GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN EDUCATION

At the graduate level the primary objective of the Department of Education is to enable you to further your study in chosen specialized fields through several master's degree programs. You may choose a general master's degree with options available for certification. Other master's programs lead to certification in counseling, diagnostician, reading specialist, master reading teacher, principal and superintendent. A master's degree requires completion of a minimum of 36 sch of prescribed course work. A grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale with no grade lower than a "C" is required for a master's degree and certification programs. For information pertaining to specific certification, see a departmental advisor. Master’s Comprehensive Examination must be taken in last semester of required coursework.

MASTER OF EDUCATION WITH MAJOR IN SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Requirements for M.Ed, and Principal Certificate

The Master of Education in School Administration with principal certification is a 39 hour program with a comprehensive examination and a state certification examination. This program is designed for individuals who do not hold a Master of Education degree, or other master’s degree. To receive the M.Ed. with certification, the student must complete each of the following:

Required Course Work: (39 sch)

* ED 5302  The Principalship
ED 5307  Graduate Research
ED 5316  Diversity in Public Education
ED 5318  Management & Development of Human Resources
ED 5319  School Law
* ED 5330  Introduction to School Administration
ED 5336  Leadership and Evaluation of Instruction (ILD)
ED 5338  Professional Development Appraisal Systems (PDAS)
ED 6304  Organization & Theory in Administration
ED 6315  Design and Implementation of the Instructional Program
ED 7304  Leadership in Educational Administration
ED 7306  School Finance
ED 7313  Administrative Internship

*Must be taken within the first 12 semester credit hours

Additional Program Requirements

1. Hold a valid Texas teaching certificate or the equivalent
2. Serve for at least two years in a Texas Education Agency accredited school.
3. Consult with Graduate Advisor and file a degree plan.
4. Request and receive advancement to candidacy
5. Apply to and successfully complete the Comprehensive Exam
6. Make application for graduation with the Dean's Office
7. Attend an approved review course for the TExES Principal Examination
8. Pass the TExES Principal Examination
9. Apply for certification and pay appropriate state fees

With the approval of the Graduate Advisor, a maximum of twelve (12) hours of equivalent course work may be substituted or transferred from an accredited institution for the prescribed courses. All course work for the master's degree must be completed within a 6 year period. All coursework for the principal certification must be completed within ten years.

Requirements for M.Ed. (degree only)

The Master of Education in School Administration is a 36 sch program with a Comprehensive Examination. To receive the M.Ed. without certification, the student must complete each of the following:

Required 36 semester credit hours:
* ED 5302 The Principalship
* ED 5307 Graduate Research
ED 5316 Diversity in Public Education
ED 5318 Management & Development of Human Resources
ED 5319 School Law
* ED 5330 Intro to School Administration
ED 5336 Leadership & Evaluation of Instruction (ILD)
ED 5338 Professional Development Appraisal Systems (PDAS)
ED 6304 Organization & Theory in Administration
ED 6315 Design & Implementation of Instructional Program
ED 7304 Leadership in Administration
ED 7306 School Finance

*Must be taken within the first 12 semester credit hours.

Additional Program Requirements
1. Consult with Graduate Advisor and file a degree plan
2. Request and receive advancement to candidacy
3. Apply to and successfully complete the Comprehensive Exam
4. Make application for graduation with the Dean's Office

With the approval of the Graduate Advisor, a maximum of twelve (12) hours of equivalent course work may be substituted or transferred from an accredited institution for the prescribed courses. All course work must be completed within a 6 year period.

Requirements for Principal Certificate (only)

Students who possess a Masters degree in Education from an accredited institution who only seek certification as a principal must complete these requirements:

1. Have a Master of Education degree from an accredited institution of higher education or an equivalent degree approved by the Graduate Advisor
2. Hold a valid Texas teaching certificate or equivalent
3. Consult with Graduate Advisor and file a certification plan
4. Attend an approved review course for the TExES Principal Examination
5. Pass the TExES Principal Examination
6. Apply for certification and pay appropriate state fees
7. Serve for at least two years in a Texas Education Agency accredited school
8. Complete a prescribed thirty (30) sc hours of course work as shown below:
   ED 5302 The Principalship
   ED 5319 School Law
   ED 5330 Introduction to School Administration
   ED 5336 Leadership and Evaluation of Instruction (ILD)
   ED 5338 Professional Development Appraisal System (PDAS)
   ED 6304 Organization & Theory in Administration
   ED 6315 Design and Implementation of the Instructional Program
   ED 7304 Leadership in Administration
   ED 7306 School Finance
   ED 7313(I) Administration Internship

With approval of the Graduate Advisor, graduate courses taken at Sul Ross State University may be applied to the Principal Certification program. With the approval of the Graduate Advisor, a maximum of twelve (12) hours of equivalent course work may be substituted or transferred from an accredited institution.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPERINTENDENT CERTIFICATE**

Students who possess a Masters degree from and accredited institution who only seek certification as a Superintendent must complete these requirements.

1. Hold the equivalent of a valid Mid-Management or principal certificate.
2. Serve for at least two years in a Texas Education Agency accredited School
3. Consult with Graduate Advisor and file a certification plan
4. Attend an approved review course for the TExES Superintendent Examination
5. Pass the TExES Superintendent Examination
6. Apply for certification and pay appropriate state fees
8. Complete the prescribed 18 hours of course work consisting of these courses:
   ED 7304 Leadership in Administration
   ED 7308 The Superintendency
   ED 7311(1) Superintendent Internship
   ED 7311(11) Superintendent Internship
   ED 7321 Superintendent/School Board Relations
   ED 7322 Superintendent Finance Issues

All courses for superintendent certification must be completed at Sul Ross State University within a ten (10) year period. No transfer courses are permitted. With approval of the graduate advisor, a maximum of six (6) hours of course work may be substituted from graduate programs at Sul Ross State University.