see that tomorrow looks nothing like today.
a metamorphosis of me

You can accept things as they are.
Or you can challenge the status quo.

Welcome to an environment that can take your life – and career – to the next level.

At Point Park University, you can get a master’s degree in 11 of today’s most sought after fields. Complete your coursework in the evenings and Saturdays. And, for some programs, even earn a degree in one year, thanks to an accelerated format. You choose the learning style that works best for you, within our convenient, urban setting. The world is yours. Come, master it.

Let the best version of you emerge. today.
Point Park University is jumping with energy, creativity and culture. One visit and you’ll feel the pulse. We’re right in step with Pittsburgh. Growing. Thriving. Evolving. It’s a place where nothing – and no one – stands still.

Surrounded by first-rate restaurants, stage plays, and a variety of shops, Point Park’s campus certainly offers endless possibilities.

In Point Park’s unique, urban learning environment, you’ll not only come into your own, you will be changed forever.
The Grad Student Life
You’ve come so far, yet you’re only just beginning. You’ve probably spent a few years out in the world, trying your hand at career starters. But, now it’s time to get serious. Now it’s time to stop talking and start acting and to take that next step toward a promising future and a world-changing career.

At Point Park University, our graduate degree programs allow you to gain more than just a title. You will gain the experience necessary to not only succeed, but to thrive in your field. Point Park offers 11 separate programs for you to earn your master’s degree. That’s 11 different ways to let the best version of you emerge.

Our faculty are masters of the field themselves and are ready to provide the real-world education you will need for your career to flourish. And who better to learn from? They will impart the wisdom you will need, challenging your previous notions of what it takes to succeed.

Learn Differently, Learn Conveniently
You’re ready to go back to school. But, your schedule isn’t getting any lighter. That’s a problem. Point Park has the solution.

Point Park University offers master’s degree programs that fit into your schedule, however hectic that schedule might be. Balancing your family and your work schedule isn’t easy. That’s why we created programs with convenient scheduling, with classes in the evenings or on Saturdays.

Or, maybe your schedule is light and you want to get on your way as quickly as possible. Point Park has the answer there as well. Several of our programs are offered in an accelerated format so that you can earn your master’s degree in as little as one year.

Convenience is a recurring theme at our university. The convenience of small class sizes and one-on-one learning opportunities. The convenience of being in Downtown Pittsburgh, within walking distance of dozens of major companies ripe for networking. The convenience of being in the center of vibrant, thriving culture, all within a few blocks.

See, that’s the thing about Point Park University’s graduate programs. They’re there for you to succeed – not the other way around.
The Degrees

School of Arts and Sciences
A graduate degree is all about leadership. Our School of Arts and Sciences will give you the tools to stand at the forefront.

Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction
The M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction has four concentrations from which to choose: Adult Learning and Training, PA Certification for Supervisor in Curriculum and Instruction, English as a Second Language, and General.

Master of Arts in Educational Administration
This M.A. program leads to Pre-K through grade 12 Principal Certification.

Master of Education in Teaching and Leadership
This program focuses on improving and updating teaching skills as well as providing training to become a leader in the profession.

Master of Education in Secondary Education Leading to PA Certification in Grades 7-12
This M.Ed. leads to PA Certification in one of five secondary areas: Biology, Citizenship, English, Mass Communication and Mathematics.

Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration
Our M.S. program will provide you with a strong foundation in multiple disciplines. It requires three semesters of Saturday-only, full-time study.

Master of Science in Engineering Management
This M.S. requires five semesters of study and will prepare you to utilize human, financial and technical resources.

Master of Science in Environmental Studies
This accelerated M.S. program is intended to provide students with an understanding of the complex nature of environmental problems and their solutions. It can be completed in as little as 11 months.

School of Business
You know your way around the office. You’re ready to run the show. Now it’s time to earn the respect you deserve.

Master of Business Administration
Our M.B.A. program can be completed in two years or in a one-year accelerated format. Choose from these five tracks: Health Management Systems, International Business, Management, Management Information Systems, and Sport, Arts and Entertainment Management.

Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership
This M.A. gives you a broad base of knowledge in leadership, management and communication.

School of Communication
You want to increase public knowledge or change perceptions through public relations, advertising or journalism. We’ll help you do it.

Master of Arts in Journalism and Mass Communication
This hands-on program can be completed in as little as two years on a part-time basis. Following completion of core courses, choose among electives in public relations and advertising, print journalism, broadcasting, and others.

Concurrent Degree
Earn two degrees concurrently!

Master of Arts in Journalism and Mass Communication/Master of Business Administration
Choose from three concentrations: Broadcast and Digital Media Management, Public Relations, Advertising Agency and Department Management, and Print and Digital Media Management.

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Conservatory of Performing Arts
If you’re a savvy, self-directed, professional actor seeking an artistic refuge with an interest in teaching at the university level, this program’s for you.

Master of Fine Arts in Acting
Our M.F.A. requires three years of full-time study with the opportunity for off-campus study and experiential learning credits in the third year. Artistic acceptance into the conservatory is required.

Transfer Credits
If you’ve earned a “B” or above in relevant graduate courses from another institution, you could be granted from 3 to 9 transfer credits for most graduate programs. (The M.F.A. in Acting allows up to 24 graduate transfer credits.)

Timeline for Completion
Once you’ve initially registered, you have six calendar years to complete your degree. Students in accelerated programs can finish within a year, while part-time students and students in traditional programs usually complete their degree in two or more years.

The Admissions Process
Point Park University has a rolling admissions process, but the sooner you apply, the better. While the Engineering Management, Environmental Studies and M.F.A. in Acting programs start only in the fall, you can be admitted for the fall, spring and summer terms in almost all of our other programs. For more information on admissions, when specific programs start, or to apply online for free, visit our website at pointpark.edu.

Financial Aid
Point Park University is dedicated to making your education affordable. That’s why we offer a multitude of financial aid options and participate in tuition reimbursement programs available at many of the city’s major corporations. Through federal, University and corporate tuition funds, every graduate student who wishes to obtain an education at Point Park University should be able to do so. To find out more, visit our website at pointpark.edu.
Campus
Point Park is a comprehensive master’s-level university with a strong liberal arts tradition, and is located in the heart of downtown Pittsburgh. Students enroll in our dynamic institution to create real change in their lives and to create real change in the world around them.

Students 4,000
Student-to-Faculty Ratio 14:1

The Degrees
Associate in Arts (A.A.)
Associate in Science (A.S.)
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)
Master of Arts (M.A.)
Master of Education (M.Ed.)
Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.)
Master of Science (M.S.)
Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration (M.S.C.J.A.)
Master of Science in Engineering Management (M.S.E.M.)
Master of Science in Environmental Studies (M.S.E.S.)
Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)

Schools
School of Arts and Sciences
School of Business
School of Communication
Conservatory of Performing Arts

Yearly Costs 2010 - 2011
Graduate tuition is charged on a per credit basis.

Tuition: $692 per credit
University Fee: $35 per credit
Financial aid is available.

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