Education Administration, EdS, Executive Superintendency Emphasis

This plan of study prepares students with a current principal certification and building-level leadership experience to become inquiring, reflective school leaders at the district level. This unique online program is a collaboration with three campuses in the University of Missouri System: Columbia, Kansas City, and St. Louis. Students will work with students enrolled at the partner universities and receive instruction from professors at the different institutions based on expertise and experience. The program aligns with the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and the Missouri Leadership Standards for superintendent certification. We serve a diverse population of graduate students who are making a positive difference in students' lives.

For students who have obtained an approved master's degree in education administration (minimum 30 credit hours), the Ed.S. is an additional 30 credit hours (Minimum of 60 total credit hours). Candidates should consult with an advisor to ensure their courses align to specific certification requirements.

Internships and State Assessments

Students will complete a total of three semester hours of an internship during the fall and/or spring semester. An approved mentor, usually in the school district in which the student is employed, must be approved by the student's advisor. The mentor must be serving in an assistant superintendent or superintendent capacity, must have superintendent certification, and must have an Ed.S. or doctoral degree. The internship requires an action research project which will serve as a capstone examination for the program.

To be certified, students must take the appropriate content exam as required by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The plan of study for this certification area is below:

ED ADM 5626	Theories of Educational Administration	3
ED ADM 5627	Advanced Education Supervision	3
ED ADM 6301	Education Policy Analysis	3

Total Hours	27	30
ED ADM 6903	Superintendent Field Experience	3
ED ADM 6601	Administration of Adult and Community Education	3
ED ADM 6435	Superintendent: Legal Leadership and Management	3
ED ADM 6424	Educational Leadership: Superintendent as Instructional Leader	3
ED ADM 6501	Principles of Public School Finance in Missouri	3
ED ADM 6403	Problems in School Public Relations	3
ED ADM 6402	School Personnel Administration	3
ED ADM 6305	School District Administration	3

Justification for request: Correct course listings to align with program/course sharing crosswalk.