

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Degree: Education Specialist
Department: Professional and Community Leadership
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College: Professional Studies

This program is designed primarily for professionals who hold positions of leadership in education or who aspire to provide educational leadership. The purpose of the program is to develop and enhance the functional capability of educational leaders. The research component is practitioner-oriented with emphasis on the utilization of research findings for decision making.

The degree is designed to meet the educational needs of regional place-bound, full-time employed professionals who will be selected from a wide range of educational backgrounds. These backgrounds include, but are not limited to, public school personnel, community college and university personnel, social and health related personnel, and military personnel. The Ed.S. Program will prepare professionals in the community to assume administrative and leadership positions.

In addition to general University requirements, students seeking the Ed.S. in Educational Leadership must meet the requirements listed below.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must meet the minimum standards for admission to graduate studies. Additional requirements are the following:

- A. Master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
- B. Meet two of the following:
 1. GRE score of 1000,
 2. Master's degree GPA of at least 3.25,
 3. GPA of at least 3.0 on the last 60 semester hours of the bachelor's degree.
- C. Letter of application to the program describing academic background and scholarly/research interest; educational objectives; and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three professional references.
- D. In addition to the graduate admission application that is submitted to the Office of Admissions, students are required to submit an addendum to the COPS Graduate Office.

The completed application will be reviewed by the Graduate Program Admissions Committee. Upon admission, the student will be assigned an advisor.

FOUNDATIONAL PROFICIENCIES

EDF 6404	Educational Statistics I	3
EDF 6481	Educational Research	3

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for an Ed.S. degree, a student must complete the requirements listed in the Graduation and General Degree Requirements section of this catalog along with the specific course requirements listed below.

Professional Core (15 sh)

EDF 6475	Qualitative Research I-Methods.....	3
EDF 7407	Educational Statistics II: General Linear Model.....	3
EDF 7685	Educational Foundations: A Philosophical & Multicultural Analysis	3
EDG 7346	Advanced Analysis of Curriculum & Instruction	3
EME 6316C	Instructional Management and Technology ...	3

Educational Leadership Option Courses (21 sh)

EDA 7217	Effective Communication Techniques	3
EDA 7423	School Reform: Research to Practice	3
EDA 7931	Seminar with High Performing Educational Leaders	3
EDF 6464	Applied Program Evaluation.....	3
EDG 7935	Research Design Seminar	3
Electives (approved by program advisor and department chair)		6

or

Healthcare Administration Option Courses (21 sh)

EDA 7423	School Reform: Research to Practice	3
HSA 6106	Critical Analysis of Health	3
HSC 5037	Historical Foundations of Health Education	3
HSC 5135	Health Guidance	3
HSC 6206	Community Health Delivery Systems.....	3
PAD 6335	Strategic Management for Public and Nonprofit Organizations	3
PAD 6425	Conflict Management and Resolution in Public and Nonprofit Organizations	3