



## Laddering the Graduate Certificate in School Leadership into the Master of Education in Educational Studies (MES)

A [Graduate Certificate in School Leadership](#) (GCSL) from the University of Alberta provides students with up to 12 credits in advanced standing in the [Master of Education in Educational Studies](#) (MES) program\*. Students will follow this **tentative** program plan (subject to change):

### Tentative Schedule – General Cohort\*\*



### Courses to Complete the M.Ed.

#### **EDU 510 Fundamentals of Educational Research**

Students learn how to understand and apply educational research to educational problems. Specific focus on conceptualizing methods of educational research to specific and individual educational sites and issues.

#### **EDU 514 Planning for Educational Change**

Students learn how educational research can enhance educational change toward school improvement and focus on the creation of a site-based research proposal, which utilizes appropriate research methods.

#### **EDU 515 Conducting Educational Research**

Students complete a supervised research assignment specific to their educational context. They will develop and apply knowledge and skills related to data collection, data analysis techniques and research report presentation.

#### **EDU 900 Program Synthesis**

A reflection and synthesis of learning from the Master of Education in Educational Studies in relation to the concepts of school/educational improvement that are the foundations of the program.

### **Plus two graduate-level electives**

*Note: Electives must be taken prior to taking EDU 900, unless permission has been received from the department for an altered course of study. Professional Learning offers a variety of electives; check the [website](#) for current offerings, or contact us to determine if the elective you want to take is approved for the program. Once you are admitted to a graduate program, you can no longer take courses through Open Studies until after you graduate.*

### Other Laddering Options

#### **The GCSL can also ladder into:**

- the [M.Ed. Elementary Education - Curriculum and Pedagogy](#) or the [M.Ed. in Secondary Education](#) – contact [essgrad3@ualberta.ca](mailto:essgrad3@ualberta.ca)
- the [M.Ed. in Studies in Educational Leadership](#) – contact [essgrad2@ualberta.ca](mailto:essgrad2@ualberta.ca)

### **Faculty of Education, Professional Learning**

**Website:** [uab.ca/mes](http://uab.ca/mes) | **Contact:** [mesinfo@ualberta.ca](mailto:mesinfo@ualberta.ca)

*\*Completion of the GCSL does not guarantee acceptance into any master's program.*

*\*\*The schedule of courses is determined on an annual basis. Alternate schedules may be available in future years. Course availability is dependent upon sufficient enrollment.*