

Licensure Option: Upon completion of this program plan including courses noted below⁶, initial license/experience, and passing the required Virginia assessments, you will be eligible for a Virginia license in this program's area of endorsement. Refer to www.liberty.edu/advisingguide

LEADERSHIP CORE COURSES (12 hours)		Hrs	Semester	Grade
EDUC 701	Theories and Research in Educational Psychology	3	_____	_____
EDUC 703	Theories of Historical and Social Foundations	3	_____	_____
EDUC 740	Leadership Principles and Ethics	3	_____	_____
EDUC 741	Theories of Educational Leadership ^{1 & 3}	3	_____	_____
RESEARCH AND EVALUATION CORE COURSES (12 hours)				
<i>Prerequisite: An educational research course equivalent to EDUC 518</i>				
EDUC 712	Advanced Educational Statistics	3	_____	_____
EDUC 715	Quantitative Methods of Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 717	Qualitative Methods of Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 719	Professional Writing for Publication ^{1 & 5}	3	_____	_____
CONCENTRATION AREA COURSES (24 hours)				
EDUC 742	Educational Leadership and Public Relations	3	_____	_____
EDUC 745	Systems Analysis	3	_____	_____
EDUC 746	Conflict Resolutions	3	_____	_____
EDUC 747	Advanced School Law ¹	3	_____	_____
EDUC 840	Issues and Trends in Educational Leadership	3	_____	_____
EDUC _____	600-800 level elective course	3	_____	_____
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<i>Choose One:</i>		3	_____	_____
EDUC 848	Culture and Educational Leadership (K-12)			
EDUC 849	College and University Administration (Higher Education)			
DISSERTATION (12 hours) ⁷				
EDUC 970	Comprehensive Exam	0	_____	_____
EDUC 989	Dissertation Proposal and Research ²	3	_____	_____
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EDUC 990	Dissertation Defense ⁴	6	_____	_____
TOTAL HOURS		60		

Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 semester hours
 Complete a minimum of 45 semester hours through Liberty*
 3.0 GPA
 No more than two courses with grades of "C" ³
 Degree must be completed within 7 years
 Three courses required in residency ¹
 Passing score on Comprehensive Exam
 Successful defense of Dissertation
 Submit Graduation Application at the beginning of the final semester

*Applicants who have previously completed an Educational Specialist (Ed.S.) or equivalent degree from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education will be considered for advanced standing (up to 24 hours) in the Ed.D. program.

Notes

¹ Course offered in residency (EDUC 741,747,719).
² EDUC 989 must be taken a minimum of two times. Any student who is not ready for enrollment in EDUC 990 after completing the second enrollment in EDUC 989 may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat EDUC 989 until deemed ready for enrollment in EDUC 990.
³ EDUC 741 must be earned with a grade of B or higher.
⁴ EDUC 990 (dissertation defense) must be completed on campus; does not count toward residency requirements.
⁵ EDUC 719 should be one of the final courses in the program; must be taken after completion of EDUC 715 and 717
⁶ 600 level courses are K-12 focus and may require field experience. Additional courses required for licensure: EDUC 641, 648, 672, 699; may take two for 600-800 level electives. Equivalent course from master's is acceptable for EDUC 672.
⁷ Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.