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*The National
Flagship Program*
2023 - 2024

The National Flagship Program

This internationally acclaimed 11-month program is purposeful, immersive, and transformational leadership learning for experienced senior leaders and aspiring principals.

The rigorous design of the program, which includes pre-readings and assignments prior to each of the face-to-face days, means that it is eligible for up to 50% credit with 16 universities around Australia for a Master of Educational Leadership and, in the case of WSU, an Educational MBA specifically designed for graduates of this program. Participants will also have the opportunity for school visits, shadowing an experienced school Principal and a corporate leader.



How does the program work?



Theory to Practice

- A future focused strategic initiative
- A range of real world written tasks in response to academic readings



A Cohort Structure

- Rigorous application process
- Full commitment required
- A window into the tensions and pressures of principalship

Learning and Support from Experts in the Field

- School Principal shadowing
- Corporate shadowing
- Academic experts
- Practitioners in specialist fields

The Inner Journey of Leadership

- 360 degree Leadership Circle profile
- A Professional Companion

Academic Rigour

- Ongoing reflection and journalling
- Poster presentation
- 4 x 2,000 word reflective essays
- 5,000 word final paper
- University credit



Multiple Learning Contexts

- 10 face to face days
- Online meetings
- School visits



Schedule

Term 4 2023	Monday 4 – Tuesday 5 December	★ Program Days 1 and 2 AISNSW Conference Centre
Term 1 2024	Wednesday 7 February – 10am – 11am	● Online Meeting 1
	Tuesday 5 March – 9am – 10:30am	● Online Meeting 2
	One day to be completed by 10 May	● Principal Shadowing
		👤 Professional Companionship
Non-Term Time	Monday 22 – Wednesday 24 April	★ Program Days 3, 4 and 5 AISNSW Conference Centre
Term 2 2024		👤 Professional Companionship
	Monday 13 May – 11am – 12pm	● Online Meeting 3
	One day during Term 2	● School Visit Day 1
		👤 Professional Companionship
Non-Term Time	Monday 1 – Wednesday 3 July	★ Program Days 6, 7 and 8 Residential at Manly
Term 3 2024		👤 Professional Companionship
	Thursday 25 July – 10am – 11am	● Online Meeting 4
	Tuesday 13 August – 9am – 10:30am	● Online Meeting 5
	One day during Term 3	● School Visit Day 2
		👤 Professional Companionship
	Thursday 29 August – Friday 30 August	★ Program Days 9 and 10 AISNSW Conference Centre
Term 4 2024		👤 Professional Companionship
	Monday 14 October	📄 Completion of Final Paper



“Being supported by a Professional Companion, together we were able to recognise ways that I could become a more centred and confident leader, in all my interactions.”

Amy Van Arkkels,
Deputy, Teaching and Learning K-12,
Newington College



“I developed a deep understanding of the need for inside out leadership in educational contexts, grounded in service, humility and self-awareness, and how this should be lived through action and relationships.”

Adam Lewis,
Principal,
Boston College High School,
USA

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What are *principals* saying?



"The National Flagship Program combines deep scholarship and research with outstanding practical experiences of reflective leadership in real settings."

Phillip Heath AM,
Head of Barker College



"Flagship ensures that non-urban schools have current and future leaders who explode the myth that you can only get a world class education by moving to the city."

Terry Muldoon,
Principal, St Columba Anglican School,
Port Macquarie

"The National Flagship Program is centred on our philosophy that leadership is an outer journey of knowledge and skill acquisition and also an inner journey of growing self-awareness and understanding, with commitment to moral purpose and values."

We invite you to embark on this learning journey now, to continue your growth as a leader, and in doing so, inspire leadership in others."

Jenni-Lee Williams,
Dean, AIS Leadership Centre

Cost

Participants from: AISNSW Member Schools
(from all states/territories): \$11,500 inc. GST

Any other school/organisation, please contact [Jenni-Lee Williams](#).

How to apply

The National Flagship Program is open to experienced senior leaders from across and beyond Australia, and from all education sectors.

Places are limited and competition for these places is keen, so potential participants are encouraged to apply early. Applicants need the endorsement of their Principal.

For more information and [The National Flagship Program application form](#).

Applications close Monday, 30 October 2023.

Location

AISNSW Conference Centre,
Level 12, 99 York Street, Sydney,
NSW 2000 and residential at
Manly for the July days.

Standard Descriptors

The National Flagship Program addresses both the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers and the Australian Professional Standard for Principals and contributes 65 hours of **elective professional development** addressing 6.3.4, 6.4.4 and 7.4.4 from the APST.

Scholarships

There are numerous scholarships available thanks to the generosity of sponsors for which the AIS Leadership Centre is grateful. Eligible candidates in schools from all sectors across Australia and beyond are encouraged to apply.



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