

School of Leadership and Education Sciences

Preparing Leaders



Institute for Entrepreneurship in Education: **\$22.25 million**

Background

The School of Leadership and Education Sciences seeks \$22.5 million to establish an **Institute for Entrepreneurship in Education**. Education must have as its foundation a vision of enhancing human dignity and the quality of life. To do so, human service professionals must focus on moral perspectives in their professional and community lives to engage in effective practices to make a positive impact. The faculty members and staff of the School of Leadership and Education Sciences (SOLES) seek to impart this vision to their students.

Objectives

The vision of the Institute for Entrepreneurship in Education (IEE) is to be the leading university-based opportunity hub for K-16 innovation. The mission is to ignite dialogue and opportunity for the advancement of K-16 educational outcomes worldwide.

The IEE has three activity centers:

Knowledge Lab: Provides strategic direction for two research centers designed to generate the most recent research on issues vital to the improvement of education. The Mobile Technology Learning Center (MTLC) researches the effective use of mobile technology for learning and teaching. The MTLC builds the capacity of schools, school leaders and teachers through research and research-based professional learning. The Center for Education Policy and Law (CEPAL) fosters better linkage between education research, policymaking and practice. The Knowledge Lab also acts as a clearinghouse for best practices worldwide in education entrepreneurship.

Think Tank: Convenes thought leaders and education innovators in the pursuit of leading edge conversations based on current research and best practices. By connecting public and private stakeholders, locally,

nationally, and worldwide, a synergy is created to accelerate learning innovation.

IgniteEDU Incubator: This is an incubator for the development of innovative projects and start-ups in K-16 education. IgniteEDU Fellows participate in an intensive program providing opportunities for mentorship, networking, seed funding, business development, and access to experts in the field of education.

Impact

It is SOLES' responsibility to prepare students with the professional knowledge, skills, and ethical perspectives they will need for effective leadership and practice in a diverse society. It seeks to become, and encourage students to become, life-long learners engaged in scholarly inquiry, research, and professional development.

We value professional and community service and encourage such service by our students. To implement our mission, the faculty enriches all programs and course offerings with the values, concepts, and themes that will help students become ethical, civic-minded and committed leaders in their chosen fields.

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