



EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP OPTIONS

The Master of Education (M. Ed.) and Post-Master's in Educational Leadership are state-approved programs designed to develop outstanding leaders, supervisors, and administrators for the schools of Florida and the nation. Each program develops understandings and skills in the following domains of leadership:

- Visionary and Strategic Leadership
- Leadership for Student Performance
- Organization and Resource Management
- Collaborative Leadership
- Ethical Leadership
- Legal, Political and Sociocultural Contexts
- Technology Leadership

M.ED. IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATIONS

K-12 PUBLIC SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION: Graduates of this M.Ed. program meet the requirements for Florida Level I principal certification and have skills required to lead K-12 schools in public and private settings.

***CURRICULUM LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION:** Graduates who earn a M.Ed. with this concentration bring leadership skills to curriculum-focused roles in P-12 schools, district offices, and education-related organizations. This program does not satisfy all requirements for principal certification.

***NON-PUBLIC OR CHARTER SCHOOL CONCENTRATION:** This M.Ed. program is designed for those who aspire to leadership positions in P-12 settings that deviate from the traditional public school environment. Applicants need not hold educator certification, and the graduates are not eligible for Florida principal certification.

**USFSM intends to offer the M.Ed. concentrations in Curriculum Leadership and Non-Public or Charter School Leadership starting in Fall Semester 2011, pending approval of the program by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).*

POST-MASTER'S EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

K-12 SCHOOL LEADERSHIP: This non-degree program provides the opportunity for aspiring leaders who have already obtained graduate degrees in fields related to education to meet the requirements for leadership positions in public or private schools and obtain Florida Level I principal certification. **Activities in Educational Leadership classes include:**

- Case studies and simulations
- Group projects and study groups
- Large and small group discussions
- Inquiry related to problems of practice
- Field-based experiences
- Distance learning and web-enhanced courses
- Advising and coaching
- Ongoing support from faculty and peers

Each M.Ed. concentration requires 36 semester hours, and the Post-Master's program requires 30 semester hours. Degree requirements are subject to change in accordance with State and University mandates.

PREREQUISITES

M.Ed. Concentration or Post-Master's Program	Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution	Hold a Florida Professional Teaching Certificate	Minimum of 2 years satisfactory post-Bachelor teaching (or related positions for concentrations.)	Verification Letter from Supervisor documenting satisfactory teaching (or related) experience	Hold a teaching, supervisory, or administrative position in a non-public, charter or other educational organization	*Minimum 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) undergraduate GPA (upper-level) from a regionally accredited institution	** Complete the application online and submit required documents
K-12 Public School Leadership	X	X	X			X	X
Non-public or Charter School Leadership	X		X	X	X	X	X
Curriculum Leadership Emphasis	X		X	X		X	X
Post-Master's Non-Degree Program	***	X	X			X	X

* Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) undergraduate GPA (overall or upper-level) from a regionally accredited institution. Applicants with GPAs below 3.0 must submit GRE scores from within the last 5 years. If your upper division GPA is below 3.0, please contact the admissions advisor for options prior to completing any courses.

** Application Deadlines: **March 1 for Summer | June 1 for Fall | October 15 for Spring**

Missed the deadline? Apply for non-degree study to get started this semester. A maximum of 12 credits from non-degree study may be transferable to a master's program.

***Masters Degree in any field with a minimum GPA of 3.0 from a regionally accredited institution.

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