EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AGRADE

The Educational Leadership AGRADE program is available to academically strong students completing B.S. degrees in Health and Physical Education Teaching and Sport Management that are interested in K-12 leadership positions and earning a state credential to be a school administrator. The benefit of the AGRADE program is that undergraduate students can begin a master's degree while simultaneously completing their bachelor's degree. Coursework taken during a student's senior year (up to 16 credits) can simultaneously qualify toward the bachelor's and master's degrees.

Students, in consultation with their advisor, can select Educational Leadership graduate courses that will count toward electives in the student's bachelor's degree program and as required courses in the master's degree program. The graduate coursework completed while enrolled as an undergraduate is assessed at the undergraduate tuition rate, resulting in significant tuition savings.

Admission Criteria

Students may apply for the Educational Leadership AGRADE program no earlier than the semester in which ninety credits are being completed. Applicants must have a minimum overall grade point average of 3.30. After admission, the AGRADE program requires a continuing undergraduate cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.30 and a grade of B or higher in Educational Leadership master's coursework.

For more details about the Educational Leadership AGRADE program, contact the Division of Academic Services.

Educational Leadership AGRADE Advising

AGRADE advising is provided by the Division of Academic Services College of Education.

Eligible AGRADE Courses and Sequence

The following master's courses in Educational Leadership may be included in the undergraduate plan of work. Students may take up to a maximum of 16 credits from the following list. Based on the credit hours available, students will most likely earn a maximum of 14 to 15 credit hours. In addition, other courses may qualify as exceptions with advisor approval.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| EDA 7625 | Leadership, Administration and the Principalship | 4 |
| EDA 7660 | Administrative Leadership in School-Community Relations and Public Relations | 3 |
| EDA 7675 | Public School Finance and Budgeting | 4 |
| EDA 7690 | Introduction to Michigan School Law | 4 |
| EDA 8650 | Staff Development and School Improvement | 3 |

Note: The master's program in Educational Leadership is completed under Plan B (Essay/Project) or Plan C (coursework only).