

Non-Degree Seeking (NDS) School Superintendent Pathway: 0875 2025-2026

The Non-Degree Seeking: School Superintendent Pathway is delivered in a fully online format. This 16-hour pathway has an estimated residential tuition and fees cost of \$6,500 (www.ecok.edu/bursar).

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

1. Have a valid Oklahoma teacher certification in Early Childhood, Elementary, Elementary/Secondary, Secondary, Vocational-Technical, Library Media Specialist, or Speech-Language Pathology.
 2. Have a Master's Degree and certification as a school principal or meet alternative certification requirements for school principal certification.
 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 administrative or supervisory experience in public or private schools accredited under a valid state issued teacher credential.
 5. Have two years of relevant work experience in a supervisory or administrative capacity.
 6. Have received a passing score on the subject area competency exam.
 7. 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. <u>Specialization: School Principal</u> (16 Hours)				FA	SP	SU
_____	EDUC	5062	Superintendent Administration Practicum I	--	A	F
_____	EDUC	5072	Superintendent Administration Practicum II	B	B	--
_____	EDUC	5523	School Plan Management	--	--	F
_____	EDUC	5723	Advanced Legal Aspects of Education	--	--	F
_____	EDUC	5773	Politics & Governance of American Education	B	--	--
_____	EDUC	5793	The Superintendency	A	B	--

Legend

FA: Fall	SP: Spring	SU: Summer	--: Not Offered
A: 1 st 8-Weeks (WEB)	B: 2 nd 8-Weeks (WEB)	F: Full Sem (WEB)	BL: Blended
L: Live (Face-to-Face)	T: To Be Determined	Y: Synchronous Web	E: Offered Even Years
O: Offered Odd Years	V: 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