Eligibility:

- A current Initial (or higher) teaching license
- Three years' experience teaching under this license
- A master's degree
- Completion of application materials including:
  - two letters of recommendation
  - a personal statement,
  - and an official Master's Degree transcript
- A completed Site Supervisor Letter of Endorsement form from the licensed (minimum three years) school administrator who will oversee the candidate’s internship.

Location:

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts North Adams, MA 01247

Schedule:

- 1st Summer Residency: July 9 – 23, 2021
  
  Note: Classes and events will be held during the day, most evenings, and weekends.
- 1st Weekend Residency: November 18 – 20, 2021
- 2nd Weekend Residency: March 18 – 20, 2021
  - Online and weekend courses will be planned for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022
- 2nd Summer Residency 2: July 6 – 9, 2022
  - Optional SDL and CAGS online June, July, August 2022

Cost:

- Students pay an affordable per credit rate. A 3-credit course is estimated at $1,237.
- The Summer 2021 residency (including pre-work) cost is estimated at $6,437. This includes most meals and an activities fee.
- Optional housing on campus is available at approximately $50/night ($750 for 15 nights).

Note: Students in the Leadership Academy are not eligible for federal student loans but are eligible for Alternative Educational loans. Please contact the Financial Aid Office at [http://www.mcla.edu/Admissions/financial-aid-and-cost/index](http://www.mcla.edu/Admissions/financial-aid-and-cost/index) for more information.

Fieldwork:

- Students are required to complete 500 internship hours at their school/district site.
- Fieldwork will include an introductory (observing and assisting) experience, a full-responsibility experience, an administrative project, and a Capstone project.

To apply:

Students will apply online at: [https://dev.mcla.edu/academics/graduate/leadership-academy/leadership2021.php](https://dev.mcla.edu/academics/graduate/leadership-academy/leadership2021.php)

Application review begins in December 2020 and will continue through March 2021.

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