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The Pace University School District Business Leader (SDBL) program prepares flexible, visionary and reflective school business leaders with the skills necessary to create and sustain financial and operational functions within a school district to help ensure the quality of learning for all students. Instruction is provided online and participants will work with a cohort of peers within a professional network. With New York State certification as a School District Business Leader, career possibilities include such roles as Assistant Superintendent for Business, Director of Finance or other roles in public school districts.

The three pathways to a career as School District Business Leader are:

For candidates who already have a masters degree, a 36-credit MEd in Educational Leadership. The five semester program (two academic years and a summer), including a 600-hour internship (6 credits), prepares participants for the required New York State Certification Examination for School District Business Leader.

For candidates who do not currently hold a masters degree, a 60-credit program resulting in an MEd in Educational Leadership and a Masters in Public Administration (both awarded at the end of the program). Successful completion of the New York State Certification Examination for School District Business Leader is required for the certificate.

For candidates who already hold a School District Leader or School Building Leader Certificate, a 24-credit Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) that includes a 600-hour internship and prepares participants for the New York State Certification Examination for School District Business Leaders.

Program Format:

The program was developed by the School of Education faculty at Pace University in collaboration with the Putnam | Northern Westchester BOCES Center for Educational Leadership. The program, which is offered online, requires active involvement and provides ongoing feedback to support student learning and skill development. Students will be part of an online learning community who share similar interests and career goals.

On a weekly basis, synchronous sessions will be scheduled in which the instructor will present course information, explain online assignments and provide opportunities for student interaction.

The Discussion Board in Blackboard will be used extensively to create forums through which students will interact with the instructor and with each other to learn and to demonstrate their understanding of the course content. Communication/interaction between instructors and students will be ongoing, utilizing a variety of venues.

Schedule: The next cohort of the School District Business Leader Program will begin September 2019.

Tuition: The tuition for the SDBL Program reflects a 25% reduction of the School of Education Graduate tuition. For 2019 - 2020, the tuition for the new cohort will be \$716/credit.

Application for Admission

To request an application packet, respond with your mailing address to:

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