

# INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP, MASTER OF EDUCATION

## Overview

Texas A&M University-San Antonio offers a Master of Education (M.Ed) in Instructional Leadership beginning with two tracks: English and Environmental Science. The programs emphasize practical applications and competencies critical to instructional leader effectiveness in improving instruction, teacher quality and student achievement. It is the goal of this degree offering at A&M-San Antonio to serve the needs of local school districts by developing highly skilled instructional leaders. The Department of Educator and Leadership Preparation is committed to extending the knowledge base of instructional leadership through a combination of scholarly inquiry, reflective practices and student-centered learning.

### PROGRAM DETAILS

- The total number of credit hours required for a master's degree is 36, including 18-credit hours in Educational Leadership and 18-credit hours in one's content (English or Environmental Science to begin).

- Includes training for Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS) supervisory certification.

- The designed credit hours provide enough credit for a graduate to teach dual-credit classes in their respective content area.

- Students may extend their degree with 2 additional courses to meet principal certification requirements.

- Coursework is offered in a combination of in-person and convenient online classes.

- The University believes that this affords students the greatest amount of freedom and flexibility while also emphasizing student support resulting in highly-skilled graduates.

The program is designed for students interested in instructional leadership whose career goals include teacher leadership, teaching dual-credit coursework, and, potentially, principalship.

Each applicant to the graduate program in Educational Administration must complete the following:

1. Each applicant must submit their application and required documents by the appropriate semester deadline to GradCAS at [gradcas.liaisoncas.org/apply](https://gradcas.liaisoncas.org/apply)
2. Students seeking admission to the program must meet the basic requirements outlined in the Admissions section of the catalog. Students must have a valid Texas teaching certificate for entrance into the program. Applicants without an appropriate background may be required to complete additional preparatory coursework at [gradcas.liaisoncas.org/appl](https://gradcas.liaisoncas.org/appl).
3. For questions regarding the application process, contact the Office of Graduate Studies, [graduate.studies@tamusa.edu](mailto:graduate.studies@tamusa.edu).
4. Candidates will submit a letter of recommendation from a current or former school leader, peer, A&M-San Antonio Education Leadership Program alumni, or current student in the Educational Leadership Program. In addition to an interview with the Graduate Advisor, candidates will submit a writing sample to be evaluated by the program faculty.

In order to receive unconditional admission to the program, students must meet University admission requirements. Recommendations from campus and/or district supervisors will be considered for conditional admission. Students in this program must have a valid Texas teaching certificate for entrance into the program. Applicants without an appropriate background may be required to submit additional materials or complete additional preparatory coursework.

## Program Requirements

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#### English (ELA) Track

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		
EDAD 5301	Behav and Org Found of Educ	3
EDAD 5302	Elem and Secondary Curricula	3
EDAD 5315	Admin of Various Specl Progrm	3
EDAD 5330	Multicultural Ed for Educators	3
EDAD 5341	School Administration	3
EDAD 5344	Supervision	3
Subtotal:		18
<b>English Prescribed Electives</b>		
ENGL 5301	Topics in Rhetoric and Comp	3
ENGL 5302	Thry & Pract of Teach Writing	3
ENGL 5320	Topics in British Literature	3
ENGL 5340	Major Authors	3
ENGL 5350	Studies in Multi-Ethnic Lit	3
ENGL 5360	Topics in American Literature	3
Subtotal:		18
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>

#### Environmental Science Track

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		
EDAD 5301	Behav and Org Found of Educ	3
EDAD 5302	Elem and Secondary Curricula	3
EDAD 5315	Admin of Various Specl Progrm	3
EDAD 5330	Multicultural Ed for Educators	3
EDAD 5341	School Administration	3
EDAD 5344	Supervision	3
Subtotal:		18
<b>Environmental Science Prescribed Electives</b>		
WATR 5312	Water Laws, Rules and Policy	3
WATR 5314	Pollutants in Environmental Systems	3
WATR 5325	Natural and Constructed Green Systems for Wastewater Management	3
WATR 5345	Environmental Impact Assessment of Water Resources	3
WATR 5350	Groundwater Management and Field Investigations	3
WATR 5360	Water Resources Sustainable Use and Conservation Policy and Practice	3

Subtotal:	18
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>36</b>

## Plan of Study

*This suggested plan of study is intended to be used as a guide in conjunction with official degree requirements outlined in the catalog.*

### ELA Tracker – with Summer Courses

#### First Year

Fall		Credits
EDAD 5301	Behav and Org Found of Educ	3
ENGL 5301	Topics in Rhetoric and Comp	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

#### Spring

EDAD 5302	Elem and Secondary Curricula	3
ENGL 5302	Thry & Pract of Teach Writing	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

#### Summer

SUMMER I		Credits
EDAD 5315	Admin of Various Specl Progm	3
ENGL 5320	Topics in British Literature	3
SUMMER II		Credits
EDAD 5330	Multicultural Ed for Educators	3
ENGL 5340	Major Authors	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>

#### Second Year

Fall		Credits
EDAD 5341	School Administration	3
ENGL 5350	Studies in Multi-Ethnic Lit	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

#### Spring

EDAD 5344	Supervision	3
ENGL 5360	Topics in American Literature	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>

### ELA Tracker – without Summer Courses or expedited

#### First Year

First Semester		Credits
EDAD 5301	Behav and Org Found of Educ	3
ENGL 5301	Topics in Rhetoric and Comp	3
ENGL 5302	Thry & Pract of Teach Writing	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

#### Second Semester

EDAD 5302	Elem and Secondary Curricula	3
EDAD 5315	Admin of Various Specl Progm	3
ENGL 5320	Topics in British Literature	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

#### Second Year

First Semester		Credits
EDAD 5330	Multicultural Ed for Educators	3
ENGL 5340	Major Authors	3

EDAD 5341	School Administration	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

#### Second Semester

ENGL 5350	Studies in Multi-Ethnic Lit	3
EDAD 5344	Supervision	3
ENGL 5360	Topics in American Literature	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>

### Environmental Science Track – with Summer Courses

#### First Year

Fall		Credits
EDAD 5301	Behav and Org Found of Educ	3
WATR 5312	Water Laws, Rules and Policy	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

#### Spring

EDAD 5302	Elem and Secondary Curricula	3
WATR 5314	Pollutants in Environmental Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

#### Summer

SUMMER I		Credits
EDAD 5315	Admin of Various Specl Progm	3
WATR 5325	Natural and Constructed Green Systems for Wastewater Management	3
SUMMER II		Credits
EDAD 5330	Multicultural Ed for Educators	3
WATR 5345	Environmental Impact Assessment of Water Resources	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>12</b>

#### First Semester

FALL		Credits
		<b>0</b>

#### Second Year

Fall		Credits
EDAD 5341	School Administration	3
WATR 5350	Groundwater Management and Field Investigations	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>

#### Spring

EDAD 5344	Supervision	3
WATR 5360	Water Resources Sustainable Use and Conservation Policy and Practice	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>

### Environmental Science Tracker – with Summer Courses

#### First Year

First Semester		Credits
EDAD 5301	Behav and Org Found of Educ	3
WATR 5312	Water Laws, Rules and Policy	3
WATR 5314	Pollutants in Environmental Systems	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

**Second Semester**

EDAD 5302	Elem and Secondary Curricula	3
EDAD 5315	Admin of Various Spec'l Progm	3
WATR 5325	Natural and Constructed Green Systems for Wastewater Management	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

**Second Year****First Semester**

EDAD 5330	Multicultural Ed for Educators	3
WATR 5345	Environmental Impact Assessment of Water Resources	3
EDAD 5341	School Administration	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

**Second Semester**

WATR 5350	Groundwater Management and Field Investigations	3
EDAD 5344	Supervision	3
WATR 5360	Water Resources Sustainable Use and Conservation Policy and Practice	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>36</b>