

***Educational Leadership Ph.D., Higher Education Concentration
Program of Study (90 Hours)***

Overview: Students must complete a minimum of 42 graduate credits at WMU (30 credit hours plus 12 dissertation hours) once admitted to a doctoral program in Educational Leadership at WMU. In total, a minimum of 90 hours of graduate credit (including credits accepted from a master's degree program) must be completed as follows:

I. Leadership Core	9 hours
II. Professional Inquiry, Research & Dissertation Core	36 hours
III. Leadership concentration	24 hours
IV. Specialty Cognate/Electives	<u>21 hours</u>
	90 hours

Specific Program

I. Leadership Core (9 required credits):

EDLD 6020; Ed. Leadership, Systems & change
 EDLD 6060: Advanced Systems Thinking
 EDLD 6090 : Theories of Leadership

II. Professional Inquiry, Research, and Dissertation Core (36 total credits)

A) "Professional Inquiry" Component

EDLD 6861: Doctoral Studies Seminar I
 EDLD 6862: Doctoral Studies Seminar II
 EDLD 7120: Professional Field Experience

B) "Research Methods" Component (Note: a 3-credit "Introduction to Research" (EMR 5400; ED 6001, or equivalent) is a prerequisite):

EMR 6450: Data Analytics I
 EMR 6480: Qualitative Methods
 EMR 6550: Data Analytics II

C) "Dissertation" Component

EDLD 6950: Dissertation Seminar
 EDLD 7300: Doctoral Dissertation (12 credits)

III. Higher Education Core (24 credits total)

A) Required Classes (12 credits as follows)

EDLD 6590: Higher Education Law
 EDLD 6870: Governance and Financing in Universities and Community Colleges
 EDLD 6880: Higher Education & The New Technological Frontier (via an Internet course)
 EDLD 6890: University and Community College Topical Seminar

III. Higher Education Core (cont)

B. Elective Courses (12 credits from following, or equivalent)

EDLD 6530: The College Student
 EDLD 6540: Admin & Assessment College Environ
 EDLD 6560: Equity & Diversity in HE
 EDLD 6630: Personnel Administration
 ES 6330: Human Nature and Diversity
 CECP 6860: Topical Seminars
 EMR 6420: Program Evaluation
 GRAD 7110: Readings in Doctoral Specialization

IV. Special Interest Cognates & Electives (21 credits)

In conjunction with their advisor, students will identify courses to help strengthen their primary area of interest and/or their research knowledge and tools. Many credits for this component may come from the student's masters degree program. Other courses from the masters degree may, as appropriate, be used to fulfill some required or elective courses for the other components.