ABOUT US
Siena Heights is a Catholic, coeducational university founded in the liberal arts tradition by the Adrian Dominican Sisters in 1919. Graduate education is an integral part of Siena’s mission: to assist people to become more competent, purposeful, and ethical. The Graduate College mission of integrating theory into practice challenges individuals to identify, refine and achieve their personal goals, and to articulate a personal philosophy of life. This school is authorized under Federal law to enroll nonimmigrant students.

“Education is the social and cultural equalizer. Students who seek advanced degrees study the past and embrace the present as they design a better world. This degree program helps students put their thumbprint on the world by shaping the nature of higher education.”

— Dr. Patricia L. McDonald
Professor of Leadership and Director of Higher Education Leadership

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WHERE CAN I GO FROM HERE?
That’s what many college graduates ask themselves when pondering their future.

Siena Heights University’s Higher Education Leadership program is for those who are currently employed in, or who want to have, a career in higher education. We help students develop their own personal career pathway. Students will assess and further develop personal leadership styles and learn how to put them into action to effect organizational change and societal impact. Areas of study will include: history of educational foundations, student development, instruction, assessment, technology use in education and administrative tasks, roles and responsibilities. We will also help develop practical abilities to read trends, implement sound business practices and influence people toward the common good of providing high-quality higher education.

As a Catholic, Dominican institution, we believe it’s vital that strong, competent, ethical and purposeful leaders emerge to guide higher education institutions through an ultra-competitive and rapidly changing environment. Our program aims to attract and develop leaders with strong ethics, a passion for personal growth and an intentional social justice vision.

Cohort groups are structured to allow students to complete our program in 12-24 months. Courses are 8 weeks in length.

Degree plans are designed with practical coursework for working adults. Program is offered online. A blended version of some courses may be available on the Adrian, Lansing and Southfield campuses.

HIGHER EDUCATION CURRICULUM
Degree Requirements: 36 semester hours

Common Core Required Courses
LDR 601 Leadership Theory
LDR 602 Research and Professional Writing
LDR 645 History of Higher Education
LDR 630 Organizational Culture and Communication
LDR 640 Finance + Quantitative Leadership
LDR 660 Strategic Leadership

Concentration Required Courses
LDR 622 Student Development Theory
LDR 624 Organization & Administration in Higher Education
LDR 623 Teaching and Technology in Higher Education
LDR 635 Program Planning and Evaluation
LDR 612 Higher Education Law
LDR 604 Ethics and Social Justice

HOW TO APPLY TO THE GRADUATE COLLEGE:
1. Submit the following documents:
   - Completed Online Application
   - Current Resume
   - Application Essay
   - All Post-Secondary Transcripts
   - Three Recommendation Forms
   - Conviction Disclosure Form

2. Minimum 3.0 grade point average required for full admission. Probationary admission may be considered.

3. Applicants meeting selection criteria (strong writing sample and letters of recommendation, relevant work experience, etc.) will have documents reviewed by the Faculty Admissions Team.

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“World view really matters to me and I love the fact that Siena Heights University endeavors to teach an ethical education to all students. It equips me with the tools that I need to really make a difference in the lives of students that I work with everyday!”

— Mary Stephens
Higher Education Leadership Graduate