

Proposed Changes in the Ed.S. in Educational Leadership

-Move A600 (Problems in Ed Lead: District Level Leadership) to a Required Course and move A560 (Politics of Ed) to an Elective

Rationale: We wanted to move the 500-level courses to the electives and have 600-level courses as requirements. Some Ed.S. students already have taken A560 in master's program. We thought it best to list a560 as elective to allow those who have had the course choose something else instead.

-Approve the following language: "A675 (Special Educational Leadership) and A720 (Special Topics) may be substituted for any of the above required major courses with Ed.S. advisor approval."

Rationale: The EdS is a 65-credit hour program and there are several courses we would like to include but cannot given our credit limitations. The current courses include content that is extremely valuable to school administrators but there are other courses (e.g., A675) that would be equally beneficial to some students. For example, a student who wants to become a special education director might benefit more from A675 than, for example, A640 (facilities). The same arguments can be made for A720. Finally, we are trying to recruit more law students to pursue the Ed.S. Law students may take A720 in the Education Policy Minor or Education Law Certificate Programs. We are trying to recruit more Special Education Director's License students to pursue the Ed.S., too. A675 is a requirement for this license.

Proposed Ed.S. Requirements

Students must have at least two years of classroom experience to enroll in the program.

Major (Choose 24 of 27 cr.)

- A600 Problems in Educational Leadership (3 cr.)
- A615 Advanced School of Law (1–3 cr.)
- A631 Microeconomics Applications to Education (3 cr.)
- A638 Public School Personnel Management (3 cr.)
- A640 Planning Educational Facilities (3 cr.)
- A653 Organizational Context of Education (3 cr.)
- A671 Planning and Change in Educational Organizations (3 cr.)
- A672 Moral Dimensions of Leadership (3 cr.)
- A754 Epistemology of Knowledge and Thought in Educational Leadership Research (3 cr.)

A675 (Special Educational Leadership) and A720 (Special Topics) may be substituted for any of the above required major courses with Ed.S. advisor approval.

Inquiry (6 cr.)

- Y502 Intermediate Statistics Applied to Education (3 cr.)
- Y520 Strategies for Educational Inquiry (3 cr.) *or* Y535 Evaluation Models and Techniques (3 cr.) *or* Y635 Methodology of Educational Evaluation (3 cr.)

Electives (20 cr.)

- A560 Political Perspectives of Education (3 cr.)
- Other course work chosen with the guidance of the Ed.S. advisor

Minor (9 cr.) (9 cr. in a topic area to be determined)

Capstone & Practicum (6 cr.)

- A680 Education Specialist Seminar (Educational Leadership) (3 cr.) *or* A795 Dissertation Proposal Preparation (1-3 cr.)
- A785 Internship in Educational Leadership (1-6 cr.)