

Educational Leadership

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The School of Education passionately shapes students into collaborative and proactive educational leaders. We strive to elevate the standards of teaching and learning across various organizational landscapes. Here, you'll experience an innovative blend of course work that intertwines scholarly insights with clinical practices, all focused on the practical implementation of intellectual, democratic, and ethical principles in education.

Our dynamic curriculum offers two master's degrees: an M.A. in Educational Leadership and an M.A. in Education, each designed to forge paths in educational excellence. Additionally, we offer course work leading to licensure/endorsements and a plethora of outstanding graduate certificates. Please contact the School of Education for further information on licensure and endorsements.

All programs are approved by the Illinois State Board of Education.

The Master's Degree

The Master of Arts in Educational Leadership is designed to equip educators with the skills for positions of administration in PK-12 schools, higher education, and educational organizations. As part of the program, students develop an area of concentration.

Advising

Students are assigned an advisor when they are admitted to the program. The advisor will contact the student during the first semester of enrollment. The academic advisor will assist students in planning their program of study.

Grading Policy

Students should refer to the campus policy on Grades Acceptable Toward Master's Degrees section of this catalog.

The EDL master's degree requires completion of 36 hours which includes course work in leadership, research, and curriculum. The program allows for 20 hours in electives to develop concentrations in area of expertise.

Program Learning Outcomes

Program Goals include:

- Prepare educational leaders for leadership positions in a variety of organizational context.
- Prepare educational leaders to meet state and national standards.
- Prepare educators to pass appropriate state testing for career movement.

Requirements

Required Courses

Research		
EDL 505	Introduction To Research	4
or EDL 541	Educational Research Methods	
Educational Leadership		
EDL 509	Organizational Dynamics	4
Curriculum		
EDL 572	Pathways to Restorative Leadership	4
Electives - EDL 500 - Level Electives ¹		
		20
Master's Closure		
EDL 531	Capstone ²	4
Total Hours		36

¹ Students can choose any certificate to add as concentration. Students may also design their own concentration based on an area of interest in consultation with an advisor or faculty member.

² Must be repeated for 2 consecutive semesters for a total of 4 credit hours.

Master's Closure

EDL 531 will be conducted during the internship experience at the school site. Students will work with a capstone professor and internship supervisor on this process. Students who do not successfully complete EDL 531 must register for EDL 534 (zero credit hours, one billable hour) each subsequent fall and spring until the closure is complete.

Graduate Certificates

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Options for post-master's certification include:

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Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Endorsement Programs include:

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