

# EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP-SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS LEADER, MSED

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**Campus:** Online

## About

The ever-changing demands on our public schools require administrative leaders who can successfully manage the vital business functions for success and sustainability. The Pace University School District Business Leader online program prepares flexible, visionary and reflective school business leaders with the skills necessary to create and sustain financial and operational functions within a school district to help ensure the quality of learning for all students. Instruction is online and participants will work with a cohort of peers within a professional network.

This 36-credit program will lead to a master's degree in Educational leadership, specializing in School District Business Leadership. This program consists of a five-semester program (two academic years and a summer) and includes a 600-hour internship (six credits of the program). Candidates will be required to successfully complete the required New York State Certification Examination for School District Business Leader to earn State certification.

## For

Professionals who hold a master's degree (in education, business or other fields) and want to help shape public education by taking on non-instructional leadership positions to successfully manager public schools' various business functions.

## How You Learn

The online program was developed by the School of Education faculty at Pace University and is offered in partnership with the Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES Center for Educational Leadership. The MSED in Educational Leadership-School District Business Leader program, which is offered online, requires active involvement and provides ongoing feedback to support student learning and skill development. There are multiple opportunities for group interaction through weekly synchronous sessions. Students will be part of an online learning community who shares similar interests and career goals.

## Career Outcomes

The role of a School District Business Leader is becoming increasingly important in a new era of unprecedented public scrutiny and calls for accountability in the management of our schools and the resources to educate our youth. Both tracks of this program will prepare candidates and graduates for the challenges and requirements for New York State certification as a School District Business Leader. Career possibilities include roles in certificated positions such as Assistant Superintendent for Business.

## Schedule and Tuition

A new cohort of the School District Business Leader Program begins each Fall. Degree coursework will be completed over two years, in Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions. The Internship component, EEL 696 Internship and Seminar in Educational Administration, will be taken at 1.5 credits over four (four) semesters. Please consult the program coordinator or the School of Education Web site for more detailed information.

For more information about admission requirements, tuition, and the program schedule, please contact Thomas P. Higgins Jr., EdD, Educational Leadership Program Coordinator in Westchester, at (914) 773-3780 or [thiggins@pace.edu](mailto:thiggins@pace.edu)