

# MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHER LEADERSHIP

ONLINE



Becoming a Master in Teacher Leadership (MTL) provides practicing educators in all fields the opportunity to earn a high quality education. Classroom teachers may use this experience as a step toward state and/or National Board Certification. Educators outside the K-12 setting may use this experience to sharpen their leadership skills by learning about quality tools and practicing their skills within the workplace. Teacher Leadership graduates are eligible to apply for a Teacher Leadership Endorsement to be added to their active Illinois teaching certificate.

## TARGET AUDIENCE:

Teachers who want to become master teachers, not principals; educators who wish to be promoted to the next level in their organization; and/or those working in a public setting who are responsible for the educational needs of others.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Acceptance to UIS Graduate School
2. Undergraduate GPA of 3.0/4.0 for full admission  
Undergraduate GPA of 2.5/4.0 for conditional admission

Students should apply online at <http://www.uis.edu/admissions/applyNow.html> by completing the Graduate Student application, complete the personal data form at <http://mtl.uis.edu/applicationcfm.htm>, and have all transcripts sent to UIS.

Students must be accepted as either degree-seeking or non-degree-seeking. For more information, contact Admissions & Records at (217) 206-6174 or (888) 977-4847.

## COST:

For the most up-to-date information about UIS E-tuition and fees, please visit: <http://www.uis.edu/registration/tuition/index.html>

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Contact program coordinator at (217) 206-7516 or [mtl@uis.edu](mailto:mtl@uis.edu) to receive permission to register.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Fall, Spring and Summer semesters.

## DELIVERY MODE:

Totally online.

## TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Textbooks will be listed on the website, <http://www.efollett.com>. You may also call the UIS Bookstore at (217) 206-6766. Some online classes do not require textbooks.

## TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Credit hours will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by an MTL faculty/staff committee.

## TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

20 hours of required coursework and 20 hours of elective coursework totaling 40 credit hours.

## CERTIFICATES OFFERED:

- Graduate Certificate in the Legal Aspects of Education
- English as a Second Language

## NON-DEGREE COURSEWORK OFFERED:

Students may take up to 8 hours offered through this program without being enrolled in the Teacher Leadership program or the Graduate Certificate Program. Beyond 8 hours, they must petition the department for approval.

## FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Please contact UIS's Financial Assistance Office at 217-206-6724.

## SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Emphasis is placed on becoming leaders in the educational workplace. Students will be offered opportunities to network with other educators across the United States, as well as other nations of the world.

## CONTACT PERSON(S):

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## WEBSITE:

<http://www.uis.edu/mtl>

## REQUIRED COURSES:

- EDL 585 Foundations of Teacher Leadership  
EDL 541 Educational Research  
EDL 542 Teacher Leadership  
EDL 543 Instructional Design  
EDL 586 MTL Capstone

### Sample Elective Courses:

- EDL 547 Technology in the Curriculum  
EDL 548 Reading and Literacy  
EDL 551 Improving Strategies for Teaching Math and Science  
EDL 560 Intro Illinois' Natural Resources (DNR's ENTICE Program)  
EDL 565 Addressing Quality in Educational Settings  
EDL 567 Learning Improvement Through Student Accountability  
EDL 571 NBPTS Certification Assistance  
EDL 573 Survey of Exceptional Children  
EDL 574 Critical Issues in Education  
EDL 580 Teacher, Parent, and Student Rights  
EDL 581 Legal Responsibilities for the Educational Workplace

For a complete list of course offerings, please visit <http://www.uis.edu/mtl>