The Master of Arts in Leadership

Practical Experiences in the Program

**Leadership Roundtables**
Learn from and network with seasoned leaders who will share their perspectives on leadership in the real world. Leadership roundtables will be integrated into the program’s core curriculum, allowing students to learn from leaders within a classroom environment.

**On-Site Business Visits**
In addition to learning from leaders in the classroom, students will engage with recognized leaders within their organization. These on-site visits will provide students with experiences that will help them understand how leadership is applied in practical settings across a diverse range of industries.

**Consulting for a Cause Program**
Students will apply their leadership skills through the Consulting for a Cause Program. This program pairs students and faculty with local nonprofits, small businesses, and churches to solve real problems for real organizations. Student and faculty teams will be presented with a core leadership challenge facing the designated organization and will conduct research, analyze data, and generate a plan to initiate positive change to solve that challenge. In so doing, students will gain valuable insights into real-world leadership issues while also giving back to the community.

**Mentored Leadership Internship**
Because the process of applying leadership principles cannot be learned only in the classroom, students will be immersed in a mentored leadership internship. These internships will allow students to learn from leaders in the field and see how leadership is practiced in a variety of contexts.

**Experiential Learning Trip**
Students will have the opportunity to embark on a life-changing experiential learning trip to either Washington, D.C. or Boston, Massachusetts. These trips are designed to connect students with a broad range of national and international leaders in business, nonprofit, and governmental sectors. In addition, students will visit important historical and cultural sites to discuss the implications of leadership in history and in today’s 21st century environment.