

# EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND POLICY ANALYSIS: WISCONSIN IDEA PRINCIPAL PREPARATION, M.S.

This is a named option in the Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis M.S. (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/educational-leadership-policy-analysis/educational-leadership-policy-analysis-ms/#text>)

This named option is a specialized program of study within our Master's degree program. It provides all coursework necessary to meet the requirements for licensure as a school principal in the state of Wisconsin (licensure also requires a Master's degree). It replicates the campus program resulting in the same degree and eligibility for licensure. The UW–Whitewater Cooperative Program, an existing departmental named option, similarly provides training for school administrators. A second departmental named option resulting in a Master's degree, the Global Higher Education Program, serves a different population of students who are training for work in post-secondary education.

The mission of the department is to create, evaluate, exchange, and apply knowledge about leadership, learning, and organizational performance to prepare scholars and scholar practitioners who cultivate equity and educational opportunity in a diverse and changing world. The purpose of the Wisconsin Idea Principal Preparation Program directly relates to this mission as the program is designed to train school leaders in a program with an explicit emphasis on equity and opportunity for all children in elementary and secondary schools.

The program is designed for current teachers and school or system leaders who are committed to becoming effective leaders of schools that eliminate inequities in student learning for all students in the schools and systems they serve. At the completion of the 14-month program, candidates will receive a master of science in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis and be eligible for endorsement for a Wisconsin administrator license for the principalship.