SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Advanced Official Certificate Program



Central's Advanced Official Certificate in Superintendent of Schools is designed for educational leaders seeking certification as a School District Superintendent (093). Students will develop an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the school superintendent and other central office leadership positions. The coursework addresses the diverse groups, tasks, and issues facing the superintendent and central office administrators. Leading for equity is a major focus of the program.

Curriculum

Students in the Superintendent of Schools AOCP are required to complete 15 semester hours as mandated by the Connecticut Department of Education.

Core Courses (9 credits)

- District Leadership: Governance/Leadership Issues
- District Leadership: Student Matters
- District Leadership: Personnel/Operations

District Level Practices (6 credits)

- Internship: The Superintendency I
- Internship: The Superintendency II

Program Features

- Starts every May
- 15-credit program
- Cohort model
- Attend part-time
- Internship opportunities
- Networking opportunities
- No GMAT/GRE required

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What You'll Gain

- Knowledge to promote the success of every student by facilitating the development, articulation, implementation, and stewardship of a shared district vision of learning
- Tools to use data to identify district goals, assess organizational effectiveness, and implement district plans to achieve district goals
- Ability to manage the district's organization, operation, and resources through monitoring and evaluating district management and operational systems
- Skills to collaborate with faculty and community members, respond to diverse community interests and needs, and mobilize community resources for the district by collecting and analyzing information pertinent to the improvement of the district's educational environment
- Ability to act with integrity, fairness, and in an ethical manner to ensure a district system of accountability for every student's academic and social success by modeling district principles of self-awareness, reflective practice, transparency, and ethical behavior as related to their roles within the district
- Tools to understand, respond to, and influence the larger political, social, economic, legal, and cultural context within the district through advocating for district students, families, and caregivers; acting to influence local, district, state, and national decisions affecting student learning

Applying for Admission

For consideration, applicants must submit the following:

1. A completed online application with supplemental materials (ccsu.edu/apply):
   - Copy of 092 certificate
   - Letter of recommendation from candidate's current superintendent
   - Two professional references
   - Personal essay
2. Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts from a regionally accredited institution of higher education (GPA of 3.00 or higher required)

Official transcripts may be sent directly to the Graduate Recruitment & Admissions Office:

By Mail: Central Connecticut State University
Graduate Recruitment & Admissions Office
1615 Stanley Street
Central Welcome Center
New Britain, CT 06050

By Email: graduateadmissions@ccsu.edu

ABOUT CENTRAL:
Central Connecticut State University is the largest university within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Founded in 1849, Central is also the state's oldest publicly funded university. Our campus is located in New Britain, Connecticut. Central is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).



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