The “Wisconsin Idea Principal Preparation Program” is a master’s degree for teachers dedicated to equity and justice for all children.

Did you know Wisconsin is the lowest-ranked state in the nation for **RACIAL ACHIEVEMENT GAP**?

In the most recent National Test Scores (www.nationsreportcard.gov) only 13.8% of black fourth graders displayed proficiency in English compared to 63.3% of white fourth graders.

**THE WISCONSIN IDEA** is based on the principle that education should influence people’s lives beyond the boundaries of the classroom.

With the Wisconsin Idea in mind, the Department of Education Leadership and Policy Analysis at the UW–Madison School of Education has developed the “Wisconsin Idea” master’s program. Our mission is to empower teachers to become future leaders equipped to address critical challenges facing the Wisconsin education system like the achievement gap.

**TODAY, WE START USING LEADERSHIP TO BUILD A MORE SOCIALLY JUST WORLD.**
How does “Wisconsin Idea Principal Preparation Program” master’s degree work?

The “Wisconsin Idea” master’s is a degree program designed for teachers like you who aspire to be leaders and make a difference. You will learn with a cohort of peers over a period of 14 months. Classes are held on weekends and hybrid learning options are available so that you can advance your career with minimal disruption to your teaching routine. Upon completion, you will be eligible for the “Principal License.” You may choose to continue learning for another semester in order to pursue additional licensure.

Cohorts for this master’s program are offered on a rotating basis to various locations in Wisconsin that have great need for educational leadership and innovation.

Email ssmith@education.wisc.edu or call 608-263-2701 for further information or questions.

The first semester will be held in Green Bay.

Why choose the “Wisconsin Idea” master’s program at UW–Madison?

**EQUITY FOCUSED:**
You will develop an equity toolkit to ensure that schools follow equitable practices and work towards eliminating inequities.

**INFORMED BY RESEARCH:**
Benefit from the transformative research being done by UW–Madison experts to address contemporary challenges in our education system.

**EMBEDDED IN PRACTICE:**
Engage in application-focused coursework. Courses thoughtfully build on each other, with opportunities to apply your knowledge as you learn.

**LEADING FOR CHANGE:**
Build a cycle of equity-focused continuous improvement. Learn how to mentor and empower passionate teachers to bring lasting change to our education system.

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**ADMISSION**
Admission cycle closes on April 1. Cohort begins in June.

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Do you think your region could benefit from a “Wisconsin Idea” master’s cohort?

Let us know so we can consider your location for future offerings.

Email Tina Salzman at tmsalzman@wisc.edu or call 608-263-2773

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The “Wisconsin Idea Principal Preparation Program”

For more information, visit: go.wisc.edu/elpa-principals