

Assessment Plan: PLNU SOE Higher Education, M.A./M.S

Assessment Area	Program Learning Outcome (PLO)	Crs	Assessment Artifact	Notes
M.A. - Higher Education	PLO 1 - Candidates will articulate research questions connected to an area of focus and justify their significance within the field.	GED 6095	Master's Capstone Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.A. - Higher Education	PLO 2 - Candidates will synthesize research in their primary field of study to inform understanding and practice.	GED 6095	Master's Capstone Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.A. - Higher Education	PLO 3 - Candidates will be able to clearly describe, justify, and communicate their data collection and analysis methods in ways appropriate to the field of study.	GED 6095	Master's Capstone Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.A. - Higher Education	PLO 4 - Candidates will analyze research findings, draw evidence-based recommendations, and connect them to their research questions and the field of education.	GED 6095	Master's Capstone Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.A. - Higher Education	PLO 5 - Candidates will critically evaluate their research and explain its relevance to the field and their professional practice using evidence.	GED 6095	Master's Capstone Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.S. - Higher Education	PLO 1 - Candidates will articulate research questions connected to an area of focus and justify their significance within the field.	GED 6099	Master's Thesis Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.S. - Higher Education	PLO 2 - Candidates will synthesize research in their primary field of study to inform understanding and practice.	GED 6099	Master's Thesis Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.S. - Higher Education	PLO 3 - Candidates will be able to clearly describe, justify, and communicate their data collection and analysis methods in ways appropriate to the field of study.	GED 6099	Master's Thesis Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.S. - Higher Education	PLO 4 - Candidates will analyze research findings, draw evidence-based recommendations, and connect them to their research questions and the field of education.	GED 6099	Master's Thesis Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer
M.S. - Higher Education	PLO 5 - Candidates will critically evaluate their research and explain its relevance to the field and their professional practice using evidence.	GED 6099	Master's Thesis Project	Three cycles per year: Fall, Spring & Summer