Fau	NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST Graduate Programs		UGPC Approval UFS Approval Banner Catalog	
FLORIDA ATLANTIC	Department Educational Leadership and Research Methodology College Education			
UNIVERSITY				
Program Name		New Program*	Effective Date (TERM & YEAR)	
Degree: Ed.S. with Certification Concentration: School Leaders (K-12)		✓ Change Program*	Fall 2025	
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Department: Educational Leadership and Research Methodology

Degree: Ed.S with Certification

Catalog Changes

School Leaders (K-12) Concentration (with certification)

The K-12 School Leadership Specialist with Certification concentration is for educators aspiring to be teacher leaders and assistant principals and meet the challenges of today's public and private educational institutions. The program is designed for individuals who want to further specialize in education and school leadership beyond a master's degree and who do not have an M.Ed. in School Leadership. Developed in cooperation with Florida public school districts, the program of study is built on the four major domains that the ELRM requires for leadership learning: leadership foundations, research foundations, professional knowledge and experiential learning. To fulfill the requirements of the specialist degree program, students take coursework aligned to the knowledge, skills and dispositions needed to be a school leader; program-provided seminars; and task-specific internship courses with curricula built to practice assistant principal-level activities in school-based clinical experiences.

Admission requirements for this program include three years of successful teaching experience and a sponsor commitment form from a school principal who is willing to sponsor and coach the student for three semesters of internship.

In addition to the coursework found in the table below, students are required to attend weekly non-credit learning seminars in the first and last semesters of the program, as well as complete non-credit online modules centered on school law.

Completion of this program, which includes passing the Florida Educational Leadership Exam (FELE), leads to Florida Educational Leadership Certification (Level I). This qualifies an individual to serve as a public school assistant principal or principal in the State of Florida (depending on individual district requirements). In addition to engaging students in world-class learning, the program incorporates FELE Competencies and Skills. The program is also aligned with the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSELS) and National Educational Leadership Preparation (NELP) Program Standards - Building Level, which align with the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) accreditation and program review. Students who complete this program are prepared to sit for the FELE examination and must pass the exam in order to graduate. Florida ESOL requirements must also be satisfied prior to graduation.

48 credits	
9 credits	
ADE 6381	3
EDS 6100	3
EDA 6103	3
9 credits	
STA 6113	3
EDF 6481	3
FDA 6415	3
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Professional Knowledge	18 credits	
Contemporary Trends in Education	EDA 6053	3
Systems and Community	EDA 6300	3
School Operations	EDA 6207	3
Policy and Politics	EDF 6786	3
Instructional Leadership 1: Role of the Leader in Continuous School Improvement	EDS 6050	3
Instructional Leadership 2: Role of the Leader in Improvement of Student Learning	EDS 6052	3
Leadership for Social Justice	EDA 6191	3
Experiential Component	12 credits	
Internship 1: Fall	EDA 6945	3
Internship 2: Spring	EDA 6946	3
Internship 3: Summer	EDA 6947	3
Field Project 1	EDA 7943	3

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