
*The University of Tennessee,
Knoxville, understands the
importance of K-12 school
leadership. As the standards and
demands for excellence in
leadership increase, a preparation
program that offers rigor and
relevance for future leaders is a
priority for us.*

***Find Your Place
on Rocky Top!***

ACCREDITATION

The UT online MS, EdS, and Instructional Leadership Graduate Certificate pathways in K12 Educational Administration are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP), the TN Department of Education, as well as the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).



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DEPARTMENT OF
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K-12 Educational Administration

Distance Education
Graduate Programs

***Step Up, Lead On:
Become a Principal***

Vols Online

Becoming a Volunteer as an online student with the University of Tennessee means earning your degree from wherever you are in the world and in life. Our online programs are designed specifically for working adult students, reducing barriers to becoming a Tennessee Volunteer.

C3 FRAMEWORK: COMMITMENT TO COMPETENCE AND CHARACTER

The Educational Administration K12 Instructional Leader Program is focused on nurturing our graduate candidates' leadership competence and character so they connect with their school communities through authentic servant leadership.

COURSEWORK

Our program coursework is aimed at preparing each student to successfully lead a school and the implementation of Tennessee academic standards. Our faculty and instructors are experienced educational leaders delivering courses that examine the principalship, leading professional learning communities, education policy and law, administration of special services, school finance and budgeting, using data for educational change and school improvement, organizational theory, leading curriculum & instruction, as well as supervision and personnel administration.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES

We believe successful fieldwork under the direction of an effective mentor is a key component of a quality preparation program. Each fieldwork experience is guided by a school-based mentor and overseen by a University facilitator. Modeling and feedback from the mentor, facilitator, and course instructors will provide a solid foundation as you achieve your instructional leader license and begin your administrative career.



Licensure Pathways

(with an in-school fieldwork experience)

- **EdS, Educational Administration**
(requires a Master's degree)
 - 36 credit hours
- **MS, Educational Administration**
 - 30 credit hours
- **Graduate Certificate, Instructional Leadership** (requires a graduate degree in a K-12 related field)
 - 21 credit hours

*Join us to start your journey
toward becoming a K-12 leader!*

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