

Educational Leadership Tier I Preliminary Administrative Credential Program

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS THE TIER I PRELIMINARY ADMINISTRATIVE CREDENTIAL?

This credential allows the holder to serve in any administrative capacity in California schools, e.g. Principal, Vice-Principal, Assistant Principal, Director, Coordinator, Assistant Superintendent, Superintendent and more.

HOW LONG IS THE TIER I PROGRAM?

The program is approximately one year in length. We normally have two starting times for the program during the year.

- Candidates starting in August/September can finish in June.
- Candidates starting in January can finish in December.

HOW MANY SEMESTER UNITS COMPRISE THE ENTIRE TIER I PROGRAM?

There are 24 units in the program.

WHAT REQUIREMENTS ARE THERE FOR THE PRELIMINARY ADMINISTRATIVE CREDENTIAL OTHER THAN THE 24 UNITS?

- The candidate must possess a valid California teaching credential.
- The candidate must have completed 3 successful years of full-time teaching.

HOW MUCH DOES EACH SEMESTER UNIT COST?

Current tuition per semester unit is found on our web site under Admissions.

WHO ARE THE INSTRUCTORS IN THE TIER I PROGRAM?

The instructors in the program are mostly part-time instructors at Saint Mary's College and they are either currently working in schools or are retired school administrators.

I WORK FULL TIME. WHEN ARE THE CLASSES IN THE TIER I PROGRAM HELD?

The classes are normally held on Saturdays from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

WHERE MAY I OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION FOR THE TIER I PROGRAM?

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