

Department of Educational Leadership & Policy Studies

Sixth-Year Certificate Program

“School leadership is second only to direct classroom instruction among all school-related factors that contribute to student achievement in a school.”
~The Wallace Foundation



Program Overview

The Sixth-Year Certificate Program in Educational Leadership is designed to prepare aspiring school leaders from diverse backgrounds who will effectively lead within the PreK-12 educational setting. Upon successful completion of the Sixth-Year Certificate Program students are eligible for the Initial Educator Certification for Intermediate Administration or Supervision (092) in the state of Connecticut.

Note: Through the process of reciprocity, 092 certificate holders in the state of Connecticut may be eligible for equivalent licensure in other U.S. states. Learn more at <https://www.nasdtc.net/page/InterstateAgreements>

Initial Educator Certification for Intermediate Administration or Supervision (092)

In order to be recommended by the university for 092 Intermediate Administrator Certification, candidates must have successfully completed the Sixth Year Certificate program; have worked as a certified educator for a minimum of five school years (50 months); and have passed the Connecticut Administrator Test (test number 6412), which is administered by ETS as part of its School Leadership Series of Praxis tests.

What Makes Our Program Unique?

Our 30-credit program was specifically designed for full-time working educators and employs a cohort model. That is, courses are held back to back, one evening per week. Candidates proceed through our program with a group of aspiring school leaders (cohort). In addition to our cohorts that meet on-campus, we have numerous cohorts that meet off-campus throughout the state of Connecticut.

Learn From Expert Faculty and Former Practitioners

Program faculty have extensive expertise and experience in the field of Educational Leadership. We work to bridge theory and practice, so that program courses are meaningful for candidates and applicable to their work as educators.

Where Are Our Graduates?

Past graduates of our program successfully serve in a broad variety of leadership roles within the PreK-12 educational setting, across both the state and region. In addition, several of our graduates opt to pursue a Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Educational Leadership here at SCSU, a program also housed within the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies.

Career Options

Principal • Assistant/Vice Principal • Dean of Students
Athletic Director • Building Level Administration ...and more!

Example Program Course Sequence and Terms

Fall/Spring	EDL 680 <i>Leadership Perspectives</i>
	EDL 681 <i>Leadership Development</i>
Fall/Spring	EDL 684 <i>Learning Theory into Practice</i>
	EDL 685 <i>Curriculum Development</i>
Summer	EDL 602 <i>Education Law</i>
	EDL 657 <i>School Finance</i>
Fall/Spring	EDL 683 <i>Supervision & Staff Development</i>
	EDL 687 <i>Internship I</i>
Fall/Spring	EDL 688 <i>Internship II</i>
	EDL 682 <i>Organizational Development</i>
	EDL 689 <i>Seminar in Educational Leadership</i>

Note: After successful completion of the program, students must pass the Connecticut Administrator Test (CAT) in order to be eligible for the Initial Educator Certification for Intermediate Administration or Supervision (092).

Help With Funding

Graduate Assistantships, Payment Plans, and Financial Aid are available! Please inquire upon submitting your application, or learn more prior to applying by contacting the Program Coordinator.

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