

Certificate in Teaching Excellence and Leadership

Admission

Students seeking graduate certificates must be admitted to the Graduate School in a degree program or in nondegree Category A status. All Graduate School policies relative to admission criteria apply.

Program Requirements

The graduate certificate in fostering excellence in education is a 12-credit-hour program. The curriculum consists of 9 credit hours of required courses and 3 credit hours of electives. In addition to these requirements, students must meet the Graduate School's requirements (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/academic-information/types-programs-courses/certificate-residency-badge-programs/>) in order to earn this certificate.

Background Check

Upon admission and prior to their first semester, all applicants admitted to this program must clear a criminal background check. There are two reasons for this requirement. First, it is part of the university's due diligence before placing students in field settings. Second, the check may alert applicants or students to issues that may subsequently affect their ability to work in their chosen field. In instances when a person's criminal history raises reasonable concerns that should be cleared to engage in the field experiences and/or subsequently obtain licensure/endorsement, WSU may take a range of actions, including rescission of admission or dismissal from the program, depending on the nature of the concern.

Curriculum

Course	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
CI 799	Current Issues in Education	3
CI 792	Professional Learning Communities	3
CI 759	Authentic Assessment	3
Elective Courses		
Select 3 credit hours from the following		3
CI 504	Special Education Law	
CI 707	Adolescent Development	
CI 794	Diversity and Culture in a Global Society	
CI 881	Instructional Theory	
Another graduate course selected with approval from advisor		
Total Credit Hours		12