



VCU

School of Education

THE M.ED. IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Master's in educational leadership program prepares school leaders to translate authentic research on school leadership and society into quality practice. The program aims to reveal new understandings related to education and society, advocate for inclusive, equitable and safe learning environments, and connect those who study educational leadership with practitioners and policy makers. Two separate concentration tracks are offered: Administration & Supervision and Leadership Studies.

OUR MISSION FOR EXCELLENCE, INNOVATION AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

As members of a university in an urban area, we have a responsibility to serve the communities around us. This is especially true here at VCU, where so many underserved and disadvantaged are within our reach. Every day, our city, its schools and its students face unique challenges. But where there are obstacles, there are opportunities:

A CHANCE FOR CHANGE.

A CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

The Context In Which We Work

40%

Economically-disadvantaged students make up 40 percent of Virginia's student population.

34%

Thirty-four percent of children in Virginia currently live in low-income families.

17%

Nearly seventeen percent of children in Virginia face food insecurity.

12%

Students currently receiving special education services now represent twelve percent of the student population in Virginia.

10%

English language learners now represent ten percent of the student population in Virginia.

3.3%

One in every 30 children in the United States have experienced homelessness.

The Coursework

M.Ed. Administration and Supervision

First Year: Fall, Spring Summer

- School Law
- Multiple Dimensions of School Leadership
- Administrative Internship I
- Enhancing and Supporting Instruction
- Principals as Human Resource Agents
- Administrative Internship II
- Leadership for Individual Learning
- Leadership for Educational Change & Improvement

Second Year: Fall, Spring

- Business of Schools
- Understanding Diversity & Leadership Social Justice
- Understanding & Engaging Communication
- Research Methods in Education
- Administrative Internship II

M.Ed., Leadership Studies

First Year: Fall, Spring, Summer

- Multiple Dimensions of School Leadership
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- Leadership for Educational Change & Improvement

Second Year: Fall and Spring

- Understanding Diversity & Leadership Social Justice
- Elective
- Understanding & Engaging Communication
- Research Methods of Education