SDL OPTIONS

Students **who have successfully completed and documented** their 500-hour Principal/Assistant Principal (SBL) internship in *Canvas (Digication prior to 7/1/2020)* are eligible to complete the requirements for a Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent license (SDL). ADMN 712 (Half Practicum: District Level) is required for both MA and NY licensure, and CAGS 806, which is offered online in June and July, is required for NY licensure (SDL).

Registration for CAGS 806 is in March 2022.
There are three options for ADMN 712 registration:

- **Spring:** registration in March 2022; begin logging hours on March 14, 2022
  Target completion: August 19, 2021
- **Summer:** registration in May 2022; begin logging hours on May 16, 2022
  Target completion: October 14, 2022
- **Fall:** registration in July 2022; begin logging hours July 18, 2022
  Target completion: December 30, 2022

Link to application: [2021-22 SDL Application](#)

Note:
Massachusetts students seeking a Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent license must complete the **300-hour, 3 credit internship (ADMN 712: District Level Half-Practicum) at the district level**, as required by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

New York students who seek the School District Leader credential in NY must **complete a 3-credit graduate level course (CAGS 806) in addition to ADMN 712 (District Level Half-Practicum) at the district level**. This will allow candidates to qualify for reciprocal licenses by meeting the following conditions (cited from NYSED):

- The applicant has completed a comparable state-approved program at the appropriate level and scope, and that program includes the following minimum academic requirements
  - For SBL, at least 21 semester-hours of graduate level coursework in school leadership in addition to an internship.
  - For SDL, a minimum of 27 semester-hours of graduate level school leadership coursework in addition to an internship.
- Applicants for the SDL certificate must also have a combined total of at least 60 semester-hours of graduate level coursework.

Per MA DESE guidelines, field hours are associated with courses. As such, ADMN 712 (District Level Half-Practicum) is aligned with CAGS 806.

**Students must go through a simple application process before they begin their SDL.**

Here are the steps:

1. Students need to submit the following to Michelle Delisle before they can register for ADMN 712 and CAGS 806:
   a. Written (e-mail) confirmation to Michelle Delisle from your MCLA (SBL) College Supervisor that
      i. you are in a position to complete the SDL
      ii. they are available to oversee it, and
      iii. a time frame for completion.
   b. Letter of support from an On-site Supervisor
   c. Copy of Site Supervisor’s District Level Administrator license

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2) Students need to submit the following to their MCLA College Supervisor before they will be cleared to register and/or log hours:
   a) Letter of support from the Site Supervisor
   b) Completed calendar and PSAL Matrix
3) Upon successful completion of the SDL internship, students need to upload to Canvas and submit to their MCLA College Supervisor the following:
   a) Completed Practicum Form (Handbook Appendix C) (original hard copy)
   b) Log of hours (in Canvas and hard copy)
   c) Completed Final PSAL Matrix (Handbook Appendix D) (hard copy)
   d) Professional Portfolio (Digitization)
   e) Request for Licensure Recommendation Form (Handbook Appendix E) (original hard copy)
   f) Letter of Endorsement from Site Supervisor (original hard copy)
   g) All Canvas spaces complete
      i) Log of Hours
      ii) PSAL Matrix
      iii) Administrative Brief
      iv) Final Reflection
      v) Supervisors’ Final Evaluation

Dates for CAGS 806: registration in March 2022; course runs online from June 1 – July 1, 2022.

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Optional Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS)

- Students completing the Leadership Academy also have the option to complete the CAGS program on-line.
- CAGS candidates will continue the study and development of their managerial skills related to the fiscal, political, personnel, and demographic challenges they may encounter as educational leaders.
- If students elect to complete the CAGS, they are eligible to earn a Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent license by adding a 300 hour half-practicum at the district level (ADMN 712) to the course sequence.