

## Doctor of Philosophy in Advanced Educational Studies (Ph.D.)

Educational Leadership Cognate

2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

# THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

This is a non-licensure degree. Completion of this degree will not lead to the eligibility of a state educator license in Virginia or a license or certificate in any other state for endorsements in teaching, special education, content specialist, or school building-level administration.

<b>EDUCATION</b>	ELECTIVE COURSES (21 hours) <sup>1</sup>	Hrs	Sem	Grade
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EDUCATIONA	AL LEADERSHIP COGNATE (9 hours) <sup>1</sup>			
	the following courses:			
EDUC 740	Leadership Principles & Ethics	3		
EDUC 740 EDUC 741	Theories of Educational Leadership	3		
EDUC 741 EDUC 742	Educational Leadership & Public Relations	3		
EDUC 742 EDUC 745	Organizational Analysis & Problem Solving	3		
EDUC 743 EDUC 747	Advanced Educational Law	3		
EDUC 748	School District Finance & Organizational Management	3		
EDUC 746	School District Finance & Organizational Management	3		
RESEARCH C	OURSES (9 hours) <sup>1</sup>			
EDUC 812	Advanced Educational Statistics	3		
EDUC 815	Quantitative Methods of Research	3		
<b>EDUC 817</b>	Qualitative Methods of Research	3		
DISSERTATIO	ON COURSES (21 hours) <sup>3</sup>			
EDDR 915	Quantitative Dissertation Topic & Planning			
or EDDR 917	Qualitative Dissertation Topic & Planning	3		
EDDR 980	Quantitative Dissertation Prospectus			
or EDDR 981	Qualitative Dissertation Prospectus	3		
EDDR 987	Dissertation & Research I <sup>4</sup>	5		
EDDR 988	Dissertation & Research II <sup>4</sup>	5		
EDDR 989	Dissertation & Research III <sup>4</sup>	5		
EDDR 990	Dissertation & Research IV	0		
	TOTAL HOURS	60		_

#### **Graduation Requirements**

Complete 60 hours

A minimum of 21 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include from a prior degree earned through Liberty

A maximum of 39 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 lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful defense of dissertation

Degree must be completed within 5 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

#### Offered in Online Format

#### Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

<sup>1</sup>Equivalent courses from a conferred Ed.D. or Ph.D. from a regionally accredited institution, including credit from an Ed.D. or Ph.D. previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree. Only 15 credit hours of Graduate Level (500-600) courses may be transferred, all other courses must be Doctoral Level (700-900).

<sup>2</sup>Choose a 500-800 level EDUC course not already required by the degree.

<sup>3</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>4</sup>Ph.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDDR 987, 988, and 989, one time. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the School of Education.

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

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### SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester (B-Term) EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup> EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup>	Total	3 3 6	First Semester (D-Term)  EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup> EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup>	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
Second Semester (B-Term) EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup> EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup>	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6	Second Semester (D-Term) EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup> Cognate Elective <sup>3</sup>	Total	3 3 6
Third Semester (B-Term) Cognate Elective <sup>3</sup> EDUC 812 <sup>1</sup>	T . 1	3 <u>3</u>	Third Semester (D-Term)  Cognate Elective <sup>3</sup> EDUC 815 <sup>1</sup>		3 <u>3</u> 6
Fourth Semester (B-Term) EDUC 817 <sup>1</sup>	Total	6 <u>3</u> 3	Fourth Semester (D-Term) <sup>4</sup> EDDR 915 or 917	Total	6 3 3
Fifth Semester (B-Term) <sup>4</sup> EDDR 980 or 981	Total		Sixth Semester (A-Term) <sup>4</sup> EDDR 987 <sup>5</sup>	Total	
Seventh Semester (A-Term) <sup>4</sup>	Total	<u>3</u> 3	Eighth Semester (A-Term) <sup>4</sup>	Total	<u>5</u> 5
EDDR 988⁵	Total	<u>5</u> 5	EDDR 989 <sup>5</sup> EDDR 990	Total	5 <u>0</u> 5

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Choose a 500-800 level EDUC course not already required by the degree.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Choose one of the following courses: EDUC 740, 741, 742, 745, 747, or 748.

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