

# Educational Leadership

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## Department Information

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Priority Deadline: February 1; Final deadline: April 1
- **Credential Offered:**  
Ed.S., M.S., M.Ed.
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**  
TOEFL iBT 88, IELTS 6.5, Duolingo 110

### **Sara Bano, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor  
Michigan State University, 2020

### **Justin Benna, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor  
University of New Hampshire, 2018  
Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: PK-12 School Leadership; Social and Political Contexts of Schools; Educator Development and Professional Learning

### **Dean Bresciani, Ph.D.**

University Distinguished Professor  
University of Arizona, 1996

### **Amanda Cordova, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor  
University of Texas at San Antonio, 2018

### **Liza Gilblom, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor  
Cleveland State University, 2017  
Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: Geographic Information Systems, Privatization in Education, Equity in Education, Critical Social Theory

### **Brent Hill, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor  
Oklahoma State University, 2011  
Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: Monte Carlo Simulations, Educational and Psychological Measurement, Learning Theory, Structural Equation Modeling, Q Methodology, Time Series Analysis

### **Lei Jiang, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor  
University of Georgia, 2021

### **Hollie Mackey, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor  
Pennsylvania State University, 2010  
Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: Socio-cultural Dimensions of Educational Leadership, Indigenous Theory and Methodology, and Educational, Self-Determination

### **Cailen O'Shea, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 2020

Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: School Transformation, Innovation for Equitable Education, PK-12 School Leadership, Quantitative Methods

**Laura Parson, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor

University of North Dakota, 2016

Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (SoTL), Women in Higher Education, Women in STEM, Ethnographic and Discourse Methods of Inquiry

**Chris Ray, Ph.D.**

Professor & Head

Oklahoma State University, 2007

Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: Institutional Effectiveness, Learning Outcomes Assessment, Instrument Development, Moral Development and Education, College Student Development

**Nathan Wood, Ph.D.**

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University of Minnesota, 2006

Research Interests/Areas of Expertise: Socio-Cultural Issues in Education, Identity Development, Preparation of Educational Researchers