University of La Verne DPA Program

Policy of Continuous Enrollment
Policy of Inactivation
Policy of Reinstatement
Policy of Leave of Absence from Dissertation Study

CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT:
After successful completion of the three years of DPA coursework, students are required to register and maintain continuous enrollment in Dissertation I or Dissertation II and remain in good academic and financial standing until all DPA requirements are completed and the degree is posted.

INACTIVE STATUS:
In accordance with university policy, Graduate Admissions & Academic Services will inactivate doctoral students who allow their registration to lapse for four consecutive semesters. (They will first send a 30-day warning letter.) This means the dissertation committee, if constituted, will dissolve and all other services will cease.

REINSTATEMENT:
Inactivated DPA students who wish to complete the doctorate must apply for readmission into the program via an appeals process. To be considered, a candidate must have no outstanding debt owed to ULV, a 3.0 GPA for all previous graduate work (including doctoral courses), and at least two written recommendations from doctoral faculty who are familiar with the student’s work. If these conditions are met, a new application and application fee must be submitted, along with a letter explaining why the program was not completed initially, and what factors would lead to successful completion if readmitted. In addition, the student’s transcript will be evaluated to determine what previous coursework, if any, will be accepted if the student is allowed to re-enter the DPA program. Note, however, that readmitted students are obligated to meet the program requirements outlined in the current catalog at the time of readmission.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
DPA students may apply for a leave of absence from dissertation study for a cumulative total of two semesters. The student cannot have an outstanding tuition balance when applying, and the leave must be approved in writing by the chair of the DPA Program in order to be valid. During the leave of absence, the student remains in active status (i.e., the leave still counts against the eight-year time limit given to complete the program), but no tuition will be charged. Following a leave of absence, the student must resume continuous registration until the dissertation is completed and signed off by the Dean. Please note that no retroactive leaves will be granted by the department.
Procedures for Registration:

1. Listed below are your two course options for Continuous Enrollment (CE) for fall 2014. You may enroll in one unit CE’s for two semesters only. Thereafter, you will register for two units until completion.

2. Use “MyLaVerne” instructions for online registration as well as instructions for payment arrangements. The online registration begins 07/29/2014 and ends 09/03/2014. You will be charged a $50 late fee for all registrations after 09/03/14. Please contact the office of Graduate Academic Services at 909-448-4506 for instructions on late registrations beyond 09/03/14.

3. You must make payment arrangements prior to the 1st week of the semester (8/18/2014) or a $100 payment arrangement fee will be assessed.

4. For assistance with registration and questions about payment plans, please contact the office of Graduate Academic Services at 909-448-4506 or via email at msoto@laverne.edu

CRN# 2600 – $660.00 (1unit)              CRN# 2602 – $1290.00 (2units)
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