

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP WITH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATION

Program Description

Division of Education Faculty (<https://spu.edu/academics/college-humanities-education-arts/faculty-staff?d=Education>)

Division of Education Certification Programs Website (<https://catalog.spu.edu/graduate/college-schools/college-hea-education/executive-leadership-program-administrator-certification/graduate/college-schools/college-hea-education/principal-certification/>)

The School Executive Leadership (<https://spu.edu/academics/college-humanities-education-arts/graduate-programs/certification-programs/school-executive-leadership>) program is intended for those who wish to prepare to become educational leaders outside the superintendency. As distinct from the Superintendent Certification program, this program is designed for both certificated and non-certificated educational leaders.

The first option provides professional development opportunities within a specialized area for certificated candidates. The second option provides non-certificated students, or those who hold either current teacher or ESA certification who currently serve in a district level position, with an opportunity to receive a program administrator certificate by completing this program.

If you are a non-certified candidate currently serving in a district-level position or are currently certified as a teacher or as an educational staff associate, you will complete the same core coursework as for the superintendent certification but receive program administrator certification. All coursework is completed over a two-year period.

The Executive Leadership program with Program Administrator Certification requires at least 360 hours of field experience. The number of required credits (minimum of 6) is dependent on your experience and desired position.

The Executive Leadership with Program Administrator Certification program fulfills in part the specialization requirement for the Doctor of Education degree (<https://spu.edu/academics/college-humanities-education-arts/graduate-programs/doctoral-programs/doctor-of-education-edd>) (EdD) at Seattle Pacific University. Students who wish to apply coursework to a doctoral program may consult with the director of doctoral programs.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must submit the following items to the Graduate Admissions (<http://spu.edu/graduate-admissions>):

- Online application (<http://admissions.spu.edu/apply/>) and \$50 application processing fee.
- Copy of current teaching certificate, front and back.
- Copy of current administrator's certificate, front and back.
- Official transcript(s) from each college/university attended.
 - If your degree is not from a U.S. college or university, please arrange for your transcript to be evaluated by a NACES member

(<http://www.naces.org/>)-recognized credential service.

Acceptable credential services include, but are not limited to, World Education Services (<http://www.wes.org/>) (WES) and Foundation for International Services (<http://www.fis-web.com/>) (FIS).

- Personal statement (1–2 pages).
- Résumé.
- Two letters of recommendation (one supervisory, one professional).
- Site Agreement form, available in the online application (<http://admissions.spu.edu/apply/>).

Contact

If you have questions about graduate education or certification programs:

- Email: gradadmissions@spu.edu
- Phone: 206-281-2091

Executive Leadership with Program Administrator Certification

27 Credits Minimum

Code	Title	Credits
Major Courses		
EDAD 7581	Systems Leadership	3
EDAD 7582	Education Law and Policy Studies	3
EDAD 7583	Leading Diverse Communities	3
EDAD 7584	Resource Management	3
EDAD 7586	Interpersonal Relations	3
EDAD 7588	Improving Student Learning	3
Section Credits Required		18
Field Experience ¹		
EDAD 7890	Executive Leadership Field Experience	9
Section Credits Required		9
Total Credits		27

¹ Professional experience may reduce field experience requirement by 3 credits