

# Ph.D. in Higher Education

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## Description

The Ph.D. in higher education prepares higher education administrators following the practitioner-scholar model. The intent of the doctoral program is to offer advanced course work and experiences that provide the student with greater knowledge of higher education and the leadership aspects associated with such organizations.

## Minimum Total Credit Hours: 72

### Course Requirements

Course requirements for the Ph.D. in higher education include Edrs 501-Educational Statistics I Edrs 605-Educational Research I Edrs 700-Models of Inquiry and Literature Review Edrs 701-Educational Statistics II Edrs 704-Foundations of Qualitative Methodology Edrs 705-Educational Research II Edfd 609-Cultural Context of Education Edld 750-Organizational Improvement Edld 659-Finance of Higher Education Edld 662-College Teaching Edld 664-Law of Higher Education Edld 660-History of Higher Education Edld 665-Contemporary Issues of Higher Education Edld 760-Advanced Educational Policy Analysis

Other requirements are 6 hours in the leadership component, a minimum of 12 hours of higher education electives, and 18 hours of teaching cognate/minor.

### Other Academic Requirements

Students must pass a written comprehensive examination, prepare a dissertation prospectus, and then successfully write and defend their dissertation.

