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**P-12 Educational Administration M.S.**

Department of Educational Administration and Foundations at Illinois State University

**Education.IllinoisState.edu/Principal**

## About the Program

The Master's in P-12 Educational Administration is a 36 credit hour program leading to the principal endorsement on a professional educator license. It qualifies educators to become principals, assistant principals, and other P-12 leadership roles. The next online cohort begins in the fall of 2027 and will meet virtually on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

The program's framework is called *Practical Wisdom for Leaders: Connecting Theory to Practice.* The courses are built on the following beliefs:

- Leadership preparation features a dynamic relationship between practice and scholarship.
- Courses blend themes of leadership, learning, and social justice in the context of practical wisdom.
- Faculty honor diverse voices and multiple perspectives.
- Graduates are our partners in the field, building inclusive, learner-centered communities.

## Why We Stand Out

Our graduates grow and network in ways that land them leadership positions fresh out of the program. It's a strong part of Illinois State's education-focused graduate programs that *US News & World Report* ranks as #95 in the nation.

Graduates go on to lead schools. The program boasts a 75% placement rate.

## Cost & Funding

Tuition & fees are approximately $1,700 for a 3-credit graduate course. Tuition increases annually.

Read about Illinois State's scholarships, tuition waivers, & graduate assistantships at: **Education.IllinoisState.edu/Academics/Financial**

Financial aid details available at **FinancialAid.IllinoisState.edu**

Apply for EAF scholarships by April 1, 2027 at **Education.IllinoisState.edu/Scholarships**

Sign up for an online information session at **Education.IllinoisState.edu/EAFinfo**

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# Course Information

## 36 credit hours (Approximately 2.5 Years)

430: Issues in Site Level Leadership
431: School Leadership and the Law
432: Principal as Change Agent
433: Leading Learning for Equity
434: Supervision of Learning
435: Leadership for Stages of Mind
436: Leadership for Diverse Learning Needs
437: Assessment Data Systems
438: Building Community Engagement through Collaboration
439: Leading School Improvement Planning
498: Internship in Educational Administration

# Schedule

| Courses | Internship |
|---|---|
| Fall 2027 | Spring 2029 |
| Spring 2028 | Fall 2029 |
| Summer 2028 | |
| Fall 2028 | |
| Spring 2029 | |

The principal preparation internship is not full time and does not require a leave of absence from your employer.

# Apply

Preferred application deadline of April 15, 2027
Sign up for an information session at **Education.IllinoisState.edu/EAFinfo**
**Apply.IllinoisState.edu**

### REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 in a 4.0 scale for either the last 60 hours of undergraduate course work or any previous work in a master's program
- Updated resume
- Admissions essay
- Written recommendation from current school district official
- One official copy of transcripts from all institutions attended (excluding ISU)
- Prospective candidates will be interviewed by representative faculty and advisory committee partners.
- Professional portfolio that contains evidence of how all students are supported in achieving high standards of learning, accomplished classroom instruction, significant leadership roles, excellent communication analytic abilities, demonstrated respect for community, strong interpersonal skills, and knowledge of curriculum and instruction practices.

# More Info

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