



This program is offered in a hybrid format



Earn your doctoral degree in as few as three years

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different credit tracks, one of which allows you to obtain a 092 certification

Doctorate in Educational Leadership (Ed.D.)

Specialize in International Education with an Ed.D. from University of Bridgeport

The landscape of school districts and college campuses across the country is changing. Advancements in technology and digital communication have brought students from all over the world closer together. The Doctor of Education degree at University of Bridgeport is designed to give doctoral candidates the skills and experience they need to become effective leaders, policymakers, and researchers with a focus on education in an increasingly global world.

Prepare for a career in educational leadership

With an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership, you'll gain the skills and experience you need to enhance and improve the effectiveness of public and private educational institutions. Our expert faculty will give you a deeper understanding of the principles of administration, management, organizational psychology, information technology, program evaluation, grant writing, and qualitative and quantitative research methodologies. Graduates of UB's Ed.D. program go on to have meaningful careers as school superintendents, administrators, higher education leaders, faculty members, and academic researchers.

The Doctor of Education program at University of Bridgeport is a hybrid (primarily online) program. You'll complete all your classes online except for two one-week doctoral residencies you will do in person during your first two summers in the program. Your third year in the program is dedicated to writing and defending your dissertation.

The flexibility and support you need

Our program offers complete flexibility — depending on your professional and educational experiences, you can complete your Ed.D. in one of three ways.

- 66-credit option
- 62-credit option
- 42-credit option

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Curriculum

Core courses

EDLD 601	Introduction to Education Leadership	3
EDLD 621	Evaluation of School Effectiveness	3
EDLD 651	Workshop in Curriculum Development	3-6
EDLD 801	Curricula Theory	3-6
EDLD 804	Constitutional Law	3-6
EDLD 805	Grant Writing	3
EDLD 807	Organization Management	3-6
EDLD 808	Program Evaluation	3-5
EDLD 811	Intro to Research	3
EDLD 812	Quantitative Research	3
EDLD 813	Literature Review	3
EDLD 813A	Literature Theory	3
EDLD 814	Qualitative Research	3
EDLD 817	Postsecondary Teaching or Leadership Experience	2-3
EDLD 820	Ethical Issues in International Education	3
EDLD 825	Doctoral Residency (2x)	
EDLD 830	International Education Concept & Theories	3
EDLD 840	Comparative Education	3
EDLD 842	Culture, Society & Education in International Contexts	3
EDLD 845	Comprehensive Exam	3
EDLD 846	Dissertation Proposals	3
EDLD 850	Continuous Dissertation	3

Required courses to add 092 Certification

EDLD 601	Introduction to Education Leadership	3
EDLD 618	Public School Finance	3
EDLD 619	School Law	3
EDLD 621	Evaluation of School Effectiveness	3
EDLD 651A	Workshop in Curriculum Development	3-6
EDLD 652	Supervision/Evaluation of Personnel	3
EDLD 664	Supervision/Services Exceptionalities	3
EDLD 681A	Administrative Leadership	3

University of Bridgeport is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education. The University also is accredited by the Connecticut Office of Higher Education.

Program prerequisites

- 62 and 66-credit options
 - Hold a master's degree from an accredited institution with a cumulative graduate GPA of 3.0 or higher
- 42-credit option
 - Hold a certificate of advanced studies, Education Specialist (Ed.S.) or Sixth Year Degree

Admissions requirements

- Free application at bridgeport.edu/apply
- Official transcripts from last degree earned
 - International transcripts must include an official course-by-course evaluation of all academic work from naces.org.
- Two letters of recommendation
 - Provide one letter from a colleague and one letter from a supervisor that attests to your demonstrated leadership, your potential for further leadership, and your ability to benefit from doctoral study.
- Personal statement
 - In 500 words or more, detail the following:
 - Your reasons for wanting to undertake doctoral studies
 - Your most significant personal and professional accomplishments
 - The extent to which your personal and professional responsibilities will allow you to devote the necessary time and effort to the program
 - A detailed description of your potential research topic
- Writing sample
 - Your writing sample may be your master's thesis, a published or submitted journal article, a scholarly paper, or a document you created for your institution.
- Official TOEFL scores
 - For applicants whose native language is not English
- Résumé