EDUCATION POLICY, ORGANIZATION AND LEADERSHIP

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Major: Education Policy, Organization and Leadership

Off-Campus Program: Ed.M., C.A.S., Ed.D.
Graduate Concentration: Educational Administration and Leadership, Writing Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/writing-studies/concentration).

Online Programs: Ed.M., Ed.D.

Graduate Minor: College Teaching

Joint Degree Program: Education Policy, Organization and Leadership and Business Administration
Degrees Offered: Ed.M./M.B.A., M.A./M.B.A.

Graduate Degree Programs

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. Applicants should consult the department website for more detailed application information http://education.illinois.edu/epol/admissions/howtoapply and should apply online at http://www.grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply. The quality of the applicant’s undergraduate and graduate training 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 Education Policy, Organization and Leadership department offers selected off-campus programs in the Chicago region, through the use of a cohort model. The Ed.M. and C.A.S. degree options with General Administrative Endorsement are offered in the Chicago region. An Ed.D. degree cohort also is available in School Executive Leadership. 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 entitles candidates seeking a Professional Educator License and provides accreditation of professional education programs. Each student completing a degree program is assigned a graduate adviser, 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.

Financial Aid

Financial aid in the form of assistantships, scholarships, fellowships, and tuition waivers can be found throughout the college and campus. There are opportunities available through the department (http://education.illinois.edu/epol), the College of Education (http://education.illinois.edu/students/financialaid), and the Bureau of Educational Research (http://www.ed.illinois.edu/ber/fundingresources.html). Please note: Graduate students employed as Staff by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign are not eligible for a College of Education Award or Scholarship. Campus opportunities can be found at the Graduate College (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/financial-aid) and the Office of Student Financial Aid (http://www.osfa.illinois.edu).

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Graduate Minor in College Teaching

The Department of Education Policy, Organization and Leadership (EPOL) offers a Graduate Minor in College Teaching. The minor provides students with the opportunity to explore the scholarly literature on and practice of teaching and learning in postsecondary settings. Students in good standing in the Illinois Graduate College are eligible to apply for the minor. For additional information, please contact EPOL.

Note: Students within the major can not minor in the same program.

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1 For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s Web site, the College of Education Graduate Programs Handbook, and the Graduate College Handbook.

- African American Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/african-amer-studies/#concentrationconcentrationtext): The graduate credit needed for this concentration fulfills general coursework requirements for the M.A. and Ph. D. degrees. The requirements for this concentration are determined by the Department of African American Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/african-amer-studies/#text).
- Diversity & Equity in Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/diversityequityeducationconcentration)
- Educational Administration and Leadership (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/edadminleadershipconcentration)
- Global Studies in Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/globalstudiesinedconcentration)
- Higher Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/highereducationconcentration)
- History of Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/historyofeducationconcentration)
- Human Resources Development (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/humanresourcesdevconcentration)
- Learning Design and Leadership (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/learningdesignleadershipconcentration)
- Philosophy of Education (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/philosophyofeducationconcentration)
- Social Sciences & Education Policy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/socialsciandedpolicyconcentration)
- Writing Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/writing-studies/#concentrationtext): This concentration is available to all degree programs in EPOL. The requirements are determined by the Center for Writing Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/writing-studies/#text).

We offer a Master of Education and a Doctor of Education degree that enables students to receive a University of Illinois education without ever coming to our campus. The online Master of Education in Education Policy, Organization and Leadership follows the requirements as listed under the Masters tab (p. 1). The online Doctor of Education degree follows the requirements as listed under the Doctoral tab (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/graduate-majors/ed-pol-org-leadership/#doctoratestext). Students may select an optional concentration (p. 2) with either degree. Concentrations are available in Diversity & Equity in Education, Educational Administration and Leadership, Global Studies in Education, Human Resource Development, and Learning Design and Leadership.

M.B.A. Joint Degree Program

Students in this unit may choose to earn their major degree and simultaneously complete an M.B.A., with 12 fewer required hours than when pursuing both degrees independently. Students must be enrolled in the M.B.A. program for three terms and complete all the requirements of their primary degree. Interested students should see the joint program requirements (https://mba.illinois.edu/academics/joint-degrees) and contact the M.B.A. program and their major department office for more information.

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