East Carolina University
Master of School Administration (MSA)
2018-2020
October 4th
“Preparing Leaders Through Service”

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Agenda

- Overview of Master of School Administration (MSA) degree program and delivery options
  - Regional Part-time Cohort - Hybrid Option
  - Regional Part-time Cohort - Online Option (Selected Counties Based on Distance)
  - OnCampus Full-time/On Campus Option: NC Principal Fellows Program
- ECU Graduate School Application (Opens Sept. 1)
- Questions/Discussion
ECU MSA Highlights

- 1 in 7 NC School Leaders are ECU MSA Alumni (DPI 2017)
- Over 1,200 alumni practicing in our NC public schools in 2016
- Only NC MSA program recognized by the National Policy Board for Education Administration (NPBEA) through its Educational Leadership Constituent Council (ELCC)
- Service Learning Projects encourages MSA students to engage with school stakeholders in school-based “problems of practice”
- Long history of extremely successful Principal Fellows Program
ECU MSA Standards

1st revised in 2010 based on the pre-service rubric of the “NC Standards for School Executives” used to evaluate principals.

2017 DPI reauthorized the ECU MSA

The ECU MSA degree prepares individuals to become school leaders as:

- Problem-solvers
- Communicators
- Innovators
- Collaborators
- Change agents

Source: ECU Service Learning Designation
Regional Part-Time Cohort – Hybrid
(Most common choice of program)

- Locations are based on clusters of student locations
- Meet at Cohort site one evening per week (between 5-8:30 pm)
- Start 2nd Summer (late June) and graduate Spring of second year (early May)
- All tuition and fees at Distance Education (DE) rate – real savings to our program
- In semesters with two courses, classes alternate each week using either face-to-face or online work
- Off week, face-to-face using Blackboard
- Internship courses meet one evening per month August-April with field work
Regional Part-Time Cohort - Online

- 2017-2019 inaugural Cohort in NERESA
- Target counties outside hybrid regional cohorts
- Start 2nd Summer (late June) and graduate Spring of second year (early May)
- Summer Year 2 (after regular school year) – 4 day, all day conference/workshop held in a central location
- All tuition and fees at Distance Education (DE) rate – real savings to our program
- Internship courses meet one evening per month August-April with field work. Combined asynchronous and synchronous meeting times,
Full-Time/On Campus Cohort
NC Principal Fellows Program

- Resident of NC with a BA/BS degree from regionally accredited institution
- Unconditionally admitted to ECU’s Graduate School
- Minimum of four (4) years successful teaching experience by the end of the current school year
- Evidence of positive teacher leadership
- Required to pay back by practicing at a NC approved site as administrator for four (4) years within 6 years of completion
- $30,000 year 1/approx $42,380 year 2
- Applications due January 15
- GRE (Best of 3 scores) or MAT – no required score
The MSA Admission Guidelines (1/2)

Completed Application Deadline:

January 15 for **NC Principal Fellows Program**

January 15 for **ECU Graduate School**

- Use the current MSA Handout (with hyperlinks) to guide your online application (available on MSA website)
- 1st create your personal **Graduate School Application**
- Pay $75.00 application fee so application is active
- Monitor your application status until the 100% complete email
- Minimum three years teaching experience by end of year
- Signed Letter of Support by Principal and Superintendent
The MSA Admission Guidelines (2/2)

- Three letters of professional reference – one required from current principal or supervisor
- All college transcripts as described in the application
- Upload a copy of current NC license – SP2
- **MAT** or GRE score at or above 30th percentile
- Statement of Purpose
- Response to Three Leadership Scenarios
- LEED Skype Interview scheduled only after Grad School notifies of fully completed application
- Any change in employment status, notify **Dr. Ringler**, LEED Department Chair at once
MAT/GRE Waiver Option For Professional Admissions

You must meet at least one of the following for a Professional Admissions waiver:

- **5+ Years of Experience:** By the end of the current school year in which you are applying, you will have 5 or more years of experience as indicated by your NC Teaching License and resume.

- **Master Degree** in education related area – must be from a regionally accredited program with an “M” on your NC Teaching License

- Please be sure to check “Yes” or “No” on the application for Professional Admissions.
MSA Degree and Licensure

Successful completion of the MSA degree and portfolio requirements may lead to two licenses:

1. 012-P North Carolina Principal
2. 113-S *Curriculum Instructional Specialist

* DPI currently requires Praxis II for 113-S

Note: Principal Licensure Only Program leads to 012-P
## MSA Course Schedule – Part-time MSA Program of Study (Both Hybrid and Online)

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**$244.71 per credit x 42 credits = $10,277.82 for MSA**  
Dates subject to change when calendar is published  
**Prices may change by tuition year. Refer to ECU’s cashier [website](#) for up to date information**

**Bold = Service Learning Courses and Webfolio Requirement**
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Full Time 9+ hours per semester: $3,720.00 x 4 semesters: $14,880

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Why ECU’s MSA

- Key Partnership With Local School Systems
  - Build in upfront support for MSA Candidate
  - Ongoing communication with intern principal
- Transformative Assessments Throughout
- Integrated Field Learning Experiences
  - Service Leadership Projects (SLPs)
- Rigorous and Relevant Internship Design
- Life long network of leadership colleagues
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