PROFESSIONAL STUDIES (PST)

PST 1000 - Learning Strategies and Processes
Credit(s): 3 Credits
This course explores the various functions that comprise the complex task of learning. Theories of development, motivation, intelligence, information processing, learning styles, behaviorism, and problem solving will be presented. Personal and environmental factors associated with academic and workplace success will be examined. Application of course content will enable students to use a variety of resources to become more self-directed, effective, efficient learners.
Restrictions:
Enrollment limited to students in the Schl for Professional Studies college.
Attributes: Prof. Studies Students Only

PST 1900 - Survey of Economics
Credit(s): 3 Credits
Analysis of how individuals, firms and nations make choices given limited resources. Determinants of decision making in market economies. The political economy of income, employment, and inflation in the aggregate. The role of government and the Federal Reserve.
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PST 2050 - Found. of Res. Methods & Stats
Credit(s): 3 Credits
Fosters understanding of psychology as a science. Integrates introduction to basic designs, hypothesis generation, ethics, and writing conventions with computation of descriptive statistics and conceptual overview of inferential techniques. Preparation for: reading empirical articles and applied and advanced courses. No lab required.
Prerequisite(s): MATH 1200; PSY 1010
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PST 2930 - Special Topics
Credit(s): 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)
PST 2980 - Independent Study
Credit(s): 1 or 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)
PST 3010 - Contemporary Spain Study Abroad: Culture-Commerce-Community
Credit(s): 3 Credits
An innovative course dealing with the societal practices, economic trends, and the diverse spiritual climate of Spain. The multidisciplinary course will cover issues related to Spain's cultural transformation, comparative business and leadership experiences, and religious diversity. While in Spain, students will participate in site visits to support the development of an understanding of the complexities of this nation from a global perspective. Students will also be exposed to the historical framework of Spain as well as its modern context to enhance their intercultural competence as professionals and leaders.
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PST 3100 - Accounting Concepts for Professionals
Credit(s): 3 Credits
An introduction to major concepts in the areas of financial and managerial accounting. Students will gain a deeper understanding of financial statements, accounting mechanics, accrual accounting, financial planning, variance analysis, internal controls and financial analysis. The final course project will require students to utilize knowledge and skills in the area of financial and managerial accounting to manage the financial data of a fictional organization.
Prerequisite(s): OSTD 3005 with a grade of C or higher
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PST 3200 - Human Resources in Orgs
Credit(s): 3 Credits
An examination of human resource management functions. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the legal environment and equal employment opportunities; job design and analysis; recruiting, orientation, and training; performance appraisal; compensation systems; labor relations; collective bargaining and grievance processes; and health and safety in the workplace. The final course project will require students to conduct in-depth research in the area of human resource management (HRM) and apply HRM theory and research to a not-for-profit organization.
Prerequisite(s): OSTD 3005 with a grade of C or higher
Restrictions:
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PST 3300 - Legal issues in Organizations
Credit(s): 3 Credits
An introduction to the nature, formation and application of law in the U.S. legal system. Topics will include American public law; federal/state/local law governing business and industry; torts and contracts; litigation and arbitration; regulatory law; labor and employment law; compensation law; consumer protection; law as it relates to profit/nonprofit and public/private sector organizations. Students will apply course content and case law to a real world legal issue in the completion of an augmented closed brief.
Prerequisite(s): OSTD 3005 with a grade of C or higher
Restrictions:
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PST 3400 - Marketing Strategies in Orgs
Credit(s): 3 Credits
An analysis of the fundamental principles and strategies of marketing. Students will gain an understanding of the functional role of marketing within an organization and within the expanding global economy. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the external and internal variables that affect Marketing; eCommerce marketing; the roles of advertising, public relations, and sales; Integrated Marketing’s role in the 21st century; and Strategic Marketing Planning. Students will integrate knowledge and skills acquired throughout the course with outside sources and information in order to develop an integrated marketing plan for an organization.
Prerequisite(s): OSTD 3005 with a grade of C or higher
Restrictions:
Students with a semester level of Freshman or Sophomore may not enroll.
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PST 3930 - Special Topics
Credit(s): 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)
PST 4900 - Social Science Research Method
Credit(s): 3 Credits
Social Science Research Methods is designed to initiate the student to current social and policy research technologies and practices. In this course the student will engage in the study of both quantitative and qualitative approaches to social science research using a systematic process. Issues in criminal justice, public policy and administration, and urban planning will be the primary focus of research and cases. Major theories and concepts in social science and policy research applicable to these topics, as well as selected student projects, will be addressed through lectures, readings from the text, audio/visual presentations, class discussions, cases, and practice exercises. This course will provide the student with opportunities to think critically about social science and policy research and possible solutions to current problems confronting the criminal justice system, public policy decision-makers and social science research professionals.
Prerequisite(s): CIS 2850
Restrictions:
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PST 3980 - Independent Study
Credit(s): 1 or 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)
PST 4930 - Special Topics
Credit(s): 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)
PST 4980 - Independent Study
Credit(s): 1 or 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

PST 4840 - CIPP Capstone Course
Credit(s): 1 Credit
The SLU-CIPP capstone course is aimed at providing students with the students with the opportunity to integrate the knowledge and skills they have acquired through the degree program, provide experiences for students to engage in meaningful interactions with their community, and offer the time for students to produce a portfolio demonstrating their academic accomplishments throughout the course of the degree program. By working on a capstone project that draws on prior course work and that culminates in a community service project students utilize their critical thinking skills in synthesizing previous course work and extend and develop their own original ideas.
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