

East Tennessee State University #9

Johnson City, Tennessee



East Tennessee State University ranks #9 on The 20 Best Online Doctorate in Educational Leadership Programs!

The Claudius G. Clemmer College of Education at East Tennessee State University provides students with a variety of undergraduate, graduate, and professional program options across diverse fields represented by six different departments, including the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis. The College of Education offers flexible online programs, internship and scholarship opportunities, professional development services, and research centers, such as the Center for Community College Leadership.

Through the ETSU Online platform, the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis offers an online Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership degree program with concentrations in Higher Education Leadership, School Leadership, and Administrative Endorsement. The programs blend coursework with hands-on learning through an internship and in-depth research through a dissertation project to develop the comprehensive knowledge necessary to success in the field.

The curriculum covers key topics in educational leadership, such as legal and ethical concerns, leadership models, administrative theories, and more.

PK-12 students prepare to pursue a variety of careers in educational leadership, including superintendent, school principal, department head, and roles in non-profit and advocacy organizations dedicated to influencing policy.

Higher education students prepare for leadership roles in 2-year technical and community colleges or 4-year universities.

The online Doctoral in Educational Leadership program requires 66 credit hours and includes the following School Leadership Concentration courses:

- Internship in Educational Leadership
- Law for Organizational Leaders

- Leadership in Lifelong Learning
- Policy Analysis
- Policy, Power, and Politics in Education

Students must complete an internship, as well as a dissertation and defense. Students must also complete a cognate in an area outside of educational leadership. Admission into the program requires that students have a relevant master's degree from a regionally accredited institution.

The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) accredits the Claudius G. Clemmer College of Education. The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) accredits East Tennessee State University.