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The Tier 1 Certification non-degree program offers candidates the opportunity to become certified at Tier 1 in educational leadership (level 5). Candidates must hold a Tier 1 GaPSC certification and a master's degree or higher in a field recognized by the GaPSC as a related field.

Go to the Graduate School website (<http://www.valdosta.edu/academics/graduate-school/welcome.php>) and click on Our Programs, and then click on Certification in Educational Leadership for information on:

- Specific Tier 1 Certification in Educational Leadership Admission Requirements
- Tier 1 Certification in Educational Leadership Program Completion Requirements

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Requirements for Tier 1 Certification in Educational Leadership

Code	Title	Hours
Area A -- Leadership		12
LEAD 7420	Ethical and Legal Issues for Leadership	
LEAD 8030	School Culture, Change and Organizational Dynamics	
LEAD 8240	Managing Resources for School Improvement	
LEAD 7310	Leadership for Community and Public Relations	
Area B -- Curriculum and Instruction		12
RSCH 8000	Advanced Research Methodology	
LEAD 7120	Instructional Leadership and Supervisory Practices for Improved Teaching and Learning	
LEAD 7130	Technology Leadership for School Improvement	
CIED 7060	Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology Integration	
Area C -- Field-based Activities		6
LEAD 7920	Leadership Field Experiences I	
LEAD 7930	Leadership Field Experiences II	

The above field-based activities will be conducted at the work site of the candidate and supervised by a Candidate Support Team consisting of a site mentor, a university advisor/coach, and the candidates, at which the residency is completed.

Total hours required for the Certification **30**

- 1 or equivalent. The faculty advisor will collaborate with candidates to identify appropriate courses based on the candidates' other graduate-level coursework and professional knowledge and skills.

Additional Requirements

Please note that all students who hold or are seeking this degree and/or GaPSC educator certification must successfully complete EDUC 5999. Prior to being recommended for a clear/renewable Georgia leadership certificate, a candidate must meet the GaPSC Special Requirements (PSC Rule 505-2-20)--Identification and Education of Children with Special Needs and pass the GACE Educational Performance-based Leadership Assessment.