

EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION, ED.S.

The Ed.S. degree is offered for students seeking certification as public school superintendents.

Learning Outcomes

- Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by facilitating the development, articulation, implementation, and stewardship of a district vision of learning supported by the school community.
- Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by promoting a positive district culture, providing effective instructional programs, applying best practice to student learning, and designing comprehensive professional growth plans for staff.
- Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by managing the organization, operations, and resources of a district in a way that promotes a safe, efficient, and effective learning environment.
- Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by collaborating with families and other community members, responding to diverse community interests and needs, and mobilizing community resources.
- Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by acting with integrity, fairly, and in an ethical manner
- Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by understanding, responding to, and influencing the larger political, social, economic, legal, and cultural context.
- Internship. The internship provides significant opportunities for candidates to synthesize and apply the knowledge and practice and develop the skills identified in Standards 1-6 through substantial, sustained, standards-based work in real settings, planned and guided cooperatively by the institution and school district personnel for graduate credit.

Admission

In addition to The Graduate School application requirements, applicants must complete the EDLP application supplement.

Degree Requirements (33 Post-Masters Hours)

A minimum of 33 hours beyond the master's degree is required.

Certification

The Ed.S. in Education Administration satisfies the academic requirements for certification as a superintendent in South Carolina.

Coursework

Coursework is designed to ensure that at the completion of the program the student can demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and dispositions developed in the following:

Area One (21 Hours)

Educational Administration

Course	Title	Credits
EDLP 753	Advanced Methods of Instructional Supervision	3
EDLP 754	Educational Finance	3
EDLP 755	Educational Policy Analysis	3
EDLP 756	The Superintendency	3
EDLP 757A	The Superintendent in Practice I	3
EDLP 757B	The Superintendent in Practice II	3
EDLP 758	School Building Planning	3
Total Credit Hours		21

Area Two (9 Hours)

A cognate is defined as an academic area outside the Department of Educational Leadership and Policies. All cognate courses must have prior approval of the student's advisor. Students are encouraged to select cognates from the following areas: special services, instruction, behavioral science, social science, and management science. At least 6 hours must be completed in a single academic discipline (e.g., business administration, psychology).

Course	Title	Credits
Select nine hours of course work in a cognate area		9
Total Credit Hours		9

Area Three (3 Hours)

A 3-hour course in research/measurement/assessment to be selected with the approval of the advisor. This course is in addition to the research course taken at the master's level. Students with no research courses at the master's level will be required to take two research-related courses in the Ed.S. degree program.

Course	Title	Credits
Select three hours of course work in educational research		3
Total Credit Hours		3

Note: Courses taken in a master's degree program cannot be used to fulfill Ed.S. requirements.