



TRANSFORMING EDUCATORS INTO 21ST CENTURY SCHOOL LEADERS

Executive PhD in Educational Leadership Old Dominion University

Are you interested in earning a Doctorate in Education with a Concentration in Educational Leadership while working full-time in your current school leadership role? Applications are now being accepted for the Executive Ph.D. Cohort 4 beginning Summer 2018 at Old Dominion University. **Applications are due February 1, 2018.**

The Executive Ph.D. in Educational Leadership Cohort is designed for educational leaders working full-time in PK-12 schools and divisions. PK-12 school leaders take classes as part of a cohort in which students discuss and research educational problems of practice and policy. Course content is designed to help students use research, theory, and their own professional expertise to advance organizational change in their own organizations. The Cohort program builds an intensive professional learning community in an executive-style accelerated doctoral program.

Program Overview:

The Ph.D. in Education with a Concentration in Educational Leadership consists of a minimum of 60 credits. Up to six credits from students' previous graduate degree programs may be transferred

into the program with faculty approval. Course work is targeted to fold in dissertation work throughout each semester, allowing students to complete their doctoral degrees in approximately three years. This program allows students to use their own workplaces, where applicable, for data collection and opportunities for applied study. **Cohort students receive a 25% discount off of the regular student tuition at the university during their cohort membership.**

The Cohort program is offered in a hybrid format that includes both live, web-based courses via video conferencing where students may attend classes from the convenience of their offices or homes and on-campus classes two to three times each semester plus one weekend class during the fall and spring semesters.

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Course Sequence

Year 1

Summer Semester 2018	Fall Semester 2018	Spring Semester 2019
Introduction to Statistics	Policy and Politics in Education	Advanced Research Design
Educational Leadership Seminar in Doctoral Studies	Organizational Theory and Behavior in Education	Advanced Statistics

Year 2

Summer Semester 2019	Fall Semester 2019	Spring Semester 2020
Advanced School Finance	Leadership for Social Justice	Advanced Program Evaluation
Advanced Qualitative Research	Leadership for Teaching and Learning	Leadership Theory for School Improvement

Year 3

Summer Semester 2020	Fall Semester 2020	Spring & Summer Semester 2021
Accountability Systems in Education	Dissertation Seminar	Dissertation Research
Leadership for Equity and Inclusive Education	Optional Elective in Advanced Topic Study	

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Networking opportunities include an annual Graduate Research Colloquium, Professional Learning Workgroups, program sponsored trips to research conferences, Adaptive Schools training, program sponsored professional development training initiatives, annual conferences, and collaborative research and publishing opportunities.

Contact Dr. Karen Sanzo, Graduate Program Director, for more information: ksanzo@odu.edu or 757-683-6698.

Application:

- A resume
- GRE scores (Official scores must be submitted by March 1, 2018)
- Transcripts (unofficial copies for the cohort application are acceptable, official copies are required for all accepted students into the cohort)
- Completed essay questions:
 - Essay 1: The first essay should be approximately 1,500 words (including citations) discussing a current topic in educational leadership. This should be written as a research-based position paper (formerly submitted papers are acceptable).
 - Essay 2: The second essay of approximately 500 words should state the candidate's qualifications, professional and career goals, and reasons for seeking the Ph.D. in Educational Leadership.
 - Essay 3: The third essay of approximately 1000 words should focus on a learning issue facing your organization and discuss the implications for school leaders and/or policy makers.
- Completion of 3 letters of reference
 - 2 references from supervisors
 - 1 additional professional reference of your choosing

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Applicants will be invited to participate in an interview at ODU.

