



MASTERSHIP GRANT  
HISPANIC LEADERSHIP MASTER'S GRANT

### **What is the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant?**

Drexel University's Center for Graduate Studies is partnering with the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SHCC) to provide a full tuition grant for a master's degree to a deserving student. A panel of Hispanic business leaders will review grant applications, meet with finalists and award the grant.

### **What does the grant cover?**

The grant covers full tuition. Ancillary costs such as books and materials are not covered.

### **What degree programs are available?**

Drexel University Center for Graduate Studies in Sacramento offers eleven graduate degree programs for busy adults at its downtown center at One Capitol Mall. Classes will begin in September 2009 and will include EdD Educational Leadership Management, MBA, MPH Master of Public Health, MS Engineering Management, MS Higher Education, MS Human Resource Development, MS Information Systems, MS Library and Information Science, MS Science of Instruction, MSN Nursing Education and Faculty Role, MSN Nursing Leadership in Health Systems Management. Drexel University is a nationally ranked institution based in Philadelphia. U.S. News & World Report ranks Drexel 50th among private universities and sixth among up-and-coming institutions to watch.

### **What is the program format and how will courses be structured?**

The programs offered at the center will be a blend of in-person and online classes. Students will attend one to two evenings a week, depending upon the program and number of classes they choose to take per term. Video conferencing, online webinars, and online assignments will fill out the coursework.

### **When does the program begin?**

September, 2009.

### **What are eligibility requirements and actions needed to apply for the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant?**

#### **Applicant must:**

1. Be of Hispanic heritage.
2. Live in one of these counties: Sacramento, Yolo, San Joaquin, Sutter, Placer, El Dorado or Yuba.
3. Agree to become a member of the SHCC if awarded the grant.
4. Verify income by submitting your 2008 federal form 1040. There is no income limit, but income level will be considered in the final selection.
5. Verify current employment by submitting a pay stub or a letter of employment verification on company letterhead. If unemployed due to recent job loss, applicant may still submit any of the above two verifications but must be able to verify employment as of March 30, 2009.
6. Write a one page essay or personal statement that describes why you should represent the SHCC and the Hispanic community and why you are a worthy recipient of this grant.
7. Complete the standard admission process with Drexel University.
  - a. Go to [www.sacramento.drexel.edu](http://www.sacramento.drexel.edu) to review requirements and to complete the Drexel application process online. The \$75 application fee will be waived when the form is submitted via the website.
  - b. Some time may be required to obtain transcripts from institutions. It is recommended that at least 30 days be allowed to fully assemble the Drexel admission package.



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- c. MBA applicants are required to take the GMAT (graduate management admission test). Library and Information Science and Information Systems applicants must take the GRE (graduate record exam) if their GPA in Bachelor's work is below 3.2. Contact the Drexel University Center for Graduate Studies (details below) for questions related to testing. All other admission materials may be submitted prior to completion of these tests. However, the application for admission will not be complete until test results are received.
  - d. You must complete the online application process by July 31 in order to be eligible for the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant.
8. Complete the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant form.
  9. Submit the income verification, the employment verification, the one page essay and the grant form to:

**Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant**

Attn: Larry Garcia, Chair  
C/O Drexel University  
One Capitol Mall, Suite 260  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**What is the deadline?**

**All materials must be received by July 31 to be eligible.**

- The Drexel online application process must be completed by July 31.
- The materials outlined above that relate specifically to the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant must be received at the address indicated by July 31.

**Is there a cost for applying?**

No. Applicants may complete the Drexel application online at [www.sacramento.drexel.edu](http://www.sacramento.drexel.edu) and waive the \$75 application fee. There are no costs related to submitting the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant materials. However, the applicant may incur costs in obtaining transcripts and completing testing.

**How can I find out more about Drexel University and the programs available?**

Go to [www.drexel.edu/sacramento](http://www.drexel.edu/sacramento).

**Who is on the selection panel for the Hispanic Leadership Master's Grant?**

**Selection panel members include:**

- *Larry Garcia: attorney at Diepenbrock Harrison (Chair of the Panel)*
- *Marcos Rodriguez: branch owner and senior financial representative at Principal Financial Group*
- *Ken Macias: partner and chairman of the board at Macias Gini & O'Connell, LLP*
- *Alice Perez: manager of retail services at SMUD*
- *Peter Drozdoff: vice president of marketing at SureWest Communications (SHCC board member)*
- *Steve Gándola: president and CEO of the SHCC*
- *Nancy Thompson: director of recruitment at the Drexel Center for Graduate Studies*

**If I have more questions, who should I contact?**

**To learn more, contact**

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