Graduate Degree Programs in Education Policy, Organization & Leadership

Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, CAS (on campus, off-campus & online)

Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, EdD (p. 1) (on campus, off-campus & online)

optional concentrations: EPOL concentrations listed below
- Bilingual-Bicultural Education
- Digital Learning
- African American Studies
- Writing Studies

Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, MA (on campus)

optional concentrations: EPOL concentrations listed below
- Bilingual-Bicultural Education
- Digital Learning
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Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, PhD (on campus)

optional concentration: EPOL concentrations listed below
- Digital Learning
- African American Studies

EPOL concentrations:
- Diversity & Equity in Education
- Educational Administration & Leadership
- Global Studies in Education
- Higher Education
- History of Education
- Human Resource Development
- Learning Design & Leadership
- Philosophy of Education
- Social Sciences & Education Policy
- College Teaching Minor

joint programs:
- Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, EdM and Business Administration, MBA
- Education Policy, Organization and Leadership, MA and Business Administration, MBA
Degree programs in the Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership are designed to meet the academic and professional interests of individuals preparing for careers as academic professionals, adult educators, college professors, corporate trainers, educational policy analysts, governmental administrators, instructional designers/technologists, non-profit representatives, organizational development specialists, and university administration leaders.

Admission
The Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership carefully considers all applicants for graduate study. Interested applicants should start at http://education.illinois.edu/programs/grad (http://education.illinois.edu/programs/grad/). The quality of the applicant’s undergraduate and graduate performance and grade point average are primary considerations. Other important factors evaluated include the three letters of recommendation and statement of purpose. International applicants must submit a TOEFL score.

Off-Campus Programs
The Ed.M., Ed.D., and C.A.S. degree options with Principal Endorsement are offered in the Chicago region. An Ed.D. degree cohort also is available with Superintendent Endorsement. Requirements for the off-campus Ed.M., C.A.S., and Ed.D. programs are identical to the on-campus degrees.

Facilities and Resources
The College of Education also has many resources to assist graduate students through their academic career. The Bureau of Educational Research works with students to secure research funding. The Council on Teacher Education (http://cote.illinois.edu/) entitles candidates seeking a Professional Educator License and provides accreditation of professional education programs. Each student completing a degree program is assigned a graduate advisor, who is available to assist the student with planning the program of study and determining degree requirements, courses and timelines for degree completion.

Information on University resources can be found at http://www.grad.illinois.edu/current-students (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/current-students/).

Financial Aid
Financial aid in the form of assistantships, scholarships, fellowships, and tuition waivers can be found throughout the college (https://education.illinois.edu/current-students/graduate/financial-aid/) and campus. Campus opportunities can be found at the Graduate College (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/funding-jobs/) and the Office of Student Financial Aid (http://www.osfa.illinois.edu/). The College of Education follows all University of Illinois policies regarding graduate student Fellowship, Scholarship and Awards.

A list of programs and additional requirements can be found on the program’s website (https://education.illinois.edu/faceted-search/programs/?department=epol), the College of Education Graduate Programs Handbook (https://education.illinois.edu/current-students/graduate/coe-graduate-handbook/), and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).

Students may select a concentration in:

African American Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/concentration/african-american-studies/), Bilingual-Bicultural Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/bilingual-bicultural-education/), Digital Learning (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/digital-learning/), Diversity & Equity in Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/diversity-equity-education/), Educational Administration & Leadership (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/educational-administration-leadership/), Global Studies in Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/global-studies-education/), Higher Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/higher-education/), History of Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/history-education/), Human Resource Development (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/human-resource-development/), Learning Design & Leadership (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/learning-design-leadership/), Philosophy of Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/philosophy-education/), Social Sciences & Education Policy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/education/concentration/social-sciences-education-policy/), Writing Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/concentration/writing-studies/)

This degree program can be completed either on campus or online; the requirements are listed below:

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