

Licensure Option: Upon completion of this program plan including courses noted below<sup>6</sup>, 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](http://www.liberty.edu/advisingguide)

**LEADERSHIP CORE COURSES (12 hours)**

		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Semester</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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 <sup>1 &amp; 3</sup>	3	_____	_____

**RESEARCH AND EVALUATION CORE COURSES (12 hours)**

*Prerequisite: An educational research course equivalent to EDUC 518*

EDUC 712	Advanced Educational Statistics	3	_____	_____
EDUC 715	Quantitative Methods of Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 817	Qualitative Methods of Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 919	Professional Writing and Research <sup>1 &amp; 5</sup>	3	_____	_____

**CONCENTRATION AREA COURSES (24 hours)**

EDUC 721	Researching Issues and Trends in Exceptionality	3	_____	_____
EDUC 730	Technology Practices for Instructional Improvement <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 746	Conflict Resolutions	3	_____	_____
EDUC 771	Curriculum Theory	3	_____	_____
EDUC 871	Investigations in Curriculum Change	3	_____	_____
EDUC _____	600-800 level elective course <sup>8</sup>	3	_____	_____
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***Choose One:***

EDUC 735	Issues and Trends in Teaching and Learning (K-12)	3	_____	_____
EDUC 758	Teaching the College Student	3	_____	_____

**DISSERTATION (12 hours)**<sup>7</sup>

EDUC 970	Comprehensive Exam	0	_____	_____
EDUC 980	Dissertation Prospectus	3	_____	_____
EDUC 989	Dissertation Proposal and Research <sup>2</sup>	3	_____	_____
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EDUC 990	Dissertation Defense <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____

**TOTAL HOURS: 60**

**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 60 semester hours

A minimum of 45 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include credits from a prior degree earned through Liberty

A maximum of 15 hours of transfer credit, including credit from a degree on the same academic level previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree\*

3.0 GPA

No grades of C or D may be applied to the degree

Degree must be completed within 7 years

Three courses required in residency<sup>1</sup>

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. Students who have earned an Ed.S. degree through Liberty are permitted to apply up to 27 hours (as applicable) from that degree toward the Ed.D.

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup> Courses offered in residency. (EDUC 741, 730, 919)

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> EDUC 741 must be earned with a grade of "B" or higher

<sup>4</sup> EDUC 990 (dissertation defense) must be completed on campus; does not count toward residency requirements.

<sup>5</sup> EDUC 919 should be one of the final courses in the program; must be taken after completion of EDUC 715 and 817.

<sup>6</sup> 600-level courses are K-12 focus and may require field experience. Additional courses required for licensure are listed on the following page and may be taken for 600-800 level elective.

<sup>7</sup> Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.

<sup>8</sup> EDUC 798 (formally 718) may not be used as an elective in the Doctor of Education

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

### First Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 701	3
EDUC 712	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### First Semester (D-Term and/or Intensive)

EDUC 740	3
EDUC 741 <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Second Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 703	3
EDUC 721	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Second Semester (D-Term)

EDUC 746	3
EDUC Elective <sup>2</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Third Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 715	3
EDUC 771	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Third Semester (D-Term and/or Intensive)

EDUC 817	3
EDUC 730 <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Fourth Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 735 or 758	3
EDUC Elective <sup>2</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Fourth Semester (D-Term and/or Intensive)

EDUC 871	3
EDUC 919 <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

### Fifth Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 970	0
EDUC 980	<u>3</u>
Total	3

### Sixth Semester (B-Term or D-Term)

EDUC 989 <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	3

### Seventh Semester (B-Term or D-Term)

EDUC 989 <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	3

### Eighth Semester (B-Term or D-Term)

EDUC 989 <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	3

### Eighth Semester

EDUC 990	<u>3</u>
Total	3

#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Courses offered in residency

<sup>2</sup>Choose a 600-800 elective

<sup>3</sup>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.

## LICENSURE OPTIONS FOR EDD IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Must complete additional courses below and all coursework for EdD except Dissertation courses<sup>2</sup>

#### Initial Licensure additional courses required:

**Elementary:** EDUC 530, 531, 554, 556, 623<sup>1</sup>, 632<sup>1</sup>, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

**Special education:** EDUC 524, 525, 530, 554, 622<sup>1</sup>, 623<sup>1</sup>, student teaching, and VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

**Secondary:** EDUC 535, 539, 556, 623<sup>1</sup>, 673<sup>1</sup> student teaching, content competencies, and VCLA, Praxis II

#### Add-on Licensure additional courses required and FES (Field Experience Summary - 45 hours):

**Early childhood (for 3- and 4-year-olds):** EDUC 501, 653, 670, must have elementary license

**Gifted:** EDUC 526, 620, 621, 627, must have initial license

#### Advanced Licensure additional courses required:

**School counseling:** EDUC 512<sup>1</sup>, 611, 622<sup>1</sup>, 660, 661<sup>1</sup>, 699-A02 and 15 hours of COUN equivalent to M.Ed. courses.

**Reading or Math specialist:** EDUC 622<sup>1</sup>, 641<sup>1</sup>, 650, 652, 699-A03, must have initial license and 3 years experience

**Also for Math:** EDUC 530, Praxis II **or Reading:** EDUC 554, 556, RVE

**School administration:** EDUC 641<sup>1</sup>, 648, 672, 699-A01; equivalent course from master's accepted for EDUC 672

**Additional intensive for school administration:** EDUC 747<sup>1</sup>, must have initial license and 3 years experience

#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Courses offered in residency required for licensure

<sup>2</sup>For doctoral candidates seeking licensure, EDUC 919 can be substituted for EDUC 798 in order to post EDS degree for licensure application.