Certificate in Community College Leadership

Application to the Certificate in Community College Leadership program is made through the ETSU School of Graduate Studies. Click on the APPLY button to go to the Grad School Admission site.

General Program Information

The Community College Leadership Graduate Certificate Program is a 15-credit program of study designed to provide the learner with specific leadership and management tools for the higher education environment. The focus of the program is to further educate community college faculty and staff who seek positions of leadership or increased responsibility for those already in positions of leadership.

Admission

To be considered for acceptance into this certificate program you must:
1. Possess at least a master’s degree from a regionally accredited institution;
2. Be currently employed at a community college;
3. Have at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in the most current awarded degree;
4. Meet the general admission requirements of the ETSU School of Graduate Studies.
5. Nominated by a community college president or his/her designee.

Application materials to be submitted to the School of Graduate Studies include:

1. An application;
2. A one-page letter (essay) stating interest in the Community College Leadership graduate certificate program;
3. Official transcripts from all institutions of higher education attended;
4. A vita or resume;
5. Two letters of recommendation plus the nomination form from the community college president or his/her designee.

All applications will be evaluated by an admission committee composed of faculty members of the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis. Applicants will be evaluated on (1) GPA in most recent degree; (2) professional work experience; (3) prior positions of leadership; (4) writing ability; and (5) demonstrated interest in community college leadership. Applicants are encouraged to address their related information.
accomplishments, goals, and interest in community college leadership in the essay and in their vita.

The 15 credits that are required for the certificate can be applied to the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership, Postsecondary and Private Sector Leadership (PPSL) concentration. A participant who wishes to pursue an ETSU Ed.D. degree in Educational Leadership with a PPSL concentration concurrently with the certificate must also apply and be admitted to the degree program. Matriculation limits as required by the School of Graduate Studies are applicable.