

# EDUCATION SPECIALIST IN ADMINISTRATION & SUPERVISION (ED.S.)

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## Purpose

The purpose of the Education Specialist in Administration and Supervision program is to develop competent leaders with a biblical worldview for Christian, public, and private schools. The program leads to a Virginia license for the K-12 school principalship. Students in other states are encouraged to check with their states' reciprocity practices, as this degree does lead to licensure in many other states outside of Virginia. The licensure program is nationally approved by the Educational Leadership Constituent Council (ELCC).

## Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Synthesize knowledge of extant research literature to solve problems in the field of education administration.
- Evaluate relevant technologies for meaningful application in the operations and organizational management of elementary and secondary schools.
- Analysis of qualitative and/or quantitative data for identifying school needs and setting meaningful improvement goals in developing supportive school environments.
- Advocate for equitable policies and practices in collaboration with stakeholders.
- Integrate a Biblical worldview into demonstrations of professional dispositions, laws and policies, codes of ethics, and professional standards appropriate to education administration.

## Program Specific Admission Requirements

In addition to the general admission requirements, specific admission procedures for the Ed.S. are listed below. Submit the following items to the Office of Graduate Admissions prior to registering for any graduate courses. Where noted, forms are available online at: <http://www.liberty.edu/apply>.

1. **Academic Records.** Applicants must submit an official transcript indicating successful completion of a master's degree program from an institution accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Transcripts should be sent directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions from all schools previously attended.
2. Ed.S. applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above on graduate degree required for entrance to the program.

## Transfer of Credit

All graduate transfer credits are subject to the approval of the School of Education (SOE) Graduate Committee. Such courses must carry a grade of at least a B- and be comparable to Liberty University graduate courses. Transfer credit will only be considered from institutions or schools accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. With approval, up to 15 hours may be transferred into the Ed.S. program. It is the responsibility of each applicant to supply official

transcripts along with a written request to have credit applied to the degree program. Transfer credits must have been completed within the previous ten years to be eligible for transfer to the Ed.S.

## Programs of Study Delivery Format: Online Only

- Administration & Supervision (Ed.S.) - Educational Leadership

## Career Opportunities

- School Principal
- School Assistant Principal
- School District Leader