

Accelerated Licensure Program for Principals

The Accelerated Licensure Program for Principals was established in 2002 in response to the need for more highly qualified school principals. The cohort-model program is tailored to specific districts, including urban centers. If you are a teacher who is nominated by your superintendent (or designee) and you meet the academic requirements for admission to The Ohio State University, you can complete the program in one of two ways. You can complete the MA + Licensure program within the 15 month period (summer, autumn, spring and an additional summer) and graduate with a Master of Arts Degree in Educational Studies and the license. Or, if you already hold a Master's degree, you can earn the license by itself. Keep in mind that both the MA + Licensure program and the Licensure only program are the same amount of courses, 12 courses; 36 semester hours.

Cohort members are provided a mentorship throughout the 15 month experience by the program's faculty advisor along with a field based mentor and principal identified by the candidate's school district. Integral to the program is the opportunity for a year-long intensive field experience engaging in administrative activities that are designed to assist with real issues at your school. You can accomplish the program requirements while fulfilling full-time responsibilities in a school district. However, the nominating district must make necessary time available for you to participate in the activities of the Accelerated Licensure Program for Principals, including the field experience and the mentoring.

Consideration for the Accelerated Licensure Program is by school superintendent (or designee) nomination only. ***Application*** requirements for the ***Accelerated Licensure Program for Principals****:

1. Accelerated Licensure Program Nomination Form
2. Principal Licensure Application (New Applicant) located at <https://osu.tk20.com/>
3. Statement of Intent
4. Resume
5. Two Letters of Recommendation (includes a letter from a building or district level administrator).
6. Official, sealed transcripts from all universities/colleges attended (except Ohio State) *Please note that the program requires a cumulative GPA of a 3.0 or higher from the last degree earned to be admitted. If your GPA is below a 3.0 you may be considered under conditional admission status.*
7. Copy of teaching or Pupil Services (school counseling, etc.) license.
8. Admission into OSU's Graduate School, either the Master's degree program or the Graduate Non-Degree Program
9. If you have previously enrolled as a degree seeking graduate student at Ohio State: [Request for a Transfer of Graduate Program Form](#) and a copy of your Application File from your previous academic department.

* Website: <https://ehe.osu.edu/educational-studies/licensure/accelerated-principals/>

Principal Program Course Requirements

Introduction to Educational Administration
Educational Leadership, Learning and Teaching
Database Decision Making for School Leaders
Ed Technology Leadership and Administration
School Community Relations and Politics
Legal Aspects of School Administration
Strategic Human Capital Management for P12 Administration
Instructional Leadership and Supervision
School Finance and Business Administration
Ed Leadership, Inquiry and Ethics
Seminar in Ed Admin OR Special Ed Law
Planned Field Experience

Delivery of the courses include 14-week format, an intensive 7-week format with virtual and blended delivery.

The required commitment of time is:

Summer Session, 2021	7 weeks
Autumn Session, 2022	14 weeks
Spring Session, 2022	14 weeks
Summer Session, 2022	14 weeks

Deadlines for the 2021-2022 Program

February 1, 2021 – application to the Graduate School

February 14, 2021 – submission of all required application materials*

Questions regarding the program contact:

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All application materials should be submitted online. Questions about the application process should be directed to:

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