

LIBERTY

UNIVERSITY.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership (Ed.D.)

2018-2019 Degree Completion Plan

Upon completion of this program plan including courses noted below, 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

EDUCATION THEORY COURSES (11 hours)

		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
EDUC 700	Introduction and Orientation to Doctoral Studies	2	_____	_____
EDUC 701	Advanced Learning Theory & Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 703	Theories of Historical & Philosophical Foundations	3	_____	_____
EDUC 741	Theories of Educational Leadership ¹	3	_____	_____

RESEARCH & EVALUATION COURSES (12 hours)

EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 919	Professional Writing & Research ^{1, 2}	3	_____	_____
<i>Choose two of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 812	Advanced Educational Statistics	3	_____	_____
EDUC 815	Quantitative Methods of Research ³	3	_____	_____
EDUC 816	Applied Research Methods	3	_____	_____
EDUC 817	Qualitative Methods of Research	3	_____	_____

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CORE (15 hours)

EDUC 742	Educational Leadership & Public Relations	3	_____	_____
EDUC 745	Organizational Analysis & Problem Solving	3	_____	_____
EDUC 746	Conflict Resolution	3	_____	_____
EDUC 840	Issues & Trends in Educational Leadership	3	_____	_____
EDUC 848	Culture & Educational Leadership	3	_____	_____

ELECTIVE COURSES (9 hours)

Choose one of the following courses:

EDUC 740	Leadership Principles and Ethics	3	_____	_____
EDUC 747	Educational Law ¹	3	_____	_____

Choose two of the following courses:

EDUC ____	(EDUC 600-800 level elective course) ⁴	3	_____	_____
EDUC ____	(EDUC 600-800 level elective course) ⁴	3	_____	_____

DISSERTATION (13 hours)⁵

EDUC 760	Dissertation Literature Review	2	_____	_____
EDUC 810	Dissertation Planning	1	_____	_____
EDUC 980	Dissertation Prospectus	3	_____	_____
EDUC 988	Dissertation Proposal & Research ⁶	3	_____	_____
EDUC 989	Dissertation Writing & Research ⁶	3	_____	_____
EDUC 990	Dissertation Defense	1	_____	_____

TOTAL HOURS 60

Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 hours

A minimum of 45 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include 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 lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful defense of dissertation

Degree must be completed within 7 years**

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

*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.

**There is a limit of 5 years for completion of the Ed.D. for students who were granted 18 hours or more of advanced standing credit from a previously completed Ed.S. or equivalent degree

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Intensive Format optional

²EDUC 919 should be one of the final courses in the program; must be taken after completing *two* of the following: EDUC 815, 816, and 817

³EDUC 812 is a prerequisite for EDUC 815

⁴Cannot be fulfilled by EDUC 798

⁵Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

⁶Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDUC 988 a maximum of three times before their dissertation proposal is approved, and a maximum of nine times total. Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDUC 989 a maximum of six times. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the School of Education.

Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

Program Offered in Online Format

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SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

<u>First Semester (B-Term)</u>		<u>First Semester (D-Term/Intensive)</u>	
EDUC 700	2	EDUC 703	3
EDUC 701	<u>3</u>	EDUC 750 ¹	<u>3</u>
Total	5	Total	6
<u>Second Semester (B-Term/Intensive)</u>		<u>Second Semester (D-Term/Intensive)</u>	
EDUC 741 ²	3	EDUC 742	3
EDUC 740 or 747	<u>3</u>	EDUC 746	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
<u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u>		<u>Third Semester (D-Term/Intensive)</u>	
EDUC 745	3	EDUC 810 ¹	1
EDUC 760	2	EDUC 840	3
Total	<u>5</u>	EDUC Elective ^{3,4}	<u>3</u>
		Total	7
<u>Fourth Semester (B-Term/Intensive)</u>		<u>Fourth Semester (D-)</u>	
EDUC 848	3	EDUC Elective ^{3,4}	3
EDUC Research Elective ⁴	<u>3</u>	EDUC Research Elective ⁴	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
<u>Fifth Semester (B-Term/Intensive)</u>		<u>Sixth Semester (B or D-Term)</u>	
EDUC 919 ^{2,5}	3	EDUC 980 ⁵	3
Total	3	Total	3
<u>Seventh Semester (B or D-Term)</u>		<u>Eighth Semester (B or D-Term)</u>	
EDUC 988 ⁶	<u>3</u>	EDUC 989 ⁶	<u>3</u>
Total	3	Total	3
<u>Ninth Semester</u>			
EDUC 990 ⁷	1		
Total	1		

Notes

¹EDUC 750 and 810 are prerequisites for any 800 level research course (EDUC 812, 815⁸, 816, & 817)

²Intensive Format Optional

³Choose a 600-800 elective except EDUC 798 which may not be used as an elective in Ed.D.

⁴600-level courses are K-12 focus and may require field experience

⁵EDUC 919 should be the final course before EDUC 980; must be taken after completing two of the following: EDUC 815, 816, and 817

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⁷Enrollment in EDUC 990 is contingent on School of Education approval to schedule the final defense

⁸EDUC 812 is a prerequisite for EDUC 815

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

LICENSURE OPTIONS

Must complete additional courses below and all coursework for Ed.D. except Dissertation courses²

Initial Licensure additional courses required:

Elementary: EDUC 530, 531, 554, 623¹, 632¹, 656, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

Middle Grades: EDUC 623, 656, 673, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, Praxis II and choose one: EDUC 635, 637, 668 or 669

Special Education: EDUC 524, 525, 530, 554, 622¹, 623¹, student teaching, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

Secondary: EDUC 539, 623¹, 625, 656, 673¹ student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, Praxis II

Add-on Licensure additional courses required and 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: Master's Degree in Counseling; EDUC 600, 622, 33 hours of EDCE courses as listed on M.Ed. in School Counselor DCP

Reading or Math Specialist: EDUC 622¹, 641¹, 650, 652, 699-A03, must have initial license and 3 years experience

Also for **Math:** EDUC 530, Praxis II or **Reading:** EDUC 656, 659, RVE

School Administration: EDUC 641¹, 648, 699-A01, 747¹, 742, must have initial license and 3 years experience

Notes

¹Intensive Format optional

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