

ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP, MS: EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION

The master's concentration in educational administration and supervision prepares the student for a career as a school district administrator, elementary, middle, or secondary school administrator, director of special education and pupil services, school business manager, or curriculum director. Through this program of studies, the student can fulfill professional education requirements for administrative and supervisory licenses in Wisconsin and most other states.

Our rigorous program, led by faculty who are actively engaged in research in the field, meets Wisconsin state licensure requirements and will give you the skills you need to succeed in today's challenging educational landscape.

The master's degree programs are offered online and hybrid.

The Department also offers a course of study leading to the Specialist Certificate in Administrative Leadership (<http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/administrative-leadership-certificate>)—required for the school superintendency and recommended for other school or adult education administrative or supervisory positions.

Admission Requirements

Application Deadlines

Application deadlines vary by program, please review the application deadline chart (<http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/program-deadlines>) for specific programs. Other important dates and deadlines can be found by using the One Stop calendars (<https://uwm.edu/onestop/dates-and-deadlines>).

Admission

An applicant must meet Graduate School requirements (<http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/admission>) to be considered for admission to the program.

Credits and Courses

Minimum degree requirement is 33 graduate credits, 27 of which must be in education and 6 of which may be in related fields. Credit distribution must be: 18-24 credits in educational administration and supervision; 9-15 credits in related electives, of which 6 credits may be earned through a thesis or master's paper.

The student plans an individual program of studies in consultation with a major professor. If the student intends to apply for the Specialist Certificate upon completion of the master's degree, the program of studies may satisfy Specialist Certificate admission requirements.

Required Core Courses

Code	Title	Credits
Administrative Leadership		
AD LDSP 702	Leadership in Educational Organizations	3

AD LDSP 710	Organizational Change and Team Leadership	3
AD LDSP 712	Instructional Leadership	3
AD LDSP 732	The Politics of Education	3
AD LDSP 752	School Law	3
AD LDSP 762	Management of Educational Resources	3
Total Credits		18

Code	Title	Credits
Courses Related to Specific Administrative Licenses		
AD LDSP 750	Internship in Administrative Leadership	1-6
AD LDSP 772	The Principalship	3
AD LDSP 782	Principalship Field Practicum	1-3
AD LDSP 800	Administration of the School Plant	2-3
AD LDSP 812	Educational Personnel Administration and Supervision	3
AD LDSP 842	Program Planning and Evaluation in Education	3
AD LDSP 852	Collective Bargaining and Contract Administration in Education	3
AD LDSP 862	School Finance	3
or BUSMGMT 707	Information Technology Management in International Businesses	
CURRINS 701	Curriculum Planning and Ideologies	3
EXCEDUC 780	Internship in Special Education Administration	3
EXCEDUC 790	Administration of Pupil Services	3
EXCEDUC 805	Legislative and Legal Aspects of Exceptional Education	3
EXCEDUC 960	Seminar: Administration/Supervision of Programs for Exceptional Individuals	3

Program Requirements

Major Professor as Advisor

The student must have a major professor to advise and supervise the program of studies as specified in Graduate School regulations. A student who is not assigned to an advisor at time of admission should immediately contact the Department Chair.

Thesis or Master's Paper

Optional. See Credits and Courses above.

Final Portfolio

As a capstone requirement, students who begin the program fall 2011 and thereafter must develop and submit a comprehensive portfolio for review by faculty. The student must pass both the written part of the portfolio and the oral portfolio defense.

Comprehensive Examination

Students who began the program before Fall 2011 have the option of passing a written and/or oral final comprehensive examination as the capstone requirement.

Time Limit

The student must complete all degree requirements within seven years of initial enrollment.