Graduate Degrees in Educational Leadership for the Next Generation of School Leaders

These masters and doctoral programs are for educators motivated to tackle contemporary leadership, management, organizational, and policy problems facing students, school personnel, schools, school districts, higher education, and communities in the dynamic environments of Arizona and the World.

The next generation of leaders in this program will call on their background and experiences in acquiring the knowledge and vision to drive innovation, lead educational change, and transform their professional careers. The program of study is designed for students to increase analytical skills, understand and conduct meaningful educational research, and enhance practical skills necessary to distinguish, analyze, and contribute to equity, social justice and education policy deliberations.

Why the University of Arizona?
You can join a network of talented and influential peers from around Arizona and the United States as education leaders in schools, agencies, and universities committed to improving education for the 21st century.

Yes, Arizona is a complex, challenging state politically, but we are now the crucible of the 21st century civil rights movement: if you care about social justice, if you want to address the opportunities as well as the challenges the country faces in the coming years, if you want to be in a place where you can make a difference in seeking to transform educational possibilities, then this is the community where you can do that, this is the place you should be, and ours is an intellectual community that will support, encourage, and carry forward that work with you.

Faculty
Kris Bosworth, Professor, Smith Endowed Chair, Ph.D., Adult Education/Educational Technology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Lynnette Brunderman, Associate Professor of Practice, Ed.D., Educational Administration, University of Arizona

Jill Koyama, Associate Professor, Ph.D., Anthropology and Education, Teachers College, Columbia University

Francesca López, Associate Professor, Ph.D., Educational Psychology, University of Arizona

John Taylor, Professor, Ed.D., Curriculum, Instruction and Teacher Education, Stanford University

Rose Ylimaki, Professor, Ph.D., Educational Administration, University of Wisconsin-Madison

“A strong program for all domestic and international students interested in a deeper perspective toward educational change in a globalized world…”

Elia M. Villasenor, Ph.D.
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Spanish & Portuguese
EDL Program, University of AZ

GET YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED!

For Doctoral Questions, contact Rose Ylimaki at rylimaki@email.arizona.edu

For Masters Questions, contact Lynnette Brunderman at lbrunder@email.arizona.edu
Minimum Requirements for Doctoral Admission

- Master’s Degree in Educational Leadership or related field
- Interest in educational leadership, policy and schools
- Leadership experience broadly defined (e.g., teacher leader, administrator, community leadership, etc.)
- Minimum 3.5 GPA in graduate work
- Current acceptable Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores

Students without a background in educational leadership may need to fulfill further requirements prior to beginning the core courses.

EDL Doctoral Student Minor

All doctoral students take a minor in a program that complements and enhances their interests and aspirations. Our students have minored in a variety of areas, including (but not limited to) Law, Business, Family Studies, Marketing, Policy, Sociology, Curriculum, Language/Reading/Culture, and Teaching/Teacher Education.

"In Educational Leadership Program at UA, students learn from nationally renowned scholars and highly effective school leaders. This unique programmatic blend of theoretical perspectives and practical applications prepares leaders that are ready to meet the unprecedented and most important challenges of education in this rapidly changing 21st Century world."

Manuel O. Valenzuela, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Sahuarita USD
Graduate, University of Arizona EDL Program

IMPORTANT DEADLINE

To be considered for admission to one of the Fall 2016 cohorts, applications should be received by April 20th.

"The Master’s Program in Educational Leadership has allowed me to view leadership from multiple perspectives through practical applications and current literature. All aspects of leadership roles are explored through enlightening and comprehensive class discussions and coursework."

Patricia Hurley
Professional Development Trainer
Tucson Unified School District

Masters of Educational Leadership

This cohort-based Master of Education degree program leads to principal certification in the State of Arizona and a Master’s Degree. The program can be completed within two calendar years.

Features of the off-site masters include:

- Program Curriculum links research directly to practice
- High Placement of Graduates in Leadership Positions
- High Pass Rate on the State Administrative Exam
- Institutional Recommendation to the State
- Strong Preparation for Admission to the Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership and Policy

For More Information

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For other departmental questions, contact Gary Rhoades, Dept. Chair, at grhoades@email.arizona.edu.