

# EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP, PRINCIPAL PREPARATION ENDORSEMENT / MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.ED.)

The Master of Education degree in Educational Leadership with Principal Endorsement is designed to assist current licensed teachers to move into principal positions that deal with school governance and management, transformative leadership, supervision for school improvement, school and public policy, and research. This program is aligned with national and state standards for building and district leadership. The program has a social justice emphasis.

See complete admission requirements in Department of Education (<https://catalog.lewisu.edu/graduate/education-social-sciences/education/#Admission>) introduction.

## Prerequisites

1. Professional Educator License.
2. Four years successful teaching experience or school support personnel experience.
3. Interview with the Principal Preparation Team.
4. Fulfillment of Survey of Exceptional Child requirement (105 ILCS 5/21-2a).

## Requirements

**Degree Offered:** Master of Education

**Total Credit Hours:** 33 + Comprehensive Examination

## Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Courses for PEL endorsement</b>		
EDLD 52200	Ethical and Moral Foundations of Educational Leadership	3
EDLD 53800	Critical Issues in School Law for Educational Leaders	3
EDLD 54800	Organizational Systems in Educational Leadership	3
EDLD 55700	Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment for School Improvement	3
EDLD 55800	School Finance	3
EDLD 57700	Supervision for Professional Development	3
EDLD 58000	Critical Transformative Leadership	3
EDLD 58800	Internship 1	3
EDLD 58900	Internship 2	3
<b>Degree Completion Courses</b>		
EDLD 57600	Multicultural Foundations for Educators and Counselors	3
EDLD 57500	Practical Research for Learning Communities	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>33</b>

## Transfer Credit Accepted:

A maximum of 6 credit hours may be accepted for transfer from a regionally-accredited institution, earned within the last 5 years, with no grade lower than a B; transcript must be accompanied by a performance portfolio indicating that the courses requested for transfer have addressed the appropriate ISBE and NELP standards.

## Comprehensive Examination Required for M.Ed. Degree

The comprehensive examination is administered by the Lewis University principal preparation program during the candidate's final semester of coursework; the exam covers content and concepts addressing the standards that are integrated throughout the program of study.

## Additional State of Illinois Requirements for Endorsement on the PEL

- Illinois licensure examinations (2) for Principal endorsement
- Completion of Illinois Performance Evaluation – Teacher Evaluation Training (IPA AA #2001)

Note: ISBE requirements are subject to change. Please contact your advisor for the most up to date licensure information.

## Director of Special Education Endorsement

**Program:** NOND-SPLD-3

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) grants professional educator licenses and endorsements in the State of Illinois. All candidates who successfully complete and meet current ISBE requirements can petition directly to ISBE for the Director of Special Education endorsement. Lewis University does not have a state approved program and does not guarantee that the coursework below satisfies ISBE requirements. This coursework does not lead to licensure or endorsement in other states. Candidates are responsible for checking the requirements of the state in question. Note: ISBE requirements are subject to change. Please visit: <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Professional-Educator-License-Administrative-Endorsements.aspx> for the most up to date licensure information.

## Special Education Non-Core Courses Beyond M.Ed.

Code	Title	Hours
EDLD 57000	Special Education Finance	1
EDLD 58100	Supervision and Administration of Special Education	3
SPED 56600	Special Education Law	1
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>5</b>