Principal Leadership Degree

Effective school leadership and successful student learning are inseparable achievements. The new Principal Leadership Program at GSU trains, guides and supports leadership development through a comprehensive program.

- Earn a Master of Arts in Educational Administration
- Earn a principal's endorsement on the Illinois Professional Educator License
- A faculty supervisor is assigned to each candidate to serve as an advisor and mentor
- Blended/hybrid format allows one-subject-area per eight- week term in fall and spring semesters
- Classes typically run on weeknights and/or Saturdays on the GSU campus
- Off-campus cohorts are possible with sufficient interest

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Application Materials:

- A letter of application expressing interest with supporting reasons
- A portfolio containing evidence of teacher leader achievements
- Letter(s) of recommendation from an administrator attesting to your leadership potential
- Copy of valid and current Illinois teaching certificate
- District letter verifying two years of teaching experience on a valid teaching certificate
- Verification of passing the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) basic skills
- Completion of both GSU and College of Education Applications
- Copies of transcripts: undergraduate GPA of 2.75 or higher, or a GRE composite score of 300 and a writing score of 4.

Selection Process:

- Portfolio Screening
- Interview
- Written scenario question answered day of the interview

For information, contact:

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Degree Requirements

- Students must meet all university requirements for a master's degree.
- Students must complete 36 hours of required course work which includes six hours of supervised Internship.

State Approved Program of Study

Course Requirements for Sequence in Principal Leadership Program

Organizational Leadership	3 hours
Technology Driven Leadership	3 hours
Principal as Evaluator *	3 hours
Principal as Curriculum Leader	3 hours
School Law for Principals	3 hours
Instructor Leadership	3 hours
School Improvement Process	3 hours
Leading for All Students	3 hours
Engaging the Community	3 hours
Effective Operation for Fall	1 hour
Effective Operations for Spring	1 hour
Effective Operations for Summer	1 hour
Principal Internship I	2 hours
Principal Internship II	2 hours
Principal Internship III	2 hours
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Total 36 hours

Candidates must pass the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) teacher evaluator assessment prior to starting the internship.

LiveText is a requirement for this program. Information about LiveText may be found at LiveText.com



^{*} Teachscape Educator Evaluation required for this class at an additional fee.