

# PRINCIPAL GRADES 4-9 LICENSURE PREPARATION - NON-DEGREE

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## About This Program

Step into educational leadership with Kent State’s Principal Grades 4–9 Licensure Preparation program, designed to help experienced educators become confident, effective middle-grades leaders. Build the skills to lead schools, support teachers and make a lasting impact on students and communities. Read more...

## Contact Information

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- Connect with an Admissions Counselor

## Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
  - Fully online

## Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries\*

### Education administrators, kindergarten through secondary

- 3.9% about as fast as the average
- 283,200 number of jobs
- \$98,490 potential earnings

## Accreditation

The Principal Grades 4-9 Licensure Preparation non-degree program meets the Ohio Department of Higher Education chancellor’s requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education’s minimum standards for educator preparation programs. Kent State University’s educator preparation programs are accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

\* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics’ Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

## Admission Requirements

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university
- Official transcript (s)
- Minimum 2.750 GPA on a 4.000-point scale
- GRE scores if GPA is below 2.750 GPA
- Goal statement
- Evidence of at least two years of successful teaching experience under a professional teacher license at the 4-9 grade level
- Two letters of recommendation
- English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions to waive) by earning one of the following:<sup>1</sup>
  - Minimum 79 TOEFL iBT score
  - Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
  - Minimum 58 PTE score
  - Minimum 110 DET score

<sup>1</sup> International applicants who do not meet the above test scores will not be considered for admission.

## Application Deadlines

- **Fall Semester**
  - Application deadline: July 15
  - *All application materials (including applicable fee, transcripts, recommendation letters, etc.) submitted by this deadline will receive the strongest consideration for admission.*

## Program Requirements

### Licensure Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Licensure Requirements</b>		
EDLE 66492	INTERNSHIP IN EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION <sup>1</sup>	3
EDLE 66518	SCHOOL AND SPECIAL EDUCATION LAW	3
EDLE 66525	THE EDUCATIONAL PRINCIPALSHIP	3
EDLE 66526	FUNDAMENTALS OF EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION	3
EDLE 66527	SCHOOL FINANCE FOR BUILDING ADMINISTRATORS	3
EDLE 66529	LEADING FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE	3
EDLE 66531	INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP <sup>1</sup>	3
EDLE 66536	THE ADMINISTRATOR’S ROLE IN CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT <sup>1</sup>	3
EDLE 66542	PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES OF SUPERVISION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION	3
EDLE 66544	COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS	3
RMS 65511	RESEARCH IN EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	3

**Minimum Total Credit Hours: 33**

<sup>1</sup> Content must be consistent with the certification level; internship must be completed within grade band of intended licensure.

## Progression Requirements

- Must maintain a 3.000 overall GPA

## Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
-	3.000

- A master's degree with a core of coursework in educational leadership plus 3 additional credit hours for the internship is required for this license.
- Students declared in a doctoral degree should enroll in the doctoral level version of these courses, if offered.

## Licensure Information

Candidates seeking Ohio teaching licensure are required to pass specific requirements in order to apply for licensure from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). The candidate must earn the qualifying score of 220 on the Ohio Assessments for Educators: Educational Leadership. Students should consult the Special Education Department for specific program requirements and refer to the Ohio Department of Education - Educator Preparation website for more information on assessments specific to licensure type.

## Program Learning Outcomes

Completers of this program will be able to:

1. Describe the Ohio Standards for Principals.
2. Describe the Ohio Standards for the Teaching Profession.
3. Describe the Ohio Standards for Professional Development.
4. Describe the Ohio School Operating Standards.
5. Describe the Ohio Value Added Progress Dimension(s).
6. Demonstrate knowledge and skills consistent with the district-level standards of the Educational Leadership Consortium (ELCC) and/or National Educational Leadership Preparation (NELP).
7. Demonstrate knowledge and skills identified in Advanced Standard A(1) of the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

## Residence Requirement Policy for Non-Degree Teacher Education Licensure/Endorsement Preparation Programs

- Non-degree licensure (initial and additional) and endorsement programs that are a total of 15 credits or above: Students must complete 60% of the coursework at Kent State University, including the course that addresses the CAEP A.1.1 Standard as designated by the program area.
- Non-degree licensure (initial and additional) and endorsement programs that are less than 15 total credits: Students must complete 100% of the coursework at Kent State University.
- Students are permitted 6 years to complete licensure programs and 4 years to complete endorsement programs at Kent State University.
- Coursework transferred from another university cannot be more than 6 years old at the time the licensure/endorsement program is completed.
- Students who do not meet the residence requirements will not be recommended for licensure by Kent State University.

## Full Description

The Principal Grades 5-12 Licensure Preparation non-degree program will prepare students to obtain the Ohio Principal 5-1 2 License. The administrative specialist license is valid for working in a central office or supervisory capacity. In this program, students will complete sequence of courses leading to license. Completion of the coursework is a prerequisite to being recommended by Kent State University for licensure, and licenses are granted by the Ohio Department of Education.

The non-degree program is not a master's degree program. Students interested in obtaining a principal license and a master's degree from Kent State University must also be fully admitted into the master's degree program and complete the prescribed coursework on the master's degree prospectus, in addition to courses that are prescribed here for licensure.

## Professional Licensure Disclosure

This program is designed to prepare students to sit for applicable licensure or certification in Ohio. If you plan to pursue licensure or certification in a state other than Ohio, please review state educational requirements for licensure or certification and contact information for state licensing boards at Kent State's website for professional licensure disclosure.