

HOW DO I APPLY?

Applying online is the easiest way to begin. Go to the St. Bonaventure University Web site at www.sbu.edu to begin the process.

We will schedule an interview with you and following admission we will prepare your plan of study.

Need financial assistance? We also have a Dean's Scholarship that we encourage all to apply for online when they consider St. Bonaventure. This can help you to defray 20 percent of your tuition costs.

Want to know more about New York State School Leadership Examinations? Go to the State Education Department's Web site at www.nystce.nesinc.com.

Alumni from SBU can be found across Western NY in the following school districts...

- Allegany-Limestone CSD
- Bolivar-Richburg CSD
- Buffalo City Schools
- Cuba-Rushford CSD
- Ellicottville CSD
- Falconer CSD
- Fillmore CSD
- Friendship CSD
- Genesee Valley CSD
- Gowanda CSD
- Hinsdale CSD
- Holland CSD
- Iroquois CSD
- Lake Shore CSD
- Lancaster CSD
- Lyndonville CSD
- North Collins CSD
- Olean City Schools
- Pioneer-Yorkshire CSD
- Portville CSD
- Randolph CSD
- Salamanca CSD
- South Western CSD
- Wellsville CSD
- West Seneca CSD

St. Bonaventure's NCATE-accredited Educational Leadership programs provide challenging courses and experiences that prepare candidates to become effective school leaders. Most courses are taught by full-time faculty who have extensive K-12 administrative experience and earned doctorates from accredited institutions. Many graduates move onto leadership positions immediately after completing their programs.

Our "hybrid" format features mostly online courses and makes some Educational Leadership programs at St. Bonaventure even more convenient. We invite you to visit the main campus or meet with faculty at our Buffalo Center on the Hilbert College campus in Hamburg, N.Y., to learn more of what St. Bonaventure has to offer.

All of our programming is based on strict adherence to the ELCC Standards for administrative competencies. These standards are nationally accepted as the premier skill-development framework for effective leaders.

We also offer appropriate coursework for Pennsylvania administrative competencies and have several curriculum courses to meet the needs of the Pennsylvania certification requirements.

A St. Bonaventure University degree is the first step to an exciting world of educational administration and truly making a difference in students' lives.



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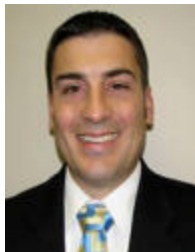
Educational Leadership

SCHOOL BUILDING LEADER CERTIFICATION

MSED IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

SCHOOL DISTRICT LEADER CERTIFICATION

"The educational leadership program provided me with a strong capacity to influence and activate change. It became clear that leadership is a journey not a destination. My time at SBU grounded me and conveyed the importance of instructional leadership."



Principal Mark Schultz, 2005 MSED

*The School Building Leader (SBL) program provides candidates with the courses, experiences and opportunities they need to become effective school leaders. Cohorts of no more than 20 students begin the SBL program in the fall, enrolling in six credits per semester and thereby completing the program within two years. It includes 21 hours of formal courses, most of which are offered in a "hybrid" format, plus an extensive practicum/internship field experience. The courses in [blue](#) (in the middle panel) are the core courses for School Building Leader. Students in "hybrid" courses meet with their professors in a scheduled class approximately 3-5 Saturdays over the semester; they can expect to meet for the entire day (a half day for each course). Classes meet at the SBU Buffalo Center at Hilbert College in Hamburg, N.Y., and in Olean, N.Y. The practicum/internship experience — 600 hours of field experience — may be scheduled for one semester, but accommodations are available, without additional tuition, for students who need more than one semester to complete this requirement

**New York state requires all newly enrolled candidates for the SBL and SDL Certificate to successfully complete a state competency exam. The SBL and SDL programs provide candidates with the skills and experiences they need to sit for the exam. Prior approval of a faculty member is required in order to sit for the exam.*

The Master's program in Educational Leadership is designed for those candidates who want more than an entry-level administrative certificate and is ideal for those seeking to increase their marketability for leadership positions both inside and outside of New York. The program prepares candidates to conduct and analyze educational research and gives them more in-depth courses and experiences at the district level. Classes meet at the SBU Buffalo Center at Hilbert College in Hamburg, NY and on the main campus in Olean, NY. A list of requirements is provided below. This can be used by anyone holding an initial certificate toward the Master's Degree requirement for a professional certificate.

Classes include coursework patterned for successfully meeting the rigorous ELCC Standards:

EDUC 500: Research

EDUC 505: Technology

[EDL 515: Leadership](#)

[EDL 522: School Community Relations](#)

[EDL 538: Standards-Based Curriculum](#)

[EDL 542: Special Education](#)

[EDL 523: School Law](#)

[EDL 524: School Finance](#)

[EDL 599A: Practicum](#)

[EDL 599B: Internship](#)

"I find being able to complete assignments around my busy schedule is one of the many positives of the program. The professors are extremely accommodating and always available."

Karen O'Connor
2008 SBL Hybrid Cohort



"...SBU gave me the foundation, technical background and professional network that has allowed me to serve the students in three school districts during my twenty four year administrative career..."
Superintendent Mark Ward, 1975

The School District Leader (SDL) program builds on the SBL program, preparing candidates to become district-level leaders. It is designed for those who have aspirations to become a coordinator, director, assistant superintendent and/or superintendent. Although many of the candidates in the SDL program are SBL program graduates, the program is open to current building leaders seeking to become district-level leaders. One or more of the three required courses may be offered in the hybrid format described in the SBL section of this brochure. Classes meet at the SBU Buffalo Center at Hilbert College in Hamburg, N.Y. A list of the requirements is provided below.

This course of study includes all the SBL program courses. Candidates will then enroll in the following courses:

EDL 610: Negotiations

EDL 620: The Superintendency

EDL 630: Central Office Leadership

EDL 698A: Practicum

EDL 698B: Internship

**School Leadership Certification Exams*