EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (EDLD)

EDLD 7088. Spec Topics in Ed Leadership. 1-3 Hours.
This course offers students studying educational leadership the opportunities for structured coursework on emergent issues or other topics for which courses do not exist in the current catalog.
Prerequisite: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7089. Independent Study Educational Leadership. 1-3 Hours.
Variable Credit (1 to 3).

EDLD 7111. Doctoral Studies in Ed Ldrship. 1 Hour.
Students explore research in educational leadership, topics of interest to doctoral students in educational leadership, and research tools related to the doctoral program. Will be repeated with a different topic for a total of three credits.

EDLD 7331. Leadership Theory/Application. 3 Hours.
Students examine the many leadership theories, models, and processes with emphasis on the results of the applications of various theories, models, and processes to educational leadership. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research.
Prerequisite: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7332. Instr Theory/Applications. 3 Hours.
Students engage in a systematic study of existing research on key factors influencing instructional effectiveness and on models for school restructuring. The relationship of instruction and school effectiveness is explored in depth. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research.
Prerequisite: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7333. Societal Factors Affecting Ed. 3 Hours.
Graduate students examine the political, economic, and cultural factors affecting public school education and instructional leadership today. This course is designed to provide instructional leaders with insight and background into the life styles, values, and aspirations of various cultural groups as related to the leadership process.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7334. Issues in Contempory Education. 3 Hours.
Students complete an analysis of the research literature and field-based data relative to current issues facing instructional leaders in contemporary schools. Assessment of enrollment trends, curriculum changes, personal problems, and financial patterns are issues that are addressed. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7335. Conflict Abr For Contemp Edu. 3 Hours.
Students examine conflict management processes and skills with emphasis on interaction patterns, interpersonal relationships, and communication skills.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7336. Education Leadership Internship. 3 Hours.
Students participate and are evaluated in an intensive study and field experience relating to positions in educational leadership. This course is designed to provide students insight into problems in the leadership process in an operational setting distinct from prior or concurrent work experience.
Prerequisite: Completion of 12 hours of leadership area core.

EDLD 7337. Academic Writing & Research. 3 Hours.
Students develop the skills and strategies for academic literacy, including critical reading and clear writing. Students utilize scientific writing styles and complete a written review of research literature.

EDLD 7338. Organizational Behav & Thry in Edu. 3 Hours.
This study of organizational theory and behavior is an integration and application of behavioral science knowledge and is built upon contributions from a number of behavioral disciplines. The prominent areas are psychology, sociology, social psychology, anthropology, and political science. Contributions of the psychologists have been mainly at the individual or micro level, while the latter disciplines have contributed to our understanding of macro concepts, group processes and organization. All leaders who work in organizations will find this course helpful in understanding and guiding the behavior of others in the work place.

EDLD 7361. Program Evaluation in Educ. 3 Hours.
Students study educational problem solving and accountability and their relationship to needs assessment techniques, evaluation methodologies, and decision-making processes.
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and EDLD 7372.

EDLD 7362. Methods Of Educ Research. 3 Hours.
Students explore various research paradigms and strategies for educational research. Concepts explored include developing problem statements, research questions, sampling, and methods of data collection. Students will analyze ethical issues in research situations.
EDLD 7363. Proposal Development. 3 Hours.
Students apply fundamental concepts and tools of research to educational problems. Each student prepares a proposal for the dissertation. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research.  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and EDLD 7361.

EDLD 7365. Applied Stats I for Ed Leaders. 3 Hours.
This course is designed to familiarize doctoral students with the logic and dynamics of the research process in education and provide students with the opportunity to develop skills in posing research questions, designing studies, collecting and examining data, and interpreting and reporting research results in educational leadership.  
Prerequisite: EDLD 7362.

EDLD 7368. Applied Stats II for Ed Leaders. 3 Hours.
Doctoral students compute and interpret multivariate statistics to analyze quantitative data used in educational settings. A strong focus is placed on the use of statistical software to analyze data and written presentation results. The curricula for this course include knowledge of the literature of the discipline and ongoing student engagement in research related to professional practice.  
Prerequisite: EDLD 7365.

EDLD 7370. Education Policy and Ethics. 3 Hours.
Students are provided opportunities to study how educational policy is developed through micro and macro political elements, to examine ethical and value issues confronting educational leaders, and to demonstrate how individual values drive ethical behavior and ethical decisions. This course requires knowledge of the literature and ongoing student engagement in research.  
Prerequisite: Admission to Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership.

EDLD 7371. Cntmp Iss in Hig Ed Ldsh & Adm. 3 Hours.
Students develop leadership skills in higher education through the integration of knowledge, skills, and practice in finding effective solutions for student success strategies, cultural proficiencies, and enrollment management initiatives. Through research, collaboration, and independent inquiry, students address academic advisement, developmental education, and other higher education initiatives in preparation for higher education leadership.

EDLD 7372. Qualitative Methodology. 3 Hours.
This course emphasizes knowledge and skills needed for qualitative inquiry within an educational context. Emphasis is on theoretical foundations of qualitative inquiry along with practical application of methods through field-based activities.  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and EDLD 7362.

EDLD 7379. Leadership in Academic Advising. 3 Hours.
Candidates examine the best practices, key concepts, and exploration of delivery systems for academic advising through collaboration, research and independent inquiry, applying essential concepts of academic advising as a component of student success and retention. Factors to be considered in establishing an advising program include organization and administration of an effective advisement model for diverse populations and the training, development, and assessment of advisors and advising programs.

EDLD 7380. Mixed Methods Research. 3 Hours.
Students gain the knowledge and skills to answer complex educational research questions using a mixed methods research approach. By utilizing a variety of quantitative and qualitative approaches at various stages of the research process, students develop an ability to apply methods of inquiry to problems in education.
Prerequisite: EDLD 7365 and 7372.

EDLD 7387. Doctrl Field Study-Edu Ldrshp. 3 Hours.
The doctoral student is provided an opportunity to engage in a detailed and in-depth field study of a program or problem in educational leadership. The student works under the supervision of a doctoral faculty member and is expected to produce a written product or presentation.  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership and permission of Supervising Professor.

EDLD 8033. Dissertation. 1-3 Hours.
The completion of an approved dissertation which will contribute to Instructional Leadership. Minimum of 9 hours total required. Field-based projects will be emphasized. May be repeated. Variable Credit (1-3).  
Prerequisite: Admission to the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership; completion of required Leadership Core and Research Component coursework and successful completion of comprehensive exam.