

MA Educ Lead
Master of Arts in Educational Leadership
Under Review | Fall 2026

Proposal Information

Status

Active

Workflow Status

In Progress

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Submitted for Approval | Proposer

✓ Patrick Lopez | 9/27/2024 11:29 AM

Department Chair Approval, Teacher Education

Approved | Department Chair

✓ Cheryl Torrez | 10/01/2024 8:57 AM

— Lois Griesbaum

— Kieva Tedesco

Registrar Technical Check Approval, Registrar Technical Check

Approved | Registrar Technical Check

— Michael Raine

✓ Maggie Sumruld | 10/01/2024 9:30 AM

COEHS Admin step

Approved

✓ Kieva Tedesco

Approved to move forward by the College, 2/11/25. KT.
2/11/2025 2:11 PM

College/School Approval, College of Education & Human Sciences

Approved | College or School approver

✓ Jay Parkes | 2/20/2025 4:03 PM

Library Approval, Main Campus Library

Approved | Library Approval

✓ Sever Bordeianu | 2/20/2025 6:24 PM

SGPC Approval

Sent Back

← Robben Brown

The SGPC voted to return this proposal. The justification indicates the removal of Plan II and adding Plan III however within the Degree Requirements section the Plan I (thesis) option is no longer described. Please update justification if it is also being demised or add the Plan I requirements back.

9/18/2025 10:22 AM

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✓ Patrick Lopez

We do not want Plan I because it was deleted in 2005.
Kauli load error. See additional comment

9/18/2025 4:08 PM

Department Chair Approval, Teacher Education

Approved | Department Chair

- Lois Griesbaum
- Kieva Tedesco
- ✓ Laura Haniford | 9/19/2025 9:51 AM

Registrar Technical Check Approval, Registrar Technical Check

Approved | Registrar Technical Check

- Michael Raine
- ✓ Maggie Sumruld | 9/19/2025 3:28 PM

COEHS Admin step, COEHS Admin

Approved | College-level Curriculum Committee Chair

- ✓ Lois Griesbaum

Approved to move forward by the College, 2/11/25. LG

9/23/2025 1:30 PM

- Sarah Valles

College/School Approval, College of Education & Human Sciences

Approved | College or School approver

- ✓ Jay Parkes | 9/26/2025 1:33 PM

Library Approval, Main Campus Library

Approved | Library Approval

- Sever Bordeianu
- ✓ Caitlin Wells | 9/26/2025 5:02 PM

SGPC Approval, Faculty Senate Graduate and Professional Committee

Approved | Chair

- ✓ Robben Brown | 11/06/2025 10:08 AM

FSCC Member notification, Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee

Notification Sent | Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee Member

- ☑ Joe Anderson
- ☑ Laura Belmonte
- ☑ Sara Ice
- ☑ Mary Rice
- ☑ John Russell
- ☑ SueNoell Stone
- ☑ Jonathan Wheeler
- ☑ Kirsten Thomson
- ☑ Paulo Dutra
- ☑ Randi Archuleta
- ☑ Joan Lucas
- ☑ Julia So
- ☑ Jennifer Henry
- ☑ Christopher Holden

- ☑ Justine Ponce
- ☑ Isabella Goss
- ☑ Vanessa Ferguson
- ☑ Lauren McQuiston
- ☑ Jennifer Laws

Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee Approval, Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee

Approved | Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee Chair

✓ Janet Vassilev

Conditionally Approved 11/14/25 pending written comments from the committee within a week. There were none so it is now approved.

11/21/2025 8:38 AM

— Nicole Capehart

Provost Approval, Main Campus Provost

Approved | Provost

✓ Pamela Cheek | 12/03/2025 12:53 PM

Faculty Senate Approval, Faculty Senate

Waiting for Approval | Faculty Senate Approval

Nancy Middlebrook

Theresa Sherman

External Review - HED CIP code approval, External Review

Approval | HED CIP code approval

Michael Raine

Anna Gay

Reg. Final Approval/Processing, Registrar

Approval | Registrar final approval

Michael Raine

Maggie Sumruld

Notification, Proposer

Notification | Proposer

Patrick Lopez

Notification, Faculty Senate Graduate and Professional Committee

Notification | Chair

Robben Brown

EMRT notification, EMRT users

Notification | EMRT user

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Notification, LoboTrax Team

Notification | LoboTrax Staff

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Changes

- Plan Options
- Admissions Requirements
- Requirements
- participants
- Proposed Effective Term and Year

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Proposal Information

Proposed

Sponsoring faculty/staff member

Patrick Lopez

Proposed

Sponsoring faculty/staff email

plopez5@unm.edu

Existing

Sponsoring faculty/staff member

Existing

Sponsoring faculty/staff email

College

College of Education & Human Sciences
Teacher Education

Department

Campus

Main Campus

Effective Term and Year

Proposed
Proposed Effective Term and Year
Fall 2026

Existing
Proposed Effective Term and Year
Fall 2007

Justification

Proposed
Program Justification
Change Plan II to Plan III. Deletion of the requirement of Inquiry Project for graduation. No course work curriculum changes. Approved by program faculty on August 16, 2024.

Plan I was deleted effective in the 2005 catalog and should have never been loaded into Kualii. This is to correct the record.

Existing
Program Justification

Proposed
Graduate program revision
No

Existing
Graduate program revision
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Program Category and Level

| Program Category | Program Level | Degree, Minor, or Certificate Name |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Degree | Graduate | Master of Arts in Educational Leadership |
| Certificate or Degree Type | | |
| Master of Arts | | |
| Degree/Certificate Level | | |
| Graduate | | |
| Proposed | | |
| Plan Options | | |

Plan III (Coursework only)

Existing

Plan Options

Plan I (Thesis)

Plan II (Non-thesis)

Is this program also offered online?

Yes

Proposed

Format(s)

AOP MOU

Existing

Format(s)

File Uploads

Document uploads

Associated Quali Forms

Select any associated course forms that exist

Select any associated program forms that exist

Shared Credit and Dual Degree information

Interdepartmental Program

No

Catalog Information

Program Description

The degree and certificate programs in Educational Leadership are designed to prepare individuals to assume leadership positions in educational organizations. All rely heavily on concepts drawn from the social sciences for insight into leadership behavior, including: Strategic and Political Leadership, Organizational Leadership, Leadership for Learning and Professional Development, Data-Informed Leadership and Leadership in a Diverse Society.

Proposed

Admissions Requirements

All applicants for admission into the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Educational Leadership must meet the requirements set forth in the Graduate Program and College of Education and Human Sciences sections of this Catalog. See Educational Leadership website for further information on application dates and procedures.

Existing

Admissions Requirements

All applicants for admission into the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Educational Leadership must meet the requirements set forth in the Graduate Program and College of Education and Human Sciences sections of this Catalog. The M.A. in Educational Leadership requires 15 credit hours in the Required Core Courses as described below. In addition to University requirements for graduation, students seeking the M.A. in Educational Leadership must successfully complete a leadership inquiry project and present it in a public forum. Courses taken without prior approval may not be accepted toward the completion of the degree.

Proposed

Graduation Requirements

The M.A. in Educational Leadership requires 15 credit hours in the Required Core Courses as described below. An additional 15 credits of electives and 6 credits of internship/practicum are needed to fulfill requirements. Courses taken without prior approval may not be accepted toward the completion of the degree.

Students in any of the programs in Educational Leadership must maintain a 3.3 cumulative GPA in all Program of Study coursework.

Note: The State Public Education Department, not UNM, awards administrative licensure. Students seeking licensure must meet all UNM requirements in order to be eligible to apply for state licensure through our programs.

Existing

Graduation Requirements

Professional Credential/Licensure Program Information

Proposed

License/Certification associated with program

Yes

Existing
License/Certification associated with program
No

Proposed
Licensure Information
Post-licensure

Existing
Licensure Information
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Proposed
Licensure requirements met in the following states:
New Mexico

Existing
Licensure requirements met in the following states:

Licensure requirements not met in the following states:

Licensure requirements undetermined in the following states:

Proposed
For each state selected, is there a state or regional licensing board that oversees Professional Licensure?
Yes

Existing
For each state selected, is there a state or regional licensing board that oversees Professional Licensure?
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Proposed
State or Regional Licensure Information
1. New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED)
2. <https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/licensure/>
3. Information on requirements see NMPED website.

Existing
State or Regional Licensure Information

Proposed
National licensing board
No

Existing
National licensing board
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Professional Credential or Licensure Description

Professional Accrediting Bodies

Degree Information

Degree Hours

36

Minimum Major Hours

Degree Requirements

Requirements

- Complete 1 of the following

~~Non-Administrative Licensure~~ Plan III Non-Administrative Licensure

- Complete all of the following
 - Complete the following:
 - LEAD501—Educational Leadership in a Democratic Society- (3)
 - LEAD503—Data-Informed Instructional Leadership- (3)
 - LEAD509—Leadership and Organizational Change- (3)
 - LEAD529—The Adult Learner- (3)
 - LEAD530—Leadership for Conflict Resolution in Schools and Organizations- (3)
 - Earn at least 15 credits from the following types of courses:
Selected in consultation with the assigned advisor. With advisor approval, up to 6 of the 15 credit hours may be selected from other degree programs in the College of Education and Human Sciences or degree programs outside the College of Education and Human Sciences at the University of New Mexico. All courses for the M.A. degree program must be at the 500-level or above.
 - Earn at least 6 credits from the following:
 - LEAD594—Practicum- (1—6)
 - LEAD596—Administrative Internship- (1—6)

Required Core Courses

- Complete all of the following
 - Complete the following:
 - LEAD501 - Educational Leadership in a Democratic Society (3)
 - LEAD503 - Data-Informed Instructional Leadership (3)
 - LEAD509 - Leadership and Organizational Change (3)
 - LEAD529 - The Adult Learner (3)
 - LEAD530 - Leadership for Conflict Resolution in Schools and Organizations (3)
 - Ideally, students should complete LEAD 501, 503, and 509 within the first two semesters of coursework.

Additional Courses

- Earn at least 15 credits from the following types of courses:
Selected in consultation with the assigned advisor. With advisor approval, up to 6 of the 15 credit hours may be selected from other degree programs in the College of Education and Human Sciences or degree programs outside the College of Education and Human Sciences at the University of New Mexico. All courses for the M.A. degree program must be at the 500-level or above.

Practicum or Internship

- Complete all of the following
 - Earn at least 6 credits from the following:
 - LEAD594 - Practicum (1 - 6)
 - LEAD596 - Administrative Internship (1 - 6)
 - Students must have completed at least 12 credit hours of coursework in the core courses in order to be eligible to register for either LEAD 594 or 596.

~~Administrative Licensure~~ Plan III Administrative Licensure

- Complete all of the following
 - Complete the following:
 - LEAD501—Educational Leadership in a Democratic Society- (3)
 - LEAD503—Data-Informed Instructional Leadership- (3)

- ~~LEAD509—Leadership and Organizational Change (3)~~
- ~~LEAD529—The Adult Learner (3)~~
- ~~LEAD530—Leadership for Conflict Resolution in Schools and Organizations (3)~~
- Complete the following:
 - ~~LEAD520—The School Principalship (3)~~
 - ~~LEAD521—School Finance and Resource Allocation (3)~~
 - ~~LEAD560—Instructional Leadership, Supervision, and Evaluation (3)~~
 - ~~LEAD561—Legal Issues for School Leaders (3)~~

Required Core Courses

- Complete all of the following
 - Complete the following:
 - LEAD501 - Educational Leadership in a Democratic Society (3)
 - LEAD503 - Data-Informed Instructional Leadership (3)
 - LEAD509 - Leadership and Organizational Change (3)
 - LEAD529 - The Adult Learner (3)
 - LEAD530 - Leadership for Conflict Resolution in Schools and Organizations (3)
 - Ideally, students should complete LEAD 501, 503, and 509 within the first two semesters of coursework.

Additional Courses

- Complete the following:
 - LEAD520 - The School Principalship (3)
 - LEAD521 - School Finance and Resource Allocation (3)
 - LEAD560 - Instructional Leadership, Supervision, and Evaluation (3)
 - LEAD561 - Legal Issues for School Leaders (3)
- Earned at least 3 credits from LEAD 500 - 699
- Earn at least 6 credits from the following:
 - ~~LEAD596—Administrative Internship (1—6)~~

Internship

- Complete all of the following
 - Earn at least 6 credits from the following:
 - LEAD596 - Administrative Internship (1 - 6)
 - Students must have completed at least 12 credit hours of coursework in the core courses in order to be eligible to register for LEAD 596.
- At the time of application to the New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED) for the Level 3B Administrative License, the applicant must hold a Level 2 or Level IIIA teaching license and pass the content knowledge assessment in Educational Administration.

Grand Total Credits: 36

Concentrations

Program Concentrations

Code

Title

Concentration Required
No

Emphases

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Emphasis required | Emphasis Hours |
| No | |

Emphasis Rules

No Rules

Program Learning Outcomes

Proposed
Learning Outcomes
Learning Outcomes
1: Students will demonstrate academic potential at entry to the educational leadership program.
2: Students will self-assess their professional dispositions and proficiency in serving diverse populations.
3: Students seeking administrative licensure will demonstrate candidate content knowledge on the state licensure test.
4: Graduates, their supervisors and subordinates will indicate satisfaction with the relevance and effectiveness of the leadership program.

Existing
Learning Outcomes

Registrar Office Only

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| CM Program Code MA Educ Lead | BANP | Banner Program Code MA-LEAD | Major Code LEAD |
| Online Program Code | Online Major Code | Pre-major Program Code | Pre-major Major Code |
| CIP Code 130401 | Concentration Inheritance No | | |
| Catalog Main Campus | | Proposed Catalog Activation Date | |

Existing
Catalog Activation Date
08/01/06

Notes