# Ph.D. in Educational Leadership

## Higher Education Concentration

### Program of Study (60 Hours)

**Overview**: Prior to starting this Ph.D. program, students must have completed a master’s degree. Their Ph.D. program must include at least 60 credits as noted below:

I. Leadership Core 6 hours  
II. Professional Inquiry, Research and Dissertation Core 30 hours  
III. Higher Education Core & Cognate Option 24 hours  

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(EDLD 6020 or equivalent is a required prerequisite)

- EDLD 6060 Organizational Change for Complex Systems  
- EDLD 6090 Theories of Leadership

### II. Professional Inquiry Research and Dissertation Core (30 credits)

- **A) Professional Inquiry Component (18 credits)**
  - EDLD 6861 Doctoral Studies Seminar I  
  - EDLD 6862 Doctoral Studies Seminar II  
  - EDLD 7300 Dissertation Seminar (3 credits)  
  - EDLD 7300 Doctoral Dissertation (9 credits)

- **B) Research Methods Component (12 credits)**
  (EMR 5400 or equivalent is a required prerequisite)
  - EMR 6450 Data Analytics I  
  - EMR 6650 Data Analytics II  
  - EMR 6480 Qualitative Methods  
  - 2nd Qualitative Methods Course

### III. Higher Education (HE) Core (24 credits total)

- **A) Core HE Required Classes (15 credits)**
  - EDLD 6570: Equity & Diversity in HE  
  - EDLD 6590: Higher Education Law  
  - EDLD 6710: History & Foundations of HE Leadership  
  - EDLD 6872: Governance and Organization in HE  
  - EDLD 6875: Higher Education Finance

- **B) Cognate Options (9 credits from the following, or other professionally HE- focused classes constituting a cohesive cognate approved by advisor)**
  - EDLD 6530: The College Student  
  - EDLD 6650: Adult Learning Principles and Practices  
  - EDLD 6548: Assessment & Accountability in HE and Student Affairs  
  - EDLD 6890: Special Topics in Higher Education  
  - EDLD 6980: Readings in Ed. Leadership  
  - EDLD 7120: Professional Field Experience

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