Truman offers new graduate programs

The University adds three new master's programs, hoping to increase enrollment

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Truman is in the process of implementing three new master's programs, all of which have been added to meet the rising demand for graduate education in the region. These degrees in social work, counseling psychology, and leadership are designed to increase the number of master's programs offered at Truman. President Paul Paino said the university is taking advantage of the opportunity to improve the quality of its graduate education because of changes in the job market and the demand for more highly educated professionals.

"It is important for us to have graduate programs, but we want them to be consistent with our philosophy of being a liberal arts institution," Paino said. "We want the graduate studies to complement rather than compete with our undergraduate programs."

The master's in Leadership (Masters in Leadership) is the first of the three new programs that will be available for the fall semester. The program is designed to provide students with the skills and knowledge to become effective leaders in their professions.

Paino said that the new programs will be part of the university's ongoing efforts to expand its graduate offerings. Truman has been a leader in graduate education in the region, and the new programs will help the university to continue to meet the needs of students and the community.

The University is looking to increase graduate programs and offerings as part of its overall strategic plan. Paino said that the university is committed to providing quality graduate education that is accessible and affordable for students.

"We think it's important to offer opportunities for students who want to get those kinds of degrees that will help them be successful in the workforce because..." (for [no program back])

Masters in Leadership
Cindy Young, program director and full-time instructor, said the new program will be a great addition to the university's offerings.

"If they are wildly successful, and they are mean- ing, those types of things are out of a life of their own."

Young said that the program would combine an internship with a common core of classes, which would include leadership theory, ethics, and management. She said that the program would also be open to students who are enrolled in other programs.

"We are so excited about this," Young said. "It's a great opportunity for students who are looking to get into leadership roles in their professions."