

# ILLINOIS TEACHER LEADERSHIP ENDORSEMENT

Specific admission requirements are needed for this program. Please contact the Office of Graduate Admission and Student Services to see if you qualify for admission into this licensure track. Concordia-Chicago's Teacher Leader licensure will enable graduate candidates to:

- Develop a leadership style to fit diverse populations, situations and settings.
- Gain knowledge of leadership frameworks and models of shared governance and to understand and use teacher evaluation models.
- Become skilled in building and leading effective teams; including team formation, dynamics, management and growth.
- Become a self-assured and effective instructional coach, taking a mentoring/teaming approach in improvement of classroom instruction.
- Improve instruction through multiple uses of building and district student data, research-based instructional models, and collaboration with colleagues.
- Understand diverse learners (including students with IEP, ELL, underrepresented and at-risk, including the IL Social and Emotional Learning Standards).
- Serve as a facilitator of change within a school system and engage in planning and management of tasks to support change and implement initiatives.
- Work with families, colleagues, building/district leadership, and the larger school community for increased student performance.

## General Graduate Admission Requirements

All applicants must meet the general admission requirements for Concordia University Chicago graduate programs as published in the Concordia University Chicago academic catalog (<http://catalog.cuchicago.edu/graduate/graduate-admission-student-services/>).

New students are accepted into graduate degree-seeking, approval, certificate, endorsement and/or post-graduate programs for online and on-campus study in the fall, spring, or summer semesters. Previously admitted students seeking to change programs may do so at the beginning of a semester (only) by submitting a Change-of-Program quick app (<https://capp.cuchicago.edu/graduate/change-of-program/>).

Applicants must be in good academic standing according to Concordia University Chicago's satisfactory academic progress standards at the time of requesting a program change.

## Endorsement Requirements

| Code     | Title   | Hours |
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| EDL-6120 | Supervision and Improvement of Instruction                | 3     |
| EDL-6130 | School Evaluation and Change Process                      | 3     |
| EDL-6140 | Curriculum and Assessment: Framework for Student Learning | 3     |
| EDL-6310 | School, Families and Community Partnerships               | 3     |

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| EDL-6725           | Teacher Leadership: Building Collaborative Relationships       | 3         |
| EDL-6775           | Leading School Based Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) | 3         |
| EDL-6988           | Teacher Leader Practicum <sup>1</sup>                          | 3         |
| <b>Total Hours</b> |  | <b>21</b> |

- <sup>1</sup> Capstone Experience: A semester-long capstone clinical experience offering a variety of appropriate site-based hands-on experiences. Students must consult with their Graduate Program Specialist (GPS) advisor before registering for this course.

## Non-degree Completion Requirements

- Have on file an application as a non-degree-seeking graduate student.
- Complete, for the program being sought:
  - the credit hours and levels as designated,
  - within the specified time limit,
  - with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- Students completing multiple advanced programs or degrees at CUC must have a 3.0 GPA in each academic program in addition to a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- If transfer credit is approved to be applied: have on file an approved "Graduate Transfer Credit Approval" form(s) or evaluation(s).
- Have on file the Intent to Graduate/Complete form with the Office of the Registrar by the published deadline.
- Take and pass the final examination or terminal requirements in the program during or after the final course.
- Approval of the faculty.
- Payments of all tuition and fees due to Concordia University Chicago. All holds must be removed to receive transcripts and diploma.

Every attempt has been made to include information to aid the student with information about his/her program requirements. It is, however, the student's responsibility to complete all steps and meet all deadlines relevant to completion requirements.