate College consists of three graduate schools and a center: the School of Management including a program in Healthcare Management and an MBA that also qualifies students to sit for the Accountancy Exam, the School of Education with a focus on 4th grade through high school education but also offers masters degrees in the humanities, the School of Engineering and Computer Science with programs in electrical and mechanical engineering and a new focus on energy, and the Center for Bioethics and Clinical Leadership with the only known degree program offering either a focus on clinical or research ethics. Several interdisciplinary degree programs such as in Engineering and Management are also offered.

Union Graduate College believes in providing an educational environment characterized by high faculty-student interaction and small class size, excellent programs with the highest levels of accreditation available and successful student outcomes-both graduation and job placement.

Union Graduate College values its Union College heritage and its pivotal contemporary role in New York’s Capitol Region and beyond.
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MISSION

Mission
To provide professional master’s level programs that equip promising students with the knowledge and competencies employers want and students need to shape successful careers.

Educational Commitment
To deliver student-centered programs, taught by committed teacher-scholars, which prepare graduates who think critically, communicate effectively, demonstrate disciplinary excellence, and are socially and ethically responsible.

Vision
To serve as a model of innovative, professional graduate education, based on strong community partnerships, that offers unique and highly effective programs and that leverage the economic and cultural vibrancy of New York’s Capital Region.

Academic Conduct and Honesty
Well beyond content expertise, Union Graduate College is dedicated to teaching its students the most productive academic approaches, the best professional practices, and the highest ethical standards. We believe these goals will develop graduates who conduct themselves with dignity, who are recognized for their honesty, and who are productive in their respective fields. Academic honesty is one critical component of the college’s purposes and ideals. Academic honesty is observed when persons think critically and independently, when they act with integrity, and when they distinguish clearly between the work done by others and their own work. The faculty demonstrates these qualities in ways appropriate to their own vocational fields. They promote academic honesty in their students and the college supports them with rules for examinations and for citing literature sources, and defines disciplinary consequences. (Refer to the student handbook for more information).
ACADEMIC CALENDAR
2013-2014

MAY 2013
13  Summer Registration Begins for all terms
17  Potential Make-up date for Memorial Day Closure – see your faculty (Friday)
24  Summer Registration ends for Current Students
27  Memorial Day – UGC Closed

JUNE 2013
2   Spring BE On-Site Term starts (ends 6/14)
10-12 Spring term exams
12   Spring classes end (all except BE On-site)
15   Commencement
17   School of Management Summer Term 1 begins (ends 7/25)
     School of Engineering & Computer Science Summer Term begins (ends 8/15)
18   School of Education Summer Term begins (ends 8/9)

JULY 2013
4-5  July 4 & 5 – UGC Closed
8   Bioethics Summer 6-Week Term starts (ends 8/16)
25   School of Management Summer Term 1 ends
20   Bioethics Pro-Seminar On-Site Starts (ends 7/27)
27   Bioethics Pro-Seminar On-Site Ends
29   School of Management Summer Term 2 begins (ends 9/4)
     (Note: SOM may utilize other days to be capable of ending prior to Labor Day)

AUGUST 2013
12-23 Fall Registration (Open House 8/14)
14   School of Education Summer Term Ends
14   OPEN HOUSE – 5:30-7:00 pm
15   School of Engineering/Computer Science Summer Term ends
16   Bioethics Summer 6-Week Term Ends

SEPTEMBER 2013
2    Labor Day Holiday – UGC Closed (Closed Saturday/Sunday/Monday 8-31 to 9/2)
4    School of Management Summer Term 2 ends
11   Fall term classes begin

OCTOBER 2013
28   Winter Registration starts (ends 11/8 for current students)

NOVEMBER 2013
8    Winter Registration ends (for current students)
19   Fall term classes end
20-26 Fall term exams
27   Winter Break Begins
28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday – UGC Closed

DECEMBER 2013
2 School of Education Seminar Term (only) begins
4 OPEN HOUSE – 5:30-7:00 PM
24 Holiday Break begins @ 4:30 pm – UGC Closed (reopens 1/2/14)

JANUARY 2014
1 New Year Holiday – UGC Closed
6 Winter classes begin

FEBRUARY 2014
28 Make up dates for winter term weather closures – please hold open

MARCH 2014
1-2 Make up dates for winter term weather closures – please hold open
3 Spring Registration Begins (ends 3/14 for current students)
13 Winter term classes end/School of Education Seminar Term Ends
14 Spring Registration ends (for current students)
17-20 Winter term exams
21 Spring break begins
26 OPEN HOUSE 5:30-7:00 PM
31 Spring Term begins

APRIL 2014

Student Services Office Hours
During Term: M-Th 8:00 am – 6:30 pm  Summer & Non-Term: M-F 8:00 am – 4:30 pm
Fri 8:00 am – 4:30 pm
Student Access to Building – please refer to website each term.

School/Program Hours
Please contact specific offices for their hours.

School Closing
We participate in the School Closing Network which includes most major local radio and televisions stations and their websites. Decisions regarding GRADUATE classes are generally made by 2:00 pm for late afternoon courses and by 4:00 pm for evening classes. Notice will be posted at www.uniongraduatecollege.edu. There may be instances that only classes starting after a certain hour are cancelled. Delayed opening of offices will be noted on our website. When appropriate the emergency text message system will be utilized.

Religious Observances
Classes will be held; students observing holidays should contact their professors in advance to make up work and/or exams.

Union Graduate College-wide Student Learning Outcomes

1. The graduating student will demonstrate disciplinary competence:
   a. S/he will understand the disciplinary material presented in class.
   b. S/he will be able to interpret critical data, material and concepts in the field of study.

2. The graduating student will demonstrate critical thinking:
   a. S/he will be able to define a problem, decision to be made, and/or issue to be analyzed.
   b. S/he will be able to analyze, synthesize and apply important knowledge and concepts to solve problems.
   c. S/he will be able to propose a solution to a problem and evaluate that solution using appropriate criteria.

3. The graduating student will demonstrate effective communication (oral and written) skills:
   a. S/he will be able to use effective oral communication skills that clearly articulate fundamental concepts and knowledge to relevant audiences in their profession.
   b. S/he will be able to use effective written communication skills that clearly articulate fundamental concepts and knowledge to relevant audiences in their profession.

4. The graduating student will demonstrate social/ethical responsibility:
   a. S/he will be able to articulate the rationales for professional and disciplinary codes of ethics within his/her discipline
   b. S/he will be able to apply professional and disciplinary codes of ethics to professional relationships and situations in order to determine whether a course of action is deemed ethical.
   c. S/he will be able to exhibit decision making behaviors based on ethical principles that promote fairness, equity, respect and trust.
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GENERAL ACADEMIC AND PROGRAM INFORMATION

Union Graduate College is located at 80 Nott Terrace in Schenectady, NY at the corner of Nott Terrace and Liberty Street. The majority of classes are held at the UGC Graduate Center and on the Union Campus.

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT
Questions regarding admission to graduate programs should be directed to Student Services. Faculty members are available by appointment and during posted office hours each term. All students must consult with their academic advisor before enrolling in courses. Your offer of admission letter will assign you an academic advisor. A list of advisors can be found in the Program/Advisor section of the catalog.

Students must seek permission from the faculty member to audio or video record a class.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND COURSE LOAD
Union Graduate College has adopted the Union College trimester system approved by the New York State Department of Education in 1966. It divides the nine-month academic year into three terms of ten weeks each. There are also two summer sessions of five weeks each for the MBA programs, a one-week on-site course for Bioethics and one six- to ten week session for other programs (Education/Engineering-Computer Science/Bioethics). The Academic year starts with the beginning of the summer sessions and concludes with the spring semester. Under this system each full course equates to 3 1/3 semester hours. In converting to minutes each class utilizes between 2000 and 2400 minutes of in-class instruction.

Full-time course load requires a minimum of two full courses per term, totaling six courses during fall, winter and spring terms. A typical trimester course load is three courses per term during fall, winter and spring terms.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
Students may matriculate as either part-time or full-time students depending on their program (see the Admissions Information section of this catalog). Students are considered full-time if they are enrolled in two or more courses per term (fall, winter, and spring). Students must finish their degree requirements within six years of matriculating at Union Graduate College. A grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 is required to maintain good standing and to graduate. See each program below for limit of < 3.0 grades in coursework.
ACCREDITATION AND CHARTER
Union Graduate College is fully accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. It was initially chartered by the New York State Board of Regents and was accredited by the Regents in September 2004.

The MBA program is accredited by AACSB-International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), the world’s leading business school accrediting body. Less than 30 percent of all business programs are AACSB accredited nationwide. Union Graduate College’s program is unique in being one of only 28 AACSB accredited programs that focus solely on graduate degrees. The Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME) and AACSB-International dually accredit the Healthcare Management MBA program. Less than 30 MBA programs in the country are dually accredited by these agencies.

The MAT is accredited by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council. It was the first New York State education program to be accredited by TEAC. It has more National Board Certified instructors than any other school of Education in New York State.

Contact Information for these accrediting bodies is:

Middle States:

AACSB:
http://www.aacsb.edu/accreditation/staff.asp

TEAC:
http://www.teac.org/accreditation/comment-to-members-and-programs/teac-comment-policy/

CAHME:
http://www.cahme.org/Contact.html

NYS:
http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/accred/handbook/directory.htm

Contact information for State Approval Complaint Processes by State:
http://wcet.wiche.edu/advance/state-approval-complaint

COURSE LOAD STATUS: FULL/PART TIME
The Bioethics, Computer Science, Master of Science for Teachers, Engineering and Management Systems, Energy Systems, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, MBA, MBA in Healthcare Management and MS Clinical Leadership in Healthcare Management programs can all be completed either full-time or part-time. The MAT full-time program is a one-year program, which begins in June. The MAT part-time program
can be completed over two calendar years. The Master of Arts in History, Master of Arts in English, and Master of Arts in History and English can be completed in one year of full-time study or longer for part-time study.

Full-time course load requires a minimum of two full courses per term, totaling six courses during fall, winter and spring terms. A typical trimester course load is three courses per term during fall, winter and spring terms.

**GRADUATION/COMMENCEMENT**

Union Graduate College holds one commencement ceremony in June. If program requirements are met, there are two diploma dates- December and June. Degree students who are within two courses of completing their degree requirements may participate in the June commencement ceremony. December graduation requires a October 1 filing date and June graduation requires a February 1 filing date.

**IMMUNIZATIONS**

Students are required to submit immunizations records if they plan to take two or more on-site classes a term, regardless of full or part time status. The immunization form is available at the Admissions/Registrar’s Office, on the student portal, and on the UGC web site. Students may also provide a physician’s written statement as proof of immunization but such documentation must provide all required information and be attached to a signed immunization form. A completed immunization form must be submitted to the Admissions/Registrar’s Office prior to course registration.

Students whose religious beliefs prohibit immunization, or for whom immunizations pose a health risk, will be required to submit a statement in support of their request for a waiver.

All students attending New York State colleges and universities, whose birth date is on or after January 1, 1957, are required to show proof of immunity against measles, mumps, and rubella. A meningococcal meningitis immunization form (signed waiver) and a T.B. screening form are required.

**INTENT TO ENROLL/RESOURCE FEE**

All degreed programs require a response form and a $350 resource fee to secure a place in the class. All certificate programs require a response form and a $150 resource fee to secure their place. LIM (Leadership in Medicine) students pay a $100 fee when complete at Union. Once enrolled, the non-refundable fee is applied to the student’s account. The fee covers guest speakers and lecturers for all programs, lab support, computer resources, library access, student government, student activities, all graduation fees and regalia, diploma, and free transcripts for life. There is no refund if you don’t utilize a service or don’t participate in commencement ceremony.
LEAVE OF ABSENCE - VOLUNTARY
If a student wishes to take a leave from a program they are required to discuss this with their academic advisor or Dean. A letter requesting the leave then is submitted to the Registrar and the Dean of their school indicating the time required. If receiving financial aid please be sure to notify the Financial Aid office also and verify any dates that may affect loan deferments.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - INVOLUNTARY
Union Graduate College may place a student on an involuntary leave of absence when the student exhibits behavior that harms or threatens to harm the health or safety of the student, that harms or threatens to harm the health or safety of others, or that significantly disrupts the educational or other activities of the College or its community. When a student exhibits behavior that causes concern as described above, the matter shall be brought to the attention of the President of the College. Based on the available information, the President will make a decision as to whether to impose an involuntary leave of absence on the student and, if so, the conditions of the leave of absence. The decision of the President will be conveyed to the student in writing as soon as practical after the leave is imposed.

Prior to imposing any involuntary leave of absence on a student, the President will notify the student, if possible, that consideration is being given to placing the student on a leave of absence. When reasonably possible, the student also will be afforded the opportunity to provide information to the President with respect to the matter. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the President in his or her sole discretion believes that there is an imminent risk to the health or safety of the student or to others or to disruption to the College, the President may take immediate action to place a student on an involuntary leave of absence without first notifying the student pending a final determination of the matter.

This involuntary leave of absence policy is independent of and does not preclude the use of any other policy or procedure of the College with respect to discipline or other action taken with respect to the student.

NON-DEGREE STUDENTS
Students who are not planning to work toward a degree must submit the first page of the non-degree application, unofficial college transcripts, and an immunization form (if taking two or more courses per term on-site). Applicants must have a bachelor’s degree with a cumulative grade point average of 2.7 or better. They are required to register during the posted registration periods (listed in the College Calendar section of this catalog) to avoid any penalty. There is a limit of two non-degree classes for the School of Education and three non-degree classes for all other programs. All academic grade policies regarding C’s and F’s apply to non-degree students, see academic standing in this catalog.
NON-MATRICULATED STATUS
All degree programs allow non-matriculated students. This allows qualified students to start course work while completing the application. Students may enroll in graduate courses as non-matriculated students before admission to a graduate program, provided they satisfy the course prerequisites and have a Bachelor’s degree with at least a 2.7 undergraduate grade point average. Applicants with undergraduate GPAs below 2.7 may seek permission from the dean or the school’s admission committee to waive the 2.7 requirement for non-matriculated course work and will require Academic Committee approval for official admission. There is a limit of two non-matriculated courses for the MAT. All other degree programs have a limit of three. Non-matriculated students are required to consult with a graduate program advisor before registration. All non-matriculated students must submit an application for graduate admission, unofficial college transcripts, and an application fee before registering for their first course. Official transcripts and the remainder of application pieces are required prior to an admissions decision.

ON-LINE COURSE- STUDENT VERIFICATION
Student Verification Process: Union Graduate College- Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Distance Education. This is a hybrid program that uses both on-site and on-line instruction, exams and capstones. Prior to acceptance, students are admitted on the basis of official transcripts and letters of recommendations, sometimes supplemented by phone or on-site interviews. Students will secure a UGC photo identification card, a unique identification number, and secure passwords to log into the UGC portal and UGC on-line courses. On-line examinations require passwords for access and are time limited. Exams are secure in the sense that they cannot be printed or minimized (to go to another screen) without the test freezing and becoming invalid. Instructors receive notification of attempts to tamper with on-line examinations. Projects are mentored either on-site or through frequent e-mail exchanges and phone calls. Final practica for skills certification are conducted on-site, as is the capstone course at which students present projects and are examined in a proctored setting to directly observe and verify the acquisition of core skills and knowledge prior to being awarded a degree.

The SOM has the same policies, minus the exam controls, and the additional control that on-line courses have at least one in-person session to directly observe and verify the acquisition of course objectives.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY
Union Graduate College, through its graduate schools and center, offers the following graduate degrees: Master of Business Administration, Master of Science, and Master of Arts.

Master of Science degrees can be earned in secondary education, clinical leadership in health management, bioethics, computer science, electrical or mechanical engineering,
energy systems, and engineering and management systems. The Master of Arts is awarded in Teaching, History, English, and History and English. The Master of Business Administration program offers an MBA and an MBA in Healthcare Management.

Union Graduate College also offers several certificate programs (more information under “Certificate Programs”).

**Degreed Programs:**

**MS Programs**
A minimum of one academic year of course and thesis work is required for the Master of Science degree in most programs. This is equivalent to nine to twelve (depending on program) full courses, which may include a two-course thesis.

- Master of Science in Engineering and Management Systems and Energy Systems require eleven courses.
- Master of Science degrees in Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Computer Science require between nine and ten credit bearing courses. (See program specifics)
- Master of Science for Teachers degree requires a minimum of eleven courses, including master’s level research/thesis work.
- Master of Science in Bioethics degree candidates must pass a capstone course and complete a master’s project, which includes a presentation by the student. Twelve courses are required.
- Master of Science in Health Management requires twelve courses

**MA Program**
The MA degrees offered by the School of Education require the completion of 11 courses. Master’s level research work is a requirement.

**MAT Program**
A minimum of one academic year of course work, an internship and master’s level research work is required. This is equivalent to 16 courses.

**MBA Program**
The MBA degrees offered by the School of Management require the completion of twenty courses. Students without professional work experience will be required to do a 400 hour internship.
Certificate Programs
School of Education
Certificate of Advanced Study Programs
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring (5 course program)
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification (4 course program)
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Service Learning (4 course program)

School of Management
The School of Management offers three advanced certificates:
- Healthcare Management
- Human Resource Management
- Management and Leadership

These are six-course programs, and four of the courses may be applied toward an MBA. For MBA students wishing to get a certificate, up to four (4) applicable courses from the MBA program can be used for the certificate. This means two additional courses beyond the requirements for the MBA degree will be required for a certificate.

Center for Bioethics and Clinical Leadership
The Center for Bioethics and Clinical Leadership offers three certificates:
- Bioethics with a Specialization in Clinical Ethics
- Bioethics with a Specialization in Health Policy & Law
- Bioethics with a Specialization in Research Ethics

These are four-course programs, and may be applied toward the MS in Bioethics.

EXTENSION PROGRAMS
School of Education
- Middle Childhood Extension (grades 5-6)

This is a two-course extension program which extends a teacher’s licensure to fifth and sixth grade in the discipline of original certification. Focused study of pedagogy, literacy and age-specific learning needs prepare teachers for this extension.

JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS
Accelerated joint degree programs in conjunction with Union College lead to undergraduate degrees in various disciplines and graduate degrees in business, secondary education, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, or computer science areas.
Union College undergraduate students who want to enter combined bachelor’s-master’s degree programs must apply for and be granted admission to Union Graduate College no later than the end of the fall term of their senior year. Students are encouraged to apply as early as the end of their sophomore year for the MBA and Engineering and Computer Science programs. The MAT program requires students to apply after the start of their eighth term and before the conclusion of their tenth term. A cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (3.25 for MAT program) is expected for most programs.

Acceptance into a program may enable students to apply up to three 500-level graduate courses for credit in fulfillment of their undergraduate degree at Union College and their graduate degree at Union Graduate College, depending upon their program of study.

Other College Joint Programs
Union Graduate College also offers opportunities for joint degrees with SUNY Albany, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and the following Union University institutions: Albany Medical College, Albany Law School, and Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. For specific degrees/programs offered, see the “Degrees / Certificates Offered” chart shown previously in this section.

THESIS REQUIREMENTS
A UGC thesis is a two-course thesis and is generally completed over two terms. At the conclusion of the first term a grade of pass or fail is awarded. A grade of “Pass” will not be calculated in the cumulative index; a grade of “Fail” however, will count as a failing grade. After completion of the second part, a final grade is assigned. When the thesis is complete a grade is submitted and that grade will carry double credit. Fully satisfying the thesis requirement, requires more than grade submission. To fully meet the thesis requirement, you must also present (defend) your thesis, electronically file your thesis, and submit the required cover page with original signatures. Please contact the Registrar’s office for the requirements and mechanics for a UGC thesis. There are strict deadlines for completion of a thesis that have an impact on a student’s graduation.

TRANSFER CREDIT/COURSE WAIVERS
With the approval of the program advisor and/or transfer review committee, graduate work completed on a satisfactory level (minimum grade of “B-”) at other institutions may be counted toward a Graduate College degree if it contributes to the completion of degree requirements. Credits transfer in, but grades do not. Waivers refer to selected required (“core”) courses. Transfers refer only to graduate courses taken at another institution that have not been used as part of a degree at that institution. Transfers do not have to correspond to a specific course at the College, but must be relevant to the degree program. Course catalog descriptions and syllabi, when available and if deemed necessary, are evaluated for stated or implied learning objectives to determine equivalency to the core content of UGC courses for waivers or for relevancy to the degree program for transfers. Courses may also transfer internally from certificate programs to degree programs. The student may decline any pre-approved waivers/transfers by notifying the Registrar in writing.
Matriculated students are notified at time of admission of pre-approved waivers and transfers. Students who want to appeal this decision and request a further review should submit their request in writing to the Registrar or their academic advisor. Course outlines and descriptions to complete these reviews may be required. The Director will request that review, and notify the student of the results. For information on specific rules, go to that school's program page.
STUDENT SERVICES

ALUMNI OUTREACH (518) 631-9852
Union Graduate College’s Alumni Relations Coordinator, Melissa Guiry, serves as a liaison between the college and its growing alumni network. Alumni are encouraged to attend events, serve as mentors, and assist the Golub Career Center by passing along information about job and internship opportunities for current students and fellow alumni. Alumni are also encouraged to keep UGC informed of news and accomplishments, both personal and professional, by contacting alumni@uniongraduatecollege.edu or visiting our alumni web pages at www.uniongraduatecollege.edu. This information is generally published in our newsletter, Vision.

Union Graduate College alumni from the School of Management, School of Engineering and Computer Science, or Center for Bioethics may return to take two additional courses at a reduced rate of 50% of the current tuition. These courses cannot be used toward another degree or certificate, but would serve as an opportunity for alumni to expand their knowledge base within their field of study.

BOOKSTORE OF UNION COLLEGE
Reamer Campus Center (518) 388-6188
The Union College Bookstore provides Union Graduate students the tools needed to achieve academic excellence. The textbook department now has many books available for rental, as well as a price comparison feature on our website www.bookstore.union.edu to transport shoppers directly to on-line sources when those prices are significantly better (keeping in mind that our titles will always be the correct versions in time for class!). We provide special evening hours for book buyback during finals week to our graduate students to accommodate their busy schedules. We are also an Authorized Apple Campus Reseller for all of your Apple computer needs, not to mention many peripherals and accessories. Our Convenience Store is open until 11:00 pm every day for beverages, snacks and frozen meals, as well as for magazines and general reading books. The staff is always happy to accommodate any special needs required.

CAMPUS SAFETY
Emergencies 911
Non-Emergency Requests: During Business Hours: (518)631-9910
During extended hours: (518)466-0519

GRADUATE CENTER:
The Graduate Center is staffed with Campus Safety Officers during most weekday evenings and partially during the weekends. The purpose is to provide students with a safe environment for studying during extended, non-business hours. Students will have access to the Graduate Center during business hours and extended hours when a Campus
Safety Officer is on duty. Students may be required to show a valid Union Graduate College ID. Union Graduate College ID cards are issued from the Student Services Offices at 80 Nott Terrace. Student access hours are posted on the UGC website each term. ID cards can be issued once a student is registered and are active the first day of class.

UNION COLLEGE CAMPUS:
Union Graduate College offers many classes on the Union College campus. The Campus Safety Office is located at the Inn at College Park and provides safety services for Union Graduate College students while on the Union College campus.

Union College Campus Safety provides a 24-hour, seven-day per week operation. Services include the operation of the control center; vehicular, bike, and foot patrols; preventative patrols; and community patrols. The control center monitors fire alarms and receives emergency calls (911) and requests for service (518-388-6911 or 518-388-6178). Among the many services provided are fire safety inspections and upkeep of life-safety systems and equipment; emergency response to persons in need of assistance for injury or other conflict; crime prevention and investigation; lost and found; student escorts; student access to rooms, and response to problems involving safety and security of students, faculty and staff.

Walking:
The walking escort service is designed to ensure personal safety primarily at night, when students may be walking alone to return to their cars, residence or office. In addition to officer escorts, Campus Safety has a group of students who provide escorts for the campus community. Walking escorts are available by phone and often stationed in the library or college center. Call (518)-388-6386.

The Union College campus business office is open Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm for all non-emergency business, including vehicle registrations, lost and found, and parking tickets. Information regarding campus security and personal safety including topics such as crime prevention, campus safety law enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, crime statistics for the most recent three-year period, and disciplinary procedures is available from the Director of Campus Safety at 807 Union Street, Schenectady, N.Y. 12308.

For further information: http://www.union.edu/PUBLIC/SAFETYU

THE LEWIS AND COLLEEN GOLUB CAREER CENTER  (518) 631-9851
Located on the first floor of the Graduate Center, the Golub Career Center is committed to offering personalized assistance to Union Graduate College students. By actively pursuing opportunities to network and build relationships with alumni and employers, we continue to link with successful professionals in the business community. Services include but are not limited to:
- Critiquing student resumes, cover letters and other job search correspondence;
- Assisting with job and internship search strategies;
- Developing professional career action plans;
- Providing feedback on interviewing and networking skills;
- Negotiating assistance with salary and job offers.

Contact the Coordinator of Career Services, Jane Fleury at fleuryj@uniongraduatecollege.edu.

The Alumni Relations Coordinator Melissa Guiry, is also available to assist students with making alumni connections. To schedule an appointment, contact her at guirym@uniongraduatecollege.edu

In addition, the Golub Career Center provides a wide variety of special programs and events throughout the academic year to help prepare graduate students for their job search.

For more information, visit the Union Graduate College website and click “Golub Career Center”, or contact the Coordinator of Career Services, at careers@uniongraduatecollege.edu

**CLASSROOMS:**

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**Union College Campus:**

- BAIL Bailey Hall
- HUMN Humanities Building
- LIPM Lippman Building
- NWSE NW Wing of Sci & Engrg
- OLIN Olin Building
- STZH Steinmetz Hall
- SWSE SW Wing of Sci & Engrg
- WLDC Peter Irving Wold Building

**Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences Campus**

- OBBR O’Brien Building Board Room
- PCL PCL Classroom

**Off Site Locations**

- AMC MS Albany Medical College Medical Science Building
- MSSM Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- IROQ Iroquois Middle School (off site)
- SCHH Schenectady High School
CLERY ACT:
Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act is the landmark federal law, originally known as the Campus Security Act, which requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. Because the law is tied to participation in federal student financial aid programs, it applies to most public and private institutions of higher education. It is enforced by the U.S. Department of Education. According to this law:

- Schools must publish an annual report disclosing campus security policies and three years worth of selected crime statistics;
- Schools must make timely warnings to the campus community about crimes that pose an ongoing threat to students and employees;
- Each institution with a police or security department must have a public crime log;
- The U.S. Department of Education centrally collects and disseminates the crime statistics;
- Campus victims are assured of certain basic rights; and
- Schools that fail to comply can be fined by the Department of Education.

Note: The UGC public crime log can be found in the Safety Director’s office.

The Campus Safety and Risk Committee will provide upon request all campus crime statistics as reported to the United States Department of Education. The Graduate College, through the Director of Institutional Research who is the campus contact at the Graduate College for such statistics, shall provide hard copy of crime statistics within 10 days of a request. Please visit the following U.S. Department of Education website for campus crime statistics: http://ope.ed.gov/security/

Union Graduate College will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the UGC community, determine the content of an emergency notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will compromise efforts to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

Union Graduate College Community Crime Report for 2012 can be found at: http://www.uniongraduatecollege.edu/pages/currentstudents/campus_security_policy.asp.

Emergency: 911
Union Graduate College Non-Emergency: (518)631-9910
Union College Non-Emergency: (518)388-6911 or (518)388-6178
COMPUTING:

Graduate Center Laboratory
The Graduate Student Computer Laboratory is located on the lower level of the Graduate Center. It includes 8 Windows workstations. Five additional computers are located in student meeting areas. Laser printers are provided for student use. Applications on the lab’s machines include:

- Analysis applications: JMP statistical software and SPSS
- Course-specific applications: Mat lab
- Databases: Access
- Presentation packages: PowerPoint, Visio
- Spreadsheets: Excel
- Word processing: Word
- Audio and Video capture and editing software
- Internet: Internet Explorer, Google Chrome browsers

The Graduate Center is also completely accessible via wireless connection.

Network Infrastructure:
Union Graduate College’s main network connects all computers and phones located in the Graduate Center. Union Graduate College has also established a wireless network in the Graduate Center throughout the building.

Laptop Loaner Program
A laptop loaner program allows students to utilize a Windows laptop anywhere within the building. Up to seven laptops are available to students or faculty and include the same software as workstations in the Computer Laboratory. You can secure one, if available, at Student Services during normal business hours. Laptop loaners are not to leave the building. You can reserve laptops at the Admissions/Student Services office.

On-line Learning:
Union Graduate College strongly believes in the integration of on-line learning technology with traditional learning modalities. A number of our traditional classroom courses use on-line technology to supplement the classroom environment. Our MS in Bioethics is our first hybrid, predominantly online degree program, and contains short on-campus components.

Union Graduate College uses the Moodle Rooms Learning System, a Web-based server software platform that offers industry-leading course management, an open architecture for customization and interoperability, and a scalable design that allows for integration with student information systems and authentication protocols.
COPY CENTER
Union College Reamer Campus Center Room 102 (518) 388-6640
• Hours: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday

The Copy Center offers state of the art high-speed digital printing and photocopying. Services include full color photocopying, scanning, scan to disk, transparencies, carbonless paper, spiral binding, cutting, large format posters and more. All types of digital printing. If you have a special project or needs call us at 518-388-6640.

DINING FACILITIES
Microwaves, coffee brewers and vending machines are available in the Graduate Center. Several restaurants are located within a short walk, including Denny’s next door. Dutch Hollow, located on the Union College campus in the Reamer Campus Center, features fast food and much more. Beverages, pizza, ice cream, submarine sandwiches, and “broiled to order” items are readily available before and after evening classes from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday. Another popular spot is the Rathskeller, opened by students in the 1950s and located in the basement of Old Chapel. Hours are: Tuesday through Friday 11:00 am to 7:30 pm, Friday and Saturday late night – 9:00 pm to 1:00 am. There is a Starbucks in the Wold building Monday – Thursday 7:30 am – 8:00 pm and Friday 7:30 am – 4:00 pm during fall, winter & spring terms. A sushi bar is located at Reamer Center 1st floor Monday – Friday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm. Please see “union.edu” for other dining spots on the Union campus.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS
Students with Disabilities Policy
Union Graduate College is committed to protecting students with disabilities from discrimination in any form and to promoting access to educational opportunities for all of its students. Thus, the Graduate College will provide academic adjustments to qualifying students as required by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

An individual with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation when she or he knows that there is an educational barrier that is preventing her or him, due to a disability, from effectively performing his or her studies. Union Graduate College recommends that an individual requests a reasonable accommodation before his/her performance suffers or conduct problems occur. A “disability” is defined as a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities of an individual, who has a record of such impairment, or is regarded as having such impairment.

Together with the request for accommodation, the student seeking accommodation must submit documentation of disability. The documentation must support the accommodation request by demonstrating by the opinion of a qualified health care provider that the student requesting accommodation has a physical, mental or learning impairment which substantially limits a major life activity and sets forth the nature, manner and duration of
that limitation. This documentation generally must be within the last 24 months. The College reserves the right to require further evaluation.

This opinion of the qualified health care provider must reflect the student's present level of functioning of his/her major life activity affected by the disability. The opinion of the qualified health care provider must also provide detailed data that support the requests for any reasonable accommodation.

Applicants or students must pay the cost of obtaining the professional opinion of the qualified health care provider. The Graduate College has the discretion to require supplemental assessment of a disability. If the Graduate College requires an additional assessment for purposes of obtaining a second professional opinion, then the College shall bear any cost not covered by any third party.

While a student can request a particular type of accommodation, it is the College that determines how to meet a particular need. Therefore, alternative accommodations may be provided which are more cost effective or efficient than those requested by the student seeking accommodation.

An applicant or student must request a reasonable accommodation by contacting the Graduate College Registrar. Academic adjustments will be provided to the extent that the modification does not fundamentally alter the nature of a service, program or activity or would result in undue financial or administrative burdens. Written notification of the Graduate College’s decision will be mailed to the student. The decision can be appealed within ten days by submitting a written request to the President. The President's decision will be communicated to the student. There will be no further appeal.

Each term, the Registrar will communicate via letter to the student’s teaching faculty & academic adviser what accommodations are approved. It is then the student’s responsibility to contact the faculty to discuss.

HEALTH INSURANCE - STUDENT
Student Services
(518) 631-9831
All full-time students are required to have health insurance. Annually all full-time students are required to go to www.gallagherkoster.com and click on Student Access and select Union Graduate College from the drop down menu. Students will either enroll or waive insurance coverage prior to their first term of study and each year following that (annually). Information may be obtained at www.uniongraduatecollege.edu. Students, who have a current health insurance, including Medicaid, should process the waiver request on-line.

If students change their course load from part-time to full-time they are required to file a change of load/status form with the admissions/registrar office. They also will be required to either enroll or waive out of the health insurance once full-time.
HEALTH SERVICES - STUDENT

LOCAL HOSPITALS

Ellis Hospital: 1101 Nott Street
Schenectady, NY 12308
Emergency Department: (518)-243-4121
Business Office: (518)-243-1500

Ellis Hospital: 600 McClellan Street
McClellan Campus
Schenectady, NY 12304
Emergency Department: (518) 382-2222
Business Office: (518) 243-1500

LOCATIONS FOR IMMUNIZATIONS:

Ellis Health Center 624 McClellan St.
Open: M-F 7am-4pm
Phone Number: (518)-382-2260
Immunization charges: MMR and PPD prices vary (Must call ahead of time)
(Located on the 1st Fl. in Cushing Center at Ellis Health Center (624 McClellan St.)
(Ob-Gyn and Primary care)

Schenectady Free Clinic 600 Franklin St.- Rm 205-must be a Schenectady resident
Schenectady, NY 12305
Open: Monday and Thursday 1pm-5pm, first come; first serve
(only for students without health insurance
Phone Number: (518) 344-7067
(between State and Union Street) (Needs to be a Schenectady County resident)
(For students who do not have insurance)

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:
Please contact The Wellness Corporation at 1-800-326-6142 - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
Help with: Anxiety/Stress/Depression
Anger Management
Drug or Alcohol Abuse
Abusive Relationships
Home Life-School-Work Balance
A classmate with any of these concerns

ID Cards
ID Cards are issued to all members of Union Graduate College Community. This is done to identify you as a member of the community and as proof of your authorization to be on campus and have access to the Graduate Center. You must carry your ID card with you and will be required to produce it upon request by a member of the Campus Safety
Department or other authorized agents of Union College and the Graduate College. Refusal or failure to produce your ID card may result in Student Disciplinary charges.

ID cards may be obtained in the Student Services Office located on the 1st floor, during business hours and after you have registered for courses.

The cost to replace a lost ID card is $25.

**LIBRARIES:**
Union Graduate College has its own online library. Students and faculty may access online databases of information, such as professional journal articles, directly from our website. You can select the Library link in the navigation bar of the website, and then follow links directly into the databases. On campus use does not require a password. To access these databases remotely, use the same username that you use for accessing our online coursework software interface, Joule, and your password, which is your UGC ID number.

Both print and electronic resources of Union College’s Schaffer Library are available to you from Union’s campus. You can access all of Schaffer Library’s online databases by visiting the Library.

UGC students and faculty may borrow books (and other media) directly from Schaffer as follows:

- You obtain a Direct Access Program card from J. James Mancuso, the Director of Library Services (mancusoj@uniongraduatecollege.edu)
- Bring the DAP card to Schaffer Library, along with your UGC ID
- The circulation staff will register you as a borrower.
- You will then be able to borrow items directly from Schaffer Library.

Union College’s Schaffer Library
Hours: 8 am - 2 am, Monday – Thursday
       8 am - 10 pm, Friday
       10 am - 10 pm, Saturday
       10 am - 2 pm, Sunday
(Special hours posted for examination and vacation periods.)

**School of Education Library**
The School of Education’s Curriculum Library (located in the basement of The Graduate Center) is a non-circulating collection of books, magazines, articles, textbooks, and other professional materials that have been purchased and/or donated to the education program. The School of Education has accumulated substantial holdings on current and historical topics central to teachers, schools, and teaching in each of the disciplines. National Board Certification Support Groups use the library as an educator’s professional library.
PARKING POLICY/TRAFFIC REGULATIONS/VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Students may park in the Graduate Center parking lot during business and extended hours. No long-term parking is permitted. Students do not need a parking permit for the Graduate Center lot however they may be asked to present a valid Union Graduate College ID. If you must leave your car overnight, please email Bill Carhide at carhidew@uniongraduatecollege.edu.

While parking on the Union College campus, Union College parking rules are enforced. The parking policy and traffic regulations apply to anyone who has a car on the Union campus. This includes students, faculty, staff and visitors. Parking decals are required, please see Vehicle Registration annually. The number of parking spaces on the campus is not sufficient to accommodate a vehicle for every student and employee (while there are generally enough parking spaces to accommodate the number of registered cars at any given time, it is not possible for everyone to park right next to the place where he/she works or attends classes.) This policy is designed to manage the available spaces as well as to maintain open areas for traffic flow and safety purposes.

All roadways on campus are considered fire lanes to ensure that emergency vehicles have access to all buildings and residence halls. No parking is allowed in fire lanes. The campus speed limit is 15 miles per hour on all campus roadways and in parking lots. Violators will be ticketed. Reckless driving or driving under the influence will most likely result in immediate suspension of privileges pending the adjudication of Conduct Charges. For a complete list of regulations governing parking and driving on campus, including possible sanctions for violations, you may consult the Campus Safety Website: http://www.union.edu/PUBLIC/SAFETY/PoliciesAndRegulations.html or go to the Campus Safety Office for a hard copy, which you will receive when you register your vehicle.

Vehicle Registration – Union Campus:
To register on the Union Campus (required if you utilize their parking while attending courses held on the campus):
- Go to Campus Safety at The Inn (near corner of Nott and Erie)
- Complete Vehicle Registration form
- Bring copy of car registration
- Bring driver’s license
- Pay $15 annual fee (check to Union College or Cash)

STUDENT SERVICES – Admissions & Registrar
Erin Wheeler, Director of Admissions & Student Recruitment (518) 631-9850
Rhonda Sheehan, Registrar and Director of Academic Affairs (518) 631-9835
Student Services handles all matters dealing with admissions, registration, class schedules, grades, academic records, graduation, international student services, disability accommodations/academic adjustments, commencement, veteran’s affairs, and certification of attendance or eligibility in such areas as veterans’ benefits, government loan deferment, insurance, and other policy issues. Student Services is located on the first floor of the Graduate Center.
ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Office Hours:
During Term: Summer & Non-Term:
M-Th 8:00 am – 6:30 pm M-F 8:00 am – 4:30 pm
Fri 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

Union Graduate College’s Student Services office has a friendly and helpful staff waiting to assist students through the application process. We welcome applications for both full- and part-time applicants. The office, which is located on the first floor of the Graduate Center, oversees all admissions, registration, disability accommodation requests and graduation processes.

CONTACT INFORMATION
Erin Wheeler (518) 631-9850
Director of Admissions and Student Recruitment

Diane Trzaskos (518) 631-9837
Coordinator of Admissions

Admissions (518) 631-9831

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION
Evidence of intellectual achievement, motivation, and aptitude are required for admission to graduate programs. All students must have or be a candidate for an undergraduate degree from an accredited college before applying for graduate admissions status. ACPHS students must submit a transcript as evidence of candidacy for the Pharmacy Doctorate program at ACPHS. ACPHS does not award an undergraduate degree to PharmD candidates. A grade point average of “B” (3.0 cumulative index) or better in previous undergraduate and graduate work is expected for admission. The Admission Committee attempts to meet the desire of the Board of Trustees for broad geographic and socioeconomic distribution in the student body. We also accept students who will broaden the range of backgrounds and lifestyles within the College community. All admission decisions are final. For GPA’s <2.7, please refer to the Academic Committee Section of this catalog.

APPLICATION – FILING DATES
Accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year:
• Master of Arts in Teaching (Part-time)
• Master of Arts (History, English or History/English)
• Master of Science for Teachers
• Master of Science in Computer Science
• Master of Science in Electrical Engineering
• Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering
• Master of Science in Engineering & Management Systems
• Master of Science in Energy Systems
• Master of Business Administration
• Master of Business Administration in Healthcare Management
• Master of Science in Clinical Leadership
• Joint MBA/MS programs with Albany Law School
• Joint MBA/MS programs with Albany College of Pharmacy
• Joint MD/MBA with Albany Medical College
• Certificate Programs (Exception: Current MBA students interested in a certificate must submit a completed certificate program application, along with the $75 application fee, prior to the first week of their last term prior to expected graduation)

March 1st Recommended Filing Date:
• Master of Arts for Teaching (Full-time only)

June 1st Recommended Filing Date:
• MS Bioethics

Union College Combined Degree – Required to file an application by 10th term (fall Senior Year)*:
• BS-BA/MAT (as early as 8th term)
• BS/MS School of Engineering/Computer Science with Union College (as early as end of sophomore year)
• Accelerated BS-BA/MBA (as early as end of sophomore year)

*Separate applications and admission decisions to each school are required.

APPLICATION MATERIALS REQUIRED
1. Application first page
2. Application fee of $75*
3. All official college transcripts
4. Letters of recommendation**;
   • School of Management & School of Engineering/Computer Science require two
   • Bioethics requires three letters of recommendation
   • School of Education requires three; two of the letters must be academic)
5. Testing (see testing section below in this section)
6. Essay (see program application on web for essay instructions)
7. Resume - requested
8. Interviews (required for the MAT and MST programs and strongly recommended for all other programs)
9. International students require a full course-by-course grade/degree evaluation
completed by a recognized professional evaluator, such as World Education Services (WES) and a TOEFL or IELTS official result. See “International Applicants” for further information.

10. All joint program students are required to submit a copy of their admission’s letter from the other college if they have not started that joint program.

*The application fee is waived for Union Graduate College alumni, Union College current students and applicants to the Engineering and Computer Science programs through the Engineering Consortium (BPMI, KAPL, General Electric, Benet Labs and Plug Power).

**Albany Law School JD/MBA and Albany Medical College MD/MBA applicants are not required to submit recommendations, however the UGC Admissions Committee reserves the right to request them if additional information is needed to make an admissions decision.

After a completed application is received, applicants are notified within 4 weeks of a decision.

Once submitted, all application materials become the property of Union Graduate College and are not returnable.

Note: Applying to an MBA after certificate require
- GMAT
- Application & fee

Applying to an MBA after MS
- GMAT or petition to waive
- Application & fee
- Updated transcripts

Application first page: Prospective students can submit an application via the web at uniongraduatecollege.edu. The application can also be downloaded in print format from our website www.uniongraduatecollege.edu. Students can also speak to an admissions representative by calling (518) 631-9831.

Application Fee: $75 for all certificate and degree-seeking applicants. Union College current students and those applying to the Engineering and Computer Science programs through the Engineering Consortium (BPMI, KAPL, General Electric, Benet Labs and Plug Power) may waive the application fee. Non-degree students are not required to pay an application fee.

School Transcripts: All programs require official college transcripts from all institutions from which college credit has been earned (even if such credits have been transferred into another institution/degree). An official transcript indicating your undergrad degree award is required.
**Recommendations:** Two letters of recommendation are required for the School of Management and the School of Engineering and Computer Science. Three recommendations are required for the School of Education and the Center for Bioethics. Within the School of Management the MD/MBA and the JD/MBA applicants do not require the letter of recommendations but they may be requested. The School of Education program requires that two of the letters be academic faculty familiar with the student’s academic ability. The preferred format is UGC’s official form available on the website or at admissions offices. A letter format, not utilizing official form, may be accepted in some cases.

**Testing:** The MBA programs require the GMAT or GRE exam (see more information below). The Bioethics, MS Degrees in Clinical Leadership, and MAT programs may request a standardized test if the applicant is below a 3.0 GPA. All other programs do not require entrance exams.

**Admission without GMAT:** For students who have not taken the GMAT with at least a 3.0 GPA in their undergraduate studies or at least 5 years of relevant professional experience may indicate that they wish to be considered for the “No-GMAT” path to admission. If the Admissions Committee approves the request, the Committee will designate three courses for the student to take. The classes will typically be traditional beginning required classes, will not duplicate the applicant’s prior educational course work, and will allow an assessment of both quantitative and qualitative abilities. If the student completes the three courses with at least a B+ average and with no grades below a B-, the student will be automatically admitted. If not, the Admissions Committee will review the application at that point and either make a final decision or request that the student complete the GMAT.

**Essay:** Required by all programs. Instructions for required essays can be found on the back of the specific program application located on website.

**Resume:** Submission of a current resume is requested for all degree programs and certificates.

**Interviews:** Required by the MAT, MA and MST programs and recommended for all other programs.

**Additional MAT Applicant Requirements:**
Applicants to the MAT program must have completed the equivalent of at least 30 semester hours in the liberal arts major area (English, foreign language, mathematics, science, social sciences, technology) in which they seek certification.

Additionally, MAT applicants will need to complete the following prerequisites:
- A course in Educational Psychology or its equivalent
- One year of a college-level foreign language or its equivalent
- Two weeks of structured field experiences and the journals associated with them (one in a high-needs district)
International Applicants
The TOEFL or IELTS is required for all programs unless the applicant has studied in an English-speaking university for a minimum of two years. The Admissions Committee may request a telephone interview. It is recommended that international applicants currently studying or living outside the United States who require an I-20 or DS-2019 submit their applications five months prior to the first term they plan to start their studies. A complete course-by-course Grade/Degree Evaluation of all transcripts must be completed by a recognized professional evaluator, such as World Education Services (WES) prior to admission.

Note: A Program may waive the professional evaluation of international transcripts if both items below are applicable:
- The applicant has completed an additional degree at a US institution, and
- They do not require the international transcript to apply waivers, transfers or waivers with replacement.

Note: If admitted, financials will be required for verification and issuance of DS-2019 or I-20. UGC documents are sent via Federal Express at the expense of the student.

APPLYING FOR SECOND PROGRAM OF STUDY

Students interested in completing both a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) and a Master of Arts in either English (MAE), History (MAH) or History and English (MAE/H) may do so using the following guidelines:

Applying for an MAT after the completion of an MA in English, MA in History or MA in English and History:
Students who are about to complete or have recently completed an MA in English, MA in History, or MA in English and History may apply for an MAT. The Dean of the School of Education may agree to waive up to four courses in the MAT degree based on the student’s academic performance in the MA in English, MA in History, or MA in English and History. In this case, because the degrees are not pursued concurrently, students will be required to pay the school resource and application fee for the second degree.

Applying for an MA in English, MA in History or MA in English and History after the completion of an MAT:
Students who are about to complete or have recently completed the MAT degree may apply for an MA in English, MA in History, or MA in English and History. The Dean of the School of Education may agree to waive up to four courses in the second master’s degree based on the student’s academic performance in the MAT. In this case, because the degrees are not pursued concurrently, students will be required to pay the school resource and application fee for the second degree.

Applying for two master’s degree programs concurrently:
Students wishing to work toward the completion of two master’s degrees concurrently (for example, the MAT and an MA in English) may do so with approval and close monitoring from their advisor. The Dean of the School of Education may agree to waive up to four courses in one of the degrees based on the student’s academic performance. In this case, because the degrees are pursued concurrently, the school resource and application fee will be charged only once.

Applying for MBA or MS during/after completion of one of the Management Certificate Programs: Students enrolled in a Certificate Program may apply to the MBA/MBA in Healthcare Management or MS program during or after completion of the certificate program. If the student is accepted into an MBA program, up to four of the certificate courses taken may be transferable to the MBA program. Courses must be within the last five years with a grade of B- or better.

Students seeking an MBA or MS after the start or completion of their certificate program may not take additional non-matriculated courses. The GMAT must be completed before course work towards an MBA is started.

Applying to a Management Certificate program while in one of the MBA Programs: For MBA students wishing to earn a Management Certificate, up to four applicable courses from the MBA program can be used for the Certificate. This means that two additional courses beyond the requirements for the MBA degree will be required for the Management Certificate. Note: Students may not take additional non-matriculated courses.

Applying to a Management Certificate Program after completion of an MBA: For MBA alumni wishing to earn a Management Certificate, up to four applicable courses from the MBA program can be used for the Certificate. This means that a minimum of two additional courses beyond the requirements for the MBA degree will be required for the Management Certificate. Courses must be within the past five years and the grades must be a B- or better.

Applying for an MBA before or after completion of an MS degree: Students may apply to an MBA program during or after completion of an MS degree program. MBA courses taken at UGC as part of the MS degree may be used to waive (core) required courses in the MBA program or to transfer into the MBA program as electives. These courses do not count toward the 12 course minimum required of all MBA students. Students must still meet the MBA program distributional requirements for electives; electives taken at UGC and transferred in may be used to satisfy these requirements. Courses must have been completed within the last five years with a grade of B- or better.

Applying to the MS in Bioethics program while in one of the BE Certificates: Students who are currently enrolled in one of the Bioethics certificate programs may change their program to the MS program. Students are required to complete at least
eight more courses in that specialization. Grades used towards the MS degree must be a B- or better. There is a program change form to complete and no application fee.

Applying to the MS in Bioethics program after one of the BE Certificates:
Students who have completed one of the Bioethics certificate programs may apply to the MS program. Students are required to complete eight more courses in that specialization. Grades used towards the MS degree must be a B- or better.

Applying to a BE Certificate program after the MS in Bioethics Program:
Students who have completed the MS in Bioethics program may apply to one of the Bioethics certificate programs. Students are required to complete at least three more courses. Grades used for the Certificate must be a B- or better.

Students who are currently enrolled in the MS in Bioethics program may not apply to one of the Bioethics certificate programs until they are finished with their MS degree.

Requirements for obtaining a second MBA
Students who received one of the School of Management’s MBA degrees may take the additional courses to obtain an additional MBA degree, assuming original course work to be used for waivers fits within the new degree requirements. In order for courses to count toward the new MBA, the previous MBA must have been completed within the past five years and the student must have received a grade of at least a “B-” in each course used.

Typical requirements for an MBA in Healthcare Management, after having completed an MBA, are the two Health core courses, seven advanced Health courses and three electives not previously taken.

Typical requirements for an MBA, after having completed an MBA in Healthcare Management, are four MBA core courses and eight advanced non-health MBA courses not previously taken.

Materials and Fees for 2nd Program of Study:
Unless otherwise noted:
- First page of the application
- Application fee of $75
- Resource fee (waived if doing concurrently, but defaults to higher fee)

DEFERMENT
Students may request a deferment of their admission for one year. The request is required in writing to the Director of Admissions and the Dean of the school you are planning to attend. Extensions beyond the one year deferment must be submitted in writing to the appropriate admissions committee through the Director of Admissions.

TESTING
Either the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) or the (GRE) is required for applicants to the MBA programs. Joint applicants from Union College or Siena College for the MBA program may waive the testing requirement if their undergraduate grade point average is equal to or higher than a 3.4 cumulative average. For other colleges where we have articulation agreements, the testing requirement is not required for students with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above. Students with advanced degrees may request consideration for a testing requirement waiver by writing to the Director of Admissions. The GMAT or GRE is required for School of Management scholarship opportunities.

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GRE Codes 2920

Joint applicants from Albany Law School may waive the GMAT if they submit their LSAT (such applicants should have a copy of LSATs and Albany Law School transcripts sent by ALS to Union Graduate College).

Joint MS in Clinical Leadership or MBA with Albany College of Pharmacy applicants must submit the GMAT, MCAT or PCAT for admissions. ACPHS students with a 3.2 GPA may waive the testing requirement.

**Admission without GMAT**: Any student with at least a 3.0 GPA in their undergraduate studies or at least 5 years of relevant professional experience may indicate that they wish to be considered for the “No-GMAT” path to admission. If the Admissions Committee approves the request, the Committee will designate three courses for the student to take. The classes will typically be traditional beginning required classes, will not duplicate the applicant’s prior educational course work, and will allow an assessment of both quantitative and qualitative abilities. If the student completes the three courses with at least a B+ average and with no grades below a B-, the student will be automatically admitted. If not, the Admissions Committee will review the application at that point and either make a final decision or request that the student complete the GMAT.

The GRE may be requested by the MAT program in specific instances.

The Bioethics admissions committee may also request a standardized test.

All other programs do not require entrance exams.
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

PRIOR TO REGISTRATION
(Your study plan/advisement is NOT your registration – you must still register)

- Study Plan/Advisement Required prior to Registration:
  - Schools of Management: You must have a completed study plan with your advisor. Your study plan secures your seat in a class, but this is NOT your registration. You must still register.
  - School of Education: You must have a completed study plan with your advisor/department prior to registration.
  - School of Engineering: Must contact Dean Kozik for course approval (Engineering and /or MBA Courses require approval) prior to registration.
  - Center for Bioethics and LIM Students: Contact Ann Nolte for course approval prior to registration if your plan has changed since last review.

- Financial balance cleared: If you have a financial balance you will have to clear that before registering. It will stop you from registering.

- Holds cleared: Holds such as financial, immunization, undergrad, etc. will block you from on-line registration and hold a paper registration. You can find these holds on your student portal.

WAYS TO REGISTER

- ON-LINE REGISTRATION - Matriculated and Union LIM joint program students
  - Go to MYUGC student portal and follow instructions to reserve your courses.
  - Your “reserved” seat will be forwarded to the Registrar for verification with your study plan/advisors approval (where applicable) and you will receive an email confirmation that it is “successful”. At that time your course status of “reserved” will change to “registered.”
  - If there is a problem with your registration request, you will receive an email communication that it was “unsuccessful” and that you need to address the issue with your advisor. Once complete, please send confirmation email to Chian Chang – at change@uniongraduatecollege.edu.
  - You can print your schedule from the portal, which will include your text book requirements.

- PAPER REGISTRATION – Non-matriculated, Non-degree, Conditional Admits, Union undergrads and Probationary admits.
  And those who wish to continue paper registration, please use one of these methods on paper:
  - Register in person at the Graduate Center 80 Nott Terrace (open 8-6:30 Mon-Thurs; Fri 8-4:30 till end of spring term)
  - Mail registration forms to: Union Graduate College, 80 Nott Terrace, Schenectady, NY 12308
  - FAX your registration to 518.631.9901
  - Scan/email to both fisherj@uniongraduatecollege.edu and sheehanr@uniongraduatecollege.edu
You will receive a confirmation copy in the mail within one week after registration period.

For Union undergrads wishing to take graduate-level courses:
- **Non-degree students** are limited to two courses (cumulative) with undergraduate and graduate advisor approval. Non-degree application and unofficial Union transcript is required.
- **Admitted joint program students** may take up to three (cumulative) with undergraduate and graduate advisor approval and must utilize paper registration until complete at Union and are full-time graduate students. Admission decision required prior to 3rd course.
- **LIM students** – may utilize the on-line registration Juniors and Seniors only.
- **Registration forms** – special ones are available at either Registrar’s office.

**Audit Information**
- Written permission of the instructor is required.
- Laboratory courses and independent studies may not be audited.
- Please note: Courses registered as audit cannot be changed back to credit after the start of classes.
- Audit fee is 50% cost of course.
- Registration is required and student is required to notify Student Services it is an audit.

Note:
- Some classes have restricted enrollment – please register early.
- The college retains the right to cancel a course if enrollment is insufficient. The students are notified via email.

Registration dates are listed in the Academic Calendar section of this catalog, on the course listings each term and on the web site. Information regarding registrations is emailed to current students and applicants for the upcoming term approximately two weeks prior to the start of registration. Current students registering after the registration period is closed may incur a late fee penalty.

**SECTION NUMBERS**
Course numbers may contain an extension number or section number (example: MBA-500-51 – the “51” indicates type/location of course).

00  No charge course: internship, lab, Engineering Project
01  Union College offering (undergrad)
21  Off-Site Locations
31  UGC Course taken @ ACPHS Campus
41  UGC Course taken @ Graduate Center
51  UGC Course taken @ Union Campus
61  On-Line Course (≥ 90% or more on-line)
71  Hybrid (blended on-line/on-site) (<90% in class)
81  Cross listed course with Union College/UGC
91  Independent Study
LATE REGISTRATION FEE
Additional fee will be assessed to late registrations (first time registrants are exempt).

A non-refundable late registration fee of $75 is posted to student accounts for all registrations of current students received after posted registration period.

PAYMENT FOR COURSE/S
Payment: Payment can be made in person by check or credit card, by phone if paying by credit card, or at your student portal. Union Graduate College accepts Visa and Master Card.

Payment in full is due the first week of the term unless:
- You are receiving loans and have completed paperwork for pre-approved loans which are posted week two.
- Receiving pre-approved company billing
- Bioethics on-site course tuition is due one week prior to the start of the on-site course

ADD/DROP
Add-Drop period is the first two weeks during fall, winter & spring terms and the first week during summer term. If you have already submitted a registration form or an online registration for a specific term and want to make changes you can:
- Use a paper form – add/drop. Submit it to the Graduate Center
- On-line – if you have access to on-line registration you can follow the same steps for registration.

You can secure a paper add/drop form at your student portal or on the UGC website. Withdrawing or dropping a course may result in penalties – see “Withdrawal Fees”.

AUDITING OF COURSES
Students may audit courses for one-half the tuition charged for a credit course. Audits require appropriate course prerequisites and you obtain written permission from the instructor. Laboratory courses and independent studies are not open to auditors. Audit status is indicated by a “Z” on the student’s transcript and is not calculated in the student’s cumulative average.

Students who wish to change from credit to audit may do so by notifying Student Services in writing prior to the end of the sixth week of classes. No tuition refunds are
available for changes from credit to audit. Once classes have started you cannot switch from audit to credit bearing.
COSTS

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

TUITION COSTS (per course) – programs within:

- School of Education $2,407
- School of Engineering/Computer Science $3,060
- School of Management & Clinical Leadership $2,950
- Bioethics $2,685

Tuition payment is due first week of class unless otherwise noted.

Full tuition payments and fees are due at Student Services the first week of classes. Tuition for on-site Bioethics courses is due one week prior to the start of the course. Students who do not make payment by then will be charged a late payment fee of $75.00. Tuition for graduate courses is listed above. A schedule of fees for withdrawal from courses is listed in this section.

Please note: If you are taking a course outside your major, the cost is determined by your degree designation, not the course.

All tuition and fees must be paid in full. A student will be placed on delinquent status if they maintain an unpaid tuition and fee balance. Delinquent accounts will be forwarded to the college’s collection agency. Students will receive written notification in advance of any action. The student will be responsible for any and all collection costs, attorney fees, accrued interest, etc. that result from the collection of his/her delinquent tuition and fees.

To withdraw from a course, a student must submit a drop form to Student Services and contact the professor. See “Refund Policy” below. Students may withdraw from a course up until the end of the sixth week of classes. Withdrawal after the sixth week will appear as an “F” on the student transcript. Any student who stops attending a course without written notification to Student Services will also receive an “F” and be charged the entire course amount. Please note: Students will not be permitted to withdraw if there is an outstanding balance on their bill.

LIM Tuition
There is an additional charge for the LIM MBA degree over the undergraduate comprehensive fee that is paid at Union. Students pay for the six additional courses they take at Union Graduate College at the graduate tuition rate in effect during the student’s spring term of their senior year of study and the summer after their senior year.

Tuition Waiver Policy
Students with tuition waivers must pay all fees other than course tuition. Tuition Waivers/Scholarship will be placed on your student account after add/drop periods.
Tuition Discount Programs
- **Senior Citizens**
  Persons over 65 are eligible for a tuition waiver for one course per year on a space-available basis, and with the permission of the instructor.
- **Alumni**
  Union Graduate College alumni from the School of Management, School of Engineering and Computer Science, or the Center for Bioethics may return to take two additional courses at a reduced rate of 50% of the current per course tuition. These courses can be used toward another degree or certificate.

Company Billing
Some companies and government agencies pay their employees’ tuition directly to the College. If your tuition will be paid in this manner, please supply authorizing forms or letters from your employer which must include your company’s contact person and information to Student Services.

Company Reimbursement
Some companies and government agencies pay their employees’ tuition once grades are received. If your tuition will be paid in this manner, please contact Student Accounts at (518) 631-9833 at time of registration.

Master Card and Visa
Tuition and fees may be charged on MasterCard and/or Visa accounts. The authorization section of the registration form must be completed and signed.

FEES:
**Application Fee $75 (Non-refundable):**
The application fee is required of all degree-seeking or certificate applicants, with the following exceptions: Union College current students receive a waiver for this fee to all programs. Students employed as part of the Engineering Consortium (BPMI, KAPL, General Electric, Benet Labs and Plug Power and applying to an engineering degree). There is no application fee for non-degree students.

**Resource Fee/Intent to Enroll (Non-refundable):**
$350 Degreed Programs/$150 certificate programs/$100 LIM students
After accepting an offer of admission all students are required to pay the resource fee and return a response form to the Registrar’s office to secure a place in the class. The fee covers guest speakers and lecturers for all programs, lab support, printing, student government, student activities, all graduation fees and regalia, diploma, and unlimited free transcripts.

  **Note:**
  - Non-degree and Middle School Extension programs do not require a resource fee
If you are taking a degree program and certificate program concurrently, two fees are not required. 
LIM students pay this fee prior to graduation from UGC 
There is no refund if you don’t utilize a service or don’t participate in the commencement ceremony.

**Late Fees - Registration:**
Additional fee will be assessed to late registrations (first time registrants are exempt):
- A non-refundable late registration fee of $75 to all registrations of current students received after posted registration period.

**Late Fees - Tuition Payment:**
Tuition is due by the first week of classes.
- All students paying after this will be assessed a late tuition payment fee of $75 which is non-refundable.

**Fee for Checks Returned To the College: $45**

**Status Continuation: $100**
Graduate students who are degree candidates and are working on their thesis must pay a continuation fee for any term in which they are not formally enrolled in one of the required research and thesis courses. The summer term is not applicable. A status continuation on its own does not constitute an enrollment.

**Other Fees & Penalties:**

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*Items included in your Resource Fee. Note - Paper transcripts included in Resource Fee (Federal Express will require requester to pay all FedEx fees in advance; each electronic transcript will incur a $3 fee).

**December graduation Intent is due October 1st, June Graduation date Intent is due February 1st**
***Due date of 11/15/2013 (December graduation) and 5/30/14 (June graduation). Requirement includes Electronic filing of thesis and signed hard copy of cover sheet submission.

OTHER COSTS:
Books and Supplies
Books and supplies will be approximately $750 per academic year (based on full-time attendance). Once registered, you can secure a schedule, list of required books and book costs at your “My UGC Portal”.

Living Expenses
Students are required to secure their own off-campus housing. The estimated cost of housing is from $500 to $700 per month depending on an individual’s personal choice. The Financial Aid 9-month figure used in cost of attendance is $17,600 annually for 2012-2013.

REFUND POLICY
Refunds are based on the date of the student’s add/drop (required form), complete termination, or official course withdrawal as noted in the “Schedule of Refunds.” Furthermore, refunds are based on the official starting date of the term, not on the student’s actual class attendance. For Summer Term refund policy dates, please refer to the current summer course listing and memo.

Add/Drop (first two weeks of a standard term – form required)
Students may change sections or courses of equal credit without financial penalty. Adding new courses may incur additional tuition liability according to the tuition schedule. Students may add courses the first two weeks of a term (or 1st week during summer), with an advisor’s approval and no additional late fee. Dropped courses are subject to financial obligations as listed in the withdrawal section.

Official Course Withdrawal (form required)
If a student officially withdraws from all of his/her courses before completing at least 60% of the term, his/her financial aid will be recalculated based on the student’s withdraw date. The student’s recalculated aid will be based on the percentage of time he/she completed in the term. The percentage of financial aid eligibility will be directly related to the percentage of the term completed. For example, if a student completed 10% of the term, he/she will be eligible for 10% of his/her financial aid. If he/she completes 30% of the term, he/she will be eligible for 30% of his/her financial aid.

Unofficial Withdrawals
If a student does not formally withdraw from all of his/her courses but stops attending courses before completing 60% of the term, the student is considered unofficially withdrawn from the college and his/her financial aid will be recalculated under Return of
Title IV Aid regulations. In the case of an unofficial withdrawal, the effective date of withdrawal will be the last date of attendance recorded.

**Complete Termination**

Students who drop all registered courses through the last day of the add/drop period (for dates see each terms course listing) they will be eligible to receive the appropriate refund percentage as noted below. If a student is withdrawing from a program a letter to the Registrar and Dean of their school is required.

**Schedule of Refunds**

Requests prior to the start of the term or prior to the second class meeting (after 1st) – refund is 100% of tuition and fees.

Requests prior to the third class meeting (after 2nd) – refund is 75% of the tuition and lab fees.

Requests prior to the fourth class meeting (after 3rd) – refund is 50% of the tuition and lab fees.

After these periods there is no refund.

**Exceptions**

Students who withdraw to enter military service or have a military change of assignment prior to the end of the term are eligible for a 100% refund of the tuition and refundable fees for courses not completed. Documentation of such military services must be provided from the appropriate military official.

**Course Cancellation:**

If the College should elect to cancel a course due to enrollment limits or based on other circumstances any tuition paid for that course will be refunded in full.

**Note: Students earn their financial aid by attending classes.**

Federal Regulations require Union Graduate College to recalculate a student’s financial aid eligibility if the student withdraws from or stops attending his/her class before completing at least 60% of the term. If a student stops attending classes after the college’s refund policy period, the student is liable for all his/her tuition and fees, even if the financial aid eligibility is reduced under the Return of Title IV Aid recalculation.

**GENERAL FINANCIAL OBLIGATION**

Diploma and transcripts will be withheld from a student who has not met all financial obligations to the College. Failure to satisfy all financial obligations will result in the account being sent to an agency for collection; the student will be responsible for all collection costs, attorney fees, accrues interest, etc. that results from the collection of his/her delinquent tuition and fees.
FINANCIAL AID

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS
A Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required for students applying for financial aid (see www.FAFSA.ed.gov). Applicants should contact the Financial Aid office at Union Graduate College at (518-631-9836). Specific program scholarships are listed in this catalog in the Financial Aid Section. Work study is also available to graduate students – applications are available in the financial aid office. Union Graduate College’s 2 year default rate for 2011 is .8%. The 3 year default rate for 2010 is 2.3%.

The Office of Financial Aid of Union Graduate College is located on the first floor of the Graduate Center in Student Services. It is responsible for financial aid services to the students of Union Graduate College. Questions concerning eligibility for state and federal programs should be directed to the Director at (518) 631-9836. Students may qualify for one or more of the programs listed below. Student Services has a Financial Assistant who will process loan disbursements.

TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
This loan is non-need based and available to qualifying matriculated graduate students are eligible. The maximum Federal subsidized and unsubsidized loan limit is $138,000 including undergraduate loans. Students may borrow up to a maximum of $20,500 per academic year if qualified. Interest rate is fixed at 6.8%.

Note: If the loan originally covers a term in which you do not enroll at least half time, the disbursement will not be accepted and will be cancelled by the financial aid office after verifying the student is not enrolled. Students who withdraw from Union Graduate College must visit the Financial Aid Office for exit information regarding their loan. Upon graduation, this information session is required.

Graduate Federal Plus Loans
A federal loan which, historically, was only available to parents is now expanded to include graduate students. It is based on a credit check and is fixed at 7.9%. Please contact the Financial Aid office for more information.

Supplemental Loan Programs
Available to students attending Union Graduate College on a full or part-time basis. Loan approval is based on a review of credit worthiness and ability to repay. Loans are funded through private lenders and financial institutions. Please contact the Financial Aid office for more information.

Refund Disbursements
Once refunds have been posted to the student account and applied to tuition, any remaining funds left will be disbursed in a check to the student. Please allow 1-2 weeks after the end of the add/drop period.

**Federal Work Study**

Students who are interested should secure a form from the Financial Aid office in Student Services on the first floor of the Graduate Center and submit to the financial aid office as early as possible. Student(s) must demonstrate financial need per federal regulations in order to qualify for federal work study. All positions are filled on a first come, first served basis and may require an interview. Students will typically work 10 hours/week for the terms they are approved for.

**Scholarships**

Below is a listing of available scholarships through Union Graduate College. Students interested in these should contact the specific programs for requirements, updates, and availability. Scholarship letters indicate the requirements for maintaining the scholarship. If there are any questions, please contact the Director of Admissions, Erin Wheeler at wheelere@uniongraduatecollege.edu (518) 631-9850.

**Union College Employees:** An eligible employee, who has received the necessary approval, may take up to four (4) courses per academic year, but no more than two (2) per term, without tuition charge. If space is limited in a particular course, preference will be given to full tuition paying students.

**Union College Employee’s Spouse, Domestic Partner, and Dependent Children:** An employee’s spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child is eligible to take up to three (3) course per academic year and may take three (3) of them in one term for credit without tuition charge. This scholarship support is not to be interpreted such that a spouse, domestic partner, or dependent child attending full time will have his or her bill reduced by one-third.

Union College Tuition Exchange courses are scholarships offered to Union College employees, their spouse, domestic partner, and dependent children. Graduate College Admissions and Scholarship rules and procedures apply.

**Graduate College Requirements for Union Employees, Spouses, Domestic Partners and Dependent Children:** The Graduate College requires all students, including those receiving this scholarship, meet their qualifications for admission. In addition, the Graduate College requires that all students who receive scholarships maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.2.

Please note that only degreed programs are eligible for the Union Scholarships. Certificate Programs and non-degree students are not eligible for scholarships.

**School of Education Scholarships**
A limited number of scholarships are available from the program in the form of a Dean’s Scholarship to recognize academic excellence. Other students who qualify based on financial need may receive some assistance in the form of need-based scholarship. Application forms for MAT scholarships are available from the School of Education office, Financial Aid office or at our website.

**The Harriet and Roscoe L. Williams ’30 Endowed Scholarship**
In memory of Harriet and Roscoe L. Williams, whose lives of dedication and service enriched schools and communities in the Dutchess County, Adirondack and Capital District regions of New York State. The Williams family supports scholarship assistance to highly qualified MAT graduate students preparing for careers in classroom teaching and educational administration in New York.

**Clinically Rich Teacher Preparation Pilot Program**
Funded by the New York State Education Department. Open to qualified applicants with a Bachelors or Master’s degree in science or math who wish to pursue teaching in a New York State high needs school (suburban or urban). Recipients will receive a tuition scholarship and living stipend, $40,000 all total, while earning their Master of Arts in Teaching degree at Union Graduate College. Interested candidates should contact the School of Education office for a personal interview.

**School of Engineering and Computer Science Scholarships**
A limited number of one-year and/or partial year tuition scholarships are available for qualified students. Some scholarships are associated with assistantships or completion of a master’s thesis as part of the qualified applicant’s plan of study to complete his/her degree program. Applications are available from the admissions office or at our website, and you should contact the Dean, School of Engineering and Computer Science if interested.

**School of Management Scholarships**

**Full Time Students Merit Based Awards**
Full-time MBA students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships and need not fill out a separate scholarship form. Scholarship is awarded in the form of tuition-free courses. Scholarship is allocated based on a combination of entering GPA and GMAT/GRE score or Joint JD/MBA Student’s LSAT score. UGC budgets a limited amount of scholarship (free courses) annually. Each full-time MBA application is evaluated; however the annual scholarship budget is typically all allocated by August for the start of the academic year. Students will automatically be considered for scholarships in the following academic year. Students who are working full-time should submit a copy of their employee benefits to the Director of Admissions. Students who were not required to take the GMAT/GRE for admission may elect to take the GMAT/GRE in order to qualify for scholarships. If taking the GMAT/GRE after receiving official admission communication – notify the admissions office that you are submitting scores to be considered for scholarship review.
Joint Union College/Union Graduate College accelerated BS/BA/MBA students who wish to qualify for merit scholarships must take the GMAT/GRE regardless of their grade point average at Union College. These scholarships cannot be awarded until the student has completed Union College requirements.

Many of the MBA Scholarship Awards are supported by alumni and donors. Recipients of these named scholarships will be notified.

**Part-time MBA Students**

Students pursuing the MBA on a part-time basis will be considered for merit scholarships based on that portion of their tuition that is not reimbursable by an employer. Tuition waivers will be awarded through August as long as funds are available. Students interested in being considered for part-time financial aid including scholarships must inform the Director of Admissions at (518) 631-9850. Students are required to submit a copy of their employer’s tuition benefits policy with a letter requesting consideration to the Director of Admissions.

**International Students**

International students will be considered for merit-based scholarships on an individual basis.

**German Federation Exchange Program**

Two nine-course scholarships are awarded in conjunction with the German Federation Exchange Program each year.

**Center for Bioethics Scholarships:**

There are a limited number of tuition scholarships. The application for these is on the website. The Scholarship Committee determines the disbursement of these based on need or merit as described on the application. These usually cover a portion of the tuition.

Director’s Scholarship:

The Admission’s Committee evaluates each full time applicant for merit scholarship based on prior academic performance. Merit scholarships are distributed in the form of course tuition waivers and are awarded as long as funds are available.

Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai:

Faculty, Staff & Students of Mount Sinai School of Medicine and affiliated institutions are eligible to apply for the MSSM Scholarship. This covers up to 1/3 of the tuition for all Bioethics courses.

Bioethics Elective Discounts:

Bioethics students who elect to take more electives than are required for their program are eligible to take them for a 50% reduction in tuition.
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS
Union Graduate College welcomes veterans to all of our programs. Students who are eligible to receive educational benefits under the various chapters administered by the V.A. may obtain more information by contacting Student Services at 518-631-9834.

Entitlement will vary depending on the education program.

Students claiming veterans' benefits are required to submit a Veterans Information form at the beginning of each term claiming benefits.

“Regularly attended the classes for those enrolled.”

Students receiving VA benefits must immediately notify the Veteran’s Certifying Official of any course changes (add/drop) during the term.

With the exception of students eligible under Chapter 33, students pay tuition and fees upon registering and subsequently receive benefit checks from the V.A. on a timely basis.

Veterans who leave the Graduate College to perform military service are guaranteed readmission with the same academic status he/she had when last in attendance. The length of absence from the Graduate College cannot exceed five years under most circumstances.

Yellow Ribbon Program
The Graduate College participates in the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program, which is a provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008. More information about this program may be found at: http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/CH33/Yellow_ribbon.htm.

POLICIES AFFECTING FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY

Return of Title IV Aid
Under the Higher Education Amendments of 1998, Federal student aid must be calculated for the students who withdraw from or stop attending all of their courses before completing at least 60% of the term. This calculation is required under the Return of Title IV Aid regulation. Class attendance is monitored throughout the term.

Official Withdrawals
If a student officially withdraws from all of his/her courses before completing at least 60% of the term, his/her financial aid will be recalculated based on the student’s
withdraw date. The student’s recalculated aid will be based on the percentage of time he/she completed in the term. The percentage of financial aid eligibility will be directly related to the percentage of the term completed. For example, if a student completed 10% of the term, he/she will be eligible for 10% of his/her financial aid. If he/she completes 30% of the term, he/she will be eligible for 30% of his/her financial aid.

**Unofficial Withdrawals**

If a student does not formally withdraw from all of his/her courses but stops attending courses before completing 60% of the term, the student is considered unofficially withdrawn from the college and his/her financial aid will be recalculated under Return of Title IV Aid regulations. In the case of an unofficial withdrawal, the effective date of withdrawal will be the last date of attendance recorded.

**TUITION LIABILITY**

If a student officially or unofficially withdraws after the end of the college’s refund period, the student is liable for all of his/her tuition and fees, even if the student’s financial aid is decreased. If the student’s financial aid previously covered his/her bill, but no longer covers it after the Return of Title IV Aid calculation, the student will be expected to pay his/her outstanding tuition and fees. Further, if the student receives a disbursement of financial aid, and the Return of Title IV Aid calculation shows the student was not entitled to the funds, the student will be billed for the funds, and the overpayment information will be forwarded to the U.S. Department of Education.

It will be the student’s responsibility to repay the funds before he/she is eligible to receive any further federal student aid, even if the student attends another college. This overpayment will appear on the student aid report until the overpayment is repaid.
ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Union Graduate College has adopted the trimester system, approved by the New York State Department of Education in 1966. Under this system, each course equates to 3 1/3 semester hours. A full-course load is considered two (2) courses per term or six (6) courses per year. It is expected that students will spend from 2.5 to 3.0 hours outside of class for each hour spent in class. Union Graduate College credit bearing courses are generally worth 3 1/3 credit hours. In converting to minutes each class utilizes between 2000 and 2400 minutes of in-class instruction.

GRADING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Course Numbering System
Union Graduate College uses a course numbering system with two levels. Courses numbered below 500 are prerequisite courses for which no credit is given. Courses numbered 500-699 are graduate level courses.

Academic credit is computed using a system which equates 1 full course to 3 1/3 credit hours. All courses listed in this catalog are full credit courses unless designated otherwise.

Grading
Official grades are in the student Information System- found on your MyUGC portal.
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W-PF Withdrew from Pass/Fail course
P-PF Pass a Pass/Fail course
I-PF Incomplete in a Pass/Fail course
Y-PF Faculty delayed grade in Pass/Fail
Z Audit

A matriculated student who had received a dismissal due to an “F” grade and has appealed and been granted reinstatement may repeat that course they previously failed. Both grades will be listed on the transcript, but ONLY the quality points and the credits attempted and earned from the SECOND course will be factored into their grade point average. Students cannot withdraw from the SECOND course.

All grades are posted on the student portal - under academics > my grades. They are not released over the phone or via email. You can also print an unofficial transcript from the portal.
Grading Guidelines

(A) Exceptional performance: Consistently displays original thinking; good organization; capacity to analyze and synthesize; superior grasp of subject matter with sound critical evaluations; evidence of extensive knowledge base.

(A-) Similar to A, but exhibits occasional gaps in knowledge or critical thinking skills.

(B+) Similar to B but, on occasion, displays superior knowledge or critical thinking skills.

(B) Competent performance: evidence of grasp of subject matter; some evidence of critical capacity and analytic ability; reasonable understanding of relevant issues; evidence of familiarity with the literature.

(B-) Similar to B, but occasionally fails to exhibit average understanding or thinking skills and occasionally fails to produce minimally acceptable work.

(C+) Similar to C, but with more frequent displays of competent knowledge and thinking skills.

(C) Unacceptable performance: Displays a general lack of understanding of the subject matter; frequently fails to develop solutions to simple problems in the material; often produces uninspired work that is faulty and lacking style and rigor. Without compensating higher performance in other classes, such students are generally deemed unfit to graduate.

(F) Lack of competence or willingness to complete work is evident to the point that the student should be immediately declared unfit to graduate.

Incompletes
Incomplete grades will only be assigned in extenuating circumstances. A grade of incomplete may be requested before the submission of grades, but only on the grounds of circumstances beyond the control of the student.

1. The incomplete request must include the student’s signature, the instructor’s signature, and the signed approval of the Dean or Director of the program. The form must be submitted to Student Services.
2. All work must be completed at the end of the following term and a grade turned in to Student Services. If not it will result in an “F” grade.
3. For cases in which it is not possible to complete the work within the deadline because of circumstances beyond the control of the student, a petition for an extension of incomplete may be submitted in writing to the Academic Committee through the Registrar’s office. If approved student must complete by time indicated or grade awarded will be an “F”.
4. For Bioethics courses only offered once per year the incomplete must be completed within one year. If not completed it will result in an “F” grade.

Withdrawal from a Course
1. With the advisor’s signature, and with proper notice (Add/Drop form) to Student Services, a student may withdraw from a course (i.e. with a grade of W) at any time in the first six (6) weeks of a term (or first three during summer). A withdrawal/drop made during the add/drop period will not show on a transcript. (In accordance with federal immigration regulations, international students with an F-1 and J-1 visa, must consult their Foreign Student Advisor/Designated School Official, as well as their academic advisor for approval to withdraw from a course). All students are also responsible to notify the professor of the course.

2. Dropping a course after the sixth (6th) week date will result in a grade of “F”, unless the advisor and the Dean of the graduate school of which the student is a member, agree that there are extraordinary personal circumstances that justify altering this procedure.

3. If proper notice of withdrawal from a course is not given to the Registrar, a grade of “F” will be posted to the record.

Please note: Students will not be permitted to withdraw if there is an outstanding balance on their bill.

Pass/Fail Grades
If a graduate thesis or project is two-part, the first part is graded with a pass/fail grade. After completion of the second part, a final grade is assigned. Non-credit bearing required internships are graded with a pass/fail grade also. A grade of “Pass” will not be calculated in the cumulative index; a grade of “Fail” however, will count as a failing grade. These are the only classes a pass/fail option is available for.

Faculty Initiated Grade Changes
Grades are assessments, as fair and objective as possible, of the student’s work at the end of the term. Fairness demands that all students be held to the same reasonable standards. All instructors are expected to make fair and careful appraisal of each student’s work, and to submit grades to Student Services no later than the due date specified by that office for the final exam period.

Grades, once submitted, come within the protective domain of the College. All grade changes must be made in writing and approved by the Dean/Director of the program. All non-clerical grade changes must also be approved by the Academic Committee.

The Academic Committee will not accept a request without a full explanation supported with detail.

Student Grade Appeal
The Academic Committee will grant a grade change appeal by a student only under extraordinary circumstances, namely when it can be demonstrated that the grade was inequitably awarded. The grade change appeal process is as follows:

1. A student wishing to appeal a grade in a course should do so no later than the end of the second week of the subsequent term.

2. The student should first confer with the faculty member who assigned the grade (if this faculty member is not available then the student should meet directly with the Dean of that program). The student should inform the instructor of concerns and seek to fully understand the grounds and procedures the instructor has used in determining the grade. The aim of this conference is to attempt to reach a mutual understanding about the grade and the process by which it was assigned.

3. If upon meeting with the faculty member as outlined above, the matter is not resolved within two (2) weeks, the student may make a formal written complaint to the Dean/Director of the School in which the class is offered. The Dean/Director shall review the complaint, consult with the faculty member and student, and render a decision within one week. If upon review, the Dean/Director finds sufficient grounds of an inequitable award of the grade to warrant a grade change, he may do so in consultation with the Academic Committee. (See the Student Handbook for more information on the Academic Committee.)

4. If the issue is not yet resolved within a second two (2)-week period, or if the student wishes to appeal the decision of the Dean/Director, the student may submit a written appeal to the Academic Committee. The Academic Committee will consider the student’s letter of appeal, and any other relevant materials provided by the Dean/Director, and make a determination regarding the appeal. The Academic Committee may, in its discretion, meet with the involved parties. In no case will the Academic Committee substitute its judgment on the merits of a student’s work for the bona fide judgment of a faculty member. The decision of the Academic Committee is final. Note: If the student believes he or she has been the victim of harassment or discrimination, the Affirmative Action Policy found in Appendix A of the Student Handbook describes the process by which to file a formal complaint against any member of the Graduate College community.

Note: Official grades are posted in the Student Information System on your MYUGC Portal. Grades in Joule are not official Registrar grades.

**Repeat Policy**
A matriculated student who had received a dismissal due to an “F” grade and has appealed and been granted reinstatement may repeat that course they previously failed. Both grades will be listed on the transcript, but ONLY the quality points and the credits attempted and earned from the SECOND course will be factored into their grade point average. Students cannot withdraw from the SECOND course.
Students may repeat only one course (with approval of the teaching faculty and the dean/director) they have previously passed (with a grade of “C” or better). Both grades will be listed on the transcript. ONLY the quality points and the credits attempted and earned from the SECOND course will be factored into their grade point average. Students cannot WITHDRAW from the second course.

Note: A grade of “C” that is repeated will still count as it relates to the dismissal policy in this catalog. The repeat will not erase it for that policy.

**Internships**

Completion of College-supervised internships is a requirement for graduation in some programs. Entities hosting internships may inquire regarding health history, criminal history or require a criminal background check in order to permit students in their facility, and may deny a students participation in the program because of a felony or misdemeanor conviction, failure of a required drug test or inability to produce an appropriate health clearance which could result in delayed graduation or in the inability to graduate from the program.

**ACADEMIC STANDING**

**Good Academic Standing**

Union Graduate College regards a student as “in good standing” academically if he or she satisfies two conditions: (1) satisfactory progress toward the degree and (2) maintenance of a minimum GPA of 3.0.

**Satisfactory Progress for Full-Time Students**

Satisfactory progress means a sufficient accumulation of course credits toward a degree. In order to achieve the minimum satisfactory academic progress, students must complete six (6) courses per academic year. Students failing to achieve these academic year standards may be placed on academic warning and forfeit their access to Federal Student Aid Funds until minimum standards are met. These minimum standards are in addition to the minimum GPA standards described below.

**Satisfactory Progress for Part-Time Students**

Satisfactory progress means a sufficient accumulation of course credits toward the degree. In order to achieve the minimum satisfactory academic progress, students must complete their degree within six (6) years of matriculation. These minimum standards are in addition to the minimum GPA standards described below.

**Minimum GPA Standards**

A cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 is necessary for graduation. Students with a cumulative or term GPA below 3.0 will be sent an academic warning letter. The student must raise his/her grade average to “B” to petition for graduation. Failure to do so will lead to placement on academic probation and possible termination of graduate status.
While students are studying at the Graduate College towards their degree, a grade of “F” in one course or a grade of “C” or “C+” in two (2) graduate level School of Engineering/Computer Science, Bioethics/Clinical Leadership or School of Education courses or three (3) School of Management MBA program courses may indicate that the student is not of graduate caliber and will be dismissed from their program. For students in a School of Management Certificate program, two grades of C or C+ (or one grade of F) or Students in a Bioethics or Education Certificate program with one grade of C, C+ or F will result in dismissal from the program. Matriculated students may petition for readmission, in writing to the Dean/Director of their program. The Dean/Director will refer the request to the Academic Committee. Please note that a grade of B- is considered substandard performance for a graduate level course.

A student placed on academic warning due to the non-attainment of minimum cumulative GPA standards but permitted to remain at the College, as an enrolled student shall be considered in “good standing” where questions of eligibility for Federal Student Aid Funds are concerned.

The Dean/Directors may review the status of any student in their program whose cumulative GPA or other considerations suggest questions of satisfactory progress toward graduation. If, after such a review, the student’s record is deemed unacceptable by the Dean/Director, they may adopt one of the following actions with the approval of the Academic Committee:

**Academic Warning:** The student may remain in the program, but unless the record improves, the student will be subject to subsequent action.

**Suspension:** When, in the judgment of the Dean/Director, a student’s record makes it inadvisable to continue in the program, he or she may be suspended, normally for not less than two terms.

**Dismissal:** In certain cases, the Dean/Director may dismiss a student.

The Dean/Director needs to notify the Registrar in writing of these decisions including the reasons for the decision within three (3) business days of the decision. The Registrar will then notify the student in writing by certified mail within three (3) business days of receiving the decision to the student’s mailing address.

Appeals of decisions of the Dean/Director should be directed to the Academic Committee in writing within two (2) weeks of receiving the decision. The decision of the Academic Committee will be given in writing to the student in person or by mail to the student’s mailing address no later than five (5) business days after the decision is rendered. The decision of the Academic Committee is final.

**The Academic Committee**
The Academic Committee (AC) is responsible for recommending and applying Union Graduate College policy for the admission and academic performance of students.
The AC reviews applications accepted by the graduate college’s Admissions Committee on which the Grade Point Average (GPA) falls below the 2.7 minimum requirement, and reviews petitions submitted by students with academic considerations. Students who wish to petition the AC with regard to grades, graduate status, or other matters must follow the procedures as listed in the Student Handbook. The AC is also responsible for conducting hearings on matters pertaining to student violations of the Standards of Academic Honesty and the Student Disciplinary Code and making recommendations to the President resulting from the hearings.

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

To qualify for a degree a student must:

1. Complete satisfactorily the requirements in the degree program, including the major field examination and/or thesis, or internship as applicable;
2. Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 overall.

In addition, a student also must have paid all sums due Student Services, must have made satisfactory provision for payment of any other financial obligations assumed while in Union Graduate College, and must have returned all books borrowed from the Library.

Students are solely responsible for assuring that the program presented for graduation fulfills all requirements, both in general and in specialized study. Student Services should be consulted when questions arise about the satisfaction of graduation requirements.

Notice of intent to graduate must be sent to Student Services no later than October 1 for December graduation or February 1 for a June graduation. A late filing fee of $50 will be charged for students not completing the form by the deadlines.

**Waivers of Graduation Requirements**

Request for waivers of graduation requirements must be made in writing to the Graduate College Registrar. The Registrar will present the request to the Academic Committee for consideration. The ruling of the academic Committee is final. The student will be notified in writing by the registrar of the Academic Committee decision within five (5) business days of the rendering of the decision.

**TRANSCRIPTS**

Except in extenuating circumstances official transcripts cannot be sent to students, but will be mailed to other educational institutions, certification boards, employers and prospective employers. This insures the privacy of the student’s academic records. Unofficial transcripts, without the college seal, are available for the student’s personal records and are available for download on the student portal for students who were active
as of 2005 or later. A financial hold on a student account will prevent the release of transcripts. There are no fees for transcripts, but if there is a special service required to deliver the transcript the cost is the students/alumnae’s responsibility. A transcript request form can be found on the college website (www.uniongraduatecollege.edu) go to admissions and the registrar. For questions please call 518-631-9832.

**Paper Transcripts:**
There is no charge for a Union Graduate College Paper Transcript unless special handling is required. Students will be charged for any special delivery modes.

- **Official Paper Transcripts** are sent directly to employers or institutions (requires the paper transcript request form to be completed, signed and submitted) (no fee).

- **Unofficial Paper Transcripts** may be sent to the above as well as the requested (requires the paper transcript form to be completed, signed and submitted – please note “unofficial”) (no fee).

**Submit Form:**
Mail: Transcript Requests
Union Graduate College
80 Nott Terrace
Schenectady, NY  12308

Fax: 518.631.9901

Email(scanned signature): transcripts@uniongraduatecollege.edu

**Electronic Transcripts:**
E-transcripts Union Graduate College has partnered with Parchment to allow alumni and students to request electronic transcript delivery. You can log in at their store front to secure this mode of delivery. (fee is $3/transcript) Website is: https://exchange.parchment.com/send/adds/index.php?main_page=login&s_id=WZlHUnXyztDKpX

**Information helpful when ordering transcripts:**
- Name (specify if name was different when you attended)
- Degree Received (or number of classes/terms attended)
- Approximate dates of attendance
- Current contact information (phone, address, email)

**DIPLOMAS**
Diplomas will not be released to anyone who has not fully completed all degree requirements, has a financial obligation or grades of “I” incomplete and “Y” delayed.
Replacement Diplomas
Diplomas that have been lost, damaged or destroyed can be reordered. The replacement diploma will be an original diploma; the Registrar’s Office does not maintain duplicate copies. Processing of replacement diplomas takes approximately 4 – 6 weeks. The fee for a replacement diploma is $50.00 (payable to Union Graduate College), and must accompany the request for replacement.

To order a replacement diploma, print out the Replacement Diploma Order Form found on the college website (www.uniongraduatecollege.edu). Mail completed form, along with fee, to Union Graduate College / Registrar’s Office, 80 Nott Terrace / Schenectady, NY 12308.
Notification of Rights under FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords eligible students certain rights with respect to their education records. (An “eligible student” under FERPA is a student who is 18 years of age or older or who attends a postsecondary institution.) These rights include:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day Union Graduate College receives a request for access. A student should submit to the Registrar a written request that identifies the record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The Registrar will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the Registrar, the Registrar will advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the student believes is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student’s privacy rights under FERPA.

A student who wishes to ask Union Graduate College to amend a record should write to the Registrar, clearly identify the part of the record the student wants changed, and specify why it should be changed.

If Union Graduate College decides not to amend the record as requested, it will notify the student in writing of the decision and the student’s right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to provide written consent before Union Graduate College discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

Union Graduate College discloses education records without a student’s prior written consent under the FERPA exception for disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by Union Graduate College in an administrative, supervisory, academic, research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person serving on the board of trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee. A school official also may include a volunteer or contractor outside of Union Graduate College who performs an institutional service of function for which Union Graduate College would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of Union Graduate College with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent or a student volunteering to assist another school.
official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities for Union Graduate College.

Upon request, Union Graduate College also discloses education records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Union Graduate College to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

   Family Policy Compliance Office
   U.S. Department of Education
   400 Maryland Avenue, SW
   Washington, DC  20202

In addition, FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from students’ education records, without consent of the student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in §99.31 of the FERPA regulations. Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the student, §99.32 of FERPA regulations requires the institution to record the disclosure. Eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. Union Graduate College may disclose PII from the education records without obtaining prior written consent of the student –

- To other school officials, including teachers, within Union Graduate College whom Union Graduate College has determined to have legitimate educational interests. This includes contractors, consultants, volunteers, or other parties to whom Union Graduate College has outsourced institutional services or functions, provided that the conditions listed in §99.31(a)(1)(i)(B)(1) - (a)(1)(i)(B)(2) are met. (§99.31(a)(1))

- To officials of another school where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student’s enrollment or transfer, subject to the requirements of §99.34. (§99.31(a)(2))

- To authorized representatives of the U. S. Comptroller General, the U. S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as a State postsecondary authority that is responsible for supervising the university’s State-supported education programs. Disclosures under this provision may be made, subject to the requirements of §99.35, in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures of PII to outside entities that are
designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf. (§§99.31(a)(3) and 99.35)

• In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary to determine eligibility for the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid. (§99.31(a)(4))

• To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, Union Graduate College, in order to: (a) develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction. (§99.31(a)(6))

• To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions. (§99.31(a)(7))

• To parents of an eligible student if the student is a dependent for IRS tax purposes. (§99.31(a)(8))

• To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena. (§99.31(a)(9))

• To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency, subject to §99.36. (§99.31(a)(10))

• Information Union Graduate College has designated as “directory information” under §99.37. (§99.31(a)(11)). Union Graduate College has designate the following as director information:

  Name and campus e-mail address;

  City, town or village and state or country of residence;

  Class, anticipated date of graduation, major field of study, including the college, division, department, or program in which the student is enrolled;

  Participation in officially recognized activities and sports;

  The most recent educational institution attended and previous educational institutions attended and dates of graduation therefrom;

  Honors and awards received, including selection to a Dean's list or honorary organization;

  Photographic, video or electronic images of students taken and maintained by Union Graduate College;

  Marital status and spouse's name
• To a victim of an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, subject to the requirements of §99.39. The disclosure may only include the final results of the disciplinary proceeding with respect to that alleged crime or offense, regardless of the finding. (§99.31(a)(13))

• To the general public, the final results of a disciplinary proceeding, subject to the requirements of §99.39, if Union Graduate College determines the student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense and the student has committed a violation of the school’s rules or policies with respect to the allegation made against him or her. (§99.31(a)(14))

• To parents of a student regarding the student’s violation of any Federal, State, or local law, or of any rule or policy of Union Graduate College, governing the use or possession of alcohol or a controlled substance if Union Graduate College determines the student committed a disciplinary violation and the student is under the age of 21. (§99.31(a)(15))

Family Policy Compliance Office
US Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-5920
Phone: 1-800-USA-LEARN
STUDENT DISCIPLINARY CODE, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, NON-DISCRIMINATION AND ACADEMIC HONESTY

A student’s first responsibility is academic honesty. The College assumes that students will not resort to plagiarism, theft and mutilation of library books and periodicals, or any other form of academic dishonesty. Any student found guilty of academic dishonesty will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Additional information is found in the Graduate Student Handbook, which is available at the www.uniongraduatecollege.edu.

All members of Union Graduate College community are bound together by respect for the individual and the collective rights of others. Any student who violates the safety and security of Union Graduate College community is subject to disciplinary action by the College as outlined in the Student Disciplinary Code (See the Graduate Student Handbook). Any member of Union Graduate College community or a guest/visitor may file an incident report against a student with any member of the Academic Committee.

Union Graduate College has a central concern for establishing and maintaining a community in which work and learning proceed in a humane and caring atmosphere for all its members. Sexual harassment is a violation of law and will not be tolerated in any form at Union Graduate College.

Sexual harassment, according to the definition developed by National Organization of Women, is any repeated or unwanted verbal or physical sexual advance, sexually explicit derogatory statements, or sexually discriminatory remarks made by someone in the classroom or workplace which is offensive or which causes the recipient discomfort or humiliation, or which interferes with the recipient’s education or job performance.

Should students feel they have been the victims of any form of the behavior noted above, they may initiate informal discussion or more formal procedures through the Affirmative Action Advisor. The policy in the Graduate Student Handbook regarding sexual harassment outlines appropriate actions students may take. It is distributed to all new students.

Union Graduate College’s policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of age, race, religion, disability, sexual orientation or national origin extends to all areas of College operations including, but not limited to, admissions, student aid, athletics, employment and educational programs.
All student policies and procedures can be found in the Student Handbook on the webpage:  www.uniongraduatecollege.edu
SCHOOLS, PROGRAMS AND WAIVER/TRANSFER POLICIES

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Location: 80 Nott Terrace, Schenectady, NY 12308
Telephone: (518) 631-9870
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Dean: Patrick F. Allen
Associate Deans and Clinical Faculty: Catherine Snyder, Bruce Tulloch

GENERAL INFORMATION

Degrees Offered
- Master of Arts in Teaching
- Master of Science for Teachers of Mathematics and Science
- Master of Arts in English, History and English/History

Certificate of Advanced Study Programs
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification
- Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Service Learning

Extension Program
- Middle Childhood Extension (grades 5-6)

Professional Development Projects with Schools
- National Board Certification Facilitators Support Groups
- Establishing Effective Mentoring Programs in Schools
- National Consortium for Teaching about Asia
- Star Talk Chinese language Teacher Program

Articulation Agreements
The School of Education has articulation agreements with Union College, Hamilton College and Skidmore College whereby students who have graduated from either of these
institutions with a 3.3 GPA or better will be eligible for two course waivers/transfers into the Union Graduate College MAT program.

Mission Statement
The School of Education promotes the art of accomplished teaching and learning. Our graduates know their disciplines and know how to teach their disciplines effectively to a wide range of students. The faculty and students are members of learning communities that promote professional excellence and ethical behavior. Graduates have the ability and skills necessary to lead from the classroom.

Accreditation
TEAC – Teacher Education Accreditation Council

The School of Education programs are accredited by the nationally recognized Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC). The School of Education received the highest rating by TEAC in 2008 with no recommendations for change and a ten year accreditation.

Students may be granted a transfer for any course based on completion of a comparable graduate level course with a grade of B- or better (no fee, grade or registration).

Waiver /Transfer Policy (Degreed programs):

- Waivers/transfer credit for core education courses is rarely granted.
- Waiver/transfer credit for graduate-level courses may be granted following the guidelines below:
  - Student may be granted a waiver for any course based on undergraduate or graduate level courses. These courses may have been taken as part of another degree. Waiver guidelines for individual courses are outlined below. Typically only final grades of B- or better in prior courses are considered for waiver. The student will take the UGC course for content only (no fee, grade or registration). Waivers reduce “official” course load.
  - Students may be granted a transfer for any course based on completion of a comparable graduate level course with a grade of B- or better (no fee, grade or registration). Comparability will be assessed by a review of the course syllabi and learning objectives or based on previous knowledge of the institutional origin and the program at that institution. The course transferred may not have been used to meet the requirement of another degree. Transfers reduce the total courses required.
  - Students may be granted a fee remission for a similar course taken elsewhere, but a requirement to take the course at UGC. The student will register for the UGC course and it will show with grade and credit on our transcript. There is no fee.
  - Students may be granted a waiver with replacement for any course based on coursework and /or experience. Replacements do not reduce the total courses
required. The UGC Academic Committee may mandate a specific replacement course. There is no fee for the replacement and you must register.

- A minimum of 14 courses must be completed at UGC. If course waivers and transfers reduce the number of remaining courses below the minimum, students must take additional electives to reach the required minimum.
- For Union College students, no more than two UGC courses may double count for both graduate and undergraduate degrees.
- Courses taken as undergraduates in excess of this number, may be replaced, but not waived.
- All requests must be submitted by the end of the first term (Fall, Winter, or Spring) during which the student takes a course as a matriculated student. Each request must be submitted on the appropriate form and accompanied, at a minimum, by a copy of the transcript showing the relevant course(s) and a catalog description of the course (an official copy of the transcript must be on file at UGC). Students are encouraged to attach syllabi and other materials that will help the Waiver committee rule on the request(s). In some instances, the Committee may require such materials.
- Prior coursework should typically have been completed within the last five years.
- Matriculated students are expected to take their courses at Union Graduate College. Occasionally, however, situations occur where matriculated students may take qualified courses at another school to be considered for transfer. Such transfers should be reserved for courses unique to the student’s study (career) needs that are not offered at UGC or courses that solve a pressing scheduling problem.
- These courses will require the approval of the Waiver/transfer Committee.

WAIVER GUIDELINES FOR CORE COURSES

Course Minimum Level for Pre-requisite Coursework Required:
Foreign Language: Two undergraduate semesters of a second language study in a college/university, or three years of secondary school second language study with a minimum of a B average.

PSY 246 One undergraduate or graduate course in Educational Psychology, Adolescent Learning/Development, Learning Theory, or the equivalent.

EDS 500A One undergraduate or graduate course or equivalent in field observations at the middle school/junior high school level.

EDS 500B One undergraduate or graduate course or equivalent in field observations at the high school level.

Minimum Requirement for a course waiver/transfer:
EDS 541 One undergraduate or graduate course that includes teaching reading to adolescents.

EDS 544 One undergraduate or graduate course in writing literacy.
One graduate course in the field of certification.

A student who has completed a master’s or PhD in the field of certification may apply for a third waiver course in the field of certification. The appeal must be approved by the Academic Committee.

DEGREES

The Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT)
The objectives of the Master of Arts in Teaching program are to provide students with advanced teaching skills and classroom experience in order to develop reflective teaching practices and the ability to connect with teaching. This is done under the guidance of master teachers and leads to New York State Initial Certification in the discipline studied.

The MAT degree is designed for individuals who have completed a baccalaureate degree in a liberal arts discipline and who would like to teach subjects such as biology, chemistry, Chinese, earth science, English, French, German, Greek, Latin, mathematics, physics, social studies or Spanish in secondary schools or technology at the K-12 level. This program provides the pedagogical course work and experience necessary for New York State Initial certification, grades 7-12. It also provides the opportunity to extend and deepen knowledge in the subject area of certification and the Master’s degree necessary for professional certification.

Admission to the MAT
Applicants to the program must have completed a BS or BA from an accredited institution with the equivalent of at least 30 semester hours (9 courses at Union College) in the liberal arts major area (English, language, mathematics, science, social sciences see page 65 for disciplines) in which they will seek certification. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 in undergraduate or previous graduate work is normally expected in this discipline, and overall. An interview, an essay, and at least three letters of recommendation are required, two of which must be academic. Evidence of intellectual achievement, motivation, and aptitude are necessary for admission.

Union College undergraduates are also eligible for a BA/MAT or BS/MAT combined degree program (see below). Students may begin the combined degree program during any term, but must complete the intensive summer program prior to the beginning of their internship. Students expecting to begin the program in the summer must submit application materials no later than March 1 of the preceding spring. Students who plan to complete the course work and internship over a two- or three-year period may apply at any time in the academic year, but they must apply no later than March 1 of the year in which they intend to enroll in the special, intensive summer program. Interested students must see a program advisor before registering and may register for only two elective courses before matriculation. In addition to the admission requirements above, students are expected, before the special summer program, to have completed: 1) an undergraduate educational psychology course or the equivalent competency examination, and 2) two weeks of structured field experiences as defined in School of Education.
Program literature. All students must complete one year of a second language study at the college level or its equivalent before the college can recommend certification.

**MAT Program Requirements**

The MAT program requires at least 16 courses: 10-13 in pedagogy and 3-5 in the subject area for which certification is sought. Prerequisites are PSY-246 (Educational Psychology), one year of a college level second language study or its equivalent, and EDS 500 A, B, C (two weeks of structured field experiences). Pre-requisites must be completed before a student enrolls in the intensive summer program, not necessarily before the student is accepted into the program. Core requirements are: EDS 540 (Psychology of Teaching), EDS 540L (Psychology of Teaching Laboratory); one of the EDS 511-516 courses (Curriculum and Methods of Teaching English, languages, mathematics, sciences, social studies or technology); EDS 541 (Essential Reading Literacy), EDS 544 (Writing in the Content Classroom); EDS 550A (Seminar on Special Needs Populations), 550B (Seminar on Discipline Assessment and Motivation) and 550C (Seminar on Teacher as Change Agent). The program requires a one-year teaching internship (EDS 551, 552, 553); Master’s research (either a two-term thesis in the discipline (598-99), or a one-term classroom-based project (580), plus three to five electives. Students who plan to complete the course-work over a two- or three-year period may apply at any time in the academic year, but they must apply no later than March 1 of the year in which they intend to enroll in the special intensive summer program.

**The Teaching Internship**

Most MAT candidates will complete a half-day, year-long internship in a secondary school, taking full responsibility for at least two classes. Students will be interviewed at the site(s) where they expect to intern. Entrance into the internship portion of the program is contingent upon completion of Psychology of Teaching; Essential Reading Literacy and the appropriate Curriculum and Methods course with minimum grades of “B.”

**Master’s Research and Thesis**

The thesis generally comprises two of the 3-5 courses in the discipline. For students attempting to complete the program in one calendar year, the thesis is generally undertaken in the fall and winter terms. The thesis advisor is normally a faculty member in an academic discipline directly related to the student’s area of certification. The thesis and all the required paperwork must be on file in the Registrar’s Office two weeks prior to graduation. See catalog section “Thesis Requirements” for further information.

**The MAT Project**

In lieu of a thesis, students may enroll in XXX 580 (XXX determined by discipline), which involves carrying out classroom-based research in an academic discipline and related pedagogy. Students who write an MAT Project normally undertake it during the winter term. Opting to complete a project usually means enrolling in one more elective course in the discipline than those who undertake an MAT Thesis.

**Instructional Technology Literacy**
Each student in the MAT program is expected to leave the program with a greater degree of computer and instructional technology literacy than the degree of literacy with which s/he entered. Students are expected to include as an elective at least one of the following: CST 565, 570 or 571, or demonstrate competence in those areas. These courses will emphasize tools in use in the secondary curriculum and classroom such as interactive white boards, student response systems, digital microscopes, projectors, document cameras and all software applications and lesson plan materials related to such. Specific attention will also be given to the vast resources available to teachers in educational settings with regards to library databases, video streaming and other online content.

**Elective Course Work**

Students in the MAT program are normally required to take at least four elective courses in their academic discipline selected with the approval of their advisor. If the student chooses to undertake an MAT Project in lieu of an MAT Thesis, then the student must select an additional elective for a total of four graduate electives related to the area of certification. Courses are offered in the late afternoons and evenings during the academic year. With the approval of an advisor, up to two graduate-level courses may be transferred into the MAT.

**Post-Graduate Teaching Core**

For some individuals already holding an advanced degree in a discipline related to their prospective teaching area, it may be unnecessary to complete the entire MAT degree program in order to qualify for initial certification. Selected students will be accepted into the Post-Graduate Degree Teaching CORE. The CORE consists of 12 graduate courses in pedagogy including a year-long internship (counting for 3 of the 12 courses). A full-time, nine-week summer term is required. Students who complete only the CORE are not normally recommended for certification by the School of Education program. Each CORE student must apply for certification on her/his own. That means each CORE student must meet the letter of New York State certification standards as defined by the Office of Teaching Initiatives.

**BA or BS/MAT Combined Degree Program**

Although all Union College undergraduate students who meet the School of Education’s entrance requirements are eligible to become MAT students, to be eligible for the combined undergraduate/graduate degree program a student must be a Union undergraduate and must normally have a grade point average of at least 3.25 or above. Students must apply to the program no earlier than their 8th term and no later than the end of their 10th term. Students will complete the usual requirements for the baccalaureate degree, including PSY 246 (Educational Psychology) and the non-credit structured field experiences (EDS 500A and EDS 500B). In the summer prior to their last year (in most cases between the senior year and their graduate year), students will complete the graduate nine-week summer term of EDS 540 (Psychology of Teaching), EDS 540L (Psychology of Teaching Lab), the appropriate Curriculum and Methods course EDS 511-516, and EDS 541 (Essential Reading Literacy). They will take EDS 550A, B, C concurrently with the year-long teaching internship. In addition to the
education courses required for certification, combined degree students must enroll in either a two-term thesis in the discipline or a one-term master’s degree project. Students who undertake a thesis must enroll in one additional elective; students who undertake a project must enroll in two additional electives. For undergraduate and graduate work, students in the combined degree program will complete a minimum of 50 courses, allowing them to apply two of their courses to both the undergraduate and graduate degrees.

**New York State Certification**
Those students seeking New York State Certification through Union Graduate College should apply online at [http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert) (The New York State Education Department, Office of Teaching Initiative’s TEACH website). Each student should apply online in June of the year they graduate after the date of graduation. Application is for a state-approved program Initial Certification in their area of certification. Transcripts and all necessary verification are submitted and/or matched online. Students must have completed the MAT program, been fingerprinted, completed SAVE and Drug Abuse/Child Abuse training, passed all four of the NYS certification examinations (TPA, EAS, ALST, and CST) in order for the program to recommend certification. Payment is made by credit card online. Instruction in the online application will be provided for graduating students by the MAT faculty. Although each MAT graduate is seeking Initial New York State certification, the MAT and the MST provide students with the required master’s degree necessary for Professional Certification. A teacher may apply for Professional Certification after s/he has completed three years of full-time teaching and has completed the master’s degree necessary for Professional Certification.

**Outline of MAT Program**

**Prerequisites:** Educational Psychology or equivalent, EDS 500A, EDS 500B (non-credit, two weeks), or equivalent; one year of a college level second language study or its equivalent.

**Summer Session:** A nine-week intensive summer session is required of all students immediately prior to their internship comprised of EDS 540, EDS 540L, and EDS 511-516 (depending on major), and EDS 541.

**Typical MAT Full-time Program, One Year**
Summer: EDS 511-516, EDS 540 (internship), EDS 540L, EDS 541

Fall: EDS 550A, EDS 551 (internship), XXX 598 (Thesis) or EDS 544, Elective

Winter: EDS 550B, EDS 552 (internship), XXX 599 (Thesis) or XXX 580 (MAT Project), Elective

Spring: EDS 550C, EDS 553, EDS 500C, Elective
The Master of Arts in English, the Master of Arts in History and the Master of Arts in History and English

The objectives of the Master of Arts in English, Master of Arts in History and the Master of Arts in English and History programs are to improve students’ core content knowledge (English and History), especially for teachers in grades 7-12 and for professionals seeking graduate level academic education.

Union Graduate College is proud of its long history of providing strong academic development in the disciplines and producing graduates who are known for their exceptional academic strength and superb preparation to teach. Our newest degree programs, the Master of Arts in English, Master of Arts in History, and the Master of Arts in English and History, expand our reputation for quality academic and teacher preparation.

This degree is also an attractive option for:

- Teachers who have attained Initial Certification in a bachelor’s program and who need a master’s degree to attain Professional Certification,
- Teachers seeking professional development in academic content in order to meet the 175 hour professional development mandate,
- Individuals seeking a master’s degree in an academic discipline for professional reasons (such as private school teaching, library work, museum personnel, and research work),
- Individuals who intend to pursue doctoral study and are seeking further preparation for that degree.

At Union Graduate College, students will gain more than an advanced degree. They will learn a wider range of teaching methods to engage their students and breathe new life into their English and History curriculum. Those seeking non-teaching professional work will achieve much greater depth of knowledge in their discipline.

Program Requirements

The MA in English, MA in History, or the MA in English and History is awarded upon the completion of eleven courses (36.63 credits). At least six of the courses for English or History, or eight of the courses (for English and History) need to be in an academic subject area (English, History, or English and History), although all 11 courses may be in one or both discipline areas. Beyond the six to eight courses in the discipline, each student may complete up to three to five courses in electives related to teaching, such as a higher education certificate in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring or Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification, a Middle Childhood Extension, or electives such as Literacy, Assessment, or Special Needs Populations.
Normally the degree can be completed on a part-time basis over a 2-3 year time span for those students working full-time. The program can also be completed on a full-time basis in one calendar year.

Students must consult an academic advisor in planning their program of study and should matriculate no later than the end of their second course. One or two graduate level courses from other institutions may be transferred into the program, as determined by a Union Graduate College faculty advisor.

**MA in English Program Content:**

**Core:**
- EGL 581 Criticism
- EGL 580 or EGL 598/599 MA Project or Thesis
- EGL 510 Writing and Teaching: A Process Approach
- EGL 523 The American Short Story
- EGL 524 Modern American Fiction
- EGL 565 Reading Shakespeare
- EGL 582 The Civil War Era, Interdisciplinary Approaches
- EGL 595 Reading Poetry
- EGL 596 Reading American Fictions

**Electives:** Students work with academic advisors to select up to five electives from the Master of Arts in Teaching Program, the Certificates of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring or Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification, a Middle Childhood Extension, or elective courses such as Literacy, Assessment, or Special Needs Populations.

**MA in History Program Content**

**Core:**
- HST 580 or HST 598/599 MA Project or Thesis
- HST 589 Comparative Social Studies
- HST 510 Comparative Global History
- HST 511 The Writing and Ratification of the Constitution
- HST 582 The Civil War Era, Interdisciplinary Approaches
- HST 584 Personality in History
- HST 558 The Holocaust
- HST 596 The Presidency

**Electives:** Students work with academic advisors to select up to five electives from the Master of Arts in Teaching Program, the Certificates of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring or Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification, a Middle Childhood Extension, or elective courses such as Literacy, Assessment, or Special Needs Populations.

**Master’s Research and Thesis**

Each student undertakes a capstone research project in their academic discipline or interdisciplinary concentration by completing either a two-term thesis supervised by an academic faculty member or a one-term MA Project consisting of classroom-based
research in an academic discipline related pedagogy. The thesis advisor is normally a faculty member in the academic discipline.

**Admission to the MA in English, MA in History or MA in English and History**

The School of Education admits students on a rolling basis throughout the year. Admission to these degree programs is based on evidence of intellectual achievement, motivation, and aptitude for the profession. All teaching students must possess or be a candidate for an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university before applying for graduate admissions status.

A grade of B (3.0 cumulative index) or better in previous undergraduate and graduate work is generally expected for admission.

- A minimum of 30 units in the field of certification.

The program is generally designed for those students who have completed the course work for Initial Teaching Certification, grades 7-12, although some students who already hold Initial Certification choose to complete the program to achieve the master's degree necessary for Professional Certification before they teach full-time. The program is also appropriate for those professionals who need in-depth graduate study in the academic disciplines of English, history, or English and history.

**Combined Master’s Degree Program:**

**Applying for an MAT during or after the completion of an MA in English, MA in History, or MA in English and History:**
Students about to complete an MA in English, MA in History, or MA in English and History may apply for an MAT. The Dean of the School of Education may agree to waive up to four courses in the MAT degree based on the student’s academic performance in the MA in English, MA in History, or MA in English and History.

**Applying for an MA in English, MA in History or MA in English and History during or after the completion of an MAT:**
Students about to complete the MAT degree may apply for an additional master’s degree. The Dean of the School of Education may agree to waive up to four courses in the second master’s degree based on the student’s academic performance in the MAT.

**The Master of Science for Teachers**
The objectives of the Master of Science for Teachers of Mathematics and Science program are to enhance already certified teachers competence and skills in the classroom, and expand their ability to teach their subject at different grade levels in mathematics and science.
This graduate program is designed for individuals who already hold initial certification with the State of New York and wish to gain the Master’s degree necessary for professional certification. The program offers courses in topics of contemporary importance in the life sciences, physical sciences, mathematics, and computer fields. Courses are designed to provide information in specific subject areas and their integration into the classroom. The program enables teachers to develop further competence in their present teaching assignments, to move from one subject area or teaching level to another, or to meet additional certification requirements. A different selection of courses is offered each academic year.

Program Requirements
The Master of Science for Teacher’s degree in science or mathematics is awarded for the completion of eleven courses (36.63 credits). Normally, six courses are taken in one of three general subject areas: Life Science (biology, geology, chemistry), the Physical Sciences (chemistry, geology, physics), or the Mathematics/Computer field. Students interested in the degree must consult an academic advisor in planning their program of study and should matriculate no later than the end of their second course. One or two graduate level courses from other institutions may be transferred into the program, as determined by a faculty advisor.

Admission to the Program
Applicants to the program must have completed a BA or a BS from an accredited institution. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 in undergraduate and/or previous graduate work is normally expected. An interview, an essay, and at least three references are required, two of which must be academic. Evidence of intellectual achievement, motivation, and aptitude are necessary for admission. Students may complete the degree on a part-time or full-time basis and may apply at any time during the year.

Master’s Research and Thesis
The thesis generally comprises two of the courses in the discipline area of concentration. The thesis advisor is normally a faculty member in the academic discipline. If a student does not complete a thesis, s/he must complete master’s level research by completing a Master’s Project.

The MS for Teachers Project
In lieu of a thesis, students may enroll in ___ 580, which involves carrying out classroom-based research in an academic discipline and related pedagogy. Students who write an MS for Teachers Project normally complete it during the winter term with a School of Education faculty member. Electing to complete a project usually means completing one more required elective in the discipline than those who complete an MS for Teachers thesis.

Elective Course Work
MS for Teachers students are normally required to take five elective courses beyond the six courses required in their discipline area selected with the approval of an advisor. Graduate courses in the subject area of certification and in education-related subjects are
offered in the late afternoons and evenings of the academic year. With the approval of an advisor up to two graduate-level elective courses may be accepted in transfer.

**Technology Literacy**
Each student in the MS for Teachers program is expected to leave the program with a greater degree of computer/technology literacy than the degree of literacy with which s/he entered. Students who entered with less than basic computer/technology knowledge are expected to include as an elective at least one of the following: CST 565, 570 or 571, or demonstrate competence in one of those areas.

**CERTIFICATES OF ADVANCED STUDY**

**Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification**
The objectives of the Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification are to provide support toward the achievement of National Board Certification and teach the skills needed to assume leadership roles within their schools and with larger education communities.

**Teacher Leadership and Mentoring**
The objectives of the Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring are to prepare teachers to become highly trained mentors in order to provide schools with the necessary district, building, departmental and individual perspectives necessary to oversee a quality mentoring program.

**Teacher Leadership and Service Learning**
The objectives of the Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Service Learning are to provide teachers with hands-on knowledge of Service Learning as pedagogy and as a philosophy of teaching and learning with the goal of implementing this pedagogy in their professional practice.

**Program Requirements:**
Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring (16.5 credits)*
Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification (13.2 credits)*
Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Service Learning (13.2 credits)*

**Waiver/Transfers Policy for Certificate Programs:**
Students who wish to take a second or third School of Education certificate program may waive the Teacher Leadership Capstone course if taken at Union Graduate College within two years and received a grade of B- or better. Students can also waive the School Law course if they have taken it at Union Graduate College and achieved a B- or better.

**Admissions Requirements:**
Application Materials required:
- Application form
- Application fee of $75
- Official Transcripts
- Upon admission a reply form and $150 resource fee will be due.

Admissions Criteria:
- Initial or Professional Certification, or a Permanent Certificate to teach any level from K-12 in any subject
- Three years of teaching experience (required for the CAS in National Board Certification only)
- Generally a 3.0 in all previous coursework

How to apply:
- Contact Chris Angley at angleyc@uniongraduatecollege.edu or call 518-631-9870 to schedule a faculty interview and for application packet
- Submit official transcripts for all previous coursework
- Submit completed application with the $75 application fee

Cost:
- Application fee of $75
- Tuition for one course is $1000
- Resource fee of $150

Courses required for the Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Mentoring
- EDS 621 Mentoring I: Mentoring Interns and Novice Teachers
- EDS 622 Mentoring II: Advanced Mentoring
- EDS 623 Directing a Mentoring Program
- EDS 624 School Law
- EDS 625 Teacher Leadership

Courses required for the Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and National Board Certification
- EDS 610 Reflective Teaching Practice
- EDS 611 Learning to Teach to the Highest Standards
- EDS 624 School Law
- EDS 625 Teacher Leadership

Courses required for the Certificate of Advanced Study in Teacher Leadership and Service Learning
- EDS 630 Introduction to Service Learning
- EDS 631 Advanced Service Learning
- EDS624 School Law
EDS 625 Teacher Leadership

Course Waivers and Transfers (certificate programs):
- EDS 624 School Law and EDS 625 Teacher Leadership can be double counted between two certificate programs if the programs are completed successively.
- Courses may be applied with advisor approval toward a Master’s degree at Union Graduate College in English, History, English and History, Mathematics, the Sciences, and Technology.

Middle Childhood Extension Program
The objectives of the Middle Childhood Extension program are to develop teachers’ specific literacy and pedagogy knowledge in order to extend a 7-12 certification to the 5th and 6th grade. This program results in New York State Certification for 5th and 6th grade in the discipline to which the teacher is primarily certified.

The Middle Childhood Extension Program authorizes teachers who are certified in Adolescence Education, grades 7-12, to teach in their subject matter in grades 5 and 6. The subject matter areas include biology, chemistry, earth science, English, Chinese, French, German, Greek, Latin, mathematics, physics, social studies and Spanish.

Program Requirements:
Required Classes:
- EDS 570 Middle School Students, Structures, and Standards (3.3 credits)
- EDS 571 Middle Adolescence Literacy (3.3 credits)

Admissions Requirements:
Application Materials required:
- Application form – School of Education (no fee)
- Official Transcripts from latest degree (not required for UGC alumni)

Application Criteria:
- Must hold current, valid NYSED Certification
- Generally a 3.0 in all previous coursework

Cost:
- Tuition for one course is $1100

JOB PLACEMENT STATISTICS
MAT/MST graduates pursuing teaching jobs:

2002 Graduates
Percent placed by September after graduation - 96%

2003 Graduates
Percent placed by September after graduation - 88%

2004 Graduates
Percent placed by September after graduation - 100%

2005 Graduates
Percent placed by September after graduation - 91%

2006 Graduates
Percent placed by September after graduation - 96%

2007 Graduates
Percent placed at six months after graduation - 95%

2008 Graduates
Percent placed at six months after graduation - 93%

2009 Graduates
Percent placed at six months after graduation - 78%

2010 Graduates
Percent placed at six months after graduation - 78%

2011 Graduates
Percent placed at six months after graduation – 77%

2012 Graduates
Percent placed at six months after graduation – 80%
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

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Telephone (518) 631-9881
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Dean of Engineering and Computer Science: Robert J. Kozik
Project Manager, Engineering and Computer Science: Alan Holmes

GENERAL INFORMATION

Degrees Offered
• Master of Science in Computer Science
• Master of Science in Electrical Engineering
• Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering
  Master of Science in Energy Systems
• Master of Science in Engineering and Management Systems

Mission
The School of Engineering and Computer Science focuses on advancing fundamentals and applying the practical professional knowledge required by today’s rapidly changing industries. Students gain from a flexible multi-disciplinary approach that emphasizes the latest technology and is designed to meet their career goals. Recent programmatic changes have introduced emerging energy technologies and increased the integration of business skills to meet the evolving technology/business industry needs.

Transfer Policy:
Students may be granted a transfer for any course (Core or Elective) based on completion of a comparable graduate level course with a grade of B- or better. Comparability will be based on the course catalog (syllabus may be required) and learning objectives. Prior coursework should have been completed within the last five years. The course transferred may not have been used to meet the requirement of another degree. Transfers reduce the total courses required. There is a maximum of two transfers allowed for School of Engineering and Computer Science programs.

Matriculated students are expected to take their courses at Union Graduate College. Occasionally, however, situations occur where matriculated students may take qualified courses at another school and these courses may be considered for transfer. Such transfers should be reserved for courses unique to the student’s study (career) needs that are not offered at UGC or courses that solved a pressing scheduling problem. Transfer of credit for these courses will require prior approval of the program advisor.

Directions:
Supply the information requested for each course you wish to transfer (see UGC – School of Engineering and Computer Science’s policy). Required documentation includes:

- A copy of all relevant transcripts (originals must be on file at UGC)
- At minimum, a catalog description of relevant course(s)
- Relevant course syllabi are highly recommended

Submit completed form to Erin Wheeler, Union Graduate College, 80 Nott Terrace, Schenectady, NY 12308

**Joint Degree and Other Programs:**

**Union College (UC) accelerated joint degree program:**

- **MSME Degree Program** – no more than three UGC courses may double count for graduate and undergraduate degrees
- **MSEE Degree Program** – no more than three UGC courses may double count for graduate and undergraduate degrees.
- **MS Energy Systems Degree Program** – no more than three UGC courses may double count for graduate and undergraduate degrees.

**Siena College cooperative program with Union Graduate College**

This program enables a Siena undergraduate student pursuing a BS in Physics, Environmental Science, Computer Science, or Mathematics to complete a UGC M.S. degree in Electrical Engineering, Energy Systems, or Engineering and Management Systems in one additional year (depending on their course load) after completing their Siena undergraduate degree.

Siena undergraduate students who want to enter this program must apply for and be granted admission to Union Graduate College no later than the end of the fall term of their senior year. Students are encouraged to apply as early as the end of their Sophomore year for these programs to facilitate appropriate undergraduate course selection at Siena and graduate course selection at Union Graduate College. A cumulative grade point average of 3.0 is expected for most programs. Acceptance into a program may enable students to apply up to three Union Graduate College 500-level graduate courses for credit in fulfillment of their undergraduate degree at Siena and their graduate degree at Union Graduate College, depending upon their program of study. Siena students have the option to not matriculate with Union Graduate College; and the graduate courses taken will still apply to their BS degree at Siena.

Students wishing to apply shall complete the application for admission to Union Graduate College, School of Engineering and Computer Science (see application form).

Only students that have met the acceptance criteria can register for Union Graduate College courses (see registration form). Registration requires both Siena and UGC advisor approvals. The UGC course registration and grade for Siena students will be provided by the UGC Registrar to the Siena College Registrar for their student
undergraduate Siena transcript in addition to being recorded in a UGC graduate record transcript.

Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory Technical Development Curriculum At Union Graduate College
The Technical Development Curriculum (TDC) is part of a three-year Engineering Leadership Development Program that consists of KAPL work assignments as well as a program of technical study leading to a Master of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering or Electrical Engineering. The KAPL portion of the TDC consists of one year of technical study in which Program members attend KAPL-taught lessons (termed TDC-1). The technical study for the remaining portion of the TDC consists of course work at UGC.

The Master of Science Degree is a degree comprising ten UGC courses. Successful completion of TDC-1 will be the equivalent of three UGC courses, and the no credit MER/EER 599 Master of Science Graduate Project. Each Engineering department will determine the entrance requirement for the degree programs. For additional information contact UGC, Dean, School of Engineering and Computer Science. Any transfers will appear on the top of the student’s transcript. It will carry course credit but no grade will transfer in.

GE Power Systems and Energy Course At Union Graduate College
The Power System and Energy Course (PSEC) in conjunction with Union Graduate College is normally a one-year program of technical study leading to a Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering. The Master of Science Degree is a degree comprising ten UGC courses. Successful completion of PSEC will be the equivalent of three UGC courses and the non-credit Graduate Seminar in Electrical Engineering. For additional information contact UGC, Dean, School of Engineering and Computer Science. Any transfers will appear on the top of the student’s transcript. It will carry course credit but no grade will transfer in.

Integration of GE Edison Engineering A Course Into School of Engineering, Union Graduate College
The Union Graduate College Master of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering and Electrical Engineering is a degree comprising ten UGC courses. Successful completion of the GE Edison Engineering A Course @ GE-GRC will be the equivalent of three UGC courses and the no credit MER/EER 599 Master of Science Graduate Project. For additional information contact UGC, Dean, School of Engineering and Computer Science. Any transfers will appear on the top of the student’s transcript. It will carry course credit but no grade will transfer in.

Integration of GE (Energy) A Course Into Union Graduate College, School of Engineering
The Union Graduate College Master of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering and Electrical Engineering is a degree comprising ten UGC courses. Successful completion of the GE (Energy) A Course will be the equivalent of three UGC courses and the no credit MER/EER 599 Master of Science Graduate Project. For additional information contact UGC, Dean, School of Engineering and Computer Science. Any transfers will appear on the top of the student’s transcript. It will carry course credit but no grade will transfer in.

DEGREES

Master of Science in Computer Science
The objective of the Computer Science program is to expand the fundamentals and explore advances in computational theory, programming languages, software systems, hardware integration, and information technology.

Program Requirements
Nine courses numbered 500 or higher, are required, including CSc 511. Three of the nine courses must come from CSc 571, 572 and 583. Two of the nine courses must be either a project (CSc 594–595) or a thesis (CSc 596–597). Students who have extensive software experience may petition to take other graduate-level courses instead of the project/thesis requirement. EER530, from the EER department, may also be used toward the degree. The nine courses must include a course from each of the core areas:
- Computational theory CSc 512,
- Programming languages CSc 513,
- Software systems CSc 510, CSc 516
- Hardware systems CSc 518, CSc 552

In addition to the nine courses, all candidates are required to participate in the MS Graduate Seminar in Computer Science (CSc 599). This non-credit seminar serves as the capstone experience of the MS in Computer Science degree. It is normally taken in the last year of the candidate’s program.

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering
The objective of the Electrical Engineering program is to explore technologies and related industry opportunities in modern electric machinery, modeling and control of power electronics. A strong emphasis is placed on Energy Conversion and related technologies.

Program Requirements
A minimum of ten graduate courses and an MS Graduate Project in Electrical Engineering are required. Each student’s program should include at least seven electrical engineering courses and up to three electives. Each student should, in conference with the graduate advisor, plan a complete graduate program prior to taking any courses for graduate credit. Students with weak backgrounds may need to take more than ten courses.
Electives should normally be chosen from graduate level courses in electrical engineering, computer science, mechanical engineering, and MBA programs. The advisor must approve every course taken for graduate credit. A thesis could be considered as one or two technical electives.

All candidates not completing a thesis or independent study are required to participate in the MS Graduate Project in Electrical Engineering. This is a non-credit, no-fee project that serves as the culminating experience of the MS in Electrical Engineering degree.

**Master of Science in Energy Systems**

The objective of the Master of Science in Energy Systems is to enable students to integrate: (1) Mechanical/Electrical energy related courses, (2) Mechanical and Electrical fundamental discipline courses and (3) non-technical courses regarding the impact of environmental, economic, and regulatory issues on energy. This is a technical degree focused on energy systems and related technology and the impact of our external changing environment on these technologies.

The engineering profession continues to require the understanding and application of technologies that complement each other in their product, system or service applications. Course offerings that include two disciplines (Mechanical/ Electrical Engineering) provide a student with the technical breadth/depth required to compete in the design, commercialization, and service associated with products related to emerging energy systems. Career growth may be additionally enhanced by a broad understanding of non-technical elements impacting change such as sustainability, the disruptive nature of new technology, and regulatory policy and law. The Master of Science in Energy Systems provides a balanced degree program of energy focused mechanical/electrical courses, fundamental discipline mechanical and electrical courses, and the broad understanding of related environment, economic, and regulatory issues.

**Program Requirements**

A minimum of eleven (11) graduate courses are required. Each student’s program will include at least 5-9 energy related mechanical or electrical engineering courses, 0-4 fundamental technical mechanical or electrical engineering courses, and 2-3 non-technical MS Mechanical/Electrical energy related courses. Each student will, in conference with their graduate advisor, plan a complete graduate program prior to taking any courses for graduate credit. Students with weaker backgrounds may need to take more than eleven (11) courses. The student’s advisor will approve every course taken for graduate credit toward this degree.

Graduate courses taken from the School of Engineering and Computer Science will be selected from the following:

- Mechanical Engineering – MS credit bearing Mechanical Engineering courses designated as Energy Related
- Mechanical Engineering – MS credit bearing Mechanical Engineering technical and non-technical courses
- Electrical Engineering – MS credit bearing Electrical Engineering courses designated as Energy Related
- Electrical Engineering – MS credit bearing Electrical Engineering technical and non-technical MS courses

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**Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering**

The objective of the Mechanical Engineering program is to expand graduates’ understanding and application of solid mechanics, thermal-fluid systems, materials, and manufacturability to advance career opportunities in power systems, emerging energy technologies, and product design evolution. Students are encouraged to consider MBA electives and several technical courses to integrate business skills to complement technical expertise.

**Program Requirements**

The MSME requires a total of ten courses. Two of three core courses must be taken by all students: MER 502 (Engineering Analysis) is required by all students and one or both of
the following: MER 501 (Transport Phenomena) or MER 500 (Elasticity). Of the remaining eight courses, six must be in the mechanical engineering major. The remaining two courses are selected from engineering (mechanical or electrical), computer science, mathematics, or from the MBA program. Not all courses from these areas are satisfactory selections; therefore all course selections must be approved by the graduate advisor before course registration. Each student must submit a program plan of study (to be approved by the advisor) before completion of the first course taken for graduate credit.

Students can complete the degree by taking ten courses and the MS Graduate Project in Mechanical Engineering noted below. They also have the option of replacing one or two courses with independent research conducted in the form of a Master’s Project (one or two course) or a thesis (two courses) with departmental approval. All students, either part-time or full-time, intending to do Research and Thesis must consult the department for appropriate guidance. Part-time students not completing a Master’s Project, thesis, or independent study are required to complete an MS Graduate Project in Mechanical Engineering. This is a non-credit, no-fee project that serves as the culminating experience of the MS in Mechanical Engineering degree.

**Master of Science in Engineering and Management Systems**

The objective of the Engineering and Management Systems program is to integrate engineering and computer science technologies with the core components of an MBA. Students become architects of a multi-disciplined technical/management degree that provides the skills necessary to quickly develop products and move them toward commercialization.

The engineering and computer science professions continue to require the understanding and application of broadening technologies that complement each other in their product, system, or service application. Course offerings from all three disciplines (Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Computer Science) may be required to provide a student with their desired technical growth or parallel the direction of their industrial interests. Technical career growth may be additionally enhanced by supplementing strong technical fundamentals with management disciplines such as finance, marketing, operations, or other related business skills. The Master of Science in Engineering and Management Systems provides a balanced degree program of engineering and computer science complimented by courses from the School of Management.

**Program Requirements**

A minimum of eleven (11) graduate courses are required. Each student’s program should include at least 6 courses from the School of Engineering and Computer Science and 5 courses from the School of Management. Each student should, in conference with their graduate advisor, plan a complete graduate program prior to taking any courses for graduate credit. Students with weak backgrounds may need to take more than eleven (11) courses. The student’s advisor should approve every course taken for graduate credit toward this degree.
Graduate courses taken from the School of Engineering and Computer Science should be selected from the following:

- Mechanical Engineering - credit bearing Mechanical Engineering courses
- Electrical Engineering - credit bearing Electrical Engineering courses
- Computer Science - credit bearing Computer Science courses of which 1 of 2 or 3, 2 of 4 or 5, or 3 of 6 must come from CSc 571, 572, 583, 560, 561, 562, 563, 583B or MBA 641, 642 and 643. If only 1 Computer Science course is taken, it may be any credit-bearing course.

Graduate courses taken from the School of Management should be selected from those credit bearing courses numbered MBA-510 and above unless otherwise approved. The following courses are also acceptable to meet the 5 business courses MER/EER 602, MER/EER 600.

The Master of Science in Engineering and Management Systems Program will not allow graduate work from another institution to be transferred toward completion of this degree program per the existing transfer policy noted elsewhere in this catalog. This program is focused at providing the working professional or new graduate student the opportunity to integrate curriculum from each of the School of Engineering and Computer Science and School of Management disciplines to focus on a career or industry objective. As such, reducing the core engineering and computer science requirements by allowing prior transfer courses is not consistent with the objective of the curriculum or the degree. During completion of the degree requirements a candidate may obtain agreement to take a graduate course from another institution and apply it to this degree as part of their approved course selection.

### MS Degree Requirements in Engineering and Computer Science

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| Computer Science     | The student must choose from one of the following:  
1. Complete a two-course thesis  
2. Complete a two-course independent programming project  
3. Substitute two courses with faculty approval. | Yes, CSc511 as part of nine courses. | The nine courses must include one course from each of these four areas:  
1. Computational theory  
2. Programming languages  
3. Software systems  
4. Hardware systems | Three courses from the following: CSc, 571, 572 and 583. | The MS Graduate Seminar in Computer Science*: A regularly scheduled seminar in which all candidates participate in a discussion of current topics in Computer Science. |
| Electrical | Not | Not | No | Minimum of | The MS in |


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<td><strong>Mechanical Engineering</strong></td>
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<td>Six ME courses</td>
<td>The candidate must complete either a thesis, Independent Study, Masters Project or MS Graduate Project* approved by the faculty advisor.</td>
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<td><strong>Engineering and Management Systems</strong></td>
<td>Eleven courses</td>
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<td><strong>Energy Systems</strong></td>
<td>Eleven courses</td>
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<td>Five to nine energy related ME or EE courses. Zero to four fundamental technical ME or EE courses. Two of three non-technical ME/EE energy related courses.</td>
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*MS Graduate Seminar (Computer Science) and MS Graduate Project (MSEE or MSME) are no-fee, no-credit course listings.
Job Placement
Over 80% of the students are working professionals enhancing and/or broadening their technical background. Full time students are provided job placement services with focus on the Capital Region and the surrounding Tech Valley industries.
SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Degrees Offered
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Master of Business Administration—Healthcare Management (HC-MBA)

Certificates Offered
- Certificate in Healthcare Management
- Certificate in Human Resource Management
- Certificate in Management and Leadership

Articulation Agreements
These agreements normally allow students to complete their MBA or HC-MBA degree at Union Graduate College in one additional year after graduation from the undergraduate programs listed below. Qualified students may take courses the summer prior to their senior year. For details, visit www.uniongraduatecollege.edu, or call (518) 631-9850

The School of Management has established articulation agreements with:

- Alfred University
- Cazenovia College
- Elmira College
- Hartwick College
- Hilbert College
- Randolph Macion
- Siena College
- Skidmore College
- Southern Vermont College
- St. Lawrence University
- SUNY Brockport
- SUNY Geneseo
- SUNY Oneonta
- SUNY Potsdam
- Virginia Union University

Mission
To graduate MBAs who bring professional and disciplinary excellence to their work immediately and who assume leadership roles as they advance in their careers—who think analytically, are technologically current, communicate effectively, work well in teams, have the ability to work in cultures other than their own, and are committed to
ethical action. To enrich the learning process by maintaining close personal interaction between students and faculty. To hire and support faculty who are active researchers and dedicated to creating a collegial, student-focused learning environment. To enter into mutually beneficial partnerships with the business community.

**AACSB—International Accreditation**
The School of Management’s program is accredited by AACSB–International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), the world’s leading business school accrediting body. The program is unique in being one of the smallest of all AACSB–International accredited business programs and one of only 28 accredited programs that focus solely on graduate degrees. Fewer than 30 percent of all business programs nationwide are accredited.

**Course Waivers and Transfers (degreed programs):**
Relevant course work previously taken at either the undergraduate or graduate level may be used to reduce the number of courses required to complete the MBA Management and MBA Health programs. These reductions can come in the form of either course waivers or course transfers. The combined number of course reductions through waivers and transfers may not exceed eight for an MBA student (courses taken as part of one of the School of Management’s exchange programs and transferred in do not count as part of the eight). All course waivers and course transfers must be approved by the Transfer and Waiver Review Committee. This committee conducts a review of each student’s transcript and the student is notified at the time of admission of pre-approved waivers and transfers based on this review. Students who want to request a further review should contact the Registrar. The request should be made in writing and accompanied (at minimum) with a copy of the transcript showing relevant courses. Students are encouraged to attach catalog descriptions, course syllabi, and any other materials that may aid in the decision. The request should be consistent with the waiver and transfer policies described below. All requests must be submitted by the end of the first term (fall, winter, or spring) during which the student takes a course as a matriculated student.

**Course Waivers:**
Course waivers may be granted for most core courses. Core courses are specific courses required to complete the MBA degree. Previous course work to be used for course waivers may have been done at the undergraduate or graduate level and may have been used to earn another degree. Generally, two undergraduate courses or one graduate course corresponding to a core course are required to waive that core course. A grade of B- or better must have been obtained in a course for it to be considered to waive a core course.

**Course Transfers:**
Course transfers refer to graduate courses only that have been previously taken that do not correspond to a specific core course. Courses that qualify will be transferred in as advanced electives. They do not have to correspond to a specific advanced elective in the MBA program as long as they are deemed relevant to the MBA degree by the Transfer and Waiver Review Committee. This judgment will be based on the course content and its learning objectives. Courses considered for transfer may not have been used to earn a
previous degree. A grade of B- or better must have been obtained in a course for it to be considered for transfer.

Waiver with Replacement:
Students are required to take 12 courses at UGC. If the total waivers and/or transfers exceed 8, the Committee may grant a waiver with replacement. This means the waived course is not taken but one is taken in its place – it does not reduce the number of courses required. The Committee may mandate a specific course be taken.

Course Waivers and Transfers (certificate programs):
• Only two courses can double-count between all Certificate Programs.
• No more than two courses may be waived with replacement. Those replacements must be selected from the courses listed on the Certificate Program Sheet.
• Four courses can double count with one of the degree programs in the School of Management. In other words, two additional courses must be taken for each certificate program if in both a degree and certificate(s) programs to complete the certificate requirements.

MBA Internships
MBA students without professional business experience are required to complete a minimum of 400 hours of professional employment in a business environment. This also applies to JD/MBA, pharmacy/MBA and the accelerated BA or BS and MBA program students.

The internship is an opportunity for the student to apply theories, concepts and skills learned in the course of the MBA Program. The student will gain an understanding of the administrative elements and day-to-day functioning of an organization while accomplishing assigned tasks. This will strengthen judgment, decisiveness, and team skills. It will also allow the student to assess his/her own potential in the work environment and possible areas needing development to realize a successful career in management.

MBA students register for MBA 683 and Health MBA students register for HCM 683. This is a no cost, no credit course, that appears as pass/fail on students’ transcripts. The internships are coordinated with the Director of Career Development.

At the conclusion of the internship an evaluation is required from the employer and the student before the pass/fail grade will be given. The internship is in addition to the twenty required courses.

MBA International Studies

Exchange Programs
MBA students will have the opportunity to experience international business studies at Universities in France, Germany and/or China. UGC MBA students will generally spend the fall term studying abroad since it is most compatible with the semester system at
these schools. Coursework completed at the overseas universities will transfer to UGC. Students pay tuition to UGC and pay their own travel and living expenses when abroad. This opportunity is available to matriculated UGC students who have completed at least one trimester of courses at UGC.

Exchange Programs with terms Abroad are available at the following Schools:

- **IESEG School of Management, Lille, France** [http://www.ieseg.fr](http://www.ieseg.fr)
- **Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Antai College of Economics and Management, Shanghai, China** [www.acem.sjtu.edu.cn](http://www.acem.sjtu.edu.cn)
- **University of Karlsruhe, Germany, Masters Programs of the Hector School** [www.hectorschool.com](http://www.hectorschool.com)

**Study Tours**

Currently two courses are offered that provide MBA students the opportunity to travel abroad as part of the course. Both courses take place in the break between the Fall and Winter trimesters. The courses are as follows:

**China Study Course MBA 668**

China is everywhere these days. Powered by the world’s most rapidly changing large economy, it is influencing our lives as consumers, employees and business people. This course will give MBA students a better understanding of “How to do business in China”. The course will include a twelve day visit to Shanghai and Beijing in the month of December. The combination of university seminars on business related topics; visits to Chinese, foreign and joint venture companies; and some exposure to the history and culture of China will provide the basis for the understanding of the challenges of doing business in China.

Each student is required to conduct a research project, write a research paper, and present their findings. The intent is that the trip will offer the opportunity to do some primary research and to confirm or supplement the preliminary findings of the research. This is a course for MBA credit and will be considered a management advanced elective course designated as global. Mel Chudzik, who has lived and worked in China, will be the professor and will accompany the students to China.

**Swiss Study Tour (Healthcare) HCM 601**

This study tour will give Union Graduate College Healthcare MBA students a better understanding of the healthcare delivery system in Switzerland. The Swiss healthcare system is a combination of public, subsidized private and totally private systems. Like every other country in Europe, Switzerland guarantees health care for all its citizens. But the Swiss system does not remotely resemble the model of bureaucratic, socialized medicine often cited by opponents of universal coverage in the United States. That is why many academics studied the Swiss health care system as a model that delivers excellent healthcare across its population. Students will have an opportunity to learn firsthand about the unique characteristics of the system and attend seminars where experts in the field will discuss current issues in terms of healthcare delivery. We will also have a
number of site visits at major research hospitals, private clinics, physician offices, HMO, and pharmaceutical companies. For further information about the program and cost, please contact Prof. Otto

DEGREES

The MBA Management Program

Objectives
The MBA Management program prepares students for analytical, managerial, and executive-level positions in a variety of enterprises. The design and delivery of the curriculum emphasize broad exposure to core business disciplines; the building of analytical, computer, communication, and human management skills; and the development of an ethical, systems-oriented, cross-functional perspective for decision-making.

AACSB Accreditation
The MBA program is accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)

Program Requirements
As shown below, the MBA program includes twelve required core courses, and seven advanced courses and the required capstone course. After waivers and transfers, a minimum of twelve courses must be completed in the MBA. For more details, see the waiver policy. One advanced level course must be taken in each of three required categories. Students must complete at least eight core courses before taking any advanced courses. Students must take all core courses within each category before taking an advanced course in that category. The capstone course (MBA 681) is typically the last course taken. Full-time students take core courses in their first year and advanced courses in their second year. An internship or relevant business experience is required for the degree. An internship is not considered one of the twenty required courses. By taking additional courses in a given category, students can create their own unique programmatic focus.

Required Core Courses (Twelve)
All students must complete and/or waive the required courses. Eight core courses must be completed before advanced courses can be taken.

MBA 500 Managing Ethically in a Global Environment
MBA 501 Mathematics for Management (1/2)
MBA 502 Introduction to Probability (1/2)
MBA 506 Statistical Models for Management
MBA 510 Financial Accounting
MBA 512 Managerial Accounting and Finance
MBA 517 Advanced Corporate Finance
MBA 520 Principles of Economics  
MBA 525 Marketing Management and Strategy  
MBA 531 Operations Management  
MBA 545 Business Driven Information Systems  
MBA 551 Managing People and Teams in Organizations  
MBA 570 Legal Principles of Business  

**Required Advanced Courses (Seven)**  
Students must choose at least one course in each of the following three areas. Of the courses chosen, at least one must be designated as Management Science (*) and at least one designated as Global (**).

**Finance/Accounting and Economics**
- MBA 610**  Contemporary Topics in Financial Reporting  
- MBA 611  Personal Financial Planning  
- MBA 612*  Advanced Management Accounting  
- MBA 613  Advanced Auditing and Research  
- MBA 618  Mergers, Acquisitions, and Corporate Restructuring  
- MBA 619  Investments  
- MBA 620  Investment Management  
- MBA 624  Sports Economics  
- MBA 629  Money, Markets and Banking  
- MBA 661**  International Finance  

**Marketing and Operations**
- MBA 625  Marketing Communications  
- MBA 626*  Marketing Research Techniques  
- MBA 627  Marketing High Tech Products  
- MBA 628  Consumer Behavior  
- MBA 632*  Quality Systems Management  
- MBA 633*  The Role of Statistics in Business and Industry  
- MBA 640**  Integrating eSystems Into Global Business  
- MBA 641*  Business Process Simulation  
- MBA 643*  Systems Analysis & Design for Managers  
- MBA 665**  International Marketing Management  
- MBA 682*  Management Science  

**Management and Human Resources**
- MBA 635  Project Management  
- MBA 642  Business Analysis Using Information Systems  
- MBA 650  Competing By Design  
- MBA 652  High Performance Leadership  
- MBA 653  Organizational Development and Transformation  
- MBA 654  Labor Relations  
- MBA 656  Ethics Issues in Management  
- MBA 658  Women and Management  
- MBA 660**  Executive Decision Processes in Global Environments  
- MBA 662**  International Business
MBA 664  Entrepreneurship  
MBA 667  Leaders on Leadership  
MBA 668**  China Study  
MBA 674  Growing an Entrepreneurial Business  
MBA 675  Foundations of HR Management  
MBA 676  Managing Human Resources  
MBA 677**  International Human Resource Management  
HCM 601  Swiss Health Care Delivery System  

**Capstone**
All students are required to take the following capstone course.
MBA 681  Strategic Management and Leadership (Capstone)

**Internship MBA 683**
 Internship or relevant business experience is required for the degree. An internship is not considered one of the twenty courses.

**Completing the MBA program in twelve months**
Students who waive at least four courses may be able to complete the MBA program in one year by starting in the summer term. Four courses can be taken during the summer in two terms and twelve courses can be taken in the three terms during the regular academic year. Students interested in this option must meet with an academic advisor during the previous academic year.

**The MBA-Healthcare Management Program**
Chair: John W. Huppertz (518) 631-9892  
huppertj@uniongraduatecollege.edu  

**Objectives**
The primary purpose of the MBA Program in Healthcare Management is to prepare its graduates for management positions in health service delivery organizations (e.g. hospitals, managed care organizations, group practice, long-term care) and in related organizations (e.g. consulting, government, corporate benefits). A successfully prepared graduate will be able to obtain an entry-level or mid-level position, competently perform the duties of that position, and advance and grow professionally in a career.

The program serves students with diverse educational backgrounds and work experiences fully supporting and encouraging those with limited or no clinical and managerial experience who matriculate on both a part-time and full-time basis. The program provides its education in an environment that fosters a high level of interaction among and between students and faculty, both in and out of the classroom. Faculty and students value this small-class environment.

**Goals**
Program graduates will be able to:
1) Understand the organizational setting of health services delivery including the inputs, processes, outcomes and the legal and ethical context.
2) Acquire the interpersonal skills necessary for fulfilling managerial roles including leadership, communication, negotiation, and conflict resolution.
3) Apply analytical and functional skills to solve a range of business problems facing health delivery and health-related organizations.
4) Assist their organizations in effectively responding to changes in the reimbursement and health policy environment.

Overview
The MBA in Healthcare Management prepares graduates for careers as administrators and analysts in health care, governmental, and private sector organizations with strong health care interests. Typical organizations hiring health systems graduates include hospitals, clinics, health maintenance organizations, consulting firms, planning and regulatory agencies, and research firms. The curriculum is designed to help students understand the complexities of the health care system and to manage health and health-related facilities more effectively.

CAHME Accreditation (formerly ACEHSA)
The MBA in Healthcare Management is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education and AACSB–International. The program has been continuously accredited since 1981 and was most recently re-accredited in 2005. The MBA in Healthcare Management program is one of only 21 programs nationwide dually-accredited by both ACEHSA and AACSB.

Program Requirements
As shown below, the MBA–Healthcare Management program includes ten required core courses and ten advanced courses (seven required; three elective). After waivers and transfers, a minimum of twelve courses must be completed at the School of Management. For more details, see the waiver policy. Students must complete at least eight of the core courses including HCM500 before taking any advanced course. Students must take all core courses within each category before taking an advanced course in that category. The capstone course (HCM 681) is typically the last course taken.

Full-time students take core courses in their first year and advanced courses in their second year. An internship or relevant business experience is required for the degree. An internship is not considered one of the twenty courses.

Required Courses (17 Courses)

Finance
MBA–HCM Core Courses: MBA 510, 512
MBA–HCM Advanced Required Course: HCM 617

Economics
MBA–HCM Core Courses: MBA 520
MBA–HCM Advanced Courses: HCM 620

Marketing and Operations
MBA–HCM Core Courses: HCM505, HCM 526
MBA–HCM Advanced Courses: None

Management Science
MBA–HCM Core Courses: MBA 501/2, 506
MBA–HCM Advanced Required Courses: None

Management
MBA–HCM Core Courses: MBA 500, HCM 501
MBA–HCM Advanced Required Courses: HCM 650

Health Environment
MBA–HCM Core Courses: HCM 500
MBA–HCM Advanced Required Courses: HCM 674, 680

Information Technology
MBA–HCM Core Courses: None
MBA–HCM Advanced Required Courses: HCM648

Capstone
MBA–HCM Core Courses: None
MBA–HCM Advanced Required Courses: HCM 681

Elective Courses (Three)
HCM 656
PHL 574
HCM 601
Any advanced elective offered in the MBA Program

Please note that HCM 500 is a prerequisite for all advanced courses.

Internship HCM 683
An internship or relevant business experience is required for the degree. An internship is not considered one of the twenty courses.

Joint Degree and Other Programs

Accelerated BA or BS at Union College and MBA Program
Union College students considering entrance into the accelerated Bachelor’s/MBA program should consult with an MBA program advisor and apply for admission during the sophomore, junior, or first term of the senior year. Joint degree students must complete twenty graduate courses, three of which may, with undergraduate adviser approval, count toward Bachelor’s degree requirements. Graduate courses may not be taken until the junior year and are typically completed during the senior and fifth years. Students may choose either the MBA or the MBA in Healthcare Management degree. There is a limit of five undergars in each graduate level course.
Four-Year JD/MBA Program
(with Albany Law School)
This program is designed to meet the management development needs of students enrolled at Albany Law School. Students spend their first year in law studies, their second year in management studies, and their third and fourth years in law and management studies. Four designated law courses transfer into the MBA degree. Students are required to complete their MBA the winter term of the year they petition to graduate at ALS. Students may choose either the MBA or the MBA in Healthcare Management degree.

Joint PharmD or PharmBS/MBA in Healthcare Management
(with Albany College of Pharmacy)
The MBA in Healthcare Management degree is a 20 course program. However, ACPHS students enrolled in either the joint PharmD/MBA program or a BS/MBA program can waive up to five courses through course substitutions. For PharmD students, the remaining 15 courses are usually completed on a part-time basis over a three year period (years 4-6 at ACPHS). BS students spend about one year of study at UGC after graduating from ACPHS.

ACPHS students enrolled in a combined MBA program often take one summer term of courses at UGC. The MBA program also requires an administrative internship. Selected PharmD practicums can be applied to the internship requirement.

Leadership in Medicine (LIM) / MBA in Healthcare Management
Students in the eight-year LIM program jointly offered by Union College, Albany Medical College and Union Graduate College may earn an MBA in Healthcare Management from UGC. Students choosing this option take additional courses while fulfilling all other requirements of the program. The MBA/H degree consists of eight additional courses; six are taken at Union Graduate College during the four years of undergraduate study, and two are taken during the first year at Albany Medical College, and transferred back to UGC to complete the degree requirements. There is an additional charge for the LIM MBA degree. Students pay for the six additional courses they take at Union Graduate College at the graduate tuition rate in effect in the student’s spring term of senior year of undergraduate study and the summer after their senior year.

For more information on the Leadership in Medicine Program, and the LIM MBA in Healthcare Management see the entry under the Center for Bioethics and Clinical Leadership.

Dual Union Graduate College MBA in Healthcare Management and Albany Medical College MD in Medicine
The Union Graduate College MBA in Healthcare Management/Albany Medical College MD is designed to provide students with a business understanding specific to healthcare and move them on to their medical education quickly. While many other medical schools offer a generic MBA, the Union Graduate College MBA in Healthcare Management is focused on the healthcare environment. Students study alongside others with a passion
for healthcare, and learn how to manage a medical practice, deliver quality care in a cost-containment environment, market a practice, and lead other healthcare professionals.

Dual degree students are first admitted to Albany Medical College and then apply separately to Union Graduate College. Once admitted to both institutions, they defer the start of medical school by one year and spend about a year at Union Graduate College working on MBA courses. The second through fifth years are spent completing the MD degree requirements at Albany Medical College.

The combined programs allow students to “double count” courses which reduces the total time and cost associated with completing the two degrees separately. Five courses taken at Albany Medical College are transferred back to Union Graduate College to meet MBA requirements. The combined degree is typically completed in five years.

It is possible to join the Dual degree program after the start of medical school. Students would leave medical school at the end of their third year and spend 13 months at Union Graduate College completing MBA course requirements. They return to medical school for their final year.

Certificate Programs

Objectives
The purpose of the School of Management Certificate Programs is to allow professionals currently working in a field or wanting to enter a field to conduct intensive study in that field in an efficient and focused manner. Upon completion, students should be able to function more effectively in their specific fields. The Certificate Programs are not designed to provide a broad management background. If students wish to expand their management skills they may apply up to four of the courses taken in a certificate program toward the MBA.

The student will take six courses and receive a certificate that is approved by the NYS Education Department. This is intended to prepare the individual for a professional position in the field. The admissions requirements are the same as for the MBA except the GMAT is not required and students can take up to two non-matriculated courses. Students who earn two “C’s” in the certificate program will not be permitted to continue in the certificate program.

Certificate in Healthcare Management
Healthcare has become one of the fastest growing industries in the US economy, characterized by rapid change and a need for management that will extend into the foreseeable future. The Certificate in Healthcare Management prepares individuals to take advantage of the opportunities in this field by introducing them to important business concepts applied to health care.

Certificate in Human Resource Management
The Certificate Program in Human Resource Management will provide the educational background necessary to make informed decisions in management as related to human
resource issues. The certificate holder will have the resources for strategic critical thinking necessary to optimize the human resources of an organization.

**Certificate in Management and Leadership**
The Certificate in Management and Leadership is designed to give entry and middle level managers the core business skills in organizational processes, change management, resource management and leadership. It is focused on assisting managers and executives in enhancing their management and leadership skills in order to positively impact their current organization and provide them career advancement potential.

**JOB PLACEMENT**

**Job Placement Statistics:**

**Among MBA Graduates looking for jobs:**

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**Among MBA in Healthcare Management Graduates looking for jobs:**

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**Among ALL MBA Graduates looking for jobs (Health and non-Health MBA’s):**

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Degrees Offered
• Master of Science in Bioethics: Clinical Ethics or Research Ethics  
• Master of Science Clinical Leadership in Health Management  

Certificates Offered
• Certificate in Bioethics: Specialization in Health Policy & Law  
• Certificate in Bioethics: Specialization in Clinical Ethics  
• Certificate in Bioethics: Specialization in Research Ethics  

Mission
Our mission is to provide quality master’s level education for professionals who are unable to participate in conventional graduate programs because of the demands of work or obstacles of distance.  

Transfer/Waiver Policy (degreed programs)
Course Waivers and Transfers:  
Relevant course work previously taken at the graduate level may be used to reduce the number of courses required to complete the MS in Bioethics programs. These reductions can come in the form of either course waivers or course transfers. The combined number of course reductions through waivers and transfers may not exceed three for an MS student. All course waivers and course transfers must be approved by the Transfer and Waiver Review Committee. This committee conducts a review of each student’s transcript and the student is notified two weeks after all required paperwork is received. Course work generally must be within previous five years. A grade of B- or better is required to be considered for waiver, transfer or waiver/transfer with replacement.
Requests should be made in writing using the course wavier/transfer form available from the program office and accompanied (at minimum) with a copy of the transcript showing relevant courses and course syllabi. Students are encouraged to attach catalog descriptions and any other materials that may aid in the decision. The request should be consistent with the waiver and transfer policies described below. All requests must be submitted by the end of the fall term prior to graduation.

Course Waivers:
Course waivers may be granted for core courses. Core courses are specific courses required to complete the MS degree. Previous course work to be used for course waivers must have been done at the graduate level and may have been used to earn another degree. To have a course count towards a core course it must be deemed an exact replication of that core course.

Course Transfers:
Generally most course transfers are counted towards the elective(s) needed in the MS degree. Course transfers refer to graduate courses only that have been previously taken that do not correspond to a specific core course. Courses that qualify will be transferred in as electives. They do not have to correspond to a specific advanced elective in the MS program as long as they are deemed relevant to the MS degree by the Transfer and Waiver Review Committee. These considerations include a review of the course syllabi and learning objectives. Courses considered for transfer may have been used to earn a previous degree.

Course Waiver/Transfers with Replacement
The combined number of course reductions through waivers and transfers may not exceed three for an MS student. Should the number of qualified courses exceed the three – students are granted a waiver/transfer with replacement which does not reduce the number of courses required. If these are granted the student must take additional electives.

Transfer/Waiver Policy (certificate programs)
Typically we do not accept transfer or waiver courses for any of the four courses toward a certificate.

We have one articulation agreement with University of Penn whereby students who have taken the ½ course in Mediation skills can transfer in that course to count as ½ credit towards the Bioethics Certificate in Clinical Ethics. Only a final grade of B- or better will be considered for waiver. Credit transfers in, but grades do not. Each request must be submitted on the appropriate form.

DEGREES

Master of Science in Bioethics
This distance and campus-based MS in Bioethics is offered jointly by the Center for Bioethics and Clinical Leadership of Union Graduate College, and Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Two focus areas are offered: Clinical Ethics or Research Ethics. These are twelve course programs.

The MS in Bioethics provides advanced bioethics and clinical and research ethics education for doctors, healthcare administrators, lawyers, nurses, pharmacists, philosophers, researchers, IRB members, and students enrolled in professional and graduate degree programs. The hybrid format of short on-campus sessions and longer distance learning courses has been specially designed to meet the needs of working healthcare professionals. Students will choose to specialize in Clinical Ethics or Research Ethics. Students who do not have previous clinical/research experience may be required to enroll in an approved non-credit residency.

Program Objectives and Requirements

Master of Science in Bioethics: Specialization in Clinical Ethics (MSB: Clinical)
The objective of the MS in Bioethics with Specialization in Clinical Ethics is to provide individuals with the skills, credentials, and specialized expertise demanded of bioethics professionals. It prepares graduates to face increasingly complex bioethics issues—and to respond professionally, competently, and compassionately.

Courses are taught by professional bioethicists who provide a historical, theoretical, and practical perspective on bioethics. Students also gain essential experience in ethical decision-making and in certifying practical competence in bioethics policymaking and clinical ethics. Clinical ethics segments are based on the American Society of Bioethics and Humanities (ASBH) core competencies.

The combination of on-line courses and on-site practica makes this the program of choice for many doctors, healthcare administrators, lawyers, nurses, pharmacists, and philosophers, as well as for students enrolled in or heading to professional and graduate degree programs.

Required courses:

BIE 500: Proseminar in Health & Human Values (on-site)
BIE 510: Biomedical Ethics
BIE 520: Health Care Policy
BIE 530: Bioethics and the Law
BIE 590: Clinical Ethics
BIE 610C: On-Line Clinical Practicum: Clinical
BIE 620C: On-Site Clinical Practicum: Clinical
BIE 630: Master’s Project I
BIE 640: Master’s Project II
BIE 650: Capstone Practicum (on-site)
Students also take **two** of the following elective courses:

BIE 535: Medicine and Social Justice  
BIE 545: Reproductive Ethics  
BIE 555: Research Ethics I  
BIE 565: Empirical Research Methods in Bioethics

Optional Residency:  
BIE 622: Optional On-Site Residency

**Master of Science in Bioethics: Specialization in Research Ethics (MSB: Research)**  
The objective of the MS in Bioethics with a Specialization in Research Ethics is to give research professionals the knowledge and skills necessary to bridge the gap between theory and practice. Graduates of the program are uniquely positioned to advance ethical research, educate their peers, and inform and influence the national debate on research design, review, and oversight. This is the first program of its kind in the United States.

Through a combination of on-line courses and on-site practica, students gain an in-depth understanding of the ethical issues behind the rules and regulations that govern research, as well as hands-on experience in applying that knowledge to real-world situations. As a result, students graduate with background and skills they can draw on throughout their careers, whether they design and conduct research studies, develop policies and standards, or administer or oversee large research programs.

**Required courses:**  
BIE 500: Proseminar in Health & Human Values (on-site)  
BIE 510: Biomedical Ethics  
BIE 520: Health Care Policy  
BIE 530: Bioethics and the Law  
BIE 555: Research Ethics I  
BIE 580: Research Ethics II  
BIE 610R: On-Line Practicum in Research Ethics  
BIE 620R: On-Site Practicum in Research Ethics  
BIE 630: Master’s Project I  
BIE 640: Master’s Project II  
BIE 650: Capstone Practicum (on-site)

Students also take **one** of the following elective courses:

BIE 535: Medicine and Social Justice  
BIE 545: Reproductive Ethics  
BIE 565: Empirical Research Methods in Bioethics  
BIE 590: Clinical Ethics

**Dual & Joint degree Agreements**
You apply to each school independent of the Bioethics Program. Admission into one does not guarantee admittance to the other.

Albany Law School (JD)
We offer Concentrations in Clinical Ethics or Research Ethics
Students can complete both degrees in three to four years - The Bioethics Program MS in Bioethics degree is worth 12 credits towards a JD degree at Albany Law School. The Health Law concentration at the Law school earns you 3 courses towards our MS Degree

SUNY Albany School of Social Welfare (MSW)
Students in the dual degree program take a combination of online and on-site courses in social work and bioethics to complete a Master’s in Bioethics and a Master’s in Social Work.
MSW course: SSW 660 Introductory Research Methodology (3 credits) Counts toward the Bioethics Degree
Bioethics Courses: BIE 520 Health Care Policy, BIE 510 Biomedical Ethics, BIE 530 Bioethics and the Law – Count towards the MSW degree

SUNY Albany School of Public Health (MPH)
Students in the dual degree program take a combination of online and on-site courses in public health and bioethics. Upon successful completion, students are eligible to obtain a master's in bioethics (MSB) and a master's in Public Health (MPH.)
There are many specializations in the MPH courses- you need to check with your advisor about course requirements and waivers. The two degrees can be completed simultaneously.

SUNY Albany Philosophy Department (PhD)
We offer a dual masters and doctoral program in Philosophy and Bioethics, in which each program recognizes course credits in the other program as counting towards completion of their degree. The Doctorate in Philosophy requires 60 credits of philosophy, including up to 8 credits in a cognate field. The MS in bioethics program requires 40 credits, including a thesis project and two elective courses. The total number of credit hours normally required to complete both programs is 100. The approved dual degree program requires 82 credit hours: 52 credits in the PhD in Philosophy program and 30 credits in the Master of Science in Bioethics. Eighteen credits count towards both degrees: Eight credits from the master’s program count towards the doctoral degree and ten credits from the doctoral program count towards the master’s degree. The students will attend the Albany campus for Philosophy work. Bioethics courses will be primarily online or on-site at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai campus and Union Graduate College Campus.

MS Degrees in Clinical Leadership
The Masters in Clinical Leadership degrees are designed for future physicians, clinicians, pharmacists, and other healthcare professionals who wish to better understand the health care industry and the environment in which it exists, or who aspire to clinically-related
leadership roles. The goal of the program is to broaden the horizons of students by providing them with knowledge and skills in bioethics, health policy and health management as well as in the health sciences. Degrees are designed for three populations of students:

1. 8-year Leadership in Medicine students (BS/MS/MD Union/Union Graduate College/Albany Medical College);
2. students who are concurrently completing BS or PharmD degrees at the Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science;
3. students in neither of the previous programs who are considering medical or administrative healthcare careers.

The Leadership in Medicine Program
The Leadership in Medicine program is an eight-year program jointly offered by Albany Medical College, Union Graduate College, and Union College. The objective of this program is to prepare students for the challenge of medical leadership by combining an enriched undergraduate curriculum with graduate education in bioethics, health management, and medicine.

Upon completion of the program, students will receive:

1. a BS from Union College;
2. an MS in Healthcare Management OR an MBA in Healthcare Management from Union Graduate College; and,
3. an MD from Albany Medical College.

The application process is administered by the Admissions Office of Union College.

Making the Decision to Earn an MS or MBA
In their sophomore year of undergraduate study, LIM students choose which degree they wish to pursue (MS or MBA). This decision is conveyed to the LIM Graduate Program Coordinator as part of the student’s Sophomore Portfolio.

Students who choose the MS option complete their coursework the summer following the senior year of undergraduate study. Course fees are included in the undergraduate fee structure.

Students who choose the MBA option must take additional courses while fulfilling all other requirements of the program. The MBA degree consists of 8 additional courses and an internship; six are taken at Union Graduate College during the four years of undergraduate study, and two are taken during the first year at Albany Medical College, and transferred back to UGC to complete the degree requirements.

Additional Cost
Students who elect to take the additional courses to achieve an MBA will be charged additional tuition by Union Graduate College.
3 course tuitions- Spring of Senior Year
3 course tuitions- Summer following Senior year

*The MS Leadership in Medicine-Health Management is outlined below as one of UGC’s MS Degrees in Clinical Leadership. The LIM MBA in Healthcare Management follows:

All LIM students will pay a graduation fee of $100. This replaces the $350 resource fee.

**MBA in Healthcare Management (LIM)**
The LIM MBA in Healthcare Management requires 20 courses plus an internship, as listed below:

**Program Requirements:**
- MBA 506 Statistical Models of Management
- MBA 510 Financial Accounting
- MBA 512 Managerial Accounting and Finance
- MBA 520 Principles of Economics
- HCM 505 Health Operations Management
- HCM 526 Health Systems Marketing
- HCM 617 Healthcare Finance
- HCM 648 Health Informatics
- HCM 674 Legal Aspects of Healthcare
- HCM 680 Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology
- LIM 500 Introduction to Health Systems
- LIM 503 Healthcare Leadership
- LIM 544 Health and Human Values I
- LIM 545 Health and Human Values II
- LIM 553* Economics of Health (*or HCM 620, Health Economics)
- HCM 684 Strategic Issues for Healthcare Organizations (Capstone)
- PHL 574 Biomedical Ethics
- EBHC Evidence-Based Healthcare (at Albany Medical College) #1
- EBHC Evidence-Based Healthcare (at Albany Medical College) #2
- Elective An MBA elective (described in School of Management Section)

An approved internship is required for the MBA in Healthcare Management, but is not one of the 20 required courses. More information on this can be found in the School of Management section of this catalog.

**MS in Healthcare Management (Leadership in Medicine)**
The LIM MS in Healthcare Management requires 12 courses as listed below:

**Program Requirements**
The MS in Healthcare Management (LIM) requires 12 courses as listed below:

- MBA 510 Financial Accounting
- MBA 512 Managerial Accounting and Finance
• HCM 617 Healthcare Finance
• HCM 674 Legal Aspects of Healthcare
• HCM 684 Strategic Issues for Healthcare Organizations (Capstone)
• LIM 500 Introduction to Health Systems
• LIM 503 Healthcare Leadership
• LIM 544 Health and Human Values I
• LIM 545 Health and Human Values II
• LIM 553 Economics of Health
• LIM 571 Clinical Leadership Practicum
• PHL 574 Biomedical Ethics

**MS Clinical Leadership in Healthcare Management (ACPHS BS)**

The BS Pharm Sciences and MS Clinical Leadership in Healthcare Management joint program is limited to students from Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science (ACPHS). The objective of this program is to give ACPHS students an understanding of the healthcare industry and the environment in which it exists. Students start coursework in the fall of their fourth year at ACPHS. Students must submit separate applications to Union Graduate College and Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science (*Students interested in the joint MBA Program should refer to the School of Management section of this catalog*).

Up to three courses may be waived for the MS degree; Students who elect to take the additional courses needed beyond the MS to earn the MBA must take the GMAT exam. Students may appeal this policy based upon strong performance in the UGC MS program.

**Program Requirements**

There are twelve required courses in the program. Students in the Pharmacy BS/MS Clinical Leadership in Health Management Program automatically waive three of these courses (HCM 620, HCM 656, and STA 501), utilizing ACPHS courses with a B- or better. In addition, UGC coursework may count for ACPHS electives. See program agreement or contact the Admissions office at 518-388-6148 for specifics.

Courses are listed below:

• HCM 500 Introduction to Health Systems
• HCM 501 Health Systems Management
• LIM 553 Economics of Health
• HCM 571 Clinical Leadership Practicum
• PHL 574 Biomedical Ethics
• MBA 510 Financial Accounting
• MBA 512 Managerial Accounting and Finance
• HCM 617 Healthcare Finance
• HCM 674 Legal Aspects of Healthcare
• HCM 680 Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology
• HCM 656 Group Practice Management
• STA 501  Intro to Probability and Statistics or an approved Statistics course

**MS Clinical Leadership in Health Management (ACPHS PharmD)**
(with Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science)
The Pharmacy Doctorate and Master of Science Clinical Leadership in Health Management joint program is limited to students from Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science (ACPHS). The objective of this program is to give ACPHS students an understanding of the complex business environment in which they will ultimately practice. The program is typically completed on a part-time basis over three years. Students start coursework in the fall of their third year at ACPHS. Students must submit separate applications to Union Graduate College and Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science (*Students interested in the joint MBA Program should refer to the School of Management section of this catalog*).

**Program Requirements**
There are twelve required courses in the program. Students in the Pharmacy Doctorate/MS Clinical Leadership in Health Management Program automatically waive three of these courses (HCM 620, HCM 656, and STA 501), utilizing ACPHS courses with a B- or better. In addition, UGC coursework may count for ACPHS electives. See program agreement or contact the Admissions office at 518-388-6148 for specifics.

Courses are listed below:

- HCM 500  Introduction to Health Systems
- HCM 501  Health Systems Management
- HCM 620  Health Economics
- HCM 571  Clinical Leadership Practicum
- PHL  574  Biomedical Ethics
- MBA 510  Financial Accounting
- MBA 512  Managerial Accounting and Finance
- HCM 617  Healthcare Finance
- HCM 674  Legal Aspects of Healthcare
- HCM 680  Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology
- HCM 656  Group Practice Management
- STA 501  Intro to Probability and Statistics or an approved Statistics course

**MS Clinical Leadership in Healthcare Management**
The Master of Science Clinical Leadership in Healthcare Management stand-alone program is designed for students, who are not part of the ACPHS or LIM programs above. The objective of this is to give the student a better understanding of the health care industry and the environment in which it exists, or who aspire to clinically-related leadership roles. It provides future physicians, clinicians, pharmacists and other healthcare professionals an understanding of the complex business environment in which they will ultimately practice, and the degree may enhance the academic record of those
who plan to attend medical school. The program can be completed in one year full-time or over a three-year period part-time.

Program Requirements
There are twelve required courses:
- LIM 502 Introduction to Health Systems
- HCM 501 Health Systems Management
- LIM 553 Economics of Health
- LIM571 Clinical Leadership Practicum
- PHL 574* Biomedical Ethics (*or BIE 510)
- MBA 510 Financial Accounting
- MBA 512 Managerial Accounting and Finance
- HCM 617 Healthcare Finance
- LIM 674 Legal Aspects of Healthcare
- LIM 670 Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology
- STA 501 Intro to Probability and Statistics
- Elective an approved elective

Certificate Programs
The objective of the Bioethics Certificate Programs was to respond to the needs expressed by hospital administrators and hospital ethics committees. It was specifically designed for health professionals, lawyers, pharmacists and healthcare administrators seeking advanced training in bioethics.

Three certificates are offered. Each is a four-course program, and all courses may be applied toward the MS in Bioethics. Certificates take approximately one year to complete.

Certificate in Bioethics: Specialization in Health Policy & Law
An on-line distance learning program.

Certificate in Bioethics: Specialization in Clinical Ethics
A hybrid, on-line/on-site program which incorporates 2 on-line courses an intensive one week on-site practicum and one-week on-site capstone.

Certificate in Bioethics: Specialization in Research Ethics
A hybrid, on-line/on-site program which incorporates 3 on-line courses an intensive one week on-site practicum and one day of the capstone.

Program Requirements
Each certificate program requires four courses.

Specialization in Health Policy & Law
- BIE 520 Healthcare Policy
- BIE 510 Biomedical Ethics
- BIE 530 Bioethics & the Law
Plus one elective:
- BIE 500 Proseminar in Health & Human Values (on-site)
- BIE 545 Reproductive Ethics
• BIE 555 Research Ethics
• BIE 565 Empirical Research Methods
• BIE 590 Clinical Ethics (as an elective)

Specialization in Clinical Ethics
• BIE 590 Clinical Ethics (on-line)
• BIE 610C On-line Practicum
• BIE 620C On-site Practicum
• BIE 650 Capstone (on-site) **
  **BIE 510 or BIE 520 may be substituted for BIE 650 if you absolutely cannot do the onsite capstone. (everyone needs day one of capstone)

Specialization in Research Ethics
• BIE 555 Research Ethics I (on-line)
• BIE 580 Research Ethics II (on-line)
• BIE 610R On-line Practicum
• BIE 620R On-site Practicum + day one of Capstone

Job Placement
Because the MS in Bioethics program in the Center for Bioethics and Clinical Leadership is comprised of primarily working professional students who seek the master’s degree to increase career options within their current organizations or to gain mastery in their discipline, few Bioethics students seek career services through the college. The department tracks career progress of their graduates.

The MS in Clinical Leadership and Healthcare Management degree is generally completed as part of a joint degree; the Leadership in Medicine program where graduates move directly to medical school and the Pharmacy Doctorate joint program where graduates typically pursue careers in clinical pharmacy. Graduates of these joint programs rarely seek employment assistance. Very few students pursue the MS degree outside of a joint program. Most are already employed in a clinical setting and seek the degree to advance their careers within exiting organizations.
COURSES OF INSTRUCTION

Key to Terminology
*= Advanced MBA or MBA-HSA Course
**= Course descriptions appear in Union College’s Catalog

Prerequisite Discussion and Terminology:
“Pre” = Prerequisite. Student must have finished this course prior to beginning the listed course
“Rec” = Recommended. It is recommended (but not required) that this course be completed prior to the course listed

If “prerequisites” have not been fulfilled, then written permission forms, signed by the instructor or Dean, must accompany the registration form.

Additional prerequisite requirements may be found within each school/program section.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION COURSES

The following courses are for students in the MAT or MS for T programs. Enrollment in these courses is by permission of School of Education Deans only.

Specific 2012-2013 course offerings are identified below and updated via www.uniongraduatecollege.edu or by contacting the School of Education.

To ensure that students meet appropriate prerequisites for all courses, all graduate students are required to have a plan of study on file that has been approved by School of Education advisors.

PSY 246. Educational Psychology (Pre-1)
Winter, Spring; Rasso
Principles of psychology applied to teaching, with emphasis on cognitive abilities of students, classroom management procedures, and motivational techniques.
Prerequisite: PSY 010.

EDS 500A. Field Observations (Middle School)
Fall, Winter, Spring; Allen (No fee)
50 hours, observing classes and meeting with secondary school teachers in the discipline for which certification is sought. Five days are required at the middle school level.
Specific observation activities outline the expected outcomes of the experiences as well as information regarding observational techniques and procedures. Typical experiences involve in-depth observation of one teacher and additional observations of other teachers and classes to see a range of grade/ability levels. Observers are asked to consider physical environment, classroom climate, learners and learning styles, the curriculum, and teacher
planning/preparation. Students are also expected to become familiar with instructional materials and resources. This course is required for all MAT candidates.

**EDS 500 B. Field Observations (High School)**  
*Fall, Winter, Spring; Allen (No fee)*  
50 hours, observing classes and meeting with secondary school teachers in the discipline for which certification is sought. Five days are required at the high school level. Either 500A or B must be conducted in a high needs school. This course is required for all MAT candidates.

**EDS 500C. Continuation of EDS 500A and 500B.**  
Field Observations (Internship School)  
*Spring; Allen ($500 fee)*  
40 hours, observing classes and meeting with secondary school teachers in the discipline for which certification is sought. Specific observation activities outline the expected outcomes of the experiences as well as information regarding observational techniques and procedures. Typical experiences involve in-depth observation of one teacher and additional observations of other teachers and classes to see a range of grade/ability levels. Observers are asked to consider physical environment, classroom climate, learners and learning styles, the curriculum, and teacher planning/preparation. Students are also expected to become familiar with instructional materials and resources. These requirements are to be completed within the context of the full-year internship. This course is required for all MAT candidates.

**EDS 511. Curriculum and Methods of Teaching English**  
*Summer; Bell*  
Curricular planning and instruction for the teaching of English at the secondary school level. The course will include an analysis of secondary language arts curricula including New York State Frameworks for language arts, instructional techniques and strategies, designing and locating instructional materials, planning, implementing, and evaluating lessons and units. This course is required for MAT English candidates.

**EDS 512. Curriculum and Methods in Teaching Mathematics**  
*Summer; Gandrow*  
Curricular planning and instruction for the teaching of mathematics at the secondary school level. The course will include an analysis of classic and current secondary mathematics curricula including New York State Frameworks for mathematics, instructional techniques and strategies, designing and locating instructional materials, planning, implementing, and evaluating lessons and units. This course is required for MAT Mathematics candidates.

**EDS 513. Curriculum and Methods in Teaching Languages**  
*Summer; Gregory*  
Curricular planning and instruction for the teaching of second languages at the secondary school level. The course will include an analysis of secondary language curricula including New York State Frameworks for languages; instructional techniques; the teaching of speaking, listening, reading, and writing; designing and locating instructional
materials; planning, implementing, and evaluating lessons and units. This course is required for MAT languages candidates.

**EDS 514. Curriculum and Methods in Teaching Sciences**  
*Summer; Shiland*  
Curricular planning and instruction for the teaching of science at the secondary school level. The course will include an analysis of secondary science curricula including New York State Frameworks for sciences; instructional techniques and strategies for teaching scientific concepts; laboratory methods and safety, designing and locating instructional materials; planning, implementing, and evaluating lessons and units. This course is required for MAT sciences candidates.

**EDS 515. Curriculum and Methods in Teaching Social Studies**  
*Summer; Reynolds*  
Curricular planning and instruction for the teaching of social studies at the secondary school level. The course will include an analysis of secondary social studies curricula including the New York State Frameworks for social studies; models and techniques for teaching and integrating the various social sciences; designing and locating instructional materials; planning, implementing, and evaluating lessons and units. This course is required for MAT social studies candidates.

**EDS 540. Psychology of Teaching**  
*Summer; Allen, Remis, Snyder, Tulloch*  
Theories of learning and memory applied to instruction; models and research on teaching in secondary schools. Includes thematic analysis of relevant teaching topics such as special needs, differentiated instruction, literacy, second language learners and service learning. This course will include a laboratory component with micro-teaching experiences and will be taken in the summer preceding the teaching internship. (Co-requisite: EDS 240 Lab) This course is required for all MAT candidates.

**EDS 540L. Microteaching Laboratory**  
*Summer; Lasselle*  
Students prepare and present several six-30 minute lessons using a variety of instructional models. Models include anticipatory sets, discussion concepts, skills and inquiry with attention paid to themes such as special needs, differentiated instruction, literacy, second language, learners and service learning. Lessons are digitally recorded and critiqued by peer-coaches and laboratory faculty. This laboratory must be taken concurrently with EDS 240 and a course in Curriculum and Methods in Teaching (EDS 511-516). This course is required for all MAT candidates.

**EDS 541. Essential Reading Literacy**  
*Summer; O’Connell, Staff*  
An examination of the reading approaches, both aesthetic and efferent, covers text features, vocabulary building, and strategies for meaning-making to support students’ reading in the academic discipline content areas. This course is required for all MAT candidates.

**EDS 544. Literacy for the Content Classroom**
**Fall, Winter; Wojcik, Forman-Pemberton**
The theory and instructional approaches which support adolescent students’ acquisition of content knowledge through writing. Builds upon the reading essentials of EDS 541 to help teachers use writing processes and varied assignments and strategies for specific content learning objectives, writing to learn as well as display writing, includes instructional planning elements such as types of assignments, writing frequency and pacing, feedback, grading, and reflective analysis of writing products.

**EDS 550A. Seminar in Instruction and Evaluation: Special Needs Populations, Including Drug Abuse/ Child Abuse**
*Fall; Hobday, O’Connell*
This seminar is required of all MAT candidates and is to be taken concurrently with their internship. This course explores major aspects of special needs populations in schools including State mandates; laws dealing with the handicapped; gifted and talented students; the instruction required for teachers in drug, alcohol, and child abuse; and projects to increase teachers’ competence in working with special needs populations. Only students engaged in an internship may enroll in this course.

**EDS 550B. Seminar in Instruction and Evaluation: Discipline, Assessment and Motivation**
*Winter; Snyder, Tulloch*
This seminar is required of all MAT candidates and is to be taken concurrently with their internship. Topics include: application of instructional theory and research, reflective teaching and self-evaluation, traditional and alternate/performance assessments service learning. Each student will produce a professional portfolio and a teaching video-tape in this course. Only students engaged in an internship may enroll in this course.

**EDS 550C. Seminar in Instruction and Evaluation: Teacher as Change Agent**
*(Tuition is $500 for this course)*
*Spring; Snyder, Tulloch*
This seminar is required of all MAT candidates and is to be taken concurrently with their internship. Topics include: application of instructional theory and research, reflective teaching and self-evaluation, exposure to major school reform movements/proposals such as Value added and Growth Models, Service Learning, Charter Schools and the relationship of new teachers to the reform movement. Only students engaged in an internship may enroll in this course.

**EDS 551, 552, 553. Teaching Internship (No Fee)**
*Fall, Winter, Spring; Allen*
Graduate interns teach a minimum of two courses in a local secondary school under the direction of an experienced school mentor and a college supervisor. Students meet several times a trimester on campus in addition to their teaching responsibilities. Only matriculated MAT students may be enrolled in an internship.

**EDS 570: Middle School: Students, Structures, and Standards**
*Summer, Winter; Reynolds*
This course is designed to prepare students to teach 5th and 6th grade students effectively. Students will explore topics and teaching/learning methodology that are most appropriate
for teaching students at the middle adolescence level, including team-teaching. Based on the theoretical and the practical, this course is designed to prepare teaching professionals to be competent, energetic, dedicated, and collegial practitioners at the middle adolescence level.

EDS 571: Middle Adolescence Literacy  
*Summer, Winter; Morley*  
This course is designed to prepare students to teach and develop literacy skills across the curriculum in grades 5 and 6. Students will review the latest research on the nature and development of reading writing, listening, speaking, viewing, and thinking as it applies to middle adolescence learners. Based on theoretical and practical aspects of teaching, it includes ways to support struggling readers in becoming strategic readers in all content areas. The overall goals of the course are to have teachers understand the effective elements of reading, writing, and expanded literacy instruction across the curriculum no matter what their area of content specialty.

580. MAT/MS for Teachers Project  
*Winter; Morley, Vrtiak, Hall*  
Individual and group projects relating to the classroom teaching of a particular discipline. Typical projects are: systematic applications of an instructional model of a major segment of curriculum in a teaching subject area; classroom action research; addressing curricular or instructional questions/issues within one’s teaching subject area.

EDS 590. Independent Study in Education

598. 599. Research and Thesis in the Discipline  
*Fall, Winter*  

EDS 600. Status Continuation ($100)  
Graduate students who are degree candidates and are working on their thesis must pay a continuation fee for any term in which they are not formally enrolled in any other course counting toward the completion of their degree.

EDS 610: Reflective Teaching Practices  
*Fall; Snyder and Lasselle – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
Designed to teach participants how to become reflective practitioners of their own teaching. Participants will be immersed in an extended exercise in evaluating their own professional practice with the goal of improving student learning. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

EDS 611: Learning to Teach to the Highest Standards  
*Winter; Snyder and Lasselle – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
A continuation of the work students have completed in EDS 610. Students will continue their focus on reflective teaching by analyzing specific teaching episodes within the context of their own teaching. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

EDS 621: Mentoring I: Mentoring Interns and Novice Teachers  
*Fall; Ryan – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*
Designed for teachers who are thinking about or may have already mentored student teachers, interns, and/or novice teachers. Key questions will be analyzed and assessed in this course including the progressive needs of new teachers; practices that enhance a new teacher’s induction into school, school culture, and a profession; effective feedback methods and similar topics are emphasized. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

**EDS 622: Mentoring II: Advanced Mentoring**  
*Winter; Ryan – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
Designed for teachers who have mentored student teachers, interns, and/or colleagues who are looking for a broader perspective on the topic. There are numerous skills introduced designed to ensure that a mentor has more professional skills to offer/share with new teachers and student teachers/interns. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

**EDS 623: Directing a Mentoring Program**  
*Spring; Ryan – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
Designed for teachers who have mentored student teachers, interns, and/or colleagues and are looking for a broader perspective in the field. They may be interested in directing or establishing a mentoring program. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

**EDS 624: School Law**  
*Winter; Gerhardt – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
Designed for teachers to learn how schools are regulated and the laws governing them. The course teaches the basic tenants of state and federal education law. Constitutional principles are explored and debated. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

**EDS 625: Teacher Leadership**  
*Spring; Ryan – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
The course is the capstone experience of the Certificate of Advanced Study in Mentoring and Teacher Leadership. The goal of this course and the Certificate is to develop teachers into leaders in their classrooms, schools, districts, and beyond their fields of expertise. Prepares teachers with the skills needed to assume leadership roles within their schools and beyond and provides important support and stepping stones toward National Board Certification. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

**EDS 630 Introduction to Service Learning**  
*Fall; Tedesco, Cassels – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*  
This course will provide students with hands-on knowledge of Service Learning as pedagogy and as a philosophy of learning. Service Learning makes mastering technical, conceptual and theoretical knowledge meaningful and memorable as it fosters young men and women who are prepared to accept real responsibilities and make real life decisions. Students will also consider the benefits of Service Learning to their students, the school and community. They will gain membership in a community of local and national Service Learning teachers who are skilled in utilizing the pedagogy and passionate about its efficacy. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

**EDS 631 Advanced Service Learning (New Course)**  
*Winter; Tedesco, Cassels – Course for Certificate of Advanced Study*
Designed for those experienced in Service Learning pedagogy, this course will provide a community of peers to foster the integration of Service Learning into Capital Region classrooms. (Not open to MAT/MST students.)

BIO 553. Plant Biology  
*Spring; Hanchar*
This course will focus on a survey of the land plant kingdom with an emphasis on phylogeny, anatomy, physiology, field identification, and ecology. Emphasis will be placed on the New York State curriculum for biology in secondary schools and ways to link plant study to the curriculum.

BIO 590. Biological Demonstrations  
*Fall; TBA*
Focusing on specific biological laboratories taught in middle schools and high schools, this course not only explores the New York State mandated biological laboratories, but also the potential laboratories that can be taught in the discipline at the secondary school level. The emphasis is on the NYS standards-based skills that secondary students need to know and be able to perform. Each student leaves the course with a wide variety of laboratories that can be used in a range of school settings.

CST 565: Introduction to Computers in the Classroom  
*Fall; TBD*
This core course is required of all education students who have not had similar course in their previous study. It is strongly recommended for all students in any education program who have little or no exposure and/or knowledge of computers and their basic applications. This course will emphasize tools in use in the secondary curriculum and classroom such as interactive white boards, student response systems, digital microscopes, projectors, document cameras and all software applications and lesson plan materials related to such. Specific attention will also be given to the vast resources available to teachers in educational settings with regards to library databases, video streaming and other online content.

CST 570: Computers in the Language Arts Classroom  
*Fall, Winter; Reynolds*
This course is designed to be a practical application of current technologies to today’s typical classroom. It is a course that can be useful to any current or future English, Foreign Language, or Social Studies classroom teacher. It is a class based partly on software and hardware currently in use in schools as well as applications of the Internet to the classroom. The course also explores current trends and ethical issues in the field at the time of the course.

CST 571: Computers in the Math & Science Classroom  
*Spring; TBD*
This course investigates the potential of new technologies for improving the teaching of math and science. Special attention is given to emerging technologies currently in use in the secondary curriculum and classroom. Course discussions will emphasize the educational implementation and value of various Web 2.0 tools such as wikis, blogs, podcasting, cloud computing, Google Apps for Education, Glogster, Animoto,
VoiceThred, Photostory, Wallwisher, Poll Everywhere, Twitter and many other web-based applications with value in educational settings.

**EGL 510: Writing and Teaching: A Process Approach**  
*Not offered 2012-2013*  
The purpose of this course is to explore both the rationale for and the methods of teaching writing in secondary schools. In order to learn more about writing, you will choose a research topic relate to your discipline and do in-depth reading and research. You will also have to opportunity to develop writing activities, graphic organizers and assessment tools that will be helpful in your own classroom.

**EGL 523. American Short Story**  
*Fall; Allen*  
American Short Story presents an overview of the development of the short story in America from its beginnings in the early 1800s through contemporary exemplars of the genre.

**EGL 581. Criticism**  
*Not offered 2013-2014*  
This course focuses on gaining a broad familiarity with the major theoretical approaches to the study of literature and culture. The course will apply the insights gained about theory to the practical act of interpreting literary texts and narratives of various sorts. Strong links will be drawn between theory and practical application.

**EGL 582. The Civil War Era**  
*Not offered 2013-2014*  
Focusing on the history and literature of the Civil War Era, this course selects materials from 1850-1870. Key concepts and their extensions into the 19th and 20th centuries will be emphasized including race, gender, immigration, industrialism, military tactics, individualism, Romanticism, Realism, Naturalism, and Patriotism. The course will emphasize several interdisciplinary approaches to the study of literature and history, including a wide variety of artifacts that can be used to teach the history and literature of the period. The course will be organized as a seminar emphasizing discussion and student presentations.

**EGL 595. Reading Poetry**  
*Spring; Danaher*  
Students will examine a broad range of poems in order to examine the sources and characteristics of the unique powers of poetry and poets claimed throughout history. Students will learn to formulate theories of how poetry operates in ways peculiar to itself and to develop personal, aesthetic, and critical approaches to reading poetry effectively.

**EGL 596: Reading American Fictions**  
*Not offered 2012-2013*  
EGL 596 is designed to study in depth a few key American fictions selected for their relevance for teaching American literature, American history, and American culture. The books are central to understanding American character, American national values, and/or
American experience. The term “fiction” is used broadly to define original texts that encompass novels, short stories, memoirs, autobiographies, speeches, and classic expressions of American history and culture.

**ENG 598-599. Independent Study**
(by arrangement)

**HST 510. Comparative History**
*Spring; Sargent*
History 510 takes a comparative and topical approach to the study of traditional global history. The goal is to provide teachers with several different frameworks within which to understand and teach global history. Five main approaches are examined. The course will be organized as a seminar focusing on class discussion rather than lecture. Grading will be based on short papers and a final exam.

**HST 558. The Holocaust**
*Spring; Berk*
A formal study of European and American Jewry in the period 1933-1945 focusing on modern anti-Semitism, the Nazi world view, German extermination policies, the response of Europe and the United States, and Jewish behavior in a time of crisis.

**HST 582. The Civil War Era**
*(Not offered 2011-12)*
Focusing on the history and literature of the Civil War Era, this course selects materials from 1850-1870. Key concepts and their extensions into the 19th and 20th centuries will be emphasized including race, gender, immigration, industrialism, military tactics, individualism, Romanticism, Realism, Naturalism, and Patriotism. The course will emphasize several interdisciplinary approaches to the study of literature and history, including a wide variety of artifacts that can be used to teach the history and literature of the period. The course will be organized as seminar emphasizing discussion and student presentations.

**HST 584. Personality in History**
*Winter; Berk*
This course deals with the impact upon history of a number of prominent personalities. The factors influencing their lives, the roles they played in the historical process and the interplay between their personalities and underlying forces of history constitute the subject matter of this course.

**HST 589. Special Topics in Social Science**
*Winter; Sargent*
This course is designed as a critical thinking course, analyzing the ways in which social scientists write, think, make arguments, and present evidence. The course provides future teachers with multiple ways to evaluate social science evidence in multiple disciplines. The course demands analytical thinking and the ability to articulate orally and in writing.

**PHY 590. Physics Demonstrations**
*Fall; Caldera*
Physics demonstrations are quick experiments that the physics teacher performs, in front of the class, in order to bring to light aspects of the lesson. Reasons for performing a classroom demonstration range from proving a concept, to helping with understanding of the physics, to visualization of an abstract phenomenon, to teaching about experimental physics, to entertainment. The purpose of this course is to help each future teacher to (a) select a collection of about ten experiments, (b) obtain the necessary parts/equipment required to build/create the demo, and (c) learn effective methods of performing the demonstration, both from a pathological and a theatrical perspective. This is an independent-study course that requires a weekly class meeting in addition to several hours per week spent outside the class for building the demos.

**SCI 530. Analyzing Science /Math Theories**  
*Winter; Tulloch*  
Analyzing Scientific Theories from Philosophical and Historical Perspectives. Students in this course will explore the development of major ideas in the life, Earth, and physical sciences by analyzing the scientific investigations and reasoning employed and how such developments were shaped by their technical, social and cultural contexts. Through such exploration, students will build a deeper and more contemporary understanding of how scientific knowledge is produced and structured and how scientific processes and thinking extend, revise, and reorganize such knowledge.
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND
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MS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES

Non-Credit-Bearing Courses

CSc 599. Master of Science Graduate Seminar in Computer Science
This required, non-credit Seminar provides a capstone experience for graduate Computer Science candidates. Candidates select a topic for independent research during the Fall term. The candidate submits a final written report and presents the research during a seminar session the following Winter or Spring term. Each candidate is required to attend all seminar sessions. The candidate receives a pass/fail grade which appears on the official transcript. This is a no-fee course. This course is normally taken during the final year of the candidate’s program.
Prerequisite: approval of graduate advisor. (no credit)

Credit-Bearing Courses

CSc 510. Operating Systems
Batch, interactive, real-time, and distributed operating systems; multiprogramming, multiprocessor, multiprocessing, multitasking; concurrent programming; elementary queuing theory; memory management; resource allocation, sharing and protection. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (335). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.

CSc 511. Algorithm Design and Analysis
Fundamental algorithms used in a variety of applications. Includes algorithms on list processing, string processing, geometric algorithms, and graph algorithms. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (250). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.

CSc 512. Theory of Computing
A discussion of the fundamental ideas and models underlying computing—properties of formal languages, finite automata, regular expressions, pushdown automata, context-free languages, Turing machines, and undecidability. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (350). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.

**CSc 513. Programming Languages**  
An introduction to issues in programming language design and implementation. Major programming language paradigms: functional, logic, and object-oriented, and their use. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (370). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisites: CSc 511

**CSc 514. Computer Graphics**  
Algorithms for handling two-dimensional and three-dimensional objects. Interactive graphics hardware and systems. X windows, engineering workstations. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (385). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisites: Calculus III: Differential Vector Calculus and Matrix Theory

**CSc 515. Introduction to Databases**  
Introduction to data models and database design. Coverage of network, hierarchical, and relational architectures with emphasis on the latter. Study of relational algebra, entity-relationship modeling, and data normalization. Study of fourth generation query languages including SQL. Introduction to centralized, distributed, federated, and mediated systems. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (340). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisite: Data Structures

**CSc 516. Software Engineering**  
Strategies for the specification, design, production, testing, and support of computer programs; software development models; programming team structures; documentation and maintenance. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (360). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisite: CSc 511.

**CSc 518 Digital Design**  
(Cross-listed as EER 518)  
The design of digital hardware systems at the module level using modern approaches. Datapath and control unit design, hardware description languages, minimization, pipeline. Laboratory exercise and a design project are required. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (318). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisite: Introduction to Digital Computers or equivalents.
**CSc 529. Neural Networks**  
(Cross-listed as EER-529)  
Topics include the biological basics of artificial neural networks, neuron models and architectures, back propagation, associative and competitive learning. Weekly computer laboratories and a final project required. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (329). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisite: Linear Algebra and Differential Equations.

**CSc 544. Artificial Intelligence**  
Fundamental concepts used in creating “intelligent” computer systems; semantic representation, logical deduction, natural language processing, and game playing; expert systems, knowledge-based systems, and elementary robotics. This course is cross-listed in the Union College Catalog as an undergraduate course (320). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in the class.  
Prerequisite: CSc 511.

**CSc 547. Data Communications and Networks**  
(Cross-listed as EER-547)  
An introduction to protocols, communication hardware, networks, error detection and handling, and software. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (337). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisite: Introduction to Digital Computers or Topics in Computer Logic and Mathematics, or equivalents. A knowledge of statistics is helpful.

**CSc 551. Large Scale Software Development**  
Strategies for the systemic design, implementation, and testing of large software systems. Design notations, tools, and techniques. Design patterns and implementation idioms. Implementation, debugging and testing. Includes team and individual software development projects. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (260). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisites: Logic & Set Theory.

**CSc 552. Embedded Microcontroller Systems**  
Architecture, Programming, and Applications  
(Cross-listed as EER 552)  
Hardware and architecture with emphasis on 8051 microcontrolla; programming in assembly and higher-level languages, microcomputer applications, and interfacing. Design projects required. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (352). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.  
Prerequisites: Knowledge of computer programming and introduction to Digital Computers or equivalent.

**CSc 560: Network and Systems Security**
This course explores critical business challenges: how to protect an organization’s computer networks, systems, applications, and information. Students learn how to design procedures, protocols, and policies that address both engineering and human issues. Engineered security is examined through the application or cryptography, digital signatures and certificates, authentication protocol, firewalls, and intrusion detection. Also considered are security issues related to people’s use of organization’s networks and systems including polices and practices for password management and protecting privacy rights. Students also study options for maintaining business continuity in the event of a disruption of business operations. Specific case studies are used to highlight the choices that must be made to balance operational efficiency of business functions with protecting the business from the onslaught of security threats.

Prerequisite expertise: networking protocols. The student should have taken a course in computer communications/networking and have programming experience such as C/C++, or JAVA or PHP. (The programming experience will allow the course to include hands on security project).

**CSc 561: Software Quality Management**

This course prepares students to apply a quality mindset to both the development process and the developed software. Students learn the theory and practice of quality assurance and testing computer software. Topics of study include the use of metrics to measure quality, software quality standards as a baseline for establishing and assessing quality, the effects of the economics on product reliability, and software testing practices (including test design, coverage, and tools). Students will study specific cases that highlight practical techniques and reveal the relationship between software quality management and meeting an organization’s business objectives.

**CSc 562: Business Intelligence**

This course offers an interdisciplinary look at computing technologies in support of forming valuable business insights and making effective decisions. Students acquire knowledge of the conceptual basis for data warehousing (collection and organization of data in database management systems) and data mining (detecting of patterns in business data). Students then build the skills to extract business intelligence from collected and analyzed data and present it for use in business decision-making activities. Various practical applications are studies such as customer segmentation, Customer Relationship Management (CRM), Group Decision Support Systems (GDSS), and Executive Information Systems (EIS). Students will learn about trends in the use of business intelligence software and techniques and examine specific case studies. There will be an opportunity for students to develop their own application project. 

Prerequisite expertise: database management systems.

**CSc563: Managing Software Projects**

This course prepares students to be effective at managing complex software development projects by learning concepts, processes, practical techniques, and tools for project management that support strategic organizational goals. Given the global nature of business today, an important element of this course is its emphasis on globally distributed projects. Students learn how to manage requirements that define a project, plan work tasks, schedule efficient use of people and resources, handle changes to the plan, manage risk and uncertainty, and drive to closure that meets quality expectations and address real-
both tradition and agile development processes will be considered. Students will investigate and utilize a variety of online project collaboration tools and explore practices needed to manage distributed software project teams.

CSc 571. System Modeling & Optimization
(i.e. Computational Intelligence)
(Cross-listed as EER 571, MER 571)
Topics include the theory, design, and application of biologically and linguistically motivated computational methods emphasizing neural networks, genetic algorithms, fuzzy logic, and hybrid intelligent systems in which these methods are employed. Special emphasis will be placed on applying these techniques to “real-world” problems, and examples from a broad range of industrial applications will be presented. Homework assignments and a final project are required.
Prerequisites: undergraduate calculus and linear algebra.

CSc 572. Engineering Statistics
(Cross-listed as EER 572, MER 572)
Modern engineering practice makes extensive use of statistical methods for the efficient collection and analysis of engineering data, and to support data-based decision making. This course will introduce the statistical tools that are of greatest importance for practicing engineers. Core topics to be covered will include probability and distribution theory, the construction and interpretation of statistical intervals, statistical hypothesis testing, regression analysis and empirical modeling, statistical experimental design, and statistical quality/process control. Additional specialized topics may also be covered, depending upon the interests of the class; possible topics include system reliability analysis, measurement system analysis, process capability analysis (and “six-sigma”), accelerated life testing, and acceptance sampling.

CSc 573. Robotics
This course will provide an introduction to robotics. The course will cover basic algorithms necessary for motor control. Building on these methods we will discuss higher level navigation for mobile robots, as well as the sensing necessary for localization of the robot in its environment. Finally we will also examine the challenges of motion planning for jointed robots with many degrees of freedom.

CSc 583. Selected Topics in Computer Science
Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

CSc 590-593. Independent Study
(by arrangement)
Prerequisite: At least two CSc courses numbered between 530 and 589.

CSc 594-595. Two-Term Programming Project
(by arrangement)
Prerequisite: At least two CSc courses numbered between 530 and 589.

CSc 596-597. Research and Thesis
(by arrangement)
Prerequisite: At least two CSc courses numbered between 530 and 589.

MS IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING COURSES
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*Indicates Energy related course for MS Energy Systems

Non-Credit-Bearing Courses

EER 599. Master of Science Graduate Project in Electrical Engineering
This non-credit seminar project provides a capstone experience for graduate electrical engineering candidates not completing a thesis or independent study. The candidate and faculty advisor agree on project scope and evaluation process. The candidate receives a pass/fail grade which appears on the official transcript. This is a no-fee course.

Credit-Bearing Courses

EER 518. Digital Design
(Cross-listed as CSC 518)
The design of digital hardware systems at the module level using modern approaches. Datapath and control unit design, hardware description languages, minimization, pipeline. Laboratory exercise and a design project are required. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (318). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class. Prerequisite: Introduction to Digital Computers or equivalents.

*EER 522. Linear Control Systems
(Cross-listed as MER 522)
This course addresses practical control system design primarily from a classical perspective. Beginning with transfer function modeling of dynamic systems, the course moves through transient, root locus, and frequency response analysis to end with frequency domain techniques for controller design.

*EER 528. Digital Control Systems
The course begins with a brief review of continuous-time control methods before transitioning to the theory and implementation techniques for control of dynamic processes by digital computers. Topics covered include discrete system analysis,
sampled data systems, quantization effects, state space representation of digital control systems, and the design of digital control algorithms.

*EER 542. Electronic Power Conversion*
This course examines the application of power semiconductor devices to the efficient conversion of electrical energy. Circuit analysis, signal analysis, and energy concepts are integrated to develop steady-state and dynamic models of generic power converters. Specific topics include AC/DC conversion, DC/DC conversion, DC/AC conversion, and AC/AC conversion. These generic converters are applied as controlled rectifiers, switching power supplies, motor drives, HVDC transmission, induction heating, and others. Ancillary circuits needed for the proper operation and control of power semiconductor devices are also discussed.
Prerequisites: Courses in circuit analysis, signals and systems.

*EER 542A. Modeling & Control of Energy Conversion*
This course examines modeling and control techniques appropriate for application to power electronic and electric machine systems. The course will involve examination of the appropriate theory, followed by application through examples and small design projects. Simulation will be used to evaluate the merits of various techniques.
Prerequisites: EER 242, Power Electronics I; some exposure to state-space models is desirable.

*EER 542B. Electromechanical Energy Conversion*
This course is designed to introduce the student to the inside of AC electric machinery. It begins with a review of computing inductance using the integral form of Maxwell’s equations. Next, the energy method for computing the forces of electrical origin is introduced. These forces are then combined with circuit equations and the equations of mechanics to obtain dynamic models of electromechanical systems. The methodology developed is applied to simple electromechanical structures and then to various types of synchronous machines; induction machines are also considered. Consideration will be given to the electronic control of electric machines.
Prerequisite: an undergraduate course in electromagnetics.

EER 543. Introduction to Antenna Theory
Propagation of electromagnetic waves, antenna parameters, arrays, wire antennas, aperture antennas, receiving antennas. Prerequisite: Introduction to Electromagnetic Engineering I or equivalent. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (368). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.
Prerequisites: Introduction to Electromagnetic Engineering or equivalent.

EER 547. Data Communications and Networks
(Cross-listed as CSc 547)
An introduction to protocols, communication hardware, networks, error detection and handling, and software. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (337). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.
Prerequisite: Introduction to Digital Computers or CSc Pre1 (Topics in Computer Logic and Mathematics), or equivalents. A knowledge of statistics is helpful.

EER 548. Digital Circuits
Special circuitry of digital systems; transistors as switches, logic gate types (RTL, DTL, TPL, ECL, MOS, CMOS, etc.), digital ICs semiconductor memories. Design projects required. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (348). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.
Prerequisite: Introduction to Digital Computers, Introduction to Semiconductor Devices and Circuits or equivalents, or permission of the instructor.

*EER 551. Superconductivity
Superconductivity is a complex physical phenomenon still at the forefront of research. This course is designed to provide a fundamental working knowledge of this technology, the importance and integration of material properties and a broad understanding/appreciation of the applications in the areas of power equipment and electronics. The course will also focus on active research and technological barriers for future applications.

EER 552. Embedded Microcontroller Systems
(Cross-listed as CSc 552)
Hardware and architecture with emphasis on 8051 Microcontrollers; programming in assembly and higher-level languages, microcomputer applications, and interfacing. Design projects required. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (352). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.
Prerequisites: Knowledge of computer programming and Introduction to Digital Computers or equivalent.

*EER 560. Power System Analysis I
Power and energy in AC circuits. Single-phase, three-phase and polyphase circuits in balanced and unbalanced regimes. Measurement of three-phase power. Determination of three-phase sequence. Single-line diagrams. Per-unit method of representation and computations. Transformers and synchronous machines in power systems. Parameters of transmission lines. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (360). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.
Prerequisite: Electric Circuits or equivalent.

*EER 561. Power System Analysis II
Wave-propagation in transmission lines. Analysis of power networks, load-flow solutions and control. Three-phase faults and symmetrical components. Power system protection. Stability of power systems. This course is cross-listed in the Union College catalog as an undergraduate course (361). Graduate students will be expected to complete additional course work beyond the undergraduates in this class.
Prerequisites: Electric Circuits or equivalent.
*EER 570. Nuclear Engineering  
(cross-listed as MER 560)  
The purpose of this course is provide students of various engineering disciplines a functional knowledge of nuclear engineering principles and those most important to the design of nuclear power generation systems. The course will focus both on the nuclear reactor core as well as plant systems. The intent is that students will gain a physical understanding of nuclear engineering principles as they relate to their own field of interest. Class participation will be highly encouraged and focused through the discussion of current events in the nuclear industry as well as proposed future nuclear technologies.

EER 571. System Modeling & Optimization  
(i.e. Computational Intelligence)  
(Cross-listed as CSC 571)  
Topics include the theory, design, and application of biologically and linguistically motivated computational methods emphasizing neural networks, genetic algorithms, fuzzy logic, and hybrid intelligent systems in which these methods are employed. Special emphasis will be placed on applying these techniques to “real-world” problems, and examples from a broad range of industrial applications will be presented. Homework assignments and a final project are required. Prerequisites: undergraduate calculus and linear algebra.

EER 572. Engineering Statistics  
(Cross-listed as CSc 572, MER 572)  
Modern engineering practice makes extensive use of statistical methods for the efficient collection and analysis of engineering data, and to support data-based decision making. This course will introduce the statistical tools that are of greatest importance for practicing engineers. Core topics to be covered will include probability and distribution theory, the construction and interpretation of statistical intervals, statistical hypothesis testing, regression analysis and empirical modeling, statistical experimental design, and statistical quality/process control. Additional specialized topics may also be covered, depending upon the interests of the class; possible topics include system reliability analysis, measurement system analysis, process capability analysis (and “six-sigma”), accelerated life testing, and acceptance sampling.

EER 573. Case Studies in Failure and Ethics in Engineering  
(Cross-listed as MER 573)  
This course provides a broad look at engineering failure and ethics in engineering. It will focus on engineering failure case studies and the principles of applied engineering ethics. To understand engineering disasters and to learn from these failures. To prepare engineers for the decisions they may face in their professional careers. Focus is on mechanical engineering.

EER 574. Solid State Electronics  
Course reviews the physics and technology of semiconductor electronic devices and their dynamic behavior. Emphasis will be placed on semiconductor devices used in high-power and high frequency applications such as power electronic switching elements and
microwave power amplifiers. Course emphasizes physical understanding of device operation and limitations through energy band diagrams, electron carrier statistics and transport, charge control equations, and equivalent circuit models. Derivation of electrical characteristics and dynamic limitations will be presented for (1) power diodes, (2) bipolar devices such as the power bipolar junction transistor and thyristors, (3) unipolar devices such as the microwave field effect devices and (4) new classes of controlled power electronic devices such as the insulated gate bipolar transistor. Issues such as reduction of parasitic electrical losses, high bandgap semiconductor material development, and thermal management will be discussed.

**EER 576. Motor Acoustics**
(Cross-listed as MER 576)
Development of the fundamental principles and equations for motor noise and vibration. Focus on development of analytical methods for predicting the acoustic performance of motors, along with an overview of numerical methods. Develop an understanding of the key principles and governing equations of motor acoustics. This covers noise generation by the motor, its structural dynamics response, and its sound radiation. Apply those equations to the analytical prediction of the noise sources and acoustic responses of motors. Understand the bounds of applicability of the analytical formulas, and the numerical methods which are available to predict the response of complex motors.

**EER 580. Fuel Cell Science and Hydrogen Engineering**
(Cross-listed as MER 580)
Introduce the student to the science and engineering of fuel cell technology. Emphasis will be on developing an understanding of different types of fuel cells, their applications, and the engineering of complete fuel cell systems. Elements of the class will include: electrochemistry; polymer materials science for proton exchange membrane (PEM) based systems; ceramics for solid oxide fuel cells; liquid-electrolytes for phosphoric acid and alkaline fuel cells; and other methods of generating power directly from a fuel and an oxidant. They system requirements of the fuel cell stack will be introduced to provide a complete picture of the technology. Other elements addressed during the course will include thermochemistry; electrochemistry; fuel processing or reforming; electrical & power management; polymer science and systems engineering. Developing an understanding of the proton exchange membrane fuel cell will be the primary objective. After completing this course, the student is expected to have an understanding of the technical needs, challenges, and opportunities of fuel cell systems. The overall essence of the class will be to address the essentials of fuel cells and fuel cell systems and related electrochemical systems. Elements of the entrepreneurial aspects of the industry will also be covered. Hydrogen will be discussed throughout the semester as it relates to fuel cells and the emerging changes in power generation models.
Prerequisite: Adviser approval.

**EER 580A. Photo Voltaic Engineering**
(Cross-listed as MER 580A)
The course focuses on the physical principles, technology, and design of efficient semiconductor photovoltaics. Course goals equip students with the concepts and
analytical skills to understand efficiency limitations, to assess the viability of various solar and thermophotovoltaic technologies, and to introduce the physics required for understanding photovoltaic energy conversion. The course will focus on three primary aspects of photovoltaic energy conversion, (i) the transfer and conversion of solar (i.e. thermal) radiation to electronic energy, (ii) the theory and design of the semiconductor photovoltaic cell and (iii) photovoltaic systems and applications.

Prerequisites: Advisor approval.

*EER 580B. Turbine Engineering
(Cross-listed as MER 580B)
Course on fundamentals of design, analysis, and technology of turbo machinery – jet engines, gas turbines, steam turbines, water turbines, and wind turbines. The course will provide an understanding of all aspects of system development: thermodynamic cycles, design-point and off-design performance; function and design of components (inlets, compressors, combustors, turbines, outlets), operational limits, and environmental concerns; structural analysis, lifting, and materials; rotor dynamics and blade aeromechanics; clearance analysis, sealing, and packing; heat transfer, blade and component cooling; starting and control; power and thrust generation; testing and instrumentation. The student is expected to develop a broad understanding of the state-of-the-art, challenges, and future of turbine systems.

*EER 580D. Wind Energy Engineering
(Cross-listed as MER 580F)
The course focuses on “Wind Farm Project Design and Development” (1/2) and “Wind Turbine Technology” (1/2). Part 1: Teams will demonstrate understanding of complete wind farm design/development process inclusive of site selection, wind resource evaluating target land area, turbine choice, location, energy projection, cost, transmission. Part 2: Focuses on technical understanding of Wind Turbine attributes such as structural, blade system, Nacelle system, electrical system, performance, and future opportunities.

*EER 580E. Solar Energy Engineering
(Cross-listed as MER 580E)
This course is designed to enable the student to effectively grasp the complex and quickly changing solar industry. The course will cover such topics as the economy of solar, photovoltaic devices, systems and applications. In order to cover this broad range of technical topics, the course will utilize multiple instructors. Each instructor has significant expertise and depth in the given field and the student will be able to draw from their experience. Students completing this course will develop knowledge of the solar industry, looking at the past, present and future of this technology area. Students will gain key technical background in every aspect of the industry and will be able to assess new technologies as they are developed. Understanding of the economics of solar and its future will also be obtained.

*EER 580G Synchronous Electrical Generators
(Cross-listed as MER 580G)
Course on fundamentals of design and analysis of power generators, such as those used in thermal power plants and wind turbines. The course will address the basic operating
principles of the synchronous machine and consider configurations such as would field, permanent magnet, and doubly fed generators. Key topics will include understanding and analysis of the magnetics within the machine, losses and efficiency, thermal performance, mechanical behavior, operation on the power system, and key IEEE and IEC standards. Further topics will include the duty imposed on the machine during service as well as the duty it imposes on the turbine. The student is expected to develop a broad functional understanding of the current engineering technology, challenges, and future of generator technology.

**EER 581, 582, 583. Special Topics in Electrical Engineering.**
Topics chosen from the current literature according to faculty and student interest. Possible topics include new developments in the major areas of electrical engineering such as electromagnetic fields, communications, controls, circuits, power, devices, electronics, and computer design. Topics may include but not be limited to image processing, machine vision, speech synthesis, integrated optics, antenna systems, adaptive filtering, variational methods, stochastic processes, optical communications, space and satellite communications, and computer networks. Each of these special topics courses has a variable content addressing specific current areas of interest to students. They will be offered whenever the need and interest arises.

**EER 590-595. Independent Study**
(by arrangement)

**EER 596-597. Research and Thesis**
(by arrangement)

**Credit-Bearing Non Technical Electives**

*C EER 600. Disruptive Technology*
(Cross-listed as MER 600)
This course is designed to prepare the student to be able to efficiently evaluate potential disruptive technologies and their potential for application/commercialization. The course will cover such topics as the CO2 Mitigation, Solid state Energy Systems, Bio Energy and Fusion that have potential to impact the future. In order to cover this broad range of technical topics, the course will utilize multiple instructors that have technical depths as well as experience in the field.

*C EER 601. Sustainability*
(Cross listed as MER 601)
The focus of this course is to build an understanding of what is meant by Sustainable Energy and to be able to analyze a range of different opportunities. The intent is to perform a value analysis on each opportunity in order to determine which are practical, on a variety of scales, while considering all aspects of the opportunity. Attention will be placed on efficiencies, scale, and impact of each opportunity as well as what limitations may exist.

*C EER 602. Energy and The Law*
(Cross listed as MER 602)
Energy production and use are in a period of dramatic change as the world reacts to the need for a response to climate change, energy security and scarcity of resources. Yet energy production and the use are necessary drivers of the global economy and necessary for growth and prosperity. This course will introduce students to the legal, financial and structural issues that shape energy production, use and development in the United States, and particularly in New York. Students will learn about oil, natural gas, coal and nuclear energy production and use. The course will also cover cleaner alternatives such as energy conservation, hydro, wind, solar, and geothermal. The course will cover basic principles of rate regulation and public utilities, and division of jurisdiction between federal and state governments, and the key federal statues and regulatory regimes, with a focus on energy law in New York State. The course will discuss new challenges confronting electricity regulation (and energy law generally) as a result of emerging mandates for renewable energy and greenhouse gas emissions. This course will discuss the unique nature of energy and energy storage, the importance of reliability and the impact of intermittency on the grid. Finally, we will discuss how energy is financed and the impact of the production tax credit, the investment tax credits and other stimulus related incentives on energy production.

**MS IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING COURSES**

Specific 2012-13 scheduled course offerings are identified via www.uniongraduatecollege.edu or by contacting the Dean of Engineering.

To ensure that students meet appropriate prerequisites for all courses, all graduate students are required to have a plan of study on file that has been approved by the graduate advisor.

*Indicates Energy related course for MS Energy Systems

**Non-Credit-Bearing Courses**

**MER 599. Master of Science Graduate Project in Mechanical Engineering**
This non-credit Seminar project provides a capstone experience for graduate mechanical engineering candidates not completing a thesis or independent study (i.e. all course work). The candidate and faculty advisor agree on project scope and evaluation process. The candidate receives a pass/fail grade which appears on the official transcript. This is a no-fee course.

**Credit-Bearing Courses**

**MER 500. Elasticity**
*Winter; Pollack*
The behavior of substances which possess the property of recovering their size and shape when forces producing deformation are removed. Review of stress and strain; study of
two-dimensional problems in rectangular, polar, and curvilinear coordinates; introduction to three-dimensional problems; torsion and bending.
Prerequisites: Calculus IV, Linear Algebra and Differential Equations, and Mechanics of Materials or equivalent.

**MER 501. Transport Phenomena**  
*Spring; Bessler*

The fundamentals of momentum, energy, and mass transfer and their analogous transport mechanisms. One-dimensional transport, transport properties, transport with internal generation, transfer coefficients, convective and turbulent transport.
Prerequisites: Linear Algebra and Differential Equations, Heat Transfer Analysis and Design or equivalents.

**MER 502. Engineering Analysis**  
*Fall; Pollack*

Topics in applied mathematics needed to analyze and model engineering problems by constructing mathematical models for a physical situation and the reduction of the ensuing mathematical problems to numerical procedures. Matrices, linear algebra, vector and tensor calculus, partial differential equations, calculus of variations, finite element and difference techniques, Fourier series and integrals.
Prerequisites: Calculus, Linear Algebra and Differential Equations. Or equivalents.

**MER 506. Mechanical Behavior of Materials**

Prerequisites: Calculus, Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, and Mechanics of Materials. Or equivalents.

**MER 507 Design for Manufacturing**

This course will introduce the student to the principles of design for manufacturing. The course will begin by examining modern manufacturing operations including machining, casting, forging, welding, brazing, soldering, finishing, heat treating, assembly, plastic materials processing, powder metallurgy, and specialized manufacturing processes. This section will also include electronics manufacturing, covering both through-hole technology and surface mount devices. For each manufacturing process, capabilities and limitations will be discussed and how they relate to part design and cost. Design for manufacturing principles will be examined, including how the designer affects manufacturing cost, lean manufacturing, six sigma, value stream analysis, manufacturing rate, the cost of quality, process flexibility, process simulation, and process economics.
Prerequisites: Strength of Materials, Mechanics or equivalent

**MER 508. Fracture Mechanics**

Modern theory of fracture in design. The ability to apply fracture mechanics principles to the design and analysis of engineering structures. Subjects treated include occurrence of fracture, fracture toughness, fracture resistance, and fatigue.
Prerequisites: Mechanics of Materials or equivalent.

**MER 509 Current Approach to Fatigue in Design**
To provide engineering students with an understanding of fatigue mechanisms, design
criteria and realistic examples to avoid and predict fatigue/durability failures in structures
and components. The major emphasis of the course is fatigue of metals as applied to a
variety of engineering structures and components, including both fatigue mechanisms and
design applications. The course material is applicable to ground vehicles,
buildings/bridges, aerospace vehicles, ships, nuclear pressure vessels, metal
implants/prostheses and others. Both constant amplitude and variable amplitude fatigue
life situations are considered.
Prerequisites: Calculus, Differential Equations, Strengths of Materials

**MER 510. Advanced Dynamics**
Analytical dynamics with engineering applications to particles and rigid bodies. Topics
include three-dimensional kinematics and dynamics, Lagrangian dynamics.
Prerequisites: Advanced Mechanics, Rigid Body Mechanics or equivalent.

**MER 512. Vibrations of Discrete Systems**
Response of single and multi-degree-of-freedom systems to harmonic, periodic and
impulsive excitation. Fourier series and transforms; ideal impulse and impulse response;
convolution in the time and frequency domains; matrix and modal methods; system
eigenvalues and vectors; impulse testing with a spectrum analyzer.
Prerequisites: Dynamics and Kinematics or equivalent, Calculus, Differential Equations,
Mat Lab helpful.

**MER 515. Processing and Selection of Engineering Materials**
A comprehensive examination of processing technologies for engineering materials, and
the effects of selected processing routes and materials to meet and satisfy design and
applications criteria.
Prerequisites: Mechanics of Materials or equivalent.

**MER 516 Finite Element Methods in Engineering**
An introduction to the finite element method with an emphasis for solving structural
engineering problems. It will cover a review of matrix algebra and the solution to
simultaneous linear equations. It will then lead to an introduction of the stiffness method,
which will include a review of the equations from elasticity. The method will then be
applied to bar and beam equations, followed by 2D plane strain equations. Modeling
guidelines will then be covered, along with axisymmetric analysis and isoparametric
formulations; finishing up with three dimensional analysis.
Prerequisites: Calculus, Differential Equations, Strength of Materials or Equivalent

*MER 522. Linear Control Systems* (Cross-listed as EER 522)
This course addresses practical control system design primarily from a classical
perspective. Beginning with transfer function modeling of dynamic systems, the course
moves through transient, root locus, and frequency response analysis to end with
frequency domain techniques for controller design.
Prerequisites: System Modeling and Analysis (Circuits and Systems or Dynamics of
Physical Systems), Mat Lab/Simulink helpful.
MER 525 Engineering Optimization
A graduate course in engineering optimization studying techniques with applications in various aspects of engineering design and other disciplines including: concepts of design variables, constraints, objective functions, penalty functions, and Lagrange multipliers. Techniques for solving constrained and unconstrained optimization problems: classical approaches steepest descent, conjugate gradient, modified Newton, controlled random searches, etc. Applications and examples in the design of engineering components and systems will be presented.
Prerequisites: Calculus, Differential Equations, MatLab helpful

MER 532. Composites
A comprehensive introduction to composite materials and motivation for their use in modern applications. Topics include selection and availability of composite materials, manufacturing processes, useable theoretical concepts, testing and characterization of composites, and strength theories.
Prerequisites: Materials Science, Strength of Materials, or equivalent.

MER 534. Dynamics of a Viscous Fluid
Analysis of Laminar and turbulent flow fields. Approximate solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations according to boundary layer theory.
Prerequisites: Fluid Mechanics, Thermodynamics or equivalent, Calculus, Differential Equations.

MER 536. Compressible Fluid Flow
Analysis of internal and external compressible flow fields. Supersonic airfoil analysis according to shock-expansion theory.
Prerequisites: Fluid Mechanics, Thermodynamics or equivalent, Calculus, Differential Equations.

MER 537 Combustion Fundamentals
The study of the chemical and physical processes in combustion. Analysis of thermochemistry and fuel oxidation, premixed and diffusion flame phenomena, combustion of condensed phases, detonation, combustion in practical systems, and combustion generated air pollution.
Prerequisites: Thermodynamics or equivalent.

MER 538. Fluid Dynamics of Turbo machinery
Analysis of the energy exchange between a continuously-flowing fluid and a turbomachinery rotor. Study of the design and operating principles of axial and radial-flow turbines, compressors, and pumps.
Prerequisites: Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics or equivalent.

MER 540. Thermodynamic Analysis
Consideration of various particulate and continuum bases for structuring thermodynamic principles and their application to the solution of current and prospective engineering problems.
Prerequisites: Basic Thermodynamics, Heat Transfer or equivalent.
*MER 541. Thermal Energy Processes
This course focuses on the analysis of thermal processes relevant to the renewable energy priorities of today’s green economy. The underlying engineering principles of thermal processes which make the best use of sustainable energy sources through proper acquisition, storage and conversion will be considered. The course incorporates the fundamentals of thermodynamics and heat exchange necessary to understand the components and cycles that enable these thermal energy processes.
Prerequisites: Fluid Mechanics, Thermodynamics, Heat Transfer.

MER 550. Conduction Heat Transfer
Study of the equations for steady state and transient heat conduction using analytical and numerical techniques.
Prerequisites: Fluid Mechanics, Heat Transfer.

*MER 551. Superconductivity
(Cross-listed as EER 551)
Superconductivity is a complex physical phenomenon still at the forefront of research. This course is designed to provide a fundamental working knowledge of this technology, the importance and integration of material properties, and a broad understanding/appreciation of the applications in the areas of power equipment and electronics. The course will also focus on active research and technological barriers for future applications.
Prerequisites: Calculus, Electromagnetics (basics), Quantum Mechanics helpful.

MER 552. Convection Heat Transfer
Analysis of laminar and turbulent heat transfer processes. Approximate solutions of the energy equation according to boundary layer theory.
Prerequisites: Fluid Mechanics, Heat Transfer.

MER 554. Flow and Heat Transfer in Multiphase Systems
Analytical and empirical methods for evaluation of flow characteristics, particularly in liquid vapor systems and boiling and condensing of heat transfer.
Prerequisite: Fluid Mechanics, Heat Transfer.

*MER 560 Nuclear Engineering and Technology
(Cross-listed as EER 570)
The purpose of this course is provide students of various engineering disciplines a functional knowledge of nuclear engineering principles and those most important to the design of nuclear power generation systems. The course will focus both on the nuclear reactor core as well as plant systems. The intent is that students will gain a physical understanding of nuclear engineering principles as they relate to their own filed of interest. Class participation will be highly encouraged and focused through the discussion of current events in the nuclear industry as well as proposed future nuclear technologies.

MER 571. System Modeling & Optimization (i.e. Computational Intelligence)
(Cross-listed as EER 571, CSc 571)
Topics include the theory, design, and application of biologically and linguistically motivated computational methods emphasizing neural networks, genetic algorithms, fuzzy logic, and hybrid intelligent systems in which these methods are employed. Special emphasis will be placed on applying these techniques to “real-world” problems, and examples from a broad range of industrial applications will be presented. Homework assignments and a final project are required.
Prerequisites: Undergraduate Calculus and Linear Algebra, Mat Lab helpful.

**MER 572. Engineering Statistics**
(Cross-listed as EER 572, CSc 572)
Modern engineering practice makes extensive use of statistical methods for the efficient collection and analysis of engineering data, and to support data-based decision making. This course will introduce the statistical tools that are of greatest importance for practicing engineers. Core topics to be covered will include probability and distribution theory, the construction and interpretation of statistical intervals, statistical hypothesis testing, regression analysis and empirical modeling, statistical experimental design, and statistical quality/process control. Additional specialized topics may also be covered, depending upon the interests of the class; possible topics include system reliability analysis, measurement system analysis, process capability analysis (and “six-sigma”), accelerated life testing, and acceptance sampling.
Prerequisites: Advisor approval.

**MER 573. Case Studies in Failure and Ethics in Engineering**
(Cross-listed as EER 573)
This course provides a broad look at engineering failure and ethics in engineering. It will focus on engineering failure case studies and the principles of applied engineering ethics. To understand engineering disasters and to learn from these failures. To prepare engineers for the decisions they may face in their professional careers. Focus is on mechanical engineering.

**MER 576 Motor Acoustics**
(Cross-Listed as EER 576)
Development of the fundamental principles and equations for motor noise and vibration. Focus on development of analytical methods for predicting the acoustic performance of motors, along with an overview of numerical methods. Develop an understanding of the key principles and governing equations of motor acoustics. This covers noise generation by the motor, its structural dynamics response, and its sound radiation. Apply those equations to the analytical prediction of the noise sources and acoustic responses of motors. Understand the bounds of applicability of the analytical formulas, and the numerical methods which are available to predict the response of complex motors.
Prerequisites: Applied Calculus and Differential Equations.

**MER 580 Fuel Cell Science and Hydrogen Engineering**
(Cross-listed as EER 580)
Introduce the student to the science and engineering of fuel cell technology. Emphasis will be on developing an understanding of different types of fuel cells, their applications, and the engineering of complete fuel cell systems. Elements of that class will include:
electrochemistry; polymer materials science for proton exchange membrane (PEM) based systems; ceramics for solid oxide fuel cells; liquid-electrolytes for phosphoric acid and alkaline fuel cells; and other methods of generating power directly from a fuel and an oxidant. The system requirements of the fuel cell stack will be introduced to provide a complete picture of the technology. Other elements addressed during the course will include thermochemistry; electrochemistry; fuel processing or reforming; electrical & power management; and polymer science and systems engineering. Developing an understanding of the proton exchange membrane fuel cell will be the primary objective. After completing this course, the student is expected to have an understanding of the technical needs, challenges, and opportunities of fuel cell systems. The overall essence of the course will be to address the essentials of fuel cells and fuel cell systems and related electrochemical systems. Elements of the entrepreneurial aspects of the industry will also be covered. Hydrogen will be discussed throughout the semester as it relates to fuel cells and the emerging changes in power generation models.

Prerequisite: Advisor approval.

**MER 580A Photo Voltaic Engineering**
(Cross-listed as EER 580A)
The course focuses on the physical principles, technology, and design of efficient semiconductor photovoltaics. Course goals equip students with the concepts and analytical skills to understand efficiency limitations, to assess the viability of various solar and thermophotovoltaic technologies, and to introduce the physics required for understanding photovoltaic energy conversion. The course will focus on three primary aspects of photovoltaic energy conversion, (i) the transfer and conversion of solar (i.e. thermal) radiation to electronic energy, (ii) the theory and design of the semiconductor photovoltaic cell and (iii) photovoltaic systems and applications.
Prerequisite: Advisor approval.

**MER 580B Turbine Engineering**
(Cross-listed as EER 580B)
The course focuses on the fundamental design, analysis, and technology of turbo machinery – jet engines, gas turbines, steam turbines, water turbines, and wind turbines. The course will provide an understanding of all aspects of system development: thermodynamic cycles, design-point and off-design performance; function and design of components (inlets, compressors, combustors, turbines, outlets), operational limits, and environmental concerns; structural analysis, lifting, and materials; rotor dynamics and blade aeromechanics; clearance analysis, sealing, and packing; heat transfer, blade and component cooling; starting and control; power and thrust generation; and instrumentation. The student is expected to develop a broad understanding of the state-of-the-art, challenges, and future of turbine systems.
Prerequisites: Basic Structures, Thermodynamics, Fluids.

**MER 580C Principles of Thermal Systems**
The course will focus on the analysis and modeling of thermal systems as applied particularly to the energy and environmental demands of today. The underlying common principles of thermal systems as related to energy conversion, utilization and storage will be considered. The course incorporates the fundamentals of heat engine and refrigeration
cycle analysis, moist air psychometrics, and the dynamic behavior of traditional and renewable energy systems.

Prerequisites: Engineering Analysis, Transport Phenomena or equivalent understanding of thermal systems and analytical capability.

**MER 580D. Welding**
Welding metallurgy is a technologically important field that covers a wide range of scientific disciplines. This course uses welding metallurgy as a vehicle to introduce basic and broadly applicable concepts in solid state physics, chemistry, materials science, fluid mechanics, and solid mechanics. Topics covered include welding processes, heat and fluid flow, chemical reactions, residual stresses, solidification phenomena, phase transformations, and welding defects. Special emphasis will be placed on applied engineering problems and on the behavior of structural engineering materials. Real life examples will be used to illustrate the fundamental concepts of the course. Homework assignments and a final project are required.

Prerequisites: Materials Science, Strength of Materials or equivalent.

*MER 580E. Solar Energy Engineering*
(Cross-listed as EER 580E)
This course is designed to enable the student to effectively grasp the complex and quickly changing solar industry. The course will cover such topics as the economy of solar, photovoltaic devices, systems and applications. In order to cover this broad range of technical topics, the course will utilize multiple instructors. Each instructor has significant expertise and depth in the given field and the student will be able to draw from their experience. Students completing this course will develop knowledge of the solar industry, looking at the past, present and future of this technology area. Students will gain key technical background in every aspect of the industry and will be able to assess new technologies as they are developed. Understanding of the economics of solar and its future will also be obtained.

Prerequisites: Advisor approval

*MER 580F. Wind Energy Engineering*
(Cross-listed as EER 580D)
The course focuses on “Wind Farm Project Design and Development” (1/2) and “Wind Turbine Technology” (1/2). Part 1: Teams will demonstrate understanding of complete wind farm design/development process inclusive of site selection, wind resource evaluating target land area, turbine choice, location, energy projection, cost, transmission. Part 2: Focuses on technical understanding of Wind Turbine attributes such as structural, blade system, Uacelle system, electrical system, performance, and future opportunities.

Prerequisites: Advisor approval

*MER 580G Synchronous Electrical Generators*
(Cross-listed as EER 580G)
Course on fundamentals of design and analysis of power generators, such as those used in thermal power plants and wind turbines. The course will address the basic operating principles of the synchronous machine and consider configurations such as would field, permanent magnet, and doubly fed generators. Key topics will include understanding and analysis of the magnetics within the machine, losses and efficiency, thermal performance,
mechanical behavior, operation on the power system, and key IEEE and IEC standards. Further topics will include the duty imposed on the machine during service as well as the duty it imposes on the turbine. The student is expected to develop a broad functional understanding of the current engineering technology, challenges, and future of generator technology.
Prerequisites: Advisor Approval

**MER 590-591. Independent Study**
(by arrangement)

**MER 592A. Masters Project**
(by arrangement)
The preparation and writing of an extensive report on a topic of interest between the student and a department faculty member. A single course presented over two terms; one grade will be given for two terms of work only. Enrollment recommended no earlier than the last year of study. See MER 592B.

**MER 592B. Masters Project**
(by arrangement)
Continuation from MER 592A. Completed writing of the report and its oral presentation. Students must register for MER 592B even though they have previously registered for MER 592A.

**MER 596-597. Research and Thesis**
(As arranged by department).

Credit-Bearing Non Technical Electives

*MER 600. Disruptive Technology*
(Cross-listed as EER 600)
This course is designed to prepare the student to be able to efficiently evaluate potential disruptive technologies and their potential for application/commercialization. The course will cover such topics as the CO2 Mitigation, Solid state Energy Systems, Bio Energy and Fusion that have potential to impact the future. In order to cover this broad range of technical topics, the course will utilize multiple instructors that have technical depths as well as experience in the field.
Perquisite: Advisor approval.

*MER 601. Sustainability*
(Cross-listed as EER 601)
The focus of this course is to build an understanding of what is meant by Sustainable Energy and to be able to analyze a range of different opportunities. The intent is to perform a value analysis on each opportunity in order to determine which are practical, on a variety of scales, while considering all aspects of the opportunity. Attention will be placed on efficiencies, scale, and impact of each opportunity as well as what limitations may exist.
Perquisite: Advisor approval.
*MER 602. Energy and The Law
(Cross-listed as EER 602)
Energy production and use are in a period of dramatic change as the world reacts to the need for a response to climate change, energy security and scarcity of resources. Yet energy production and the use are necessary drivers of the global economy and necessary for growth and prosperity. This course will introduce students to the legal, financial and structural issues that shape energy production, use and development in the United States, and particularly in New York. Students will learn about oil, natural gas, coal and nuclear energy production and use. The course will also cover cleaner alternatives such as energy conservation, hydro, wind, solar, and geothermal. The course will cover basic principles of rate regulation and public utilities, and division of jurisdiction between federal and state governments, and the key federal statues and regulatory regimes, with a focus on energy law in New York State. The course will discuss new challenges confronting electricity regulation (and energy law generally) as a result of emerging mandates for renewable energy and greenhouse gas emissions. This course will discuss the unique nature of energy and energy storage, the importance of reliability and the impact of intermittency on the grid. Finally, we will discuss how energy is financed and the impact of the production tax credit, the investment tax credits and other stimulus related incentives on energy production.
Perquisite: Advisor approval.
MBA students should generally take at least eight (8) core courses, including MBA 510/512 and MBA 506, prior to taking any advanced course.

With the exception of MBA 570, MBA students must take all core courses in each subject category prior to taking any advanced course in that category.

Health students must take HCM 500 and HCM 501 before taking any advanced course.

MBA COURSES

Specific 2012-13 course offerings are identified below and updated via www.uniongraduatecollege.edu or by contacting the Dean of The School of Management.

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600 Series Indicates Advanced Course

MBA 500. Managing Ethically in a Global Environment
*Fall, Winter, Spring; Clark / Summer; Belasen*
This course examines issues of team functioning, ethics, and managing differences all in an increasingly global business environment. Students work individually and in groups to improve written and verbal communication skills.

MBA 501 (Half Course). Mathematics of Management
*Fall, Summer; Bowman*
This course focuses on mathematics useful in modeling management processes. Fundamental concepts of differential and integral calculus and their applications to management are addressed.
Students must register separately for MBA 501 and MBA 502.

MBA 502 (Half Course). Introduction to Probability
*Fall, Summer; Bowman*
This course covers marginal, joint and conditional probability; random variables, expected value and variance; selected probability distributions and their uses in management; and sampling distributions and the Central Limit Theorem. Students must register separately for MBA 501 and MBA 502.
Prerequisite: MBA 501.

MBA 506. Statistical Models for Management
*Fall; Evanoff, Oppenlander / Winter; Oppenlander / Spring; Otto / Summer; Poeth*
This course emphasizes statistical approaches (confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, regression analysis, chi-square tables) that support managerial decision-making. Examples of such decisions include determining the best of several suppliers or appropriate salary levels based on education and required skill. Examples from quality management, such as capability analysis and control charting will also be included. Emphasis will be placed on problem statement formation, translation of problem statements into quantitative terms, and finding appropriate data to reach supportable conclusions. Analysis will be performed using statistical and other software.

Prerequisites: MBA 501 and MBA 502.

**MBA 510. Financial Accounting**  
*Fall; DeJoy, McDonald / Winter; DeJoy / Summer; Arnold*

An introduction to the “generally accepted accounting principles” of financial accounting as applied to publicly reported financial statements. Emphasis is to be placed on understanding the application of “generally accepted accounting principles” to financial statements. This course is designed for individuals with no prior academic or professional education on the topic of financial accounting.

**MBA 512. Managerial Accounting**  
*Winter, Spring; DeJoy*

An introduction to the tools and techniques of financial analysis and decision-making. Topics covered include financial statement analysis, cost classification and behavior, cost-volume-profit analysis, incremental cost analysis, time value of money, capital budgeting, and financial planning. Spreadsheet programs are used in this course.

Prerequisite: MBA 510. Students are expected to be proficient in the use of Microsoft Excel®.

**MBA 517. Advanced Corporate Finance**  
*Fall, Winter, Spring; Feng*

This course covers advanced topics in corporate financial management. The analytical skills necessary to evaluate complex financial problems are developed through case studies. Topics covered include: advanced capital budgeting, agency theory, option theory and applications, measuring and hedging financial risk, merger and acquisition analysis, corporate financial analysis and planning models, and short-term financial management.

Prerequisites: MBA 506, 510 and 512.

**MBA 520. Principles of Economics**  
*Fall (Hybrid –blended on-line/on-site), Spring (On-line); Lambrinos*

This course covers the basic microeconomic model of price determination; the impact of market structure on price and output decisions by firms; the role of the public sector in an economy; the basic macroeconomic model of national income determination; the impact of fiscal and monetary policies on employment levels, price stability and economic growth; and international economic relationships.

**MBA 525. Marketing Management and Strategy**  
*Fall, Winter, Spring; Carlson*
This course is primarily designed to provide students with knowledge relevant for managing current marketing efforts. Topics covered in this course include buying behavior of consumers and businesses, market segmentation, marketing environments, marketing research, positioning, product management, brand management, services management, pricing management, retailing/marketing channel management, and promotion management.

**MBA 531. Operations Management**  
*Fall, Winter; Kauffman / Spring, Bowman / Summer; Phillips*  
This course starts with a look at total quality management with an emphasis on the Six Sigma approach to process improvement. Next the fundamentals of inventory management are discussed with the primary objective being to understand the causes of inventory and how to effectively reduce inventory levels. This topic is expanded into the important topics of lean supply chain design and management, and lean production management. A balanced approach is taken with coverage of tools but also an emphasis on the impact of strategic and managerial decisions on the effectiveness of various approaches to operations management.

**MBA 545. Business Driven Information Systems**  
*Fall; (Hybrid-blended on-line/on-site); Otto / Winter (Hybrid-blended on-line/on-site); Otto / Summer (On-line); Otto*  
The course focuses on the business value that can be achieved when organizations deploy information systems. The issues covered include planning an IT application portfolio, enabling business processes with IT, and implementing IT systems. The applications covered include transaction processing systems, decision support systems, knowledge-based systems and social media. Participants will work in a group environment on cases, presentations, and a project report.

An IT background is not required and this is not a “technical” course. This is, however, an integrative course, including issues of business strategy, finance, and the study of organizations and people. The creation of business value requires the successful integration of these issues with potential of information systems.

**MBA 551. Managing People and Teams in Organizations**  
*Fall, Winter, Spring; Nydegger*  
This course approaches management issues from the “human” side. It provides individuals with the opportunity to learn management skills and concepts through hands-on experiences in the class. Particular attention is paid to relevant Organizational Behavior Psychology concepts such as Motivation, Leadership, Communication, Performance Appraisal, Job Satisfaction and others. Additional course outcomes include ability to interact more effectively in groups and how to express oneself convincingly both verbally and in writing. The course provides students with experiences and knowledge that can be applied immediately when they finish the course.

**MBA 570. Legal Principles of Business**  
*Fall; Tingley / Winter; Valle*
The objectives of the course are to enable the business manager to identify situations with legal implications and to interact effectively with professional legal counsel. Particular areas of the law examined during the course are contracts, sales, negotiable instruments, negligence, product liability, secured transactions, employment law, business organizations, government regulation and ethical considerations.
Not open to JD/MBA students.

MBA 610 Contemporary Topics in Financial Reporting
*Spring; DeJoy*
This course will allow students to investigate and discuss current and emerging topics in Financial Reporting. Current topics include the implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards, the SEC requirement for reporting in XBRL, the FASB-IASB convergence project and developments in Fair Value Accounting.
Prerequisites: Undergraduate Accounting Degree or permission of Instructor

MBA 611. Personal Financial Planning
*(Not offered 2013-14)*
This two-part course first presents an examination of personal financial planning in a global environment encompassing topics such as personal budgeting, insurance coverage, investment planning, managing credit, retirement planning and estate planning. The course then extends the topics to related domestic and international tax issues of income tax considerations for individuals, corporations and partnerships. Knowledge of the current business environment (tracked through the Wall Street Journal, Business Week, online at CNNFN.com, etc.) will be expected.
Prerequisites: MBA 510 and 512.

MBA 612 Advanced Management Accounting
*Winter; DeJoy*
This course is designed for students who have completed an initial course in Cost Accounting at the undergraduate level, or Management Accounting at the graduate level. Topics include budgeting, product costing including activity-based costing, accounting-based managerial and divisional performance metrics, and transfer pricing.
Prerequisites: MBA510, MBA512

MBA613 Advanced Auditing and Research
*Fall; DeJoy*
This course is an advanced case and research-oriented study of topics in Auditing. Through a series of cases and related research, students will engage in the practice of auditing using real-world situations as the foundation for technical and theoretical discussions of issues facing the contemporary auditor. Cases will be chosen to reflect current and emerging topics in the practice of public accounting, financial auditing, fraud investigation, and forensic accounting. Auditing communications tools and software-based audit techniques will also be emphasized.
Prerequisites: Undergraduate Accounting Degree or Permission of Instructor

MBA 618 Mergers, Acquisitions and Corporate Restructuring
*Spring; Feng*
Restructuring is essential to the long-term survival and prosperity of any corporation due to the ever changing business conditions and regulatory environment. In this course, we will investigate internal restructuring – shifting resources from mature declining business activities to existing or new business activities with more attractive growth potential, as well as external restructuring, known as mergers and acquisitions (M&A’s). M&A’s can be broadly defined to include expansion through divestitures or sell-offs; various changes in corporate control and ownership, including going private and leverage buyouts; and rearrangements through recapitalization or bankruptcy. We will examine restructuring transactions, focusing on the significant impacts of restructuring on the corporation’s assets, liabilities, and equity claims. We will learn and understand the economic motives for undertaking restructuring, such as enhancing competitive advantage, achieving strategic diversification, improving economies of scale and scope, reducing funding and transaction costs, and increasing market power.

MBA 619. Investments
Winter, Summer; Feng
This course provides an in-depth analysis of modern investment analysis and portfolio management techniques. Current theory, empirical evidence, and institutional practices are considered. Topics covered include portfolio theory and asset pricing models, market efficiency, fixed-income portfolio management and immunization, equity valuation models, the valuation of options, futures and other derivative securities, portfolio management and performance evaluation, and international diversification.
Prerequisites: MBA 510, MBA 512, and MBA 517

MBA 620. Investment Management
Spring; Johnson, Smiresky
The preliminary goal of this course is to provide students with an opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience in fiduciary management of investment assets, such as security research, valuation of risky assets, asset allocation, and portfolio management. Investment is a field of business where intuition often plays a more important role than theoretical knowledge. In this course, we discuss the rapid development in investment theory that helps us identify the factors that are responsible for price movements. We focus on how to apply theory into practice. Students will work on challenging, integrated, analytical projects using real time capital market data. This course will increase the student’s knowledge in industries such as equity research, investment banking, commercial banking, and corporate finance.
Prerequisites: MBA 510 and 512.

MBA 624. Sports Economics
Spring; Lambrinos
Topics covered in this course include the measurement of competitive balance and its impact on sports leagues; discrimination in sports; efficiency of sports teams and individual athletes; labor unions and labor relations in professional sports; the efficiency of sports wagering markets; and the estimation of marginal product for professional athletes.
Prerequisites: MBA 506 and 520.

MBA 625. Marketing Communications
Given today’s rapidly changing media environment, it is essential for managers to understand how marketing communications operate in the marketing mix of contemporary firms. In this course, we will spend the majority of the time talking about what lies behind the marketing messages people see every day. When most people think about advertising, they think about the creative side—the clever slogans and attention getting pictures and illustrations. However, it requires a lot of research, strategic thinking, and a thorough understanding of the consumer behavior for these clever slogans and graphics to be effective. In addition, we will learn about analytical methods and data sources to allow managers to choose media for reaching customers in the most cost-effective manner. Finally, the marketing applications of new media, internet communications, and social networking will be explored.

Prerequisites: MBA 525 or HCM 526.

MBA 626. Marketing Research Techniques
Fall, Spring; Carlson
Marketing research is primarily conducted to reduce the amount of uncertainty managers would otherwise face in their decision-making. This course is designed to develop students’ knowledge of marketing research by both exposing them to many major important issues involved with marketing research and requiring them to complete a marketing research report from start to finish. Topics discussed include research designs, data collection methods, survey development, measurement, sampling methods and sample size determination, descriptive statistics, parameter estimation, independent samples t-test analysis, correlation analysis, chi-square analysis, codesheet development, non-sampling errors, and ethics in marketing research.
Prerequisites: MBA 506 and 525 or HCM 526.

MBA 627. Marketing High Technology Products
Summer; Boskin
This course will develop an understanding of strategies and practices involved in marketing technologically oriented products and services and to see how and why these strategies differ from marketing of non-technical products/services. In general, this course will focus on honing market analysis skills to leverage decision-making in the high-tech context. This course will enhance skills in analyzing industry trends, identifying threats and opportunities, designing suitable products and marketing strategies to best suit market/environmental conditions, market segmentation and analysis, and in assessing/monitoring a firm’s relative advantage via competitive intelligence. Specific additional topics will include pricing, new product introduction, e-business, selling and sales management.
Prerequisite: MBA 525

MBA 628. Consumer Behavior
Winter; Carlson
This course is designed to enhance students’ understanding of consumers. Topics explored involve the many, many influences that may shape an individual’s behaviors in the marketplace, including the impact of these influences on managerial decision-making situations. Observational research methods are also covered.
Prerequisite: MBA 525 or HCM 526.
MBA 629. Money, Markets and Banking
Winter, Summer; Murtagh
The course covers the nature and functions of money and finance in the economy. Commercial and central banking, monetary theory, and monetary policy are also considered.
Recommended: MBA 517.
Prerequisites: MBA 510 and 512.

MBA 632. Quality Systems Management
Not offered 2013-2014
This course examines quality improvement approaches in the context of overall organizational objectives. Topics include: the contents and impact of important government and industry standards such as ISO 9000; Six Sigma, including the Measure-Analyze-Improve-Control model (MAIC) and Design for Six Sigma (DFSS); extensions to benchmarking and quality functional deployment; advanced tools, such as systems reliability and maintainability and life data analysis.
Prerequisites: MBA 506 and either MBA531 or HCM505.

MBA 633 The Role of Statistics in Business and Industry
Fall; Doganaksoy
This course will cover the key problems in business and industry (from product design to reliability assurance to field support) and then show how statistical approaches are used to address them. In addition to gaining exposure to real-life applications of basic statistical tools (e.g., regression analysis, interval estimation) that they have already learned, students will also gain exposure to more advanced tools (e.g., reliability modeling) which are commonly used by practitioners.
Prerequisite: MBA506.

MBA 635, Project Management
Spring; Kauffman
A project is a one-time or infrequently occurring operation with a unique goal, a limited lifespan, and limited resources. This course will focus on the basic components of project management, including statements of work, project selection, leadership and team building, communication, budgeting, resource scheduling, metrics and closure. Students will have the opportunity to develop a project plan of their own choosing using MS Project as well as explore current issues in project management through case discussions.
Prerequisites: MBA 531 or HCM 505

MBA 640. Integrating eSystems into Global Businesses
Not offered 2013-14
The objective of this course is to introduce participants to web-enabled commerce, strategies, critical issues and applications. The issues we will cover include business planning and strategy development for E-Commerce processes, identification of critical success factors, security threats, and the implementation of EC application to facilitate global business processes. The applications we will discuss in class include front- and backend systems, transaction processing systems, and collaboration technologies such as customer relationship management, supply systems, and collaboration technologies such
as customer relationship management, supply chain, and web-enabled decision support systems.

While the course is focused on managerial issues of E-Commerce, participants need to have a good understanding of the underlying technology, which facilitates the data exchange. Participants will work in a group environment on cases, presentations, and a project report.

Prerequisites: MBA 545 or HCM 648

**MBA 641. Business Process Simulation**  
*Winter; Bowman*

In this course students build and utilize computer simulation models to analyze a wide range of systems. Applications include restaurants, doctors’ offices, customer call centers, and many others. Models are built using specialized simulation software as well as Microsoft Excel.

Prerequisites: MBA 506 and MBA 531.

**MBA 642. Data Analytics and Business Intelligence**  
*Spring; Otto*

This course provide an introduction to Data Mining and examines a set of information systems, which specifically support managerial decision makers: Decision Support Systems, Group Decision Support Systems, Executive Information Systems, Data Warehouses, Expert Systems, and Neural Networks. The focus in this course is on Data Analytics, using an appropriate software application for the organization, retrieval, and modeling of large structured and unstructured data sets.

Prerequisites: MBA 506, MBA 545 or HCM 648

**MBA 643. Systems Analysis & Design for Managers**  
*Not offered 2013-14*

Information Technology is pervasive in today’s organizations. For many firms IT is the single largest capital investment, often exceeding 50% of capital expenditures. As a result, in this course we take the strategic perspective of the general manager and study how organizations can get more value from their IT investments by the successful design, development, and implementation of a Computer Information System. Through the use of a semester-long, hands-on project, the students will have the opportunity to put the concepts learned into practice. Participants will learn the Unified Modeling Language and be introduced to the Unified Process Methodology. Both of these tools represent current industry standards for software engineering practice. During the course you will practice your skills through both individual and team assignments. The course will culminate with the development of an integrated systems project to demonstrate acquired knowledge.

Prerequisite: MBA 545 or HCM 648

**MBA 650. Competing by Design**  
*Summer; Belasen*

Design often signals a shift in strategic emphasis and patterns of organizational performance. Design can also be used to shape an organization’s tone or operating style. Dramatic and lasting restructuring or reengineering plans often fail without the mindset
of change architects who share the new strategic vision and corporate values. The ultimate goal of design is to use organizational structures, systems, and processes creatively as a sustainable source of competitive advantage. This course focuses on examining how successful corporations leverage competitive advantages through restructuring and external alliances. Students will apply theoretical knowledge and conceptual models to analyze organizational structures, diagnose organizational design, and evaluate a range of design options and implementation strategies available for transitioning organizations.

Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

**MBA 652. High Performance Leadership**  
*Spring; Belasen*  
This course emphasizes cognitive skills and experiential practicum learning applied to ongoing leadership and organizational problems. Students learn about leadership roles and competencies essential for building and supporting organizational capabilities and business strategies in global markets. The course also enables students to learn a method to diagnose their strengths and weaknesses in leadership capacities and measure their proficiencies against benchmarked models of high performance leadership.

Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

**MBA 653. Organizational Development and Transformation**  
*Fall; Nydegger*  
This course considers the theory and practice of planned organizational change. Students are exposed to a variety of intervention techniques applicable in a wide range of organizational settings. Lectures are complemented with participatory exercises and interactive discussions.

Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

**MBA 654. Labor Relations**  
*Summer (on-line); Ari Belasen*  
This comprehensive course ties together the history of modern labor movements in the United States with issues facing workers in the Twenty-First Century, including the impact of globalization and international outsourcing. Subtopics include negotiation, conflict resolution, and workforce diversity. In addition, a comparative study on international unions will be examined. Each week, current events and their implications for labor relations will be discussed.

Prerequisite: MBA 551 recommended.

**MBA 656. Ethical Issues in Management**  
*Not offered 2013-14*  
The purpose of this course is to develop a general management perspective that includes the abilities to: 1) identify ethical issues in management, 2) analyze these issues in terms of several important frameworks for ethical reasoning and 3) appreciate the central role of ethics in managerial decision-making. Issues from a variety of the functional areas of business – including accounting, marketing and advertising, financial services, human resources, and information technology – will be considered. The course will rely heavily upon the case analysis method, group discussion, and group presentations.

Prerequisite: MBA 500
**MBA658 Women and Management**  
*Winter; Paludi/Schweitzer*

Several scholars on organizational behavior have acknowledged that organizational cultures are “gendered.” For example, although women and men have reached numerical parity in management overall, fewer women than men lead organizations, including the powerful Fortune 500 organizations. This course will examine the status of women in management and discuss issues which women managers face, including differences in leadership styles, obstacles to advancement, and pay, benefit and resource inequity. This course also addresses themes of ethical decision making, authority, power and leadership and conflict in organizational life. We also discuss interconnections among equality issues: sex, race, class, age, sexual orientation and disability. Women managers in the Capital District will discuss their personal experiences with gendered organizations and apply the theories and empirical research presented in the readings to their personal experiences.

Prerequisites: MBA551 or HCM 501

**MBA 660. Executive Decision Processes in Global Environments**  
*Fall; Belasen*

International management is one of the major challenges facing organizations in the hypercompetitive global marketplace. Companies that once served a specific geographic area or serviced a specific need have learned to compete with anybody, anywhere, anytime. Needing to diversify in order to compete effectively, an increasing number of multinational companies are finding it essential to anticipate changes and innovate continually to become world-class organizations. Global management requires visionary leaders and strategic thinkers who are driven by a customer focus and continuous improvement, supported by a fluid virtual organization and sustained by creative human capital and extensive information technology. These leaders must also recognize the existence of cognitive barriers to decision-making and how to overcome decision traps and make better choices for their multinational companies. Using Internet-based search engines, cases, and small group projects, students will have hands-on experiences and acquire the skills necessary to become successful decision makers for multinational companies.

Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501

**MBA 661. International Finance**  
*Fall; Feng*

An analysis is made of international financial markets and the special problems and opportunities associated with the financial management of multinational firms with a special emphasis on the global emerging markets – from the traditional BRICS to the Frontier Markets. The international monetary and banking system (including the World Bank and IMF), balance of payments, and economic parity relationships are also examined. Foreign exchange and interest rate risk management, arbitrage, international equity and debt financing activities, derivatives, multinational capital budgeting, political risk, international taxation issues and diversity of financial reporting are considered. Coursework involves an intensive team research project focused on a specific country and the international financial exposures of select global corporations.

Prerequisites: MBA 506, 510 512 and 517.
MBA 662. International Business  
*Fall; Shaye*  
This course examines international business management as influenced by the important economic, political and cultural environment within which businesses must conduct international trade and investment. The problems and issues confronting international managers are evaluated related to a firm’s strategy, organizational structure, manufacturing, material management, marketing, R&D, human resources and finance. Competitive strategies are examined that have been successful in leading international companies. Case studies are used extensively to illustrate the relevance of these topics in the practice of international business.

MBA 664. Entrepreneurship  
*Fall; Musits*  
The primary objective of this course is to develop an awareness of the process of new venture creation, whether it is an intrapreneurial or entrepreneurial event. The skills, knowledge and attitudes important for creating new ventures, and the complex tasks faced by individuals who start and manage new and growing businesses as well as corporate ventures and franchises will be addressed. The course is designed to provide a broad overview of management and financial issues. We will pay particular attention to: entrepreneurial decision-making, techniques entrepreneurs and investors use for evaluating and testing the feasibility of business opportunities, understanding the impact of market and industry forces on start up, performance and survival of new ventures, financing a business opportunity, etc.  
Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

MBA 665. International Marketing Management  
*Spring; Shaye*  
This course examines development of international marketing strategies, from determining objectives and evaluating international market opportunities through coordinating strategies in world markets. Particular emphasis is placed on application of marketing principles in the multinational environment.  
Prerequisite: MBA 525.

MBA 667. Leaders on Leadership  
*Fall; Huppertz/Robb*  
Through a series of interviews/presentations by highly regarded leaders, this course will provide students with an understanding of what it takes to be a dynamic organizational leader. In addition to learning about the current challenges faced and strategies employed by these outstanding professionals, the course will focus on steps new managers can take on the job to enhance their chances for success. Building upon a base of classic academic literature, current books and articles on the topic of leadership will be explored.

Teams of students will be tasked with preparing supporting materials for the speakers featured during each class session. This will require reading material focused on the assigned topic, formulating questions for the speakers,
and helping to facilitate the speakers’ presentations during class. Other course assignments will include preparation of case studies related to the various topical areas addressed during the course.
Prerequisites: MBA 551 or HCM 501

MBA 668. MBA China Study
Fall, Winter; Chudzik
This China Study course will give students a better understanding of “How to do business in China”. The course will include a ten day visit to Shanghai and a three day optional visit to Beijing in the month of December. The visit will include visits to international U.S. and E.U. companies, Joint venture companies and Chinese companies in a variety of industries. Lectures/discussions on business related topics from Professors from leading Chinese business schools will be part of the trip. Visits to top cultural places will also be included. Each student is required to conduct a research project, write a research paper and present their findings. The research paper will be completed in draft form before the trip in the fall term. In addition two Harvard case study analysis will be done prior to the trip in the fall term on cases related to the research. The intent is that the December trip will offer the opportunity to perform primary research that will confirm or supplement the findings of the research. The final research paper and presentation will be done in the winter term. This will be a course for MBA credit and will be considered a Management advanced elective course designated as global. The course will be limited to approximately 15 students. Mel Chudzik who has lived and worked in China will be the professor and will accompany the students to China.

MBA674 Growing an Entrepreneurial Business
Winter: Musits, Cococcia
This course will focus on the challenges in growing a small to medium size business. The issues facing an entrepreneur when starting a new venture are very different than those he/she faces when growing an existing company or business. The course focuses on the unique issues an entrepreneurial leader faces as he/she looks to grow and scale their business. We will discuss and analyze the issues surrounding effectively scaling a business, and the impact that various decisions and initiatives have on the chance of success. How issues such as strategic marketing, team building and top-grading, financing, partnerships and leadership impact the growing business will be presented and discussed from the perspective of the business leader or entrepreneur. The course will include case studies, lectures, guest speakers, and discussions.

MBA 675. Foundations of Human Resource Management
Winter; Paludi
An introduction to the theory and practice of human resource management that examines the psychological, economic, political, legal and managerial aspects of the following functions: recruitment and selection, job analysis, human resource planning, training and development, foundations of selection, employee rights and ethics, and equal employment opportunity. The focus of this course includes profit, non-profit and governmental organizations with particular emphasis on health care delivery firms. Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

MBA 676. Managing Human Resources
Spring; Paludi
An introduction to the theory and practice of the following human resource management functions: performance appraisals, establishing rewards, pay plans and benefits, health and safety in the workplace, workplace violence, effective workplace communications, discipline and corrective action, labor relations and collective bargaining. Three perspectives will be addressed in each function: management, psychological and legal. The focus of this course includes profit, non-profit and governmental organizations with particular emphasis on health care delivery firms.
Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

MBA 677. International Human Resource Management
Summer; Paludi
International Human Resource Management will focus on how effective human resource policy and practice contributes to a global company’s competitiveness. This course will be considered within the context of strategic business objectives, culture, and resource management constraints given by the various national entities. Special focus will be placed on understanding the unifying human resource policies that support the strategic objectives of a global organization. This course will draw on practical examples from companies that have experienced challenges of international human resource management.
Prerequisite: MBA 551 or HCM 501.

MBA 681. Strategic Management and Leadership (MBA Capstone)
Winter, Spring; Chudzik and Scott
This required course provides students, near the completion of their MBA programs, with an opportunity to integrate all they have been learning. This course prepares students to be leaders and strategic thinkers as part of running a business. Students participate in a team, consulting with a real company to explore a business venture and develop a complete business plan for that venture. The business plan is intended to be realistic and executable by the client. This is not an academic exercise. Students learn by developing the business plan in phases over the term. Each team will work closely with a company and deliver a final product in the form of a written business plan and a summarizing presentation given before a panel made up of the CEO’s of participating companies. Students must be near completing their MBA program and have completed the primary core courses. You with your advisor will decide if the prerequisites have been met.

MBA 682. Management Science
Winter; Bowman
Management science refers to the use of mathematical/computer models to solve managerial problems or help make managerial decisions. This course covers the management science tools most widely used in industry (mathematical programming, queuing theory, decision analysis, network models of project management, and an introduction to simulation). Students will learn the solution procedures associated with each approach, utilize software to implement the procedures, and conduct case studies using the computer models.
Prerequisites: MBA 506 and 531.

MBA 683. Management Internship
MBA IN HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT COURSES

HCM 500. Introduction to Health Systems  
*Fall @ ACPHS; Hammad and Fall; @UGC; Strosberg*  
(Cross-listed as LIM 502)  
This course examines the determinants of health, illness, and medical care utilization, institutional arrangements and settings for the delivery of acute and chronic care, the doctor-patient relationship, resource allocation and financing, and measuring and evaluating system performance. This is a prerequisite to all advanced health courses.

HCM 501. Health Systems Management  
*Winter; Nydegger*  
This course examines the various aspects of managing in the modern health care environment. A variety of methods including lectures, case studies, in-class exercises, and student presentations will be used. Topics covered include quality improvement, ethical management, managing diversity, communications, leadership, motivation, team building, and conflict resolution.  
Prerequisite: HCM 500.

HCM 505. Health Operations Management  
*Spring: Smith*  
This course instructs the students in quantitative methods useful for analysis, improvement, and design of efficient and effective organizational processes within a health-care organization. Operations management (OM) is concerned with evaluating the performance of operating units, understanding why they perform as they do, designing new or improved operating procedures and systems for competitive advantage, making short-run and long-run decisions that affect operations, and managing the work force. Health systems OM is the analysis, design, planning, and control of all steps necessary to provide a service for a client. The course will involve readings from a selected text, review of published studies, exercises in internal and external benchmarking, and exploration of the tools and methods promoted at the national level.

HCM 526. Health Systems Marketing  
*Winter; Huppertz*  
This course introduces students to the principles of marketing and their application to Healthcare settings. At the end of this course, students should a.) Understand what marketing can do for the healthcare organization in terms of contribution to strategic planning, building business, strengthening relationships between the organization and its constituents, and achieving competitive advantage. b.) Clearly understand how to use health data in marketing planning and implementation. c.) Appreciate the challenges of evaluating the effectiveness of marketing communications investments made by healthcare organizations. d.) Understand the relationship between patient/customer...
satisfaction and service quality in health organizations. e.) Understand how to judge marketing communications quality, both qualitatively and quantitatively. f.) Demonstrate effective communications skills through in-class participation, writing assignments, and class presentations. g.) Analyze marketing problems and select effective strategies for solving them. h.) Understand key marketing concepts and their applications to business and healthcare organizations.

**HCM601 Swiss Health Care Delivery System**  
*Fall, Winter; Otto*
This Study tour will give Healthcare MBA students a better understanding of the healthcare delivery system in Switzerland. Students will have an opportunity to visit research hospitals, R&D centers, and pharmaceutical companies and learn firsthand about the unique characteristics of the system. We will also have seminars where experts in the field will discuss current issues in terms of healthcare delivery.

**HCM 617. Healthcare Finance**  
*Winter, Spring; Gavin*
This course covers financial management in a regulated health care environment. Topics include cost-finding and third-party reimbursement, contemporary issues in health care financing, sources of capital, capital budgeting, financial planning and analysis, cost accounting, and managed care issues.  
Prerequisites: MBA 510 & 512.

**HCM 620. Health Economics**  
*Fall; Lambrinos*
This course is intended for students entering the health field and investigates economic approaches to problems and solutions. Students obtain an understanding of how economics contributes to public and private decision-making in health care, and learn to properly interpret economic research results and apply them to work performed by health planners and administrators.  
Prerequisites: HCM 500, MBA 506 and 520.

**HCM 648. Health Informatics**  
*Winter; Otto*
This course will introduce students to the concepts and practices of health informatics. Topics include: a) an introduction to information systems and specifically to the health informatics field; b) major applications and commercial vendors; c) decision support methods and technologies; d) system analysis, design, implementation, and evaluation of healthcare information systems; and e) new opportunities and emerging trends.

**HCM 650. Structural Dynamics in Healthcare Systems**  
*Fall; Strosberg*
Application of organization theory to health care organizations and systems for the purpose of improving performance. Topics include: organizational structure and design, coordination and control, power and politics, organizational culture, organizational ethics, organizational change.  
Prerequisites: HCM 500 and 501.
HCM 656. Group Practice Administration
Seminar and Practicum
Winter; Scimeca
The objective of this course is to introduce students to the organization and management of private group practice through seminar and practical experience. It is intended that this course will prepare students for employment in private group practices and/or other ambulatory care organizations.
Prerequisites: HCM 500 and 501.

HCM 674. Legal Aspects of Healthcare
Fall, Summer; Zambri
(Cross-listed as LIM 674)
This course is designed to familiarize students with basic legal issues involved in managing health care systems. Antitrust, consent, labor law, malpractice, professional rights and other problems are explored using actual and hypothetical case studies. Not open to JD/MBA students.

HCM 680. Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology
Spring; TBA
(Cross-listed as LIM 670)
This course covers health public policy formulation and implementation and is designed to provide an understanding of the political and regulatory environment of health care organizations.
Prerequisites: HCM 500 and 501.
Prerequisites for LIM program: LIM 500 & LIM 503

HCM 681. Strategic Issues for Healthcare Organizations (Health MBA Capstone)
Spring; Huppertz and Smith
This course is designed to integrate the concepts and skills associated with managerial problem-solving learned throughout the MBA in Healthcare Management program. Students analyze case studies addressing the strategic realignment of health service organizations in today’s healthcare environment. A variety of expert practitioners present their views on this topic. Students must have three or fewer courses left to complete after taking HCM 681.

HCM 683. Health Internship
No fee; Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer

HCM 684. Strategic Issues for Healthcare Organizations (LIM, Capstone)
Summer; Huppertz, McErlean
This course is designed to integrate the concepts and skills associated with managerial problem-solving learned throughout the graduate healthcare management courses of the joint Union College / Union Graduate College / Albany Medical College 8-year Leadership in Medicine program. Students analyze case studies addressing the strategic realignment of health service organizations in today’s healthcare environment. A variety of expert practitioners present their views on this topic.

HCM 690. Independent Study in Health Systems
Students pursue programs of independent study in a particular area of health systems under the supervision of a faculty member. Written permission of the Dean is required.

**STA 501. Introduction to Probability and Statistics**  
*Winter; Eno*  
This course studies the fundamentals of applied probability, most important distributions, acceptance sampling, confidence intervals, point estimation, and tests of hypotheses.
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MS IN BIOETHICS COURSES

**BIE 500. Proseminar in Health and Human Values**
*Summer (one-week in Summer), On-site, D, Union Graduate College w/ Clinical Visit to Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai; Baker, Rhodes, Philpott*
An intensive eight-day introduction to current topics in clinical ethics and bioethics, taught seminar style at Union Graduate College, with a clinical visit to Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City. This overview of current issues in bioethics humanities involves four special pro-seminars, case conferences and ethics rounds. There will also be training in the computer skills (demonstrations, workshops) essential to mastering distance learning. Must be taken in the first fifteen months of enrollment.

**BIE 510. Biomedical Ethics**
*Fall, Distance Learning; Baker*
An advanced historically-based introduction to bioethics and clinical ethics focusing on such formalizations of medical morality as the Hippocratic Oath, the AMA codes, the Belmont Report and Beauchamp and Childress Principles, and the idea of casuistry. Major cases in bioethics will also be reviewed and the evolution of the core concepts and infrastructure of medical ethics and bioethics will be examined.

**BIE 520. Healthcare Policy**
*Winter, Distance Learning; Strosberg*
This course provides an understanding of the public policy-making process and the political and regulatory environment in which health care organizations function. It also provides an understanding of managerial processes, politics, and structure of the health care organizations where ethical policies and practices are implemented and carried out on an ongoing basis. Policies for consideration include resource allocation, end-of-life decision-making, accountability and performance measurement, and conflict-of-interest.

**BIE 530. Bioethics and the Law**
*Spring, Distance Learning; Greenlaw, Ouellette*
This course is designed to familiarize students with major legal issues and legal concepts relevant to bioethics.

**BIE 535 - Medicine and Social Justice**
(elective)
*Fall, Distance Learning; Rhodes, Kleinman, Mendis*
This course examines issues of social justice in medicine, beginning with a review of classical (Aristotle) and contemporary (Rawls) works on political philosophy, ethics and justice. Students will also read some of the theoretical work of authors who focus their attention on justice in medicine (including Daniels and Menzel). Building of these philosophic underpinnings, students will then explore the issues that lie at the heart of
justice in medicine: the right to health and health care, aggregation and utility, personal responsibility, prioritarianism, and the allocation of medical resources.

**BIE 545. Reproductive Ethics**  
(elective)  
*Summer, Distance Learning; Steinbock*  
An investigation of the ethical and legal problems associated with new reproductive technologies and genetics.

**BIE 555. Research Ethics**  
(elective for Clinical Ethics track, Required for Research Ethics track)  
*Fall: Distance Learning; Gligorov & Philpott*  
Analyze individual cases, make informed and reasoned judgments about the proper conduct of research, develop the skills and knowledge base essential to designing and developing education in, and professional awareness of, research ethics.

**BIE 565. Empirical Research Methods in Bioethics**  
(elective)  
*Fall; Distance Learning; Oppenlander*  
A course in empirical research methodology designed to teach how to conduct empirical research in the field, and how to analyze the empirical bioethics literature.

**BIE 580. Research Ethics II**  
(required for Research Ethics Track, elective for Clinical Ethics track)  
*Winter, Distance Learning, Philpott*  
Teaches students about the ethics and policies governing scientific research, particularly research involving human participants or animal subjects. This course builds upon the knowledge and themes introduced in BIE-555 (Research Ethics I). Research Ethics II covers these topics in greater depth and explores the key U. S. and international laws and policies that regulate the design, conduct, and oversight of trials involving human participants or animal subjects. In addition, students examine in-depth specific areas or types of biomedical research that are potentially controversial or ethically problematic. Required for research ethics track, elective for clinical ethics track  
Prerequisites: BIE 555

**BIE 590. Clinical Ethics**  
(required for Clinical Ethics Track, elective for Research Ethics track)  
*Fall, Distance Learning; Gligorov, MSSM staff*  
This course deals with the practical applications of clinical ethics, including clinical ethics consulting and its recording and documentation, the work of ethics committees and IRBs, and other practical ethics of clinical ethics.

**BIE 610C. On-Line Practicum (Clinical)**  
*Winter, Distance Learning: TBA*  
A supervised practical experience in clinical ethics designed to teach skills of clinical ethics consultation.  
Prerequisite: BIE 590.
BIE610-R. On-Line Practicum (Research)
*Spring, Distance Learning; Philpott*
A supervised practical experience in research ethics designed to teach specific skills. Exposes students to the process of ethical review of research involving human volunteers or animal subjects, and helps students develop some of the basic skills that a working research ethics professional needs. Through on-line discussion and participatory exercises, students gain a practical understanding of: (a) research ethics committee structure and function, (b) applicable state and federal regulations regarding the conduct of research involving human volunteers or animal subjects, and (c) relevant organizational and management skills needed to lead a research ethics committee. In addition, students are taught practical skills in qualitative and quantitative research, report and grant writing, and bioethical training and education.
Prerequisite: BIE 580.

BIE 620C. On-Site Practicum (Clinical)
*Spring, On-site, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai*
A supervised practical experience in clinical ethics designed to teach skills in clinical ethics consultation. (One week during Spring Term)
Prerequisite: BIE 590. Co-Req with BIE 610C

BIE 620R. On-Site Practicum (Research)
*Spring, On-site, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai*
A supervised practical experience. Helps students develop and refine the practical skills introduced in BIE 610R (On-Line Research Ethics Practicum) through hands-on experience. These skills include: teaching and education, review and oversight of institutional research projects involving human volunteers or animal subjects, and sound management of the research endeavor, including organizational management and policy analysis, arbitration, and mediation.(One week during Spring Term)
Prerequisite: BIE 580. Co-Req with BIE 610R

BIE 630 & BIE 640. Masters Project I & II
*Winter and Spring, Distance Learning, individual faculty supervisors*
The masters project in bioethics or clinical ethics, will involve two terms of research culminating in a written document addressing some aspect of clinical ethics or bioethical policy, such as a proposal to revise or reform practices at a medical institution or managed care organization, or a proposal to change bioethical policy.

BIE 650. Capstone
*Spring, On-site, Union Graduate College*
Capstone practicum in which students demonstrate their mastery of clinical ethics or research ethics. Each student presents their Masters Project. (One week during Spring Term)

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PHL 574. Biomedical Ethics
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Belmont Report and Beauchamp and Childress Principles, and the idea of casuistry. Major cases in bioethics will also be reviewed and the evolution of the core concepts and infrastructure of medical ethics and bioethics will be examined.

LIM 500. Introduction to Health Systems
Fall; TBD
This course examines the determinants of health, illness, and medical care utilization, institutional arrangements and settings for the delivery of acute and chronic care, the doctor-patient relationship, resource allocation, and the measuring and evaluating system performance.

LIM 503. Healthcare Leadership
Winter; Strosberg
This course examines managerial roles and processes within health service organizations - organization design, managerial epidemiology, governance, total quality management, human resource management, labor relations, and ethics. Prerequisite: LIM 500.

LIM 544/545. Health and Human Values
Summer (one-week in summer), Union Graduate College w/ Clinical Visit to Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (NYC); Baker, Rhodes, Philpott
The seminar in Health & Human Values I & II (LIM 544 & LIM 545) is an intensive eight-day introduction to current topics in clinical ethics and bioethics. The courses are taught seminar style, at Union Graduate College and the Mount Sinai School of Medicine. Students are immersed in clinical case conferences, attend ethics rounds and are given an overview of current issues in bioethics.

Leading scholars from around the US conduct special pro-seminars for the Leadership in Medicine students and students in the Bioethics Program; a joint program between Union Graduate College and the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.

LIM 553. Economics of Health
Spring; Chang
Examination of demand and supply for medical personnel; analysis of hospital cost, inflation, and health insurance. Discussion of issues in cost benefit analysis of public health and regulation of health care markets.

LIM 571. Clinical Leadership Practicum
Spring; Strosberg
(Cross-listed as HCM 571)
Students will work in the field with a preceptor in a clinical leadership role. Students may be placed in a variety of health care settings including: hospitals, physician offices, health maintenance organizations, etc. Classes meet every other week to discuss students’ field experiences and selected readings.

LIM 674. Legal Aspects of Healthcare
(Cross-listed as HCM 674)
This course is designed to familiarize students with basic legal issues involved in managing health care systems. Antitrust, consent, labor law, malpractice, professional rights and other problems are explored using actual and hypothetical case studies. Not open to JD/MBA students.

**LIM 680. Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology**
(Cross-listed as HCM 680)
This course covers two main topics. The first (focusing on public policy formulation and implementation) is designed to provide an understanding of the political and regulatory environment of health care organizations. The second focuses on understanding and applying basic epidemiological methodologies to the health care management arena. Prerequisites: HCM 500 and 501.
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