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The Department of Educational Administration, Leadership, and Research offers programs designed to prepare school personnel for effective leadership in P-12 schools. The curricula meets professional certification standards in school administration. The department also provides educational foundations courses that give graduate students a greater understanding of their roles and the function of educational institutions in society.

Course work associated with degree programs at Western Kentucky University may be used to meet certification requirements established by the Commonwealth of Kentucky; however, the Commonwealth may institute changes in certification requirements at any time. When the Commonwealth initiates such changes, students seeking certification may be required to modify their courses/experiences to meet the new certification requirements.

Students wishing to pursue one of the non-degree programs must make application to the Graduate School. Upon completion of the program, individuals must contact the Office of Professional Educator Services in the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences. That official then certifies to the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board that rank requirements have been met.

Programs

- Adult Education, Certificate (0450) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/adult-education-certificate)
- Adult Education, Master of Arts in Education (047) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/adult-education-mae)
- Certification Only, Education Leadership (131) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/certification-only-ed-leadership)
- Educational Leadership, Doctor of Education (0010) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/educational-leadership-edd)
- Measurement, Evaluation, and Research, Post-Master’s Certificate (0488) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/measurement-evaluation-research-certificate)
- Organizational Leadership, Certificate (1723) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/organizational-leadership-certificate)
- Organizational Leadership, Master of Arts (0467) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/organizational-leadership-MA)
- School Administration, Rank I (121) (http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/education-behavioral-sciences/educational-administration-leadership-research/school-administration-rank1)

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