



Lamar University

A Member of the Texas State University System

Center for Doctoral Studies in Educational Leadership – Ed.D.



Application for Admission

(Revised June, 2008)

Admission Considerations to Doctoral Program

Step 1: Students will be admitted to the Ed.D. program as a cohort in the fall semester of each academic year. The Doctoral Executive Council will consider all applicants and make recommendations regarding acceptance.

Applicants should meet the following admission considerations:

- 1) Provide **unofficial transcripts for completed master's degree and undergraduate degree** from an accredited university in an area related to the proposed studies. Minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for courses applied toward a master's degree required.
- 2) Submit a **500 Word Essay** - Describe the applicant's background, professional career goals, and reason for pursuing a doctoral degree.
- 3) Have educational leadership experience encompassing a number of settings, including P – 16 schools, health and human service agencies, and community-based organizations.
- 4) Have a minimum formula score established by the Lamar University Graduate Council and the College of Education and Human Development calculated on [GPA (last 60 hours) X 200] + Verbal GRE score + Quantitative GRE score greater than or equal to 1350.
- 5) Provide 3 completed Request for Reference forms attesting to the applicant's professional and academic background. Provide each reference listed on Page 4 of the application with:
 - Request for Reference Form
 - Stamped, envelope addressed to the Director of the Doctoral program
 - Request for Reference forms should be mailed directly to the doctoral studies office by Jan. 31 (early submission), or March 31 (final submission deadline).

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- 6) A rubric that scores the above components is used to select finalists who will be invited to participate in an Interview with doctoral program faculty. Cohort members will be selected from this finalist pool.

Application to Doctoral Program Checklist:

- Completion of Ed.D. Educational Leadership Application
- 500-word essay - attach
- Unofficial undergraduate and master's degree transcripts - attach
- G.R.E. score (copy accepted) - attach
- 3 Request for Reference Forms mailed to Director of Doctoral Program

Application to the College of Graduate Studies

Step 2: After notification of **initial acceptance** by the doctoral program, students must then complete an application to the Lamar University College of Graduate Studies. The College of Graduate Studies application should be mailed directly to that office. Graduate Studies must approve all materials prior to **final acceptance** into the program. No student is allowed to enroll in coursework until notified of acceptance by the College of Graduate Studies.

Mail Graduate application and official transcripts to:

Coordinator of Graduate Admissions
College of Graduate Studies
Lamar University
P.O. Box 10078
Beaumont, TX 77710

See the College of Graduate Studies website for more information: <http://dept.lamar.edu/graduatestudies/>.

Background Information

The Ed.D. in Educational Leadership with concentrations in Effective Schooling, Diversity/Multiculturalism and Higher Education is designed for scholar/practitioners who desire to create positive lasting change for effective schooling (P-16). The Ed.D. prepares educators for advanced professional responsibility, leadership and accountability for effective leadership in diverse school and learning communities.

More specifically, the Ed.D. program will prepare graduates for:

- 1) Advancing professional responsibility, leadership and accountability for continuous improvement in diverse school and learning communities.
- 2) Creating a transforming organizational culture to accomplish lasting reform.
- 3) Inspiring lifelong learning among students and adults.
- 4) Implementing standards-based curriculum and performance-based assessment to raise the bar for higher achievement for all learners.
- 5) Creating caring and learning communities in which educators collaborate, exchange ideas and develop collegial connections to address equity, opportunity and excellence.
- 6) Bringing the world into the classroom through a technology-infused curriculum that prepares all learners to work in a global society.
- 7) Creating and utilizing research-based data to enhance learning communities.

Ed.D. Program Requirements

The Ed.D. requires the completion of a minimum of 60 semester hours: 21 hours core, 15 hours in selected concentration/electives, 12 hours in research, and 12 hours of dissertation.

I. Core Courses

Teaching/Learning Theories and Practice	3 hrs
Professional Ethics and Values	3 hrs
Cultural Influences	3 hrs
Organizational Change	3 hrs
Directed Action Research I: Internship	3 hrs
Dynamics of Leadership	3 hrs
Academic Writing	3 hrs
	21 hrs

II. Cognate/Elective Courses

--- Effective Staff Development in the Learning Community	3 hrs
--- Effective Schools Internship II	3 hrs
--- Educational Politics, Policy, School Law	3 hrs
--- Seminar in Special Topics	3 hrs
--- Adult Learners in the Learning Organization	3 hrs
--- Contemporary Issues	3 hrs
--- Multicultural Education and School Reform	3 hrs
--- Leadership in Higher Education	3 hrs
--- Communication in a Global Society	3 hrs
--- Diversity and Learning Issues	3 hrs
--- Trends and Issues in Multicultural Education	3 hrs
	15 hrs

*Additional course in concentration/statistics may be required by program advisor

*Other courses available as approved

III. Research Core

Applied Research for the Scholar/Practitioner	3 hrs
Quantitative Research Design & Analysis	3 hrs
Qualitative Research Design & Analysis	3 hrs
Research Synthesis/Seminar	3 hrs
	12 hrs

IV. Dissertations I, II, III and IV **12 hrs**

Total 60 hrs

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Ed.D. Educational Leadership

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Deadlines for Receipt of All Application Materials (except Graduate School application):
January 31 (early submission), or March 31 (final submission deadline).

Note: This form is not an application to the Lamar University College of Graduate Studies.

(Timeline: Interviews conducted in February and March)

Date:

Personal Data

Last Name:	First Name:	M.I.:
E-Mail Address:		
Home Address (Street/Box Apt):		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Work Address (Street/Box/Apt):		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	Fax:

Educational History

Are you currently enrolled in a graduate program? []Yes []No If yes, where? _____
Have you previously been enrolled at Lamar? []Yes, [] year last attended; []No
Name under which you were enrolled, if different from above:

Colleges/Universities Attended

Institution	Degree	Major/Minor	Yr Awarded

Teaching and/or Professional Certificates Held

Type of Certificate	Field	State Issued	Year

Experience and Professional Activities

Position	Employer	Dates			
		From		To	
		Month	Year	Month	Year

Honors, Awards, Prizes, or Recognitions

(Please attach any additional information on a separate sheet of paper)

Memberships and Offices Held in Honorary, Collegiate, and Professional Org.
(Please attach additional information on a separate sheet of paper)

Publications or Presentations (Use Standard Bibliographic Format)
(Please attach additional information on a separate sheet of paper)

Essay

Please attach a personal statement, not to exceed five hundred (500) words that discusses:

- Your reasons for pursuing the Ed.D.
- Your career goals
- How the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership would help you meet career goals
- Prior experiences which relate to your interest in, and aptitude for, this program

References

List three professional references from three officials in schools or agencies where you have been employed. Provide these individuals with a copy of the Reference Rating form and an addressed, stamped envelope.

Name	Position	Mailing Address	Phone

Primary Area of Leadership Interest (Check one):

Effective Schooling _____

Diversity/Multiculturalism _____

Higher Education _____

Please indicate a general time when an interview with the Doctoral Faculty Admission Committee could be scheduled.

During workday 8-5 _____

After workday 6-8 _____

**If interested in a full-time Graduate Research/Teaching Assistantship, please contact the director of the doctoral program.

Certification

I certify that the information submitted in this form and all credentials submitted in support of my application are complete and accurate. I understand that inaccurate information may affect my admissibility to Graduate Studies and/or may be grounds for dismissal from the program and/or the University.

Signature of Applicant

Date