Students who enroll in the M.Ed. in Educational Leadership intend to pursue a career in school administration or a leadership role within an educational setting. Educational leadership encompasses a wide variety of career paths such as lead teacher, instructional coach, content supervisor, vice principal and principal.

The curriculum is designed around the goals and state standards of principal leadership. All courses prepare students for the Florida Educational Leadership Examination (FELE), which is a certification required to become a school leader.

Courses include:
- Instructional Leadership
- Organizational Leadership, Safety and Decision-Making
- Human Resources: Recruitment, Development and Retention
- Curriculum and Achievement
- School Budgeting and Finance
- School Law/Community Relations
- Data-Driven Leadership
- Problem-Solving and Visionary Leadership

Program Benefits
- Secure the necessary credentials to become a school administrator or district-level leader.
- Advanced professional coursework supports classroom teaching, school leadership capacity and advancement in the school system.
- Gain practical and relevant learning opportunities through embedded internships every semester.
- Network with instructors who are principals, superintendents and school leaders throughout the greater Tampa Bay area.
- Receive one-on-one mentoring and career support from expert faculty members who hold doctorate degrees in the field.
- Evening, weekend, hybrid and summer courses offered.
- Potential for teaching at colleges and universities.
- Program can be started in fall, spring or summer.
- Degree completion possible in as little as three semesters.

Guaranteed Admission for UT Education Graduates

Students and alumni who have earned a bachelor’s degree in an education area from UT are guaranteed admission to the M.Ed. in Educational Leadership program.

The application fee, résumé, personal statement and TOEFL requirements are waived.

This unique opportunity was created in recognition of the exceptional quality of UT’s education programs, and the University’s mission to support continuing education and professional growth.

For more information or to apply, contact UT’s Department of Education, email grad@ut.edu, call (813) 258-7409 or visit ut.edu/UT2UT.
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Admission Requirements
The program welcomes applications from individuals who have strong academic, school leadership and teaching records and who have experience and interest in educational leadership. Requirements include:

- Completed application (ut.edu/apply)
- Application fee of $40
- Current teaching certificate
- Minimum of two years successful teaching experience
- Official transcripts for all previous college work, received directly from each institution
- Overall GPA of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0, or a minimum of 3.0 in the last 60 credit hours of undergraduate study
- Two professional references (one must be from a current or most recent school administrator)
- Résumé
- Personal statement addressing applicant’s reason for seeking a graduate-level degree
- TOEFL required for applicants whose primary language is not English

Financial Aid
A variety of financial aid is available for M.Ed. students, including loans, grants and scholarships. For a full list of options, visit ut.edu/graduatefinancialaid.

To speak with a financial aid counselor, email finaid@ut.edu or call (813) 253-6219. UT’s Financial Aid Office is located in Plant Hall room 427.

Career Services
All UT students and alumni have free, lifetime access to a variety of tools and networks to advance their careers. The Office of Career Services offers individual coaching, as well as résumé critiques, mock interviews, networking events and workshops designed to help students boost their competitive advantage. Learn more at ut.edu/career.

State Approval
UT’s education programs, including the M.Ed. in Educational Leadership, are reviewed and approved by the Florida Department of Education. To learn more, visit fldoe.org or call (850) 245-0505.

About UT
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