

Master of Education Educational Leadership

Faculty

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Aims of the Graduate Education Program

The Master of Education program at Southwestern Adventist University is designed to develop and deliver an education program that ensures the highest of teacher preparation and performance. Southwestern is a recognized contributor in the field of educational research and practice through effective teaching, quality research, and meaningful service. The University is committed to the advancement of teaching and learning in all educational environments, at all levels, and for all students, especially graduate Christian education within the Adventist system of values.

The specific aims of the MEd Program are as follows:

1. To promote excellence in graduate education through teaching, research, and service.
2. To prepare competent teachers, administrators, and other professional specialists for service in the field of education.
3. To conduct research, disseminate new knowledge and develop applications of existing knowledge.
4. To improve human cognitive, academic, physical, emotional, social development and performance.

Comprehensive Examination

Each MEd student is required to successfully pass a comprehension examination. Detailed information about the exam is provided by the Program Director. The exam must be taken during the last semester before anticipated graduation.

Core Courses

Required of all MEd students:

| Item # | Title | Credits |
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| EDUC 505 | Philosophical Foundations of Education | 3 |
| EDUC 525 | Psychology of Learning | 3 |
| EDUC 535 | Educational and Psychological Research | 3 |
| EDUC 550 | Curriculum Development | 3 |
| EDUC 555 | Statistical Methods | 3 |
| EDUC 560 | Principles of Instruction | 3 |

Educational Leadership Concentration Requirements

Eighteen semester hours to be selected from the following courses:

| Item # | Title | Credits |
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| EDAD 505 | Management of School Resources | 3 |
| EDAD 510 | Legal Aspects of Education | 3 |
| EDAD 515 | Foundations of Educational Administration | 3 |
| EDAD 520 | Trends and Issues in Education | 3 |
| EDAD 525 | Instructional Leadership | 3 |
| EDAD 530 | Internship in Education | 3 |
| | Total credits: | 36 |