



UNIVERSITY OF  
**SOUTHERN MAINE**  
Lewiston-Auburn College

## Leadership Studies 4+1 Program BEGINS FALL 2008

*Interested? Contact your advisor, Students Services at 753-6500, Graduate Programs at 753-6523, or [gradprograms@usm.maine.edu](mailto:gradprograms@usm.maine.edu).*

**AT LAST!!** This new 4+1 Leadership program affords qualified students the opportunity to complete both a bachelor's and a master's degree in five years (depending on student's full or part time attendance). USM's Lewiston-Auburn College developed this degree in response to the demand for greater access to graduate degrees in the Lewiston-Auburn community.

### LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS' MISSION

We promote the best in leadership knowledge and practice to improve the quality and diversity of leadership in organizations and communities -- regionally, nationally and internationally.

We believe in:

- ❖ Integrating theory and practice
- ❖ Reflection-in-action
- ❖ Continuous development
- ❖ Collaboration
- ❖ Creating sustainable enterprises
- ❖ Improving competitive advantage
- ❖ Social responsibility
- ❖ Systems thinking
- ❖ Strategic level change
- ❖ The value of diversity in all its forms
- ❖ Innovative thinking and practice

*Leadership is an activity, not a position.*

Students in the 4+1 Program focus on their bachelor degree requirements during their first three years; a mix of bachelor and graduate requirements in the fourth year; and exclusively graduate requirements in the fifth year.

Students considering the 4+1 Program are required to maintain a grade point average of **3.0 or higher** or, if academic work was completed more than 5 years prior to applying, student must demonstrate that a 3.0 was attained in the most recent 30 credit hours of undergraduate work. **Students may not enroll in graduate courses until after they have accumulated 90 credit hours** of undergraduate course work.

The Leadership Studies 4+1 curriculum allows students to meet both degree requirements within the 5 year time frame. Students in the 4+1 program may use up to 12 credits of graduate work for both the undergraduate and graduate degrees (taking the place of free elective credit in the undergraduate program). Student Services can provide a 4+1 check sheet as well as guidance along the way.

**A minimum of 108 undergraduate credits and 36 graduate credits are required to complete the 4+1 Program.**