

# DOCTOR OF EDUCATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION (ED.D.)

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## Purpose

The purpose of the Doctor of Education in Higher Education Administration program is to prepare higher education professionals to be effective leaders in their institutions. The courses in this program are designed to provide students with a deeper understanding of key aspects of higher education administration as well as to address current issues through a biblical worldview. Graduates of the program will be prepared to use applied research skills to effect positive changes in their organizations.

## Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Evaluate elements of the historical and philosophical influences pertaining to governance, administration, and leadership in institutions of higher education.
- Defend a biblical worldview throughout analysis of literature, readings, and research in higher education.
- Integrate theoretical knowledge with practical skills necessary for advanced career positions in higher education.
- Evaluate, interpret, and synthesize research in higher education.
- Construct original research that contributes to solving a problem of practice in the field.

## Program Specific Admission Requirements

In addition to the general admission requirements, specific admission procedures for the Ed.D. are listed below. Submit the following items to the Office of Graduate Admissions prior to registering for any graduate courses. Where noted, forms are available online at: <http://www.liberty.edu/apply>.

1. **Academic Records.** Applicants must submit an official transcript indicating successful completion of a master's degree program from an institution accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Transcripts should be sent directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions from all schools previously attended.
2. Ed.D. applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or above on graduate degree required for entrance to the program.

## Transfer of Credit

All graduate transfer credits are subject to the approval of the School of Education (SOE) Graduate Committee. Such courses must carry a grade of at least a B- and be comparable to Liberty University graduate courses. Transfer credit will only be considered from institutions or schools accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. With approval, up to 27 hours may be transferred into the Ed.D. program. It is the responsibility of each applicant to supply official transcripts along with a written request to have credit applied to the degree program. Transfer credits must have been completed within the previous ten years to be eligible for transfer to the Ed.D.

## Program of Study Delivery Format: Online Only

- Higher Education Administration (Ed.D.) - Assessment & Evaluation
- Higher Education Administration (Ed.D.) - Educational Leadership
- Higher Education Administration (Ed.D.) - Organizational Leadership
- Higher Education Administration (Ed.D.) - Student Affairs

## Career Opportunities

- University Professor
- University Administrator
- Educational Consultant
- Training and Development Specialist
- Assessment Director