RISE@UM

Overview
This academic program for University of Mississippi staff in administrative support roles is a 12-credit hour (four semester) program to support the professional and cognitive skills development of UM employees who currently work in or desire to transition into administrative assistant-type positions.

Key Areas of Learning and Development
• Professional and Written Communication
• Budget and Data Operation
• Leadership
• Critical Thinking

Benefits
• Enhanced Departmental Productivity and Effectiveness
• Utilizes Existing Employee Tuition Remission Benefit
• Focuses on Developing Transferable Skills
• Presents the Possibility for New Career Advancement Opportunities
• Fosters Professional Learning Communities for Administrative Support Positions
• Provides a Pathway to Educational Attainment and Degree Completion

Curriculum
• WRIT 175 Introduction to Professional Writing
• FIN 101 Excel in Excel
• LIBA 199 Introduction to the Theory of Leadership
• Critical Thinking*

Eligibility
• Applicants Must Not Hold a Bachelor’s Degree
• Supervisor Approval is Necessary for Participation
• Must Be Employed by the University of Mississippi for at Least One Year

Time Commitment
• Two-year, four semester academic program
• One hour and 30-minute Lunch and Learn Sessions Every Two Weeks During the Fall and Spring Academic Terms

Contact Us
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