Ed.S. Educational Leadership and Administration

Sample Curriculum

The Ed.S. degree program core curriculum is a 30 credit hour program consisting of courses that allow students to bridge theory to practice. The coursework places emphasis and value on meaningful practical experiences for the students through sustained coursework and internships, as well as school-based internship courses.

All courses carry a 3.0 credit hour equivalent and a sample of the courses required in the Ed.S. program of study are:

EDUC 6232: Supervision & Evaluation of Instruction
EDUC 6234: Site Based Leadership: K-12
EDUC 6236: School Law & Policy
EDUC 6240: Fundamentals of Educational Leadership & the Change Process
EDUC 6244: School Community Relations
EDUC 6246: Applied Educational Administration
EDUC 6422: Instructional Needs Analysis

Course descriptions can be found here.

Internships/Field Experience

As a nationally recognized program, the curriculum and internships are aligned with the endorsed standards of educational leadership and administration. Students assume leadership roles in varied settings in at least two school types while enrolled in their program.

Students complete a minimum of 320 sustained and real internship hours as part of their overall program.

Internship placements have served under:
- Exec. Director of Alternative Education (K-12)
- Asst. Director of Special Education
- Middle School Principal
- High School Asst. Principal
- Staff Development Director
- Language Arts Instructional Specialist

Career Path

Graduates are educational leaders prepared and ready to lead in diverse 21st century educational communities within public and independent PK-12 schools and agencies. They find careers in a variety of leadership positions such as:
- Curriculum Leaders
- Assistant Principals
- Principals
- Head of School
- Dean of Students

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