

**Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) – Educational Leadership  
Higher Education Leadership Program of Study – Cohort 8**

Year 1			
Term	Course	Domains	
Fall 1 2025	EDLE 705 Introduction to Educational Research		Advised by Dr. Wilkins
Fall 2 2025	EDLE 725 Becoming a Community-Based Educational Leader	1,5,7	Checkpoint: 10 Pages of Literature Review
Spring 1 2026	EDLE 744 Technology & Organizational Innovation	4	
Spring 2 2026	EDLE 733 Creating Community-Based Policy and Programmatic Change	3,5	
Summer 1 2026	EDLE 746 Budgeting and Finance in Higher Education	7	
Summer 2 2026	EDLE 743 Organization and Management of Colleges and Universities	4,6	
Year 2			
Fall 1 2026	EDLE 742 Legal and Ethical Issues in Higher Education	2,7	Checkpoint: 20 Pages of Literature Review
Fall 2 2026	EDLE 731 Analyzing Race, Class, and Gender Dynamics in American Education	3	
Spring 1 2027	EDLE 707 Survey of Qualitative Research Methods		Chair Selection and Committee Membership
Spring 2 2027	EDLE 706 Survey of Quantitative Research Methods		
Summer 1 2027	EDLE 708 Advanced Research Methods and Design		Checkpoint: Written Chapter 3 Methodology  Topic Selection Form Due
Summer 2 2027	EDLE 780 Inquiry in Pedagogical Leadership (2 <sup>nd</sup> Offering of 1 credit)	1-7	Checkpoint: Choose two domains and align with coursework and reflection
Year 3			
Fall 1 2027	EDLE 724 Policy and Practice in Higher Education	7	
Fall 2 2027	EDLE 800 The Research Proposal		Checkpoint: First three chapters (Introduction, Literature Review, and Methodology)  Committee Forms and CVs Due in October
Fall 2027	EDLE 780 Inquiry in Pedagogical Leadership (2 <sup>nd</sup> Offering of 1 credit)	1-7	Checkpoint: Choose two domains and align with coursework and reflection
Spring 1 2028	EDLE 748 The College Student Experience	3,6	Defend dissertation proposal Spring Semester by taking your first EDLE 899.
Spring 2 2028	EDLE 745 Competitive Context of Higher Education	1, 5,6	

Spring 2028	EDLE 899 Dissertation in Practice Research (1 <sup>st</sup> )		Goal: Research Proposal Defense of first three chapters.
Spring 2028	EDLE 780 Inquiry in Pedagogical Leadership (3 <sup>rd</sup> Offering of 1 credit)	1-7	Checkpoint: Choose final three domains and align with coursework and reflection  Checkpoint: Portfolio Domain Presentation
Summer 1 2028	EDLE 805 Seminar in Community-Based Educational Research		Checkpoint: Focus on Needs in Research
Year 4			
XX	EDLE 899 Dissertation in Practice Research (2 <sup>nd</sup> )		<b>*Must have proposal approved Ongoing research/IRB</b>  Goal: Ongoing research, and data collection
XX	EDLE 899 Dissertation in Practice Research (3 <sup>rd</sup> )		Goal: Finish five chapters with edited APA. Public Defense is scheduled and passed.  Complete DiP defense by March 1 <sup>st</sup> in order to walk in Spring Commencement.

\*EDLE 899s will be scheduled through an agreement with the student and their chair, this is the proposed timeline for dissertation completion.\*\* Pos Created