

Hi Everyone –

Welcome to the ED Leadership MA degree program and principal certification program. This email is to familiarize you with some important information about the MA and principal certification programs in Educational Leadership. It is highly recommended you keep this email and reference it frequently as it will serve as a road map to your program.

As you begin the program it is important that you begin thinking about your coursework and develop a plan for completing the program.

Master's Required Courses: <http://www.uwyo.edu/clad/edleadership/ma-curriculum-requirements.html>

Principals Certification Required Courses: <http://www.uwyo.edu/clad/edleadership/school-principal-certicate-curriculum-requirements.html>

Long-term Schedule: Available by clicking 'Course Schedule' on <http://www.uwyo.edu/clad/edleadership/resources.html>

It is helpful to think about the program in 3 phases: introductory coursework, more advanced coursework, and internship.

Introductory Coursework

You are **strongly encouraged** to complete the introductory course sequence – EDAD 5010, 5020, 5030, and 5040 – before you enroll in other EDAD courses.

- That said, we recognize that because of the way in which course offerings are staggered from one semester to the next, some students may not be able to complete all 4 of those courses before moving forward in the program.
- You **must** complete at least 2 of the introductory courses (EDAD 5010, 5020, 5030 and 5040) before enrolling for Internship (EDAD 5580) credits.

Advanced Coursework

After having completed at least 2 of the introductory courses, you can begin fitting in more advanced coursework into your schedule.

For principal certificate students, the advanced courses are:

- EDAD 5080 Introduction to School Law
- EDRE 5530 Introduction to Research

For MA students, the advanced courses are:

- EDAD 5080 Introduction to School Law
- EDAD 5050 Leadership for Democratic Schools
- EDAD 5150 Assessment, Accountability and Student Learning
- EDEX 5720 Special Education Law
- EDRE 5530 Introduction to Research

Internship (EDAD 5580)

Both the principal certification program and the Ed Leadership MA program require 6 credit hours of internship.

- After having completed at least two of the introductory courses (EDAD 5010, 5020, 5030, and 5040), you may begin thinking about arranging for your Internship credits (EDAD 5580).
 - You are required to complete 6 credit hours of Internship.
 - You **must** split those credit hours over at least 2 semesters (i.e. – take 3 credit hours in Fall and 3 credit hours in Spring).
 - Many students split those hours over several semesters (i.e. – 2 in Fall, 2 in Spring, 1 in Summer, 1 in the following Fall).
- It takes a minimum of 2 semesters (not including summer) to complete the internship requirements. Many students spread the requirements out over 1 ½ - 2 years.
- Internship paperwork must be submitted to the Internship Coordinator before students are provided approval to begin logging internship hours.

As you progress through the program it is highly recommended you look at the required courses for your program. Once you have reviewed this information you should then determine what courses are left and view the long-term schedule to make a plan moving forward.

Remember you can always access your degree audit (instructions:

https://www.uwyo.edu/registrar/degree_evaluations/) to determine what you have successfully completed and the coursework that you have remaining in the program.

Once again, welcome to the program. We are glad you're here.
Please be in touch if you have questions.

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