Graduate Catalog 2006-2007

Introduction

This edition of the Ithaca College graduate catalog is intended for the academic year 2006-7.

This catalog is produced only in online format.

For information about any changes or updates, contact the Division of Graduate Studies or your graduate chair.

Important Declarations

This publication provides detailed information about academic programs, financial aid, and academic rules and regulations. Every effort has been made to insure that the information is accurate and complete as of September 1, 2006. However, errors are possible and changes such as the addition or cancellation of courses may occur while the academic year is under way. The College reserves the right to correct errors in the catalog and to make changes in degree requirements, course offering regulations, and procedures as educational or financial considerations require. For up-to-date information, contact the appropriate department offices.

If requirements are changed, students may elect to comply with the new requirements or to remain under those by which they are governed at the time of the change. The choice must be declared in writing to the appropriate graduate chair.

Students who withdraw and are subsequently readmitted will be bound by program and degree requirements in force during the academic year in which they are readmitted.

If a student is called to active military duty during a semester, the College will apply, in full, any tuition paid for the semester during which the student is called, to any future semester in which he or she may return. Room and board refunds will be issued on a pro rata basis, consistent with current refund policy.

Discrimination Policy

It is the policy of Ithaca College that discrimination on the grounds of age, disability, marital status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation will not exist in any activity, area, or operation of the College.

Photographs

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General Information

Introduction

Graduate programs at Ithaca College provide advanced preparation in the fields of adolescence education, business, communications, exercise and sport sciences, health and physical education, music, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech-language pathology, and sport management. These programs are based on the recognition that effective leadership in these and related fields requires additional knowledge and specialized skills beyond the baccalaureate level, as well as understanding and competence in general education.

Graduate education at Ithaca College involves the attainment of both an extended and more sophisticated knowledge of a discipline. In the course of graduate study, students enhance their ability to apply new skills and information toward more challenging professional situations. Graduate study in these disciplines fosters the qualities that characterize an educated person and professional worker -- logical interpretation of information, independent and constructive thought, highly refined skills, intellectual initiative, and a reasoned approach to all problems and situations.

History

An account of the development of the College since its founding in 1892 is given in the “History of Ithaca College.” The College’s graduate programs began in 1943 with establishment of a graduate studies department, primarily to prepare teachers for master’s degrees in physical education and music education. That department evolved into the Division of Graduate Studies, which currently offers 19 programs at the master’s and doctoral levels.

The College has seven major academic units -- the Division of Graduate Studies, the Division of Interdisciplinary and International Studies, and the Schools of Business, Communications, Health Sciences and Human Performance, Humanities and Sciences, and Music.
The Campus and the City

Ithaca College is located in Ithaca, New York, a community of almost 50,000 year-round inhabitants in the heart of the Finger Lakes region. For a summary of information about its location and constituents, see “Ithaca College General Information.” Detailed facts and statistics may be seen in “Facts in Brief.”

Degree Programs

The following graduate degree programs are offered at Ithaca College. The numbers in parentheses are the Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS) classification codes.

- Doctorate in Physical Therapy (1212)
- Master of Arts in Teaching - Adolescence Education (0803)
- Master of Business Administration (0506)
- Master of Business Administration in Professional Accountancy (0502)
- Master of Music in Composition (1004.10)
- Master of Music in Conducting (1004)
- Master of Music in Music Education (0832)
- Master of Music in Performance (1004)
- Master of Music in Suzuki Pedagogy (1004)
- Master of Science in Communications (0601)
- Master of Science in Exercise and Sport Sciences (0835)
- Master of Science in Health Education (0837)
- Master of Science in Music Education (0832)
- Master of Science in Physical Education (0835)
- Master of Science in Physical Therapy (1212)
- Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (1220)
- Master of Science in Sport Management (0599)
- Master of Science in Teaching Students with Speech and Language Disabilities (0815)

Enrollment in other than registered or otherwise approved programs may jeopardize a student’s eligibility for certain student aid awards. A graduate student should raise any questions about his or her program with the respective graduate chair.

Second Major Field

With consultation and approval from the student’s major adviser, a second major field may be listed on a student’s transcript when 50 percent of the second program’s additional coursework is completed (e.g., 15 additional credits for programs requiring 30 credits for completion). A second major field does not lead to an additional degree or additional certification.

Summer Sessions

Many graduate courses are offered during the various summer sessions. M.B.A. courses are offered during the first summer session. Study in music education, required for permanent teacher certification, can be completed in three or four summers. See the annual summer sessions catalog for course listings, registration procedures, fees, academic regulations, and housing, dining, and campus facilities available during the summer. The catalog can be obtained through the Division of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions (CESS). For the summer sessions calendar, visit the CESS website.
Graduate Council

The Graduate Council determines and recommends to the provost and vice president for academic affairs policies and procedures in the general administration and conduct of the graduate program, including approval of the members of the graduate faculty. The council is responsible for reviewing and recommending curricula, determining the eligibility of candidates for degrees, and prescribing the conditions on which degrees are awarded.

The membership of the Graduate Council includes the dean of graduate studies, who chairs the council, deans of schools offering graduate programs, the registrar, the director of continuing education and summer sessions, the chair of each graduate program, and one student representative from each graduate program. Student representatives serve terms of one year but may be reappointed. The registrar and the director of continuing education and summer sessions serve the council as ex officio nonvoting members.

Student Responsibilities

A student’s behavior must not interfere with the activities of the College or with the pursuit by other students of educational objectives. Any behavior on the part of individual students or groups that endangers the health or safety of the College community will not be tolerated. Standards of conduct designed to protect the rights of all members of the College community and preserve the functioning of the College as an educational institution are published in appropriate College documents, such as the “Student Conduct Code” in the student handbook.

Living Accommodations/Meal Plans

Ithaca College does not normally provide housing for graduate students. Graduate students interested in requesting on-campus housing should do so by contacting the Office of Residential Life at 607-274-3141. Ithaca College does not offer married, family, or specially designated graduate student housing. Graduate students on campus live in our undergraduate housing areas. Summer housing is available for those who request it. For any housing questions please contact the Office of Residential Life.

For graduate students interested in off-campus housing, a wide range of apartments and other housing options are available in Ithaca and the surrounding communities. Although Ithaca College does not arrange for or inspect off-campus housing, the residential life office provides a listing of available rooms, apartments, and houses. This listing is available at www.ithaca.edu/reslife/OCListing.html.

Meal plans may be purchased at the time of registration.

Health Center

The Ithaca College J. David Hammond Center for Student Health Services functions 24 hours a day during the spring and fall semesters and is prepared to expedite the care of any illness or injury that may occur to IC matriculated students. During the summer term, care is offered 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The staff consists of full-time physicians, physician assistants, registered nurses, and support personnel.

The health center has been accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care. It has a state-licensed clinical laboratory and X-ray department. There is a fee charged for medications, X rays, laboratory work, and other special treatments.

The Ithaca College student health service urges all patients to comply with treatment and will educate students about the dangers of noncompliance. However, refusal of treatment will in no way affect the care or treatment given to the patient at any future date. A full statement of patients’ rights is posted at the health center.
A health and accident insurance policy is available to graduate students. This insurance covers students at all times from August 15 to August 15 of the following year and supplements the regular College health service. For more information about insurance, inquire at the health center’s business office at 607-274-3177.

**Counseling Center**

The Ithaca College counseling center offers short-term individual, group, and relationship counseling, as well as referral to mental health resources in the community, at no charge to enrolled students. Counselors are also on call after hours to respond to psychological emergencies. Confidentiality is maintained in a manner consistent with New York State law and the ethical principles of the American Psychological Association.

Counseling can help individuals address personal concerns, clarify values and feelings, make more effective decisions, and deal with a range of psychological difficulties such as depression and anxiety.

The counseling center staff includes licensed psychologists, social workers, and other counselors. To obtain more information or to schedule an appointment, call 607-274-3136.

The health promotion and substance abuse prevention program, a program of the counseling center, works to create a campus culture in which members make informed and responsible decisions about personal and community health. The health promotion program provides workshops, consultation, peer advocacy, staff and faculty development, services for students at risk, and research regarding health-related topics. The health promotion resource room, located on the lower level of the Hammond Health Center, is open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday and provides a variety of educational information, including pamphlets, journals, books, and audiovisual materials.

**Office of Career Services**

Graduate students on the threshold of the job market or additional schooling can gain valuable assistance from the professional counselors and trained student staff in the Office of Career Services. The office helps students identify interests and abilities, explore career opportunities, and develop résumé-writing and interviewing skills. Also offered are career information, testing services, videotaped mock interviews, and a career resource library. Ithaca graduates are also invited to join the Ithaca College Alumni Association Online Community. The office brings recruiters from major corporations and nonprofit agencies to campus and helps coordinate interviews with potential employers. For additional information, visit the career services website or call 607-274-3365.

**Office of Public Safety**

The security of all members of the campus community is of vital concern to Ithaca College. An annual security report provides information on personal safety and crime prevention strategies, the law enforcement authority of the Office of Public Safety, policies and procedures for reporting any crimes that may occur on campus, and crime statistics for the most recent three-year calendar period. The College will provide upon request all campus crime statistics as reported to the United States Department of Education, www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/campus.html. Further information related to the campus crime statistics may be obtained by contacting Robert Holt, director of public safety, at 607-274-3353 or the Office of Student Affairs and Campus Life at 607-274-3374.

**Accreditations and Affiliations**

**All-College**

**Accreditations**
• Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
• New York State Education Department

**Affiliations**

• American Association for Higher Education
• American Council on Education
• Associated New American Colleges
• Association of American Colleges and Universities
• Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges
• Association of International Educators
• Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities
• Council on Undergraduate Research
• Institute of International Education
• Mid-Atlantic Association of Schools
• South Central Research Library Council

**School of Business**

**Accreditations**

• AACSB International -- the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business
• New York State Board of Public Accounting

**Affiliations**

• Academy of Management
• American Marketing Association
• Financial Management Association
• Institute of Management Accountants

**Roy H. Park School of Communications**

**Affiliations**

• American Advertising Federation
• Associated Collegiate Press
• Association for Educational Communications and Technology
• Association for Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication
• Association of Independent Video and Filmmakers
• Broadcast Education Association
• College Broadcasters Inc.
• College Media Advisers
• Columbia Scholastic Press Association
• International Association of Business Communicators
• International Society for Performance Improvement
• International Television Association
• Public Relations Student Society of America
• Society of Professional Journalists
• University Film and Video Association
School of Health Sciences and Human Performance

Accreditations

• Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association
• Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education
• Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
• Council on Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
• National Council on Accreditation
• National Recreation and Park Association/American Association for Leisure and Recreation

Affiliations

• American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance
• American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation
• American College Health Association
• American College of Sports Medicine
• American Occupational Therapy Association
• American Physical Therapy Association
• American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
• Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology
• Association of Schools of Allied Health Professions
• National Recreation and Park Association
• National Strength and Conditioning Association

School of Music

Accreditation

• National Association of Schools of Music

Division of Graduate Studies and Division of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions

Affiliations

• Association of Continuing Higher Education
• Council of Graduate Schools
• North American Association of Summer Sessions
• Northeastern Association of Graduate Admissions Professionals
• Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools

School of Humanities and Sciences

Accreditation

• Regents Accreditation of Teacher Education

Affiliations

• American Chemical Society
• Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges for Teacher Education
• Association of Teacher Educators
• National Council for the Social Studies
• National Council of Teachers of English
• National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
• National Science Teachers Association
• New York Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
• New York State Association of Teacher Educators

**Academic Resources**

**Library**

The [College library](#), open more than 100 hours a week, contains some 400,000 holdings in books, musical scores, periodicals, DVDs, films, laser discs, interactive multimedia, and recordings. The library provides access to over 17,000 electronic full-text journals, 150 databases, and 33,000 full-text electronic books. In addition to scholarly materials, a collection of current literature and new acquisitions is displayed on the main floor.

The campus wireless network is accessible in the library, and the library has a collection of wireless laptop computers for in-building use. The library is also an ICAirnet “hotspot,” where students, faculty, and staff can use their personal wireless devices to access the Internet and campus services. All computers in the library provide access to Microsoft Office and a wide variety of software applications, enabling users to conduct research and complete projects at one workstation.

Multimedia can be accessed via listening stations on the third floor. Interlibrary loan services are available for essential research materials not owned by the library. Requested articles will be delivered electronically via e-mail. Reserve readings and audio recordings are also available electronically. Through the South Central Research Library Council and the Online Computer Library Center, the College library has access to the collections of over 43,500 libraries in the United States and abroad. The library’s website provides access to national and international electronic resources that support the College’s programs.

Librarians welcome the opportunity to serve students -- in person, by phone, and via e-mail. Librarians provide assistance in the effective use of various print and electronic reference sources. The library offers an online research portal to guide users to information in specific subject areas. Librarians can recommend appropriate materials and suggest research strategies for locating resources.

**Information Technology Services**

[Information Technology Services](#) (ITS) maintains an extensive collection of productivity and business software to support the curriculum. Networked computers, both Macintosh and PC, are available in 30 facilities across campus. One lab is open 24 hours a day, and the rest are open from early in the morning to late at night throughout the fall and spring semesters. Labs are staffed by student consultants skilled at helping people use the computers.

Network file storage and e-mail accounts are provided free to all Ithaca College students, and a student account on the College’s web server is available on request. Access to e-mail, the web, the online library catalog, and student account and grade information is via the Internet.

ITS staff provide free workshops and consulting services to Ithaca College students and faculty. The main office is located in 102 Muller Hall and can be reached by telephone at 607-274-3030.