



USC Aiken Graduate Program

EDUCATOR LEADERSHIP OPEN HOUSE

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024 AT 4:30PM

Online via Microsoft Teams



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Welcome!

*Thanks for joining
us today!*

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Today!



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Educator Leadership M. Ed.

General Information

- ❖ Designed to develop Teacher Leaders
 - Teacher Leader endorsement (*not for principal certification*)
 - Preparation for being a Classroom Leader, Grade Level Leader, Instructional Coach, Mentor, Curriculum Specialist

- ❖ Program Goals
 - Develop administrative skills such as management, supervision and decision-making
 - Focus on preparing school leaders to be instructional leaders
 - Improve instruction and in turn improve student learning

<https://www.usca.edu/education/graduate-program/educator-leadership>



Benefits

I feel the most useful courses were Professional Leadership and Mentoring and Professional Development and Adult Learning. These courses provided instruction on how to be a leader for not only your students but also colleagues and in other educational roles.

2022 Graduate

- Gain new skills and knowledge
- Potential Endorsements and Add-on Certifications
- Move up on the pay-scale
- Develop as a Teacher Leader
 - Teacher Leader endorsement
 - Preparation for being a Classroom Leader, Grade Level Leader, Instructional Coach, Mentor, Curriculum Specialist
- Discounted Tuition for SC Certified Teachers (\$362.25/credit)
- Specialization Areas can lead to SC Endorsements
 - English to Speakers of Other Languages ESOL
 - Gifted & Talented
 - Online Teaching
 - ECE Special Education
 - Literacy / R2S
 - Middle Grades Education

Highlights



Web-based



36 semester credit hours



8 Core & 4 Specialization
Courses



2 Practica included in the
Core Courses



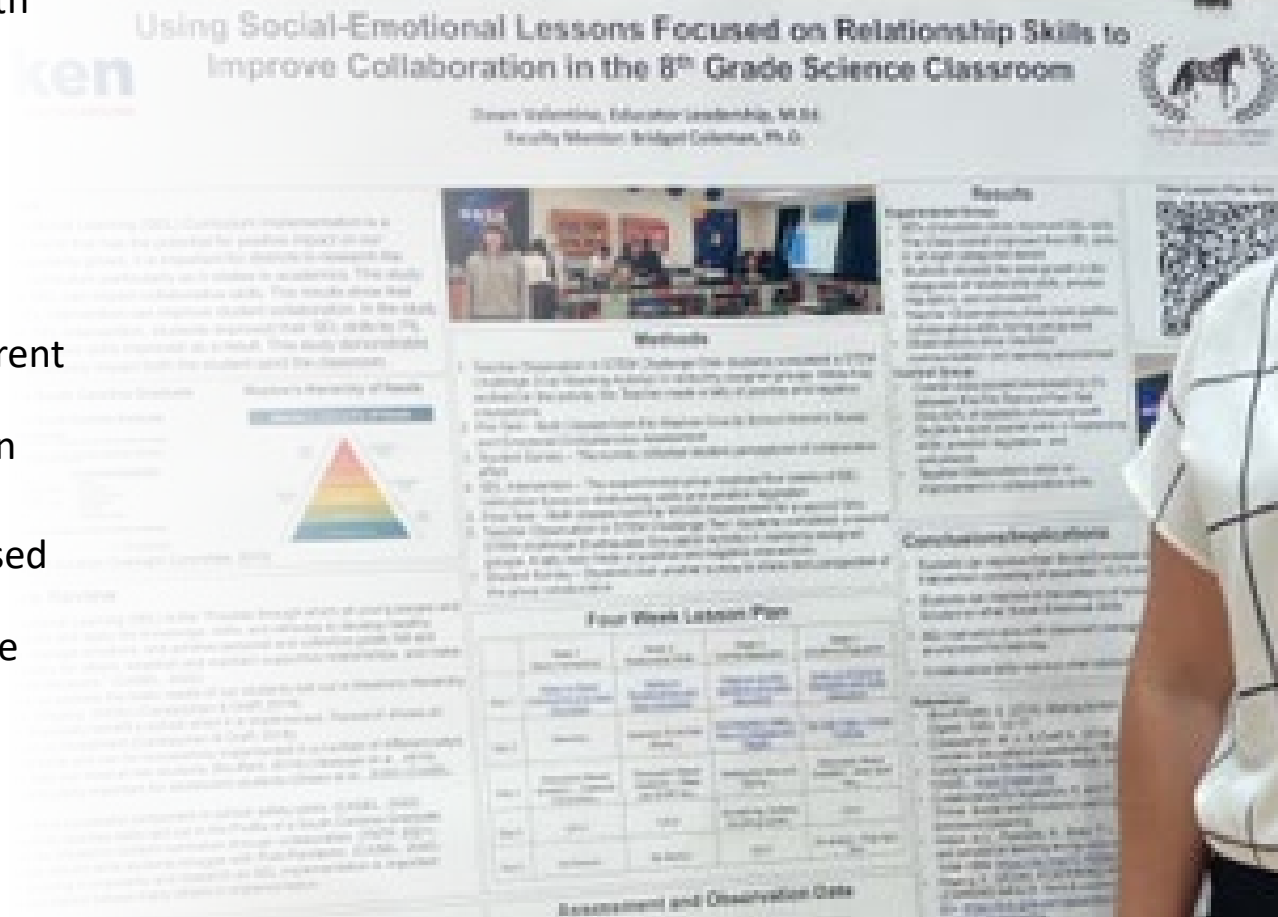
Blackboard Program
Orientation at Onset



Action Research based
on Interests and
Experiences

Capstone Projects

- Integrating Arts with Core Reading Fluency Using Reader's Theatre for 4th Grade Students
- A Comparison of Student Growth in Science Content Knowledge using a Blended Learning Model versus a Traditional Model in Two 7th Grade Classes
- Attitudes Among Students with Different Ethnic and Cultural Background in Middle School Students Enrolled in an ESOL Class
- Using Social Emotional Lessons Focused on Relationship Skills to Improve Collaboration in the 8th grade Science Classroom



Educator Leadership, M. Ed.

| Teacher Leader Endorsement | | | | | | |
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| Core Courses (6 courses/ 18 hrs) | EDUC A660 Professional Leadership & Mentoring | EDUC A661 Professional Development & Adult Learning | EDUC A632 Multicultural Education for Diverse Learners | EDUC A662 Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment | EDUC A663 Assessment and Data Analysis | EDUC A664 Applied Research |
| Practicum (2 courses/ 6 hrs) | EDUC A672 The Teacher Leader in Practice I (Data-Driven Instruction) | | | EDUC A673 The Teacher Leader in Practice II (Action Research) | | |

| Specialty Area Strands | | | | | | |
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| English for Speakers of Other Languages (12 credit hours) <i>Leads to add-on certification in ESOL</i> | Gifted & Talented Education (6 credit hours) <i>Leads to add-on endorsement in GT</i> | Literacy (12 credit hours) <i>Leads to R2S Endorsement</i> | Middle Level Education (9 credit hours) <i>Leads to Middle Level add-on certification</i> | Early Childhood Education SpEd (15 credit hours) <i>Leads to ECE SpEd add-on certification</i> | Educational Technology (12 credit hours) <i>Leads to add-on endorsement in Online Teaching</i> | Project-based Learning (9 credit hours) <i>Leads to add-on endorsement</i> |

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Specialty areas

ESOL
G&T
ECE SpEd
Online Teaching
Middle Level Ed
Project Based Learning

| Schedule | | Courses |
|---|--|---|
| Fall I | Prof. Leadership (Term 1, 8 weeks) Prof Dev & Adult Learning (Term 2, 8 weeks) | |
| Spring I | Multicultural Ed (Term 1, 8 weeks) Curriculum, Instruction, & Assmt (Term 2, 8 weeks) | |
| Fall II | Assessment & Data Analysis (Full term) Practicum 1 (Full term) | |
| Spring II | Applied Research (Full term) Practicum 2 (Full term) | |
| Specialization Courses (as offered in the Fall, Spring, or Summer) | Course 1 Course 2 Course 3 Course 4 | Select elective courses to meet your interests. |

Coursework


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| *EDUC A630 Principles and Strategies for Teaching Elem & Sec ELLs | EDUC A650 Introduction to Curriculum for GT Students | EDUC A653 Foundations in Reading | EDUC A755 Middle School Org & Curriculum | EDEC A620 Adv Study of Intro to Early Childhood Special Education | EDET A722 Instructional Design & Assessment | EDUC A641 Introduction to Problem-Based Learning |
| EDUC A631 Teaching Reading and Writing to Multilingual Learners | EDUC A651 Nature and Needs of Gifted and Talented Students | EDUC A654 Assessment of Reading | EDPY A705 Early Adolescent Growth and Development and Learning Communities | EDEC A621 Adv Study of Assessment of Young Children with Disabilities | EDET A755 Design & Evaluation of Information Access & Delivery | EDUC A642 Applications of Project-Based Learning in Curriculum and Instruction. |
| EDUC A636 Linguistics | | EDUC A655 Content Area Reading and Writing | EDUC A655 Content Area Reading and Writing | EDUC A622 Adv Study of Procedures for Working with Young Children with Disabilities | <i>Choose 2 of the following 3 courses:</i> | EDUC A643 Practicum in Project-Based Learning. |
| EDUC A635 Practicum in the Instruction of ESOL | | EDUC A656 Instructional Practices. | <i>Completion of 15 semester hours of content in the certification area</i> | EDUC A623 Adv Study of Social/Emotional Development and Guidance for Young Children with Disabilities | EDET A603 Design & Development Tools I | |
| | | | | EDUC A624 Practicum/Field Experience in ECE SpEd | EDET A735 Tech Applications for Diverse Populations | |
| *EDUC A632 Multicultural Education for Diverse Learners (3) Needed for ESOL add-on | | | | EDUC A62 Family Engagement in ECE SpEd | EDET 709 Applications of Learning Principles | |

2024 Summer Courses

Specialization courses

- ESOL
- Gifted & Talented

| Course Number | Title |
|---------------|--|
| EDUC A630 | Principles & Strategies for Teaching MLL |
| EDUC A636 | Linguistics |
| EDUC A637 | Assessing MLL |
| EDUC A638 | Teaching English through the Content Areas |
| EDUC A650 | Intro to Gifted & Talented |
| EDUC A651 | Nature and Needs of Gifted & Talented Students |

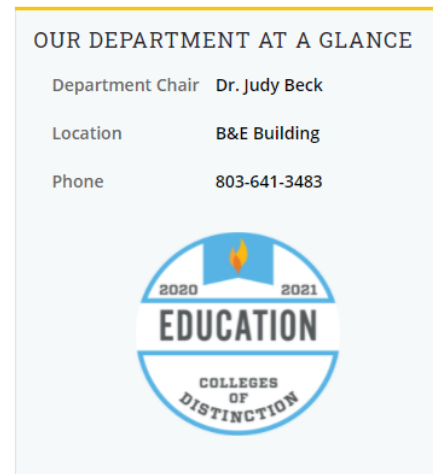
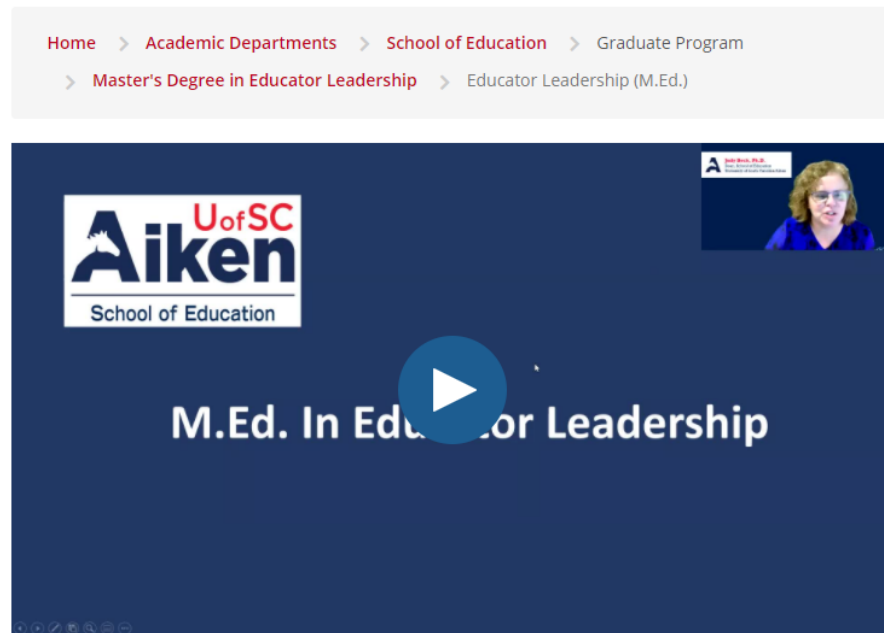
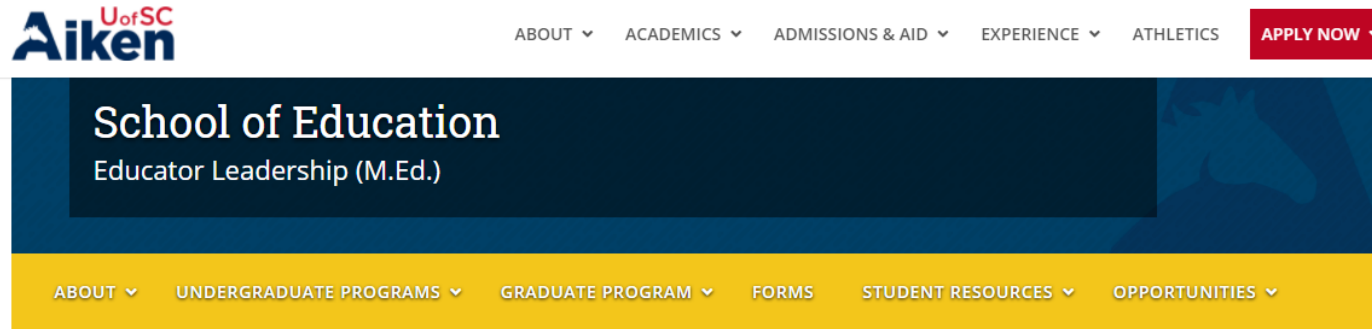


What do our
graduates
say?

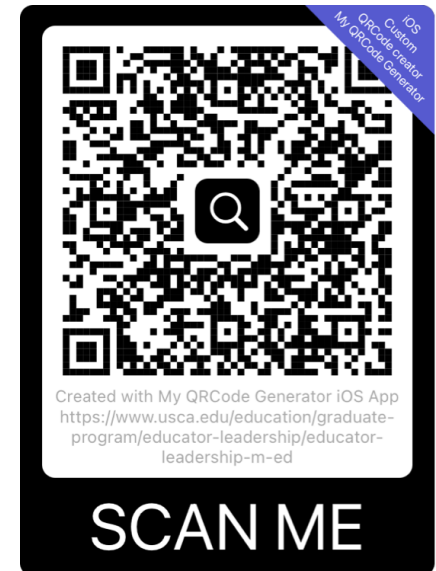
"I was able to gain my GT endorsement and get an advanced class at my job. I was also able to take classes towards a literacy endorsement with future plans of possibly being a literacy coach."

"I love that the program allows you to focus on a specialty of your own interest. I think it is a great opportunity for teachers to consider leadership opportunities outside of administration."

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South Carolina certified teachers receive discounted tuition.

(\$362.25/credit = ~\$1087/class.)

At approximately \$13,000 overall, this is a tremendous value!

Contact the USCA Office of Financial Aid for additional opportunities for funds.

<https://usca.edu/financialaid>, 803-641-3476

Contact the USCA Billing Office for information on payment plans.

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M.Ed. In Educator Leadership



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Unlock the Teacher Leader in you!

The Master's Degree in Educator Leadership prepares educators to take on a variety of leadership roles in their buildings or districts. The program focuses on building collaborative cultures and professional learning as well as continuous improvement through data driven decision making. Another key focus of this program is to prepare these leaders to have a deep understanding of best practices in aligning curriculum, instruction, and assessment. This program is entirely web-based and does not lead to principal certification.



Increase earning potential
Advance into new roles
Add-on certifications and Endorsements

Connect with us!



100% Web-based

Designed for the Teacher Leader

(Does not lead to principal certification)

Action Research Capstone project

(Not a thesis)

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