Introduction: An Urban Graduate Center

An Urban Graduate Center is a part of a larger university system. The graduate center is located away from the university's main campus near or in a large city. The center offers graduate level courses to a predominantly working student body. Most of the classes are offered at night or on weekends. The students range in age from 25-45 years old. The center is established as a symbol of the university's commitment to the region and to serve candidates for masters and doctoral degrees in a more flexible manner than the traditional university setting.