WISCONSIN IDEA EXECUTIVE EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PREPARATION PROGRAM, PHD

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If seeking educational administrator licensure as part of the PhD in Wisconsin Idea Executive Educational Leadership Preparation Program, a practicum experience requiring 150 contact hours for an initial administrator license and an additional 75 hours for each additional administrative license.

Additional Department of Public Instruction Licensure Requirements:

1. Completion of a state-approved educator preparation program in the licensure area.
2. A minimum of master's degree or the equivalent. Superintendent license requires a specialist degree or equivalent; program coordinator licenses require a bachelor's degree.
3. A valid or eligibility to hold a provisional educator licensure in teaching or pupil services. School business administrator and program coordinator licenses are waived from this requirement.
4. Six semesters of successful full-time classroom teaching experience, or six semesters of successful experience as a pupil services professional including 540 hours of classroom teaching experience. School business administrator and program coordinator licenses are waived from this requirement.

https://dpi.wi.gov/licensing/general/administrators (https://dpi.wi.gov/licensing/general/administrators/)

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE DISCLOSURE (NC-SARA)

The United States Department of Education (via 34 CFR Part 668 (https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-34/subtitle-B/chapter-VI/part-668/?toc=1)) requires institutions that provide distance education to disclose information for programs leading to professional certification or licensure. The expectation is that institutions will determine whether each applicable academic program meets state professional licensure requirements and provide a general disclosure of such on an official university website.

Professional licensure requirements vary from state-to-state and can change year-to-year; they are established in a variety of state statutes, regulations, rules, and policies; and they center on a range of educational requirements, including degree type, specialized accreditation, total credits, specific courses, and examinations.

UW-Madison has taken reasonable efforts to determine whether this program satisfies the educational requirements for certification/licensure in states where prospective and enrolled students are located and is disclosing that information as follows.

Disclaimer: This information is based on the most recent annual review of state agency certification/licensure data and is subject to change. All students are strongly encouraged to consult with the individual/office listed in the Contact Information box on this page and with the applicable state agency for specific information.

The requirements of this program meet certification/licensure requirements in the following states:

Wisconsin

The requirements of this program do not meet certification/licensure requirements in the following states:

Not Applicable

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