

## Non-Degree Seeking (NDS) Alternative Principal Pathway: 087A 2025-2026

The Non-Degree Seeking: Alternative Principal Pathway is delivered in a fully online format. The 20-hour pathway has an estimated residential tuition and fees cost of \$7,325 ([www.ecok.edu/bursar](http://www.ecok.edu/bursar)).

In order to complete this pathway option, a student must:

1. Have a valid Oklahoma teacher certification.
  2. Have a Master's Degree.
  3. Have two years of full-time teaching experience in public or private schools accredited under a valid state issued teacher credential.
  4. Have two years of relevant work experience in a supervisory or administrative capacity.
  5. Have received a passing score on the subject area competency exam.
  6. Submit a plan to the Director of Teacher Education at ECU for completing an alternative certification pathway within three years.
- **This certificate SHALL NOT exceed three (3) years and SHALL NOT be renewable.**

*This degree does not guarantee certification.*

*Candidates who seek certification should follow the process established by their state.*

### I. Required Courses (20 Hours)

			<u>FA</u>	<u>SP</u>	<u>SU</u>
_____	EDUC 5173	Fundamentals of Curriculum	B	B	F
_____	EDUC 5513	Supervision of Instruction	A	--	F
_____	EDUC 5533	Fundamentals of Public-School Administration	B	--	F
_____	EDUC 5573	Public School Finance	--	A	F
_____	EDUC 5583	Legal Aspects of Education	B	B	--
_____	EDUC 5623	The Principalship	--	B	F
_____	EDUC 5832	Practicum & Portfolio in Public School Administration	A	A	F

### Legend

<u>FA:</u> Fall	<u>SP:</u> Spring	<u>SU:</u> Summer	<u>--:</u> Not Offered
<u>A:</u> 1 <sup>st</sup> 8-Weeks (WEB)	<u>B:</u> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 8-Weeks (WEB)	<u>F:</u> Full Sem (WEB)	<u>BL:</u> Blended
<u>L:</u> Live (Face-to-Face)	<u>T:</u> To Be Determined	<u>Y:</u> Synchronous Web	<u>E:</u> Offered Even Years
<u>O:</u> Offered Odd Years	<u>V:</u> Various Formats (Half-Day, Full-Day, Weekends, Nights, etc.)		

*Course Offerings are subject to change, and are not necessarily in sequential order*

### II. Enrollment, Overload, and Full-Time Equivalents

#### Fall/Spring

- Full-time is nine (9) hours per 16-week semester
- Financial aid requires five (5) hours per 16-week semester
- Graduate Dean approval is required for thirteen (13) hours per 16-week semester

#### Summer

- Full-time is six (6) hours per 8-week semester
- Financial aid requires five (5) hours per 8-week semester
- Graduate Dean approval is required for eleven (11) hours per 8-week semester

### **III. Graduation and Commencement**

Students should apply for graduation just after they have enrolled for their last semester. This triggers a Degree Audit, which will inform the student of any course changes, course additions, or course substitutions required for graduation.

- Fall Graduates will **ONLY** be allowed to walk at December Commencement
- Spring and Summer Graduates will **ONLY** be allowed to walk at May Commencement

### **IV. Financial Aid Regulations for Graduate Students**

Students, please be advised that the courses you choose to enroll in **MUST** be a required course or an elective course in your degree program. Financial Aid regulations dictate that any graduate student who is seeking financial aid must be enrolled in **AT LEAST** five (5) credit hours during the fall, spring, or summer semester and the courses **MUST** be in the degree program.

- Certificate Programs **DO NOT** qualify for financial aid.
- For questions contact the Office of Financial Aid: 580-559-5638 or [financialaid@ecok.edu](mailto:financialaid@ecok.edu)