# LIBERTY UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

# Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Research (Ph.D.)

2023-2024 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.

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>	
EDUC 701	Advanced Learning Theory & Research	3		
EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research	3		
EDUC 779	Institutional Research	3		
EDUC 780	Evaluation & Measurement Tools	3		
EDUC 812	Advanced Educational Statistics	3		
EDUC 814	Survey of Applied Research Methods	3		
EDUC 815	Quantitative Methods of Research	3		
EDUC 817	Qualitative Methods of Research	3		
EDUC 818	Survey Methods Research	3		
EDUC 819	Mixed Methods Research	3		
EDUC 845	Policy Analysis	3		
EDUC 860	Literature Review for Advanced Research	3		
EDUC 915	Advanced Quantitative Methods of Research			
<u>or</u> EDUC 917	Advanced Qualitative Methods of Research	3		
EDUC 980	Research Concepts & Methodology <sup>1</sup>	3		
ELECTIVES (	<u>3 hours)</u>			
EDUC	2,3	3		
<b>DISSERTATI</b>	ON COURSES (15 hours)			
EDUC 987	Dissertation I <sup>4</sup>	5		
EDUC 988	Dissertation II <sup>4</sup>	5		
EDUC 989	Dissertation III <sup>4</sup>	5		
EDUC 990	Dissertation IV	0		

**TOTAL HOURS** 

**Graduation Requirements** 

Complete 60 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 defense of dissertation

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

<sup>1</sup>Once the student enters the Dissertation phase (after completion of EDUC 980), they must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed <sup>2</sup>Choose any 700-900 EDUC course not already required by the degree.

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<sup>3</sup>EDUC 781 or EDUC 784 are strongly recommended

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

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## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester (B-Term) EDUC 701 EDUC 750	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6	First Semester (D-Term) EDUC 779 EDUC 780	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
Second Semester (B-Term) EDUC 812 EDUC 815	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6	Second Semester (D-Term) EDUC 814 EDUC Elective <sup>1,2</sup>	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
Third Semester (B-Term) EDUC 817 EDUC 845	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6	Third Semester (D-Term) EDUC 818 EDUC 860	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
Fourth Semester (B-Term) EDUC 819 EDUC 915 or 917	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6	Fourth Semester (D-Term) EDUC 980 <sup>3</sup>	Total	<u>3</u> 3
Fifth Semester (A-Term) EDUC 987 <sup>3,4</sup>	Total	<u>5</u> 5	Sixth Semester (A-Term) EDUC 988 <sup>3,4</sup>	Total	<u>5</u> 5
Seventh Semester (A-Term) EDUC 989 <sup>3,4</sup>	Total	<u>5</u> 5	Eighth Semester (A-Term) EDUC 990	Total	<u>0</u> 0

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