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EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP**

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**Dr. Shirley Carraway**  
Educator and administrator

*“ECU’s concentration on extending opportunities for education majors to have experience in schools has been absolutely phenomenal. I’m very confident that what I received at East Carolina will take me where I want to go.”*

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***East Carolina can prepare you to be one.***

The Department of Educational Leadership in the College of Education at East Carolina University has been privileged over the years to serve our region in the development and support of educational leaders. Our role in this endeavor is truly a partnership between educational environments, and we have enjoyed building relationships with individuals within those school districts. We value our partnerships throughout the region and look forward to continued efforts that support leadership development.

The master of school administration degree program is designed to prepare individuals to become school leaders. Program studies include strategic planning, problem solving, instructional leadership, managerial leadership, political analysis, organizational theory and development, and leadership skill application. The program of study includes a yearlong internship that provides students an opportunity to engage in leadership activities that enhance and support theory learned in the classroom.

The educational specialist degree program, a sixth-year program in educational administration and supervision, is designed for experienced principals and district-level administrators who aspire to senior-level leadership roles in K-12 education. Course assignments can be adapted

to the challenges of unique school district roles such as personnel administrators, curriculum supervisors, and directors of special program areas.

The educational specialist degree program is offered online to respond to the needs of practicing school and district leaders who wish to pursue advanced graduate study in an asynchronous online learning environment. All courses are offered through the Division of Continuing Studies via the Internet, using Blackboard or similar distance delivery software as the course management system. Students are expected to complete various field assignments, and during the second phase of the program, they will engage in professional internships and research components.

The doctor of education in educational leadership program is an advanced graduate program offered by the College of Education, under the direction of the Department of Educational Leadership. It is designed specifically for individuals who seek to assume senior leadership positions in educational settings.

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**Randy Bledsoe**  
Principal, Greene Central High School

*“The ECU Department of Educational Leadership continues to be a beacon of success as eastern North Carolina prepares students for 21st-century educational opportunities and workforce experiences. ECU professors make class time a time for learning, sharing, and exploring educational leadership practices as each class is made to feel as if they are a family.”*

“I hope those who go out from our tutelage will be filled with the professional spirit



that they will realize the great responsibilities that rest upon them. I hope they will see that true education is more than the acquisition of book facts, more than so-called knowledge, but that it is power, yes, growth is power, and that all information which does not stimulate this growth is useless.”

**Robert H. Wright**  
East Carolina's founding president

