PRINCIPALSHIP

The Department of Educational Foundations and Leadership offers a 30 hour master’s degree Program in Principalship. Requirements of the Principalship master’s degree Program in Educational Administration are listed below.

Admission Requirements

Fall admission only.

Applications to the master’s program in Principalship must be completed and submitted at least six weeks (domestic) or six months (international) before the beginning of the fall term for which admission is sought in order to allow for adequate processing time. Applicants must have a 2.75 or higher undergraduate cumulative grade point average to be fully admitted. Applicants must also hold a valid Ohio teaching license for a minimum of two to three years.

Degree Requirements

Foundation Studies - 9 credits
- 5100:600 Philosophies of Education (3 credits)
- or
- 5100:604 Topical Seminar in the Cultural Foundations of Education (3 credits)
- 5100:624 Seminar in Educational Psychology (3 credits)
- 5100:640 Using Research to Inform Practice (3 credits)

Educational Leadership Core - 21 credits
- 5170:601 Organizational Leadership (3 credits)
- 5170:604 School Contexts and Community Involvement (3 credits)
- 5170:607 School Law (3 credits)
- 5170:610 Supervision of Instruction (3 credits)
- 5170:620 School Culture and Governance (3 credits)
- 5170:615 Student Services and Disability Law (3 credits)
- 5170:720 Topical Seminar: Educational Administration (3 credits)

Total credits required: 30 credits

The Principalship Licensure Program is an option in educational administration designed to prepare a candidate for an Ohio license to practice as a school principal and is built on two components: the Principalship master’s degree and those post-master’s courses listed below.

The Principalship master’s degree program and the post-master’s licensure courses have been aligned with the Educational Leadership Constituents Council (ELCC) standards specific key assessments embedded in coursework and must be completed to demonstrate that students meet these standards.

Post-Master’s Licensure Courses – 12 credits
- 5170:602 Management of Physical Resources (3 credits)
- 5170:603 Management of Human Resources (3 credits)
- 5170:695 Principal Internship (3 credits)
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To obtain a license to practice the work of a school principal through the College of Education, the candidate will have a total of 42 post-baccalaureate hours, a master’s degree, completion of a supervised two-semester internship in the area in which the candidate seeks the license, and successful passage of the state licensing examination.