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

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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.