

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION



GRADUATE STUDIES



Program Description

The Doctor of Education (EdD) program emphasizes the growth of educational professionals as they focus on organizational management and effectiveness issues, and the development, implementation and evaluation of curricula. Graduates will possess the capacity to provide the leadership necessary to meet ever-changing educational and organizational goals. This degree is designed to provide leaders, policy makers and researchers with the knowledge, skills and dispositions needed to design and implement strategies that improve practice and outcomes in educational organizations. The program is designed for working professionals. Candidates typically take two classes each semester, completing coursework in about four years, followed by a dissertation. Additional information is available at <https://www.fgcu.edu/coe/programs/graduateprograms/doctor-education-edd>.

Admissions Requirements

- FGCU graduate application
- Official academic transcripts from every college or university attended
- Official transcript showing receipt of a master's degree in education or related field from a regionally accredited institution w/ GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Three letters of recommendation, submitted on organizational letterhead, from either university faculty or previous supervisors who can write concerning the applicant's ability to succeed in a doctoral program in the following areas: ability to communicate (written & oral), professional abilities, ethics & values, interpersonal skills and work ethic
- Curriculum Vitae listing all previous educational degrees, professional positions, awards, publications and other pertinent information
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE) official scores
- International students must have a satisfactory score on the TOEFL exam (minimum score of 550 paper-based, 213 computer-based, or 79 internet-based) for students from countries where English is not the primary language

Satisfaction of minimum University and program requirements does not guarantee admission to a graduate program. Applicants should check with the program for the most up to date admission requirements prior to commencing the application process.

Application Deadlines

Fall – March 1

Prerequisite Courses

Provide documentation of competence in (a) learning theory and (b) curriculum & instructional theories. This requirement is met through coursework or through a holistic evaluation. Successful completion of the following courses meets the requirement:

- EDG 6627 Foundations of Curriculum & Instruction (3)
- EDF 6215 Learning Principles Applied to Instruction (3)

Graduate Full-Time Student Cost of Attendance

Expenses	Florida Resident	Non Florida Resident
Tuition and Fees	\$6,720	\$23,412
Books and Supplies	\$1,200	\$1,200
Room and Board	\$9,672	\$9,672
Estimated Total Cost	\$17,592	\$34,284

The in-state tuition cost for FGCU is \$373.38 per credit hour. The out-of-state tuition cost for FGCU is \$1,300.66 per credit hour.

Tuition & Fees figures are based on a graduate student taking 9 graduate credit hours per term for 2 terms (Fall & Spring). For more details, visit: fgcu.edu/Graduate/Financing-graduate-studies

Program Details

Credit Hours Required in Major – 81 Credit Hours

Core Courses (21 credits)

- EDA 7066 Organizational Leadership (3)
- EDA 7193 Instructional Leadership (3)
- EDG 7221 Curriculum Theory (3)
- EDG 7325 Multiple Pedagogies (3)
- EDG 7362 Advanced Learning Theory (3)
- EDG 7707 Diversity & Global Stud in Ed (3)
- EDG 7017 Reading & Writing for Research (3)

Contact Information

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Internship (3 credits)

Select one based on concentration:

- EDA 7940 Internship in Leadership (3)
- EDG 7940 Internship in Curr and Instr (3)

Research/Evaluation (15 credits)

- EDA 7205 Applied Prog Eval Edu Ldrshp (3)
- EDF 7416 Quantitative Analysis (3)
- EDF 7475 Qualitative Rsrch Desg & Anls (3)
- EDF 7943 Cur Iss Ed Assess Dec Making (3)
- EDG 7367 Research Methods Seminar (3)

Cognate (9 credits)

Selection of coursework approved by one's advisor in accordance with candidate's area of interest and career goals.

Electives (6 credits)

Courses are selected from Concentration, Research/Evaluation, and/or Cognate areas based on candidate's need and in consultation with his or her advisor.

Dissertation (18 credits maximum)

EDG 7980 Dissertation (max 1-12 per term)

Concentration (9 credits)

Select nine (9) credits in consultation with one's academic advisor from one of the following concentrations:

Curriculum & Instruction Concentration

- EDG 7065 Hist Persp Crit Literacies (3)
- EDG 7286 Curriculum Design Evaluation (3)
- EDG 7635 Curr Persp Exceptionalities (3)

Educational Leadership Concentration

- EDA 7197 Current Issues Educ & Ldshp (3)
- EDA 7235 Seminar in School Law (3)
- EDA 7241 Economics of Education (3)
- EDA 7281 Education Policy Analysis (3)

^Above is a brief preview of the program content at the start of the 2018-2019 academic year. Information regarding program requirements and admissions are specific to a student's catalog year. This information is corrected or adjusted as needed. For more details, please review the University Catalog. <http://www.fgcu.edu/catalog/>

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