Superintendent Program at SIUE
Completion of the superintendent program provides graduates the opportunity to lead public school districts in both Illinois and Missouri.

This two-year program can be completed in its entirety by attending classes one evening per week, with the exception of summer term.

Degrees Available at SIUE
• Education Specialist (EdS)

Endorsement
• Superintendent Endorsement

What can I do with a superintendent endorsement?
This program is designed for leaders in education desiring career positions as superintendents or district-level leaders.

Professional Credential Disclosure
This program is intended to prepare students for licensure/certification meeting educational requirements established by regulatory boards in the state of Illinois. Licensure/certification requirements can vary by state. If you intend to practice or teach inside or outside the state of Illinois, please visit siue.edu/consumer-disclosures.
Admission Requirements
• Graduate School application and $40 fee
• Submission of all postsecondary academic transcripts
• A master of science in education or its equivalent with a GPA of 3.25(A=4.0) or higher in graduate study
• International Applicants: Proof of English Proficiency, minimum requirements are TOEFL (79), IELTS (6.5) or equivalent
• Applicants for the superintendent program must show they have at least two years full-time administrative or supervisory experience on the following Illinois Credential: General Administrative; Principal; Director of Special Education; or Chief Business Official

Program application materials may be uploaded during the application process, but official transcripts must be sent directly from the school attended, and test scores must be verifiable with the appropriate testing service. Please contact the Graduate Admissions office with questions regarding the application submission process at graduateadmissions@siue.edu.

Candidate Requirements
Students meeting the admission requirements will be given provisional admission allowing them to enroll in courses. During the first semester enrolled, students complete the candidate selection process. This process includes: completion of a leadership portfolio summarizing leadership experience and potential for instructional leadership; identification of a qualified mentor for internship experiences; participation in a selection interview; and an assessment of written communication skills based on a response to a case study. Upon selection as a candidate, candidates receive full admittance to the program.

Graduation Requirements
All candidates must complete a four course field-based internship experience that spans an entire calendar year. The internship is supervised and evaluated by an administrator in the field and a faculty member of Educational Leadership of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

Candidates must complete a field study/research project that is presented to a faculty committee and have a minimum 3.25 GPA.

Required Credit Hours/Tuition and Fees
• 33
• Visit siue.edu/graduate-tuition for detailed tuition information

Curriculum (33 hours)
• EDAD 555 (3)-Superintendency, District Administration and Governance
• EDAD 563 (3)-School and Community Relations
• EDAD 565 (3)-School Personnel Administration
• EDAD 570 (3)-Leadership Theory and Practice
• EDAD 580 (3)-District Program Development
• EDAD 585 (3)-School District Business Administration
• EDAD 591 (12)-Internship Practicum/Superintendent Internship (Three consecutive semesters totaling one full year)
• EDAD 595 (3)-Field Study (from 3-6 hours)

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