SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE EDUCATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Educational Leadership

Saint Louis University is a Catholic, Jesuit institution that values academic excellence, life-changing research, compassionate health care, and a strong commitment to faith and service. Founded in 1818, the University fosters the intellectual and character development of nearly 14,000 students on two campuses in St. Louis, Missouri, and Madrid, Spain. Building on a legacy of nearly 200 years, Saint Louis University continues to move forward with an unwavering commitment to a higher purpose, a greater good.

OVERVIEW

The program in educational leadership prepares professionals to excel in their careers and give back to the greater community. It is individually tailored to complement the unique interests and professional aspirations of the student and combines theory with practical insights.

The educational leadership degree programs include areas of concentrations for school principals, school superintendents and directors of special education.

• Master of Arts: This program is designed to prepare students to become school principals. The program requires students to take 32 credit hours beyond the bachelor’s degree and complete a comprehensive written examination and an oral examination.

• Specialist in Education: The specialist’s degree is designed as a certification degree, which allows students to meet advanced certification requirements.

• Doctor of Education: This program is designed to prepare students to become executive level educational leaders. Students enter the program with a master’s or specialist degree in educational leadership or a related field. The program requires students to complete 38 credit hours of coursework if they have a master’s degree or 28 credit hours if they have a specialist degree. Students complete coursework plus a doctoral project, a comprehensive examination and an oral examination in order to graduate.

• Doctor of Philosophy: This program is designed to prepare students to become researchers, professors and leaders in academic settings. Students enter the program with a master’s or specialist degree in educational leadership or a related field. They complete 42 credit hours, including 12 dissertation credit hours, a comprehensive examination, a preliminary examination, a dissertation and a public defense.

M.A./MBA Dual Degree Program
This program is designed to prepare students for leadership positions in education, nonprofit management and policy. Students enter the program in the fall semester, taking education and MBA courses through a three- to five-year program, depending on whether the student chooses the full- or part-time MBA format. Substantial scholarship support is available to students in this program, allowing them to earn two highly regarded master’s degrees for approximately $25,000. Applications are submitted to the John Cook School of Business for the MBA part of the program and to graduate education for the M.A. part of the program.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
• Application form and fee
• Transcript(s)
• Three letters of recommendation
• GRE scores required for Ed.D. and Ph.D.
• TOEFL or IELTS is required on application.
• SLU writing exam is required upon admission.

ADMISSION CRITERIA
M.A.:
Graduate students wishing to enter the program must have completed 18 credit hours of upper division undergraduate coursework in education or related areas approved by the educational leadership program.

Ed.D. and Ph.D.:
The applicant must complete six credit hours of graduate research coursework as a prerequisite for the doctoral programs. If the student does not have some or all of these credit hours, he or she may take these hours during the doctoral program as an addition to the program coursework.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPLICATION DEADLINE

M.A., Ed.S. Ed.D., Ph.D.

Fall: Rolling
Spring: Rolling
Summer: Rolling

Deadlines for assistantships are listed online.

DEGREES OFFERED

• Master of Arts (M.A.)
• Specialist in Education (Ed.S.)
• Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)
• Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

COURSES AVAILABLE

Days, Nights, Weekends, Online

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FACULTY

Susan Toft Everson, Ph.D.: Educational and organizational change, leadership, higher education program development

John T. James, Ed.D.: Catholic school administration, human resources

Dennis R. Lea, Ed.D.: Preschool facility design, school finance issues related to debt management

Sally Beth Lyon, Ed.D.: Educational leadership, school improvement, school district administration

Ronald W. Rebore, Ph.D.: Ethics of leadership, human resources administration, human relations, spirituality of leadership

William Rebore, Ph.D.: Educational leadership, school finance

Karen Tichy, Ed.D.: Catholic education, program evaluation, instructional leadership, professional development


Gary K. Wright, Ph.D.: Professional development of school district superintendents

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• GRE scores required for Ed.D. and Ph.D. (GMAT, LSAT or Miller Analogies Test scores may be substituted)
• Résumé
• Professional goal statement

International Students
• TOEFL or IELTS is required on application.
• SLU writing exam is required upon admission.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Applications for assistantships are available online at the School of Education’s website in the financial aid section. Almost all students are part-time, with full-time, professional positions.

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