

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN ... EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

OCCUPATIONAL OVERVIEW:

Educational leadership administrators provide instructional leadership positions in schools, preschools, daycare centers, colleges and universities, businesses, corporations, art and cultural educational centers, and community outreach and service organizations. Job titles may include: K-12 principals, K-12 superintendents, Directors, Vice Presidents

EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:

Most positions require a Master's degree or doctorate degree; some may require a specialized degree in educational administration or be licensed as a school administrator. For public schools systems, many require a master's degree in education administration or educational leadership. License requirements vary by State.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO:

The UNM [Educational Leadership](#) program offers graduate degrees (M.A., Ed.D., Ed.S.) in Educational Leadership.

INDUSTRIES & TARGET EMPLOYERS:

A variety of employers specifically recruit UNM students and alumni. Consult UNM's [Lobo Career Connection](#) for a complete list of employers and current job postings. Speak with a Career Development Facilitator at the [UNM Office of Career Services](#) for help with identifying employers or additional resources for your occupation of choice.

SUGGESTED STRATEGIES

- Consider specializing with a double major, minor, or concentration in another area.
- Gain related professional experience through involvement in internships, student employment, [Co-ops](#), and/or volunteer opportunities.
- Shadow professionals in the field to gain a better understanding of the occupation and to build relationships with professional mentors.
- Build your network and get involved on campus through student organizations and campus events. Find organizations and events at the [Student Activities Center website](#).
- Attend career related campus events such as career fairs, company information sessions, and or career workshops.
- Students who are interested in graduate school should maintain a high undergraduate GPA and develop relationships with faculty and community leaders.
- Speak with mentors and faculty about career opportunities.
- Job leads can be found on your department's website, list-serv, newsletters, and social media sites.

STATE AND NATIONAL WAGES:

[Adapted from CareerOneStop \(2013\)](#)

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Location	10%	25%	Median	75%	90%
U.S.	\$58,500	\$70,900	\$87,800	\$108,700	\$130,800
New Mexico	\$58,200	\$65,500	\$74,400	\$88,600	\$102,600

*Data obtained from Career One Stop (www.careerinfonet.org)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & RESOURCES:

National Association of Elementary School Principals
National Association of Secondary School Principals
National Policy Board of Educational Administration

<http://www.naesp.org>
<http://www.nassp.org>
<http://www.npbea.org>



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