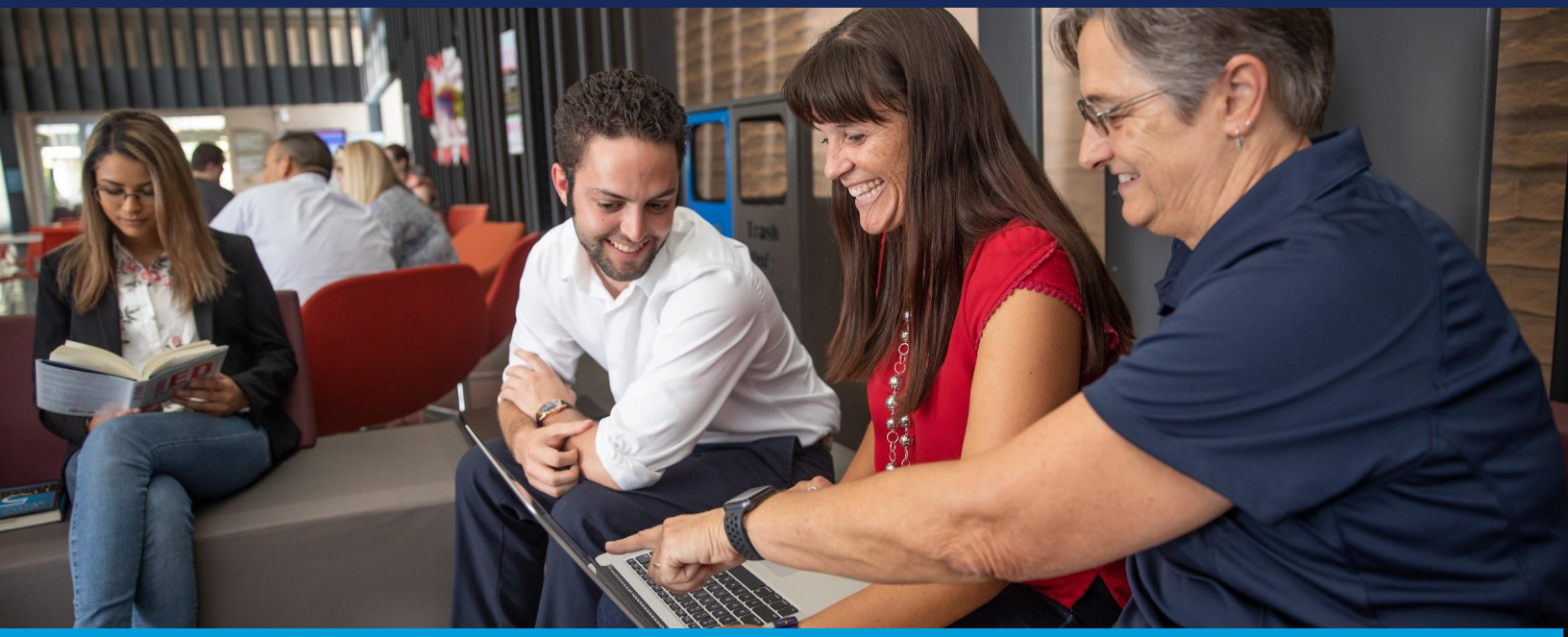
NAU NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY



EARN YOUR

M.Ed. in Educational Leadership with Principal Certification

Benefits of joining the Southern Accelerated EDL NAU Cohort:

- **Quality** – courses are taught by current and former school administrators delivering content that you can apply right away in your school setting.
- **Affordable** – NAU offers a 10% tuition reduction for school district employees. Save over $4,000 in tuition and fees by enrolling into our program. Additional $1,000 tuition reduction for the first 15 students who enroll. $75 Graduate application fee waived.
- **Flexible** – In-person courses are offered one Saturday per month. Finish all your coursework and internship in under eighteen months!
- **Supportive** – join a learning community that supports you throughout the entire program.

Classes start January 2026

Contact us for more information:
partnerships@nau.edu
602-858-0235
https://nau.edu/college-education/

Program Information

A Master Degree in Educational Leadership with Principal Certification from NAU is perfect for working teachers looking to advance their careers. This program prepares teachers to serve as a K-12 principal or school administrator. The program also includes a 6 month internship in a school where participants will apply what they have learned in their courses. The internship can be completed at the teacher's school, and they will work with a principal and an NAU internship faculty member.

- 36 credits/12 classes total.
- Complete the coursework and internship in less than 18 months.
- Courses offered in a blended format with in-person sessions taking place one or two times per month.
- In-person classes are held locally.
- Courses are taught by NAU faculty with school administrator work experience.
- NAU issues an Institutional Recommendation (IR) to provide to the state to apply for principal certification.
- This program is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).
- This program is aligned to the National Educational Leadership Preparation standards.

** NAU offers a Graduate Certificate Principal K-12 program option for those who already have a Master's degree*
*** A minimum enrollment of 15 is required for the in-person courses*

Admission Requirements

- NAU Graduate Online application.
- Undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A"), or the equivalent. Conditional admission may be granted with a GPA below 3.0.
- Official Transcripts from institution undergraduate degree was completed.
- GRE is NOT required

Individual program admission requirements include:

- Teaching Certificate (standard or provisional).
- Must have 3 years of teaching experience to enroll in the internship (the internship is completed at the end of the program).

Admission Process

1. Apply online at https://www.applyweb.com/northazg/index.ftl

   Program - select **Educational Leadership, MEd - Principal K-12 (Organizational Partnership)**
   Submit all unofficial undergraduate transcripts with your online application.
   Provide your Teaching Certificate

2. Send official undergraduate transcripts to NAU:

   NAU Graduate College
   PO Box 4125
   Flagstaff, AZ 86011-4125