LESLEY UNIVERSITY  (Massachusetts)

SELF-DESIGNED MASTER'S DEGREE (SDMD), THESIS

Program Path:

IDS Type: Unrestricted IDS

Program Type: Foundational IDS Program

Description: The Self Designed Master's Degree Program (SDMD) is a 36-credit Master's degree that allows students to study and research unique areas of interest from anywhere in the world. Students are invited to formulate a research question or pursue a professional goal that calls for creating new understanding across disciplines. Students in this program are often ahead of their time, studying unique topics and working in emerging fields. What sets the SDMD program apart from others is that it offers you the unique opportunity to manage your learning—through courses, independent studies, conferences, workshops, and internships both inside and outside of Lesley University's offerings. This enables students to truly cross disciplines and integrate who they are, with what they know. (From website.)

Program Structure:

Admission Requirements: Application, Plan of Study, (3) Letters of Recommendation, Interview

Credit Hours: 36 credits

Required Coursework: None; each student develops a personalized Degree Plan.

Individually Selected Coursework: 36, according to student's Degree Plan, which may or may not include electives.

Exit Courses & Work: 6-12 credits, Thesis or Final Project

Established Department(s) of Focus: Open

Program Statistics:

Faculty: 5 IDS specific faculty members

Students: Distance learning (online weekend colloquia); part-time students allowed.

Program History: No information available

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