

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PRINCIPAL PREPARATION LICENSURE ONLY PROGRAM

PURPOSE

The primary purpose of the principal preparation licensure only program is to prepare cutting-edge leaders for the 21st century. This program prepares transformational, instructional leaders who will take on the challenges of the principalship/assistant principalship in both public and private schools.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The principal preparation licensure only program leads to the professional educator license with principal endorsement (K-12) in the state of Illinois. The curriculum of the principal preparation program is based upon the core principles supported by DePaul University's College of Education, the Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium (ISLLC) Standards, and the regulations outlined in 23 Illinois Administrative Code, Subtitle A Subchapter b, Section 30.50, which provides the framework for the requirements of the principal certification program.

The program is:

- **Discipline-based:** concepts, research findings and models of inquiry in social sciences.
- **Theory-based:** relevant theories of organization, leadership and curriculum.
- **Problem-based:** contemporary issues and problems that will confront administrators and supervisors.
- **Experience-based:** courses integrate field experiences and academic study. Students test their skills in a two-quarter internship experience in preK-12 schools.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

This program offers the flexibility of taking courses on campus and online. No more than 49 percent of courses can be taken in an online format, and some courses are only offered on campus.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

(44 quarter hours)

Educational Leadership Courses

(8 courses, 32 quarter hours)

A&S 491	Effective Leadership of Schools
A&S 492	The Principalship
A&S 493	Data-driven Decision-making
A&S 494	School Finance
A&S 495	School Law
A&S 496	Stakeholder Relationships
A&S 498	Instructional Supervision and Support
A&S 608	Capstone in Educational Leadership

Internship Courses

(2 courses, 4 quarter hours)

A&S 602	Principal Licensure Internship I (2 credit hours)
A&S 603	Principal Licensure Internship II (2 credit hours)

Curriculum Studies Courses

(2 courses, 8 quarter hours)

CS 492	Creating and Sustaining Professional Learning Communities
CS 493	Curriculum Development and Assessment in K-12 Schools

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the principal preparation licensure program, students must hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university. Students must also possess at least two years of full-time successful teaching experience, hold a valid Illinois teaching license, and possess proof of passing the basic skills or test of academic proficiency. Upon completion of the program and applying for licensure, students are required to have four years of successful teaching experience.

To apply, please submit the following items to The Office of Graduate Admission:

- A completed application
- Application fee (\$40)
- A copy of valid Illinois teaching license
- Proof of passing Basic Skills Test or TAP Exam
- One official transcript from all colleges and/or universities attended
- One letter from district office recommending entrance into the principal preparation program
- Four letters of recommendation (two from supervisors and two from colleagues)
- Résumé showing evidence of adequate background for the program
- Statement of purpose indicating why you want to be a principal
- Upon initial review the process will include a required interview. Candidates will be expected to complete an on-site writing sample during the interview and submit a teaching portfolio.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

<u>Start Term</u>	<u>Application Deadline</u>
Fall	July 1
Winter	December 1
Spring	March 1
Summer	May 1

The principal preparation licensure only program offers rolling admissions, but regular deadlines are set to assure students full consideration for admission and financial aid. The program will continue to accept and process applications after the regular deadline if space is available.

QUESTIONS?

If you have questions and would like to talk with a graduate admission counselor, call (773) 325-4405 or email edgradadmissions@depaul.edu.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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