Transforming Schools, Educational Organizations, and Communities

Graduate Programs in Educational Leadership

Prepare for leadership positions in education and policy at the community, school, district, state, and national levels.

The demands of effective and responsive professional practice in education are increasingly complex. Our MA, Advanced Certificate, PhD, and EdD curricula address those complexities by including a solid grounding in understanding multiple perspectives in a multicultural environment.

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Master of Arts in Educational Leadership, Politics, and Advocacy
This 36-credit program prepares you to take on leadership roles in educational not-for-profits, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and educational policy, community, and advocacy organizations.

Master of Arts in Educational Leadership: School Building Leader
This 36-credit program prepares certified and independent schoolteachers to work in school leadership positions such as teacher leaders and principals and to work cross-sector with government, and private and non-profit organizations. Graduates are eligible for New York State certification as a school building leader.

Post-Master’s Advanced Certificate: School District Leader
This 24-credit certificate program prepares you for a career as a superintendent, associate superintendent, or other district-level administrator and to work cross-sector with government, and private and non-profit organizations.

Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership
Our PhD program prepares you to pursue a career as a professor or researcher, while our EdD program prepares you for senior educational leadership and policy positions. Both programs are 42 credits and include administrative core and research classes. Applications for doctoral studies are accepted every other year.

The graduate degree programs in Educational Leadership at NYU Steinhardt share many common elements:

- A focus on urban education, and a concern for social justice and equity
- Coursework and applied learning that connects theory and practice
- A strong community of faculty and students
- Links to community and research organizations that support schools
- Opportunities to engage with faculty and researchers through Steinhardt’s numerous centers and institutes
- New York City as an important laboratory in which to learn and practice education leadership and policy

As a student in one of our programs, you will:

- Critically examine the conceptual, organizational, political, social, interpersonal, and technical dimensions of schools and the communities they serve
- Strengthen leadership competencies to work cross-sector with government, and private and non-profit organizations to achieve greater equity and social justice in schools and communities
- Work closely with faculty who are actively engaged in research on issues facing today’s educational leaders and policymakers
- Have the unique opportunity to study education reform abroad in our summer global courses: Educational and Social Reform in South Africa and Advocacy and Education in Argentina

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