This is a named option in the Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis MS (https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/educational-leadership-policy-analysis/educational-leadership-policy-analysis-ms/#text).

The master's program in Higher Education (HE) offers a broad range of course selections with foundations in administration, organization, governance, teaching and learning, and policy and research. The program affords students the opportunity to study minority serving institutions, legal and financial aspects of higher education, the politics of higher education, academic programs in colleges and universities, ideas of the university, diversity and inequality in higher education, the American community colleges, assessment in higher education, perspectives on college student identity and development, administrative services in higher education, critical leadership issues in coaching. Students also have the opportunity to complete field experiences. The culminating experience of the Higher Education Master's program is a capstone project.

There are three specific concentrations of study within the HE program that students can select; student affairs administration; intercollegiate athletic administration; and two-year colleges.

Students completing a Master's degree in higher education work in a variety of leadership roles in colleges, universities, and technical colleges.