Educational Leadership

Official Program Checksheet

Why Choose Educational Leadership?

Students will complete a core of theoretical and experiential courses that will build the foundation for their administrative experiences. These courses combine the convenience of online learning with face-to-face class time to practice and enhance skills. Of prime importance is the two-semester structured internship wherein local districts will be required to sponsor and mentor administrative candidates. During this internship, students will apply theoretical concepts and build administrative skills; they will also be expected to develop and complete a comprehensive project that will benefit their sponsor district. This cooperative effort of local districts is intended to help alleviate the shortage of prospective administrators, especially in rural schools.

Career Opportunities

The program enables secondary and elementary educators to advance in their district salary schedules and become educational leaders as building administrators. Successful completers of the program are eligible to apply to Michigan Department of Education for School Administrator Certificate.

Admission Requirements

Students eligible for admission to the graduate program must hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. When required, candidates should hold or be eligible for professional licensure, registration or certification to practice in the occupational specialty.

Michigan K-12 Certification

The applicant must possess a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with a 2.75 or higher GPA on a 4.0 scale. Conditional entry may be granted when the 2.75 requirement has not been met. Once a student has been granted conditional entry, the student must earn a GPA of 2.75 within the first nine (9) hours of graduate level courses. Consult individual program description for other admission requirements.

Graduation Requirements

The Master of Science in Educational Leadership through the School of Education, College of Education and Human Services requires that all students must complete all degree requirements within five (5) years after admission to the M.Ed. Consult individual program descriptions for other graduation requirements.

More Information