

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP & ADMINISTRATION (HIGHER EDUCATION) - DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Educational Leadership Doctoral Program (ELDP)

The Doctor of Philosophy is a research-oriented degree. Coursework and internships are directed toward developing research proficiencies in educational leadership. The Ph.D. also requires additional hours of coursework in an approved cognate area.

For More Information

Please do not hesitate to contact the School of TPAL if you have any questions related to ELDP. Feel free to send an e-mail to eldpquestions@nmsu.edu

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Required Courses

Prefix	Title	Credits
ELAD 6110	Organizational Theory	3
ELAD 6120	Elements of Research	3
ELAD 6210	Quantitative Research I	3
ELAD 6220	Qualitative Research I	3
ELAD 6310	Concepts of Leadership in Education	3
ELAD 6320	Foundations of Educational Administration	3
ELAD 6410	Quantitative Research II	3
ELAD 6510	Qualitative Research II	3
ELAD 6525	Higher Education Law	3
ELAD 6610	Scholarly Writing and the Southwest Border	3
ELAD 6620	Evaluation Design in Education	3
ELAD 6635	Higher Education Finance and Funding	3
ELAD 6910	Dissertation Seminar	3
ELAD 6998	Advanced Internship	6
ELAD 7000	Doctoral Dissertation	18
Cognate Coursework ¹		15
Total Credits		78

¹ Example of possible Cognate courses but not limited to the following:

- Child and Family Development
- Communication
- Feminist/Gender Studies
- Latino/a Studies
- Native American Studies
- Program Evaluation/Data Analysis
- Research Methods
- Social Justice/Critical Theory
- Sociocultural Theory

- Critical Race Theory/LatCrit
- Sociology

A Suggested Plan of Study

There are also 15 credits of Cognate coursework that must be completed in order to fulfill the requirements of the Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Administration.

First Year		Credits
Fall		
ELAD 6110	Organizational Theory	3
ELAD 6120	Elements of Research	3
Credits		6
Spring		
ELAD 6210	Quantitative Research I	3
ELAD 6220	Qualitative Research I	3
Possible Cognate Course ¹		3
Credits		9
Summer		
ELAD 6310	Concepts of Leadership in Education	3
ELAD 6320	Foundations of Educational Administration	3
Possible Cognate Course ¹		3
Credits		9
Second Year		
Fall		
ELAD 6410	Quantitative Research II	3
ELAD 6998	Advanced Internship	3
Possible Cognate Course ¹		3
Credits		9
Spring		
ELAD 6510	Qualitative Research II	3
ELAD 6998	Advanced Internship	3
ELAD 6525	Higher Education Law	3
Credits		9
Summer		
ELAD 6610	Scholarly Writing and the Southwest Border	3
ELAD 6620	Evaluation Design in Education	3
ELAD 6635	Higher Education Finance and Funding	3
Credits		9
Third Year		
Fall		
ELAD 6910	Dissertation Seminar	3
Possible Cognate Course(s) ¹		3-6
Credits		6-9
Spring		
ELAD 7000	Doctoral Dissertation	6
Credits		6
Fourth Year		
Fall		
ELAD 7000	Doctoral Dissertation	6
Credits		6

Spring

ELAD 7000	Doctoral Dissertation	6
Credits		6
Total Credits		75-78

¹ All students can complete the 15 credits of cognate courses at their own pace but cannot start cognates until after their first semester in the program and must be complete the requirement before enrolling in ELAD 7000 Doctoral Dissertation. Students will need to coordinate with their advisor appropriately and may need to be prepared for extended time to degree if they hold off on cognates too long.

Note that the cognates listed in the Roadmap are an example of when to successfully add them to your schedule and stay on track for the four year program.