

EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION, DOCTOR OF EDUCATION (ED.D.)

Graduate study in Educational Administration and Supervision is designed to prepare candidates for careers in senior level educational administration. Graduate study in Educational Administration and Supervision leads to the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree in Educational Administration and Supervision.

Admission Requirements

Persons seeking admission to the program in educational administration and supervision should meet the following criteria:

- A master's degree in education or in a related field from an accredited institution of higher education;
- A minimum of three (3) years of documented leadership experience;
- Demonstrate educational leadership potential and skills including successful leadership experience in diverse settings;
- Demonstrate ability to conceptualize the use of technology for learning in educational settings;
- Have a grade point average of at least 3.0 in all graduate work previously attempted;
- Have three (3) letters of reference from individuals familiar with the applicant's potential for advanced professional studies; one letter must be from an employer and one letter must be from a professor who has known the applicant as a student;
- Submission of official transcripts of all previous undergraduate and graduate credits;
- Submission of scores on the Graduate Record Examination according to University policy.
- International students must submit TOEFL scores meeting University guideline prior to consideration of application.

Application Procedures

The processing procedures for application will be as follows:

- Applications for admission to the doctoral program will be considered when all required materials have been submitted by the applicant. Applications should be submitted on or before March 31st, of each year;
- The Recruitment and Admissions Committee for the Department of Doctoral Studies will review all applications and interview top candidates for admission;
- Applicants' acceptance into the program will be recommended by the Chair of the Department of Doctoral Studies to the College of Education Dean. The Dean of the College of Education will forward the recommendations of the top candidates who satisfy all the requirements to the Dean of the College of Graduate Studies;
- The Dean of the Graduate Studies, Research, and Outreach will notify the candidates of their admission or denial to the doctoral program.

Summary Requirements

The program requires a minimum of three years for completion, including two years of formal study and a minimum of one year for completion of the dissertation. For the purpose of the Ed.D, the residency requirement will be satisfied by the successful completion of two consecutive semesters of academic coursework.

Requirements and Transition Points

PHASE I: ADMISSION

1. Submitted completed and signed application form
2. Master's degree from a regionally accredited institution
3. 3 years of administrative experience in a certified position in a public or private school or equivalent leadership experience
4. A minimum of three (3) years of documented leadership experience
5. Minimum 3.0 GPA in all graduate work
6. 3 reference letters (1 from an employer, 1 from a professor)
7. Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate credits
8. Competitive GRE scores according to the University policy.
9. Writing Sample

PHASE II: MIDPOINT – ADVANCE TO CANDIDACY

1. Maintain a minimum 3.3 GPA in all content and course work
2. Complete the Program Progress Examination
3. Complete 12 hrs. in Areas of Academic Concentration

PHASE III: CANDIDACY

1. Complete 54 credit hours (including 6 credit hours of internship)
2. Submit an application for Comprehensive Examination
3. Earn a passing grade on the Comprehensive Exam
4. Submit an application for candidacy

PHASE IV: PROGRAM COMPLETION

1. Successfully complete oral dissertation proposal defense
2. Successfully complete oral dissertation defense
3. Earn a passing grade for 6 credit hours for the dissertation

PHASE V: GRADUATE FOLLOW-UP

1. Graduate follow-up survey
2. Employee follow-up survey

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

March 31st for fall admission

To initiate and maintain a rigorous doctoral program in Educational Administration and Supervision, a minimum of sixty (60) semester hours beyond an acceptable master's degree program is proposed.

The program components will be arrayed as follows:

1. 24 semester hours in the knowledge core;
2. 12 semester hours in research and methodology;
3. 12 semester hours in an area of academic concentration;
4. 6 semester hours in a year-long leadership internship; and
5. 6 semester hours of dissertation.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core (24 Semester Hours)		
EDAS 700	Hist/Philo Foundations of Educ	3
EDAS 701	Multicultural Education	3
EDAS 703	Planning & Management Finance	3
EDAS 704	Human Resources Management	3
EDAS 705	School Law & Policy Studies	3
EDAS 706	School, Comm, Public Rela Ed	3
EDAS 707	Adm & Instructional Leadership	3
EDAS 739	Dissertation Seminar	3
Research (12 Semester Hours)		
EDAS 720	Educational Statistics	3
EDAS 721	Research Design & Eval Methodo	3
EDAS 722	Qualitative Research	3
EDAS 723	Quantitative Research	3
Areas of Academic Concentration (AAC) ¹		
Select one from the following:		12
Administration and Supervision		
Applied Research		
Elementary Education		
Higher Education Leadership		
Special Education		
Others as approved by advisor		
Leadership Internship (6 Semester Hours)		
EDAS 730	Leadership Internship	6
Dissertation (6 Semester Hours)		
EDAS 740	Dissertation Educ Admin/Superv ²	6
Total Credit Hours		60

¹ The purpose of this requirement is to provide opportunities for the students to develop their knowledge and skills in areas related to Educational Leadership. Typically, students will enroll in 12 hours of coursework in one area. With the permission of the Doctoral committee, variations (e.g., 9 credits in one area; 3 credits in another) may be approved. In no case will fewer than six hours in each of two areas be approved.

Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of all other requirements for degree completion, and the permission of the program coordinator (6 hours).

² Students will earn only 6 credit hours for EDAS 740. However, students will take EDAS 740 as many times as necessary until the dissertation is completed.

Additional Academic Enrichment: International, national, regional & local conferences and workshops.

Note: Additional semester hours may be necessary for candidates whose background and experience need enrichment prior to being formally admitted into the doctoral program.