

Master of Education in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies with Principal Certificate

Total Hours: 36

Core Courses (18 credit hours)	
EDAD 5322	Educational Research and Evaluation
EDAD 5360	Leadership Theory
EDAD 5365	Leading Change in Learning Organizations
EDAD 5380	Diversity and Equity in Education
EDAD 5388	Policy and Politics in Education*
EDAD 5399	Capstone Internship
* May substitute EDAD 5376 Educational Governance in Spring odd years	

Principal Certificate Emphasis Courses (18 credit hours)	
EDAD 5305	Curriculum Design, Implementation, and Evaluation
EDAD 5330	Leadership in the Instructional Setting
EDAD 5381	Political & Legal Aspects of Education
EDAD 5383	The Principalship
EDAD 5384	Resource Management in Education
EDAD 5389	Administrative Internship

Transfer Coursework:

Transfers are not accepted for EDAD 5381, 5383, 5384, 5330 or for internships
No more than 9 credit hours may be transferred
Courses must be equivalent to a course in the program, be less than 5 years old, and show a grade of 'B' or better
All transfer hours must be approved by the program director and the Office of Graduate Studies

Probationary Certificate:

Review this document for information about obtaining a probationary certificate

Certification Requirements:

Holds or has held a standard teacher certificate
Has had a minimum of two creditable years of classroom teaching experience. A teacher service record must be sent from the school district directly to the director of certification via US Postal Service. Creditable years is defined as having been completed in an accredited school district. Out of state teaching experience may qualify provided it was done within a school accredited by that state.
Holds a Master's degree. The degree must be conferred, which can take several weeks after graduation.
Has completed an approved administrative internship
Has completed an approved program designed for meeting the certification requirements. All coursework must be completed and grades must be posted.
Has passed the TExES Standard Principal Certification Exam

Candidates are Approved the TExES Exam:

After passing grades have been posted for EDAD 5381, 5383, 5384, and 5330 or if they are currently enrolled in or have successfully completed EDAD 5399
AND if they have scored 80% on the Principal Practice Test

Certification

Students must pass all appropriate state exams and apply for appropriate state certifications with the State Board for Educator Certification/Texas Education Agency within six months of the completion of their residency/practicum/program.
If a student allows the six month period to go by without passing all state exams and apply for certification, additional coursework and/or state exams will be required for recommendation for certification.
Additional coursework will be determined by the appropriate Program Director in consultation with the faculty.