EdSp in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis with Emphasis in PK-12 Educational Leadership and Administration, Superintendent, Certification

Degree Requirements

- **ED_LPA 8417**: Site-Level Organization and Leadership (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 8419**: Structures and Processes for Effective Schools (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 8423**: Advanced Leadership for Learning Environments (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 8424**: Education Politics and Policymaking (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 8431**: Leadership for Data-Driven Change (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 8420**: Superintendent: Fiscal Leadership and Management (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 9429**: Superintendent: Communication, Team Leadership (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 9435**: Superintendent: Legal Leadership and Management (3 credit hours)
- **ED_LPA 9461**: Ethics in Education (3 credit hours)

Internship Requirement

Students may become eligible for central office/superintendent certification by completing the internship experience required by ELPA for graduation and recommendation to the MO DESE for central office/superintendent certification. This is gained over three semesters and two hours of coursework per semester (a total of 6 graduate hours). To be eligible for central office/superintendent certification, 300 internship hours must be completed. Specific activities and expectations are provided to students by their internship advisor.

Sample Plan of Study

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Total Credits: 36

Qualifying Process

Contact department for more information.

Comprehensive Examination Process

Upon completion of course work and during the semester of graduation, all students must take and pass a capstone exam.

Admissions

Applicants are required to meet two sets of minimum qualifications for admission: the requirements of the EdSp in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis (https://gradstudies.missouri.edu/degreecategory/educational-leadership-policy-analysis) and the minimum requirements of the Office of Graduate Studies (http://gradstudies.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/minimum-requirements.php). Because requirements vary, you must refer to a degree program’s graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility and application process. Your application materials will be reviewed by both the Office of Graduate Studies and the degree program to which you’ve applied before official admission to the University of Missouri.

For application instructions, see: https://education.missouri.edu/educational-leadership-policy-analysis/degrees-programs/pk-12-administration/