Educational Leadership (M.Ed.)

The Master's in Educational Leadership is undergoing significant revisions and will begin accepting students in Fall 2020.

Learn to lead a school and prepare to make a powerful impact as a school administrator. School leadership positions are among today’s most meaningful careers. An M.Ed. in Educational Leadership from UND equips you to lead change and empower the next generation.

Program Snapshot

Program type: Master's Degree  
Format: On-campus or off-campus  
Est. time to complete: 12-18 months  
Credit hours: 34

Why Study Educational Leadership at UND?

Designed for licensed teachers with at least three years of teaching experience, the M.Ed. in Educational Leadership prepares you for school administrative positions at the elementary, middle or secondary level.

The program combines theory and practice in a scholar-practitioner model. Our innovative curriculum encompasses coursework in educational foundations, research, and core topics such as curriculum and education law.

In completing the M.Ed. degree, you will also have the potential to complete the requirements for the North Dakota principal credential at either the elementary or secondary level.

The program is offered on campus at UND and on the Bismarck campus.

Accreditation

The Specialist Diploma in Educational Leadership program is approved by the North Dakota Educational Standards and Practices Board. All educator preparation programs at the University of North Dakota are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

Application Deadlines

FALL: AUG 1  
SPRING: DEC 1  
SUMMER: MAY 1

Educational Leadership Overview

- Choose a major in an area of particular interest.
- Engage in an administrative internship in a K-12 school.
- Learn from recognized leaders in the field of educational leadership.

Educational Leadership Careers
Average annual salary for elementary school principals in North Dakota*:

8% Anticipated job growth for elementary, middle and high school principals*

*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Our graduates work in a variety of settings, including:
- PK-12 schools
- Higher education
- Other nonprofit educational settings

When You Earn a degree in Educational Leadership

An Educational Leadership degree gives you the strategic skills you need, including:
- Curriculum Development
- Strategic Planning
- Event Planning
- Fundraising
- Instructional Design

UND Educational Leadership Alumni

Educational Leadership alumni have gone on to a variety of successful careers with:
- Bismarck Public Schools
- Fargo Public Schools
- Minot State University
- University of Mary
- University of Wisconsin-Madison