Student Learning Outcomes

BA, Religious Studies, College of Humanities and Social Science

- Students will demonstrate nuanced knowledge of the various defining dimensions of religion both within specific religious traditions and comparatively across different religious communities.
- Students will be conversant in the history, formation, and significance of foundational ideas, terms, and questions within the interdisciplinary field of Religious Studies.
- Students will be able to critically and comparatively analyze particular religious phenomena via different theoretical approaches and methods in the academic study of religion, including historical, textual, and social scientific analysis.
- Students will be able to read for, evaluate, and professionally write an argument with support of scholarly evidence and reasoning within the field of Religious Studies.
- Students will be able find appropriate scholarly sources in the field of Religious Studies, learn to critically evaluate secondary sources, and consider how to respectfully engage with primary source materials.

MHA, Health Systems Management, College of Health and Human Services

Graduating MHA students will be able to:

- Utilize verbal, written and presentation skills to communicate with diverse audiences for the purpose of achieve understanding and trust.
- Use appropriate information, data, and judgment to inform sound management decisions.
- Evaluate a problem or opportunity utilizing appropriate analytical techniques and methods and generate innovative recommendations for decision makers that are financially feasible, politically implementable, and supported by reliable and valid information, while identifying potential risks.
- Construct and deliver business presentations that are logical, compelling, interesting, and effectively communicated.
- Conduct a financial statement review (Balance Sheet; Income Statement, Cash Flow and Statement of Changes in Equity) to analyze a situation of a business and its performance during a specified period of time. This includes the appropriate use of financial ratios relevant to the situation at hand. In addition to a written narrative, students are required to prepare an Excel spreadsheet in good form.

PhD, Biodefense, Schar School of Policy and Government

Graduates of the program will be able to:

- Demonstrate an advanced understanding of the scientific and technological principles needed to assess security threats and to propose solutions for them.
- Apply theories of international relations and international security to build and defend arguments about the causes and effects of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, terrorism, global health crises, as well as national and international policies to defend against such threats at the doctoral level.
- Demonstrate proficiency in research methodology at the doctoral level.
- Design and conduct a dissertation that makes an original contribution to the biodefense literature.
- Communicate the results of their analytic efforts in a manner suitable for publication in professional outlets.