

## EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PRINCIPAL PREPARATION MASTER'S PROGRAM WITH LICENSURE

### PURPOSE

The primary purpose of the educational leadership principal preparation master's program with licensure 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

This program leads to a Master of Education (MEd) degree and principal licensure in the state of Illinois. The curriculum 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 licensure 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

This is a 52 quarter hour program, which leads to a Master of Education (MEd).

#### Educational Leadership Courses

(7 courses, 28 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

#### 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

#### Social and Cultural Foundation Courses

(2 courses, 8 quarter hours)

- SCG 408 School and Society
- SCG 410 Introduction to Research: Purposes, Issues and Methodologies

#### Internship Courses

(2 courses, 4 quarter hours)

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

#### Research Course

(1 course, 4 quarter hours)

- A&S 608 Capstone in Educational Leadership

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the educational leadership principal preparation master's program with licensure, students must hold a minimum of a bachelor'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. Students are required to have four years of successful teaching experience upon completion of the program and application for licensure.

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

- A completed application
- Application fee (\$40)
- Proof of two years of successful teaching experience on a 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 educational leadership principal preparation master's program with licensure 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](mailto:edgradadmissions@depaul.edu).

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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