Athletic Director Certification

The Maine Department of Education recently updated its requirements for Athletic Director (215) certification. The University of Maine College of Education and Human Development offers the courses needed to qualify for this endorsement. All classes are 100% online, and taught by instructors with extensive experience and knowledge of Maine schools. Earn your certification in 4-8 semesters.

Option 1 (For individuals who already have building-level certification)

- EAD 656: Social and Ethical Foundations of Leadership (Fall)
- EAD 698: Interscholastic Athletics: Philosophy, Organization and Programs (Spring)
- EAD 698: Athletic Administration: Principles, Strategies and Methods (Summer)
- EAD 698: Athletic Administration: Legal Issues (Fall)

Option 2 (For individuals needing building-level certification)

For educators who need to earn building-level certification, the UMaine College of Education and Human Development offers the Try On Leadership graduate certificate, which allows students to apply for conditional Assistant Building Administrator (045) certification through the Maine Department of Education. This 100% online graduate certificate includes:

- EAD 615: The Principalship (Fall)
- EAD 651: Organizational Behavior in Education (Spring)
- EAD 531: School Law for Administrators (Summer)
- SED 520: Law and Policy Affecting Individuals with Disabilities (Fall and Summer)

The Try On Leadership certificate courses can be taken at the same time or sequentially with the courses required for the Athletic Director certification.

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