LIBERTY
UNIVERSITY.
THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Education in Higher Education Administration (Ed.D.)
Student Affairs Cognate
2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

This is a non-licensure degree and is not a state approved program. Completion of this degree will not lead to the eligibility of a VA state teaching license or a teaching license or certificate in any other state.

HIGHER EDUCATION CORE COURSES (15 hours)		**Hrs**	**Sem**	**Grade**
EDUC 758	Teaching the College Student	3		
EDUC 759	College & University Administration	3		
EDUC 782	Historical Perspectives of Higher Education	3		
EDUC 783	Economic Impact in Higher Education	3		
EDUC 784	Assessment & Accreditation	3		

STUDENT AFFAIRS COGNATE (12 hours)				
EDUC 785	Current Issues & Trends in Student Affairs	3		
EDUC 786	Leadership & Administration in Student Affairs	3		
EDUC 787	Legal Issues & Policies in Student Affairs	3		
EDUC _____	_____ [1]	3		

RESEARCH & EVALUATION COURSES (12 hours)				
EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research[2]	3		
EDUC 816	Applied Research Methods	3		
EDUC 850	Literature Review for Applied Research	3		
EDUC 880	Applied Research Concepts & Methodology[3,4]	3		

CAPSTONE PROJECT (15 hours)				
EDUC 887	Capstone Project I[5]	5		
EDUC 888	Capstone Project II[5]	5		
EDUC 889	Capstone Project III[5]	5		
EDUC 890	Capstone Project IV[6]	0		
	TOTAL HOURS	**54**		

Graduation Requirements
Complete 54 hours
A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
3.0 GPA
No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
Successful completion of Capstone Project
Degree must be completed within 7 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
[1] Choose a 500-800 level EDUC course not already required by the degree, except EDUC 798
[2] A minimum of 20 Doctoral credit hours must be earned prior to enrollment in EDUC 750
[3] EDUC 880 must be the final course taken before enrolling in Capstone Project courses
[4] Once the student enters the Capstone Project phase (after completion of EDUC 880), he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed
[5] Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDUC 887, 888, 889 only one time. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the School of Education.
[6] Enrollment in EDUC 890 is contingent on School of Education approval
Suggested Course Sequence on second page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester (B-Term)		
EDUC 758		3
EDUC 782		3
	Total	6

First Semester (D-Term)		
EDUC 759		3
EDUC 785		3
	Total	6

Second Semester (B-Term)		
EDUC 783		3
EDUC 786		3
	Total	6

Second Semester (D-Term)		
EDUC 787		3
EDUC Elective[1]		3
	Total	6

Third Semester (B-Term)		
EDUC 750		3
EDUC 784		3
	Total	6

Third Semester (D-Term)		
EDUC 816		3
	Total	3

Fourth Semester (B-Term)		
EDUC 850		3
	Total	3

Fourth Semester (D-Term)		
EDUC 880		3
	Total	3

Fifth Semester (A-Term)		
EDUC 887[2,3]		5
	Total	5

Sixth Semester (A-Term)		
EDUC 888[2,3]		5
	Total	5

Seventh Semester (A-Term)		
EDUC 889[2,3]		5
	Total	5

Eighth Semester (A-Term)		
EDUC 890[2,3]		0
	Total	0

Notes

[1] Choose a 500-800 level EDUC course not already required by the degree. Cannot be fulfilled by EDUC 798.

[2] Once the student enters the Capstone Project phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.

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