

Cohort Opportunities in Educational Leadership

Greetings!

Thank you for your interest in Towson University and our Department of Instructional Leadership and Professional Development's (ILPD) graduate programs. We are excited to be able to offer **significantly reduced tuition** (in some cases, \$0) for local educators in both face-to-face and online instructional platforms.

Post-Master's Educational Administrator 1 (PBC) Program

This six-course, two year post-Master's program prepares educators to serve as dynamic and effective leaders in America's schools, including both formal and informal leadership roles. The program, for those with three or more years' teaching experience, includes the core courses for the MSDE Administrator 1 credential. Authentic leadership experiences in the school/district are embedded throughout the program.

Master's Degree in Transformational Educational Leadership (MS-TEDL), including Admin 1 coursework

This 12-course Master's program prepares educators to serve as dynamic and effective leaders in America's schools, including both formal and informal leadership roles. The program, for those with three or more years' teaching experience, includes the core courses for the MSDE Administrator 1 credential. Elective courses are selected with district needs and priorities in mind. Authentic leadership experiences in the school/district are embedded throughout the program.

Community Engagement and Leading School Change (CESC) PBC Certificate

Research has shown that schools that build on the assets of their communities are able to teach in more relevant ways, support families and children more effectively, and enable more students to learn at higher levels. Participants in this program will learn how to build successful change from the bottom up, empowering students, families, and community members to become the drivers of positive change.

We welcome teams from the same school to apply, so that the projects taken on through the program have multiplied effect. Non-teaching staff such as counselors, attendance monitors, front office staff, etc., are also encouraged to apply. (A Bachelor's degree is required for admission.)

This 4-course, 12-credit program is currently available only as a district cohort; its duration is 1½ years. The courses may be transferred as electives into our M.S. in Transformational Educational Leadership. Courses include:

- **Context and Contours of Race and Ethnicity in Public Education**
- **Understanding Assets of Children, Families, and Communities**
- **Learning Communities and Organizational Change**
- **Leadership and Action Research**

For more information, please visit

<https://www.towson.edu/coe/departments/leadership/grad/>

or contact Program Director, Dr. Katherine Orlando, korlando@towson.edu

The Department of Instructional Leadership and Professional Development prepares educational leaders who are equipped to facilitate equitable access to engaging, rigorous, and productive learning for all students and colleagues. We promote an expanded view of leadership that includes leading from the classroom as well as traditional school administrator pathways.