

Educational Administration (Doctor of Philosophy)

Administrative Unit:	Department of Educational Leadership, Counseling and Foundations
College/School:	College of Liberal Arts, Education and Human Development
Concentrations:	K-12 School Leadership, Higher Education Administration
Options:	N/A

Overview

The Educational Administration Ph.D. program is intended for those who plan an inquiry into the issues of educational leadership through a theoretical framework. The Ph.D. studies in educational administration emphasize research methodology, both quantitative and qualitative. The program curriculum focuses on understanding and leading education as a PK-16+ integrated system. Study for the Ph.D. is suited for those planning careers in school and university administration, university teaching, research departments of large school systems or state agencies, or any education-related leadership profession.

Program Objectives

Ph.D. Educational Administration graduates will:

- Produce a dissertation research project of publishable quality.
- Demonstrate specialized knowledge of the scholarship in a specialty area of educational administration.
- Analyze and evaluate a current issue of practice in the field of educational administration.

Program Admission

In addition to meeting the [minimum standards for admission to the Graduate School](#), applicants to the program must submit satisfactory scores on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). In addition, applicants must submit a statement of purpose, a current resume and have 3 letters of recommendation submitted.

Program Requirements

All Ph.D. Educational Administration students will complete 93 graduate credit hours. In order to progress through the degree, students will be required to be enrolled each fall and spring until they complete the degree. During the second semester, students will complete a Qualifying Examination that assesses students' critical thinking and scholarly writing. A General Examination will occur after students have satisfied coursework and after the dissertation prospectus has been

approved. Finally, they will produce and defend a dissertation.

Course Requirements	
Minimum Credit Hours:	93 hours
Maximum Transfer Credits: (See Graduate School policy on Transfer of Credit)	Coursework earned with grades of B or better towards a prior Master's degree may be applied towards the doctoral curriculum if approved by the program.
Minimum Credits at 6000-level	47 hours
Core Requirements:	21 hours in educational research methods are required.
Time Limit	See Graduate School policy on time limits for degrees .