



The Educational Leadership Program at Radford University

Program Overview

Educational Leadership is a graduate program in the School of Teacher Education and Leadership leading to a Master's in Science degree. The program is designed to prepare professional personnel to fill positions as PK-12 school and district level educational leaders. Two degree options are available within the Educational Leadership program. Option one is a 36-hour program for students without a prior master's degree. Option two is a 30-hour program for students with a prior master's degree.

Program Design

The Educational Leadership program is a cohort-based, hybrid online/traditional program designed to be flexible and responsive to the needs of aspiring educational leaders and school divisions. All courses in the program are available in online formats. These formats include courses that are primarily self-paced with timely instructor feedback and courses that include weekly "synchronous" sessions where students and faculty interact as they would in traditional face-to-face settings. The program includes an initial face-to-face orientation session with each new cohort and offers some face-to-face options for some courses throughout the program. These sessions are offered in a variety of locations including on campus in Radford, the Roanoke Higher Education Center, and the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center among others.

Licensure and Field Experience

In Virginia, an endorsement in Pk-12 Administration and Supervision requires a minimum of three years experience in a public school or regionally accredited private school in a position that requires a license and successful completion of the School Leaders Licensure Assessment. All students must also complete a six graduate hour internship experience. The internship is divided among four areas: elementary, middle level, secondary, central office, and agency placements. Each two graduate hour segment of the internship requires 120 clock hours of administrative work. During the internship experience, students are mentored by both current administrators at the school and division level and by university faculty.

Admission Requirements

- Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.75
- Official test scores from either the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) for students without a prior master's degree
- Three references, one of which is from the most recent principal and one from the current superintendent or designee.
- A writing sample to be completed which details the applicant's philosophy of teaching, learning, and administration garnered over the years of education experience (two pages, typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. font, with one inch margins).

Financial Aid

Financial aid is available to students in a number of forms. In addition to awards based on demonstrated financial need, scholarships based on leadership, character and academic achievements are offered at Radford.

Apply online:

<http://www.radford.edu/content/grad/home/admissions/apply.html>



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