

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP, ED.D.

The Doctorate in Educational Leadership (Ed.D.) is designed to provide rising school, state, and organizational leaders with the knowledge, skills and dispositions to develop, implement, and lead educational programming in a variety of settings. The program has two focal areas, poverty and technology, which are embedded throughout the program. Superintendent Letter of Eligibility (LOE) courses are designed to provide those with principal certification the opportunity to pursue superintendent coursework. Coursework is delivered in a variety of modalities including face-to-face, hybrid, online and integration of other cyber applications.

Admission Requirements

- Graduate application and application fee.
- Transcripts from all previous colleges and universities, including any additional certification program(s).
- Master's degree in education or a related field is required.
- Certifications.
- Current resume or curriculum vitae.
- 500 word goal statement addressing the applicant's goals and objectives for doctoral study in educational leadership and how this program will assist them in achieving those outcomes.

Ed.D. Program Examinations

Candidacy Exam

The purpose of the candidacy examination is for the doctoral student to demonstrate their growth during the first segment of the program which suggests that they are ready to pursue dissertation writing and research. The exam will take place in two parts. The first part is written and allows the student to examine and write about research-based articles as well as their own research interests. The second part is their oral defense of their writing. When doctoral students pass the candidacy exam, they are then referred to as doctoral candidates.

Dissertation Prospectus defense

The purpose of the prospectus defense is for students to demonstrate their writing and ability to present and converse in the introduction, literature review and methodology to be employed in their dissertation.

Students will participate in this defense with their faculty dissertation committee members.

DISSERTATION defense

The purpose of the dissertation defense is for doctoral candidates to demonstrate their writing and ability to present and converse about their entire dissertation project. It takes place after the entire dissertation research and writing are complete. Doctoral candidates will participate in this defense with their faculty dissertation committee members and may open their defense for public attendance.

Major in Educational Leadership - EDD

Code	Title	Hours
COURSEWORK		
ELPP 832	Intro to Executive Leadership	3
	Introduction to Research in Ed Leadership	3

ELPP 820	Intro to Research in Ed Leadsr	
	Emergent Technologies and Instructional Practices	3
ELPP 828	Emernt Tech & Instruc Practice	
	Qualitative Research in Ed Leadership	3
ELPP 808	Qual Methods in Ed Ldshp	
	Political/Social Context for Educational Leadership	3
ELPP 829	Pol/Soc Cont for Ed Leadership	
	Quantitative Research in Ed Leadership	3
ELPP 830	Quan Research Mthd in Ed Ldrsh	
	Communication Theory for School District Administrators	3
ELPP 822	Comm Theory for District Admin	
ELPP 831	Educational Statistics	3
	Strtgc Ldrshp in Dstrct Governance Community Relations	4
ELPP 821	Strat Lead in Dist Gov & Comm	
	Ethical and Legal Decision Making at the District Level	4
ELPP 824	Eth & Leg Dec-mak at Dist Lvl	
	Instructional Technology Leadership at the Executive Lvl	4
ELPP 827	Inst & Tech Ldrshp at Exec Lvl	
	Optimizing Financial Res to Supprt District Lvl Achievment	4
ELPP 826	Opt Fin Res Supp Dist Lvl Achv	
	Impact of Facilit/Plnt Mgmt Decisions on Schl Effectvness	4
ELPP 825	Impct Fac & Plnt Mgmt Schl Eff	
	Negotiations and Personnel Strategic Decision Making	4
ELPP 823	Negotn & Persnl Strat Dec Makn	
Candidacy Exam		
A candidacy exam is required to progress in the Educational Leadership program, year two.		
RESEARCH SEMINARS		
	Research in Educational Leadership Part 1	3
ELPP 890	Research in Edu Ldshp Part 1	
	Research in Educational Leadership Part 2	3
ELPP 891	Research in Edu Ldshp Part 2	
DISSERTATION COURSES		
	Dissertation I - Educational Leadership	3
ELPP 898	Dissertation I - EL	
	Dissertation II - Educational Leadership	3
ELPP 899	Dissertation II - EL	
Comprehensive Exam		
A comprehensive exam is required to complete the EDD in Educational Leadership.		
Total Hours		60