KU PK-12 Principal Certification Requirements

The PK-12 Principal Certification Program educates PK-12 teacher leaders to increase school achievement in collaborative and comprehensive ways. The program focuses on helping teacher leaders acquire the knowledge to improve student achievement from peers, experts, research, and resources. This program integrates coursework with an internship in the PK-12 school setting.

Note that all students much achieve 24 credit hours of coursework and a minimum 3.0 overall GPA.

Required PK-12 Principal Certification Core Courses – 21 credits
SEED 567 Curriculum in a Standard Aligned System (3 credits)
EDUC 541 Supervision and Finance (3 credits)
EDUC 599 School Leadership in a Diverse Society (3 credits)
EDUC 528 Student Diversity and Critical Pedagogy (3 credits)
EDUC 526 Data-Driven Decision Making (3 credits)
SEED 544 Action Research for Teacher Leaders (3 credits)
EDUC 562 School Law (3 credits)

Required PK-12 Principal Certification Internship Course – 3 credits
EDUC 593 Internship (3 credits; 180 hours of service)

Additional Certification Requirements
1. Holds a baccalaureate degree from a regionally or nationally accredited college/university.
2. Satisfies the requirements set forth in section 24 P.S. § 12-1209 relating to good moral character.
3. Provides verification of three years of relevant professional experience. For the purpose of this section, relevant professional experience is "professional experience in an educational setting that is related to the instructional process."
4. Completes a Pennsylvania-approved, graduate-level principal certification program that includes an internship/practicum or an equivalent out-of-state program. A 3.0 program Grade Point Average (GPA) is required.
5. Provides evidence of satisfactory achievement on the Pennsylvania required test.

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