Our online Educational Specialist in Administration and Supervision (Ed.S.) is for experienced educators who want to learn how to serve students and communities collaboratively and to acquire the necessary skills to solve the complex problems facing schools today. The Ed.S. combines the educational excellence that Clemson University is known for with the flexibility that many educators need. The program enables students who already have a Master’s degree in education or a related field to earn an advanced degree in educational leadership. Our graduates become principals, assistant principals, instructional coaches, and curriculum specialists, and serve in a wide variety of building-level and district-level leadership roles. New cohorts begin every fall. The GRE is no longer required for admission. South Carolina teachers and leaders received a 10% reduction in tuition.

**Program Format**

Our online Ed.S. offers convenience and flexibility with the same high-quality learning experience associated with Clemson's face-to-face programs. The two-year, 10- or 12-course program includes an emphasis on instructional leadership and building equitable schools. Students take two, eight-week courses a semester with field experiences embedded in each course. In the last half of the program, students apply what they are learning in the program to address a problem of practice in an educational setting they are familiar with. Students choose from three degree options, which consist of 30 or 36 credit hours. The online Ed.S. Plan of Study shown on this page leads to South Carolina building-level certification in administration and supervision. Refer to this website for courses leading to district-level certification: [www.clemson.edu/education/academics/masters-specialist-programs/masters-administration-supervision](http://www.clemson.edu/education/academics/masters-specialist-programs/masters-administration-supervision).

**Ed.S. Plan of Study**

**Option 1**
- Ed.S. with South Carolina building-level certification
- 30 credit hours of core courses
- South Carolina Internship I & II

**Option 2**
- Ed.S. with potential for out-of-state building-level certification
- 30 credit hours of core courses
- Out-of-state Internship I & II

**Option 3**
- Ed.S.
- 30 credit hours of core courses

**Online Ed.S. Plan of Study**

**FALL**
- **YEAR 1**
  - Introduction to School Leadership
  - Contemporary Issues in Schools
- **YEAR 2**
  - Instructional Leadership I
  - Instructional Leadership II

**SPRING**
- School Personnel Development
- Law and Ethics for School Leaders
- Community Relations for School Leaders
- Resource Management for School Leaders

**SUMMER**
- Organizational Improvement in Schools
- School Internship I or Elective
- Program Evaluation for School Leaders
- School Internship II or Elective

**What Students Say**

Clemson’s educational leadership program helped bring out the servant leader within me. It prepared me to set goals and, most importantly, develop people. The program provided an authentic learning experience that not only prepared me for a future career, but allowed me to get a job right after earning my degree.

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