

# Information Slides for the L&C Principal License Program

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Being an **equity-driven program** means that in every course, text, and assignment, we will center discussions on **identifying systemic inequality** that exists in the system of school and districts in order to develop leadership approaches and skills that **disrupt the status quo**, make **structural disparities visible**, and create **fairness in opportunities and outcomes for minoritized students, families, and communities** across the P-20 spectrum.

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# License Types

- **Principal License:**

- Required to work at building level
- Must have 3 years of licensed ed. experience to pursue this license
- Continuously renewable (every 3 years)

- **Professional License**

- Required to work at district level, also acceptable for building level work
- Must have Principal license *and* 3 years of admin experience to earn this license (cannot go straight to Pro-AL even if you are currently working at district level or don't intend to be a building leader)
- Renewed every 5 years

# What is the Principal License Program?

- Equity-Focused Principal Licensure Program
- Rigorous, discussion-based in person/hybrid courses taught by experienced faculty and working administrators
- Candidates will be paired with an mentor to complete a hands-on mentorship
- Not cohort based--can be completed according to your own timeline and schedule

# Program Details

- 27 credits total
- 23 credits coursework; 4 credits of practicum
- 360 hours of hands-on practicum experience with an experienced mentor
- Can be completed in 6 terms, or at your own pace
- Program Coursework

# Class Formats

- Combination of **in-person** class meetings and **synchronous, virtual** class meetings
  - In person classes held on L&C campus
  - **Fall/Spring Courses:** One evening a week; may incorporate some Saturdays
  - **Summer Courses:** Weeklong intensives in June/July; evening courses in May/June
- **Practicum:** In-person experiences in your building and beyond; regular meetings with your mentor; monthly class check ins

# Costs

- **Regular College Rate:** \$1063 per semester hour, \$28,701 total

**Special Tuition Rate for Administrative Licensure Programs during the 2023-2024 school year:**

**\$722 per credit, \$19,494 total**

+ District-Sponsored Tuition Reimbursement (as available, distributed in accordance with district policies)

# Scholarship Opportunity for Qualifying Candidates

The Oregon Administrator Scholar's Program (OASP) is offering scholarships up to a maximum of **\$10,000 for racially or linguistically diverse administrator candidates** accepted and enrolled in an approved administrator program. The scholarships may be used to pay for classes, fees, and related costs.



**Many candidates have received TWO of these scholarships.**



# Application Requirements

## - **Application Requirements:**

- Must hold a **master's degree** from a regionally accredited institution in the United States
- Must be **licensed as a teacher or personnel service specialist** in any state
- Must document **three years of successful teaching and/or personnel service** experience in the public schools or regionally accredited private schools.
- Can apply for a **WAIVER** of these requirements
- If no Master's, can apply for the **MEd w Principal License Program**

# Additional Degree Options

- **Master's Degree with Principal License** (38 credits)
- **Educational Specialist Degree in Administration** (37 credits)
  - Earn Principal License
  - Degree includes most courses from the Professional Licensure Program, and that license can also be earned with additional coursework
- **Doctoral Degree with Principal License Track** (64 credits)
  - If you have an EDD, you can apply to waive the Professional License

# Application Information

- Application Form
- \$50 Application Fee
- Essay
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- PEER Form
- For details and application links, go to:  
[go.clark.edu/graduate/admissions](https://go.clark.edu/graduate/admissions)
- **Rolling admissions with terms that start in September, January and May.**
- **Apply at least one month ahead of the term that you want to start**

“ The program has helped me truly and firmly stand in my non-negotiables as an educational leader for social justice.

-Principal Program Alumni

“ The program is very useful and helped prepare me very well for my current position as a Principal.

-Principal Program Alumni

# Contact Information

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