



FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

The Doctor of Education (EdD) degree prepares individuals from diverse disciplines for positions in administration, policy development, college and/or university teaching, and/or research. The curriculum includes broad topics addressing leadership and organizational theories; curriculum; assessment and accountability practices; professional development; policy, political, and planning issues; research-driven decision-making and policy analysis.

Convenient Schedule

Scheduling is flexible for the working professional. The program utilizes both on-campus and online learning. Typically, one class is online, and one meets on campus on alternating Saturdays.

Program Overview

Known throughout the nation as a leader in engaged learning, Florida Southern College is consistently ranked as a top college in the prestigious *U.S. News and World Report*. Students and faculty from diverse disciplines create and contribute to engaging and thought-provoking discourse that inspires and promotes research and scholarship interests. The Doctor of Education provides knowledge, skills, and resources in leadership, pedagogy, and curriculum, empowering graduates to make a consequential impact as leaders in private firms, non-profit, higher education, and governmental organizations.

Accelerated Program and Dissertation Support

The Doctor of Education program is offered in a format that will allow you to complete the coursework in two years leaving the remainder of your dissertation to be completed in subsequent terms.

Small Classes

Highly distinguished faculty are dedicated to supporting students in earning this degree. In addition to dedicated faculty, you will have small classes which will provide one-on-one attention and allow you to learn in small group settings with your cohort.

Academic Advisor

The moment you enroll, you'll be assigned an Academic Advisor to see you through your experience from start to finish. This advisor will help you develop an educational plan that matches your schedule and priorities.

Contact Information

Office of Adult and Graduate Admission

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THE DOCTOR OF EDUCATION AT FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE OFFERS PARTICIPANTS RICH ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY EXPERIENCES WHICH FOSTER DISCOURSE, STUDY, AND RESEARCH WITH EXPERT FACULTY AND DIVERSE PEERS FROM VARIOUS ACADEMIC BACKGROUNDS. THIS APPROACH ENABLES ADULT LEARNERS TO EXPLORE A WIDE RANGE OF IDEAS, CHALLENGES, AND SOLUTIONS WITHIN TEACHING AND LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS. GRADUATES WILL GAIN LIFELONG INSPIRATION, PURPOSE, AND THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED TO GUIDE OTHERS ON A SHARED LEARNING JOURNEY.

– Jill Freedman, EdD, Assistant Professor of Education, School of Education

Program Requirements

Required Courses

48 hours

EDU 7005	Ways of Knowing: Research in Education
EDU 7020	Curriculum, Learning, and Instruction
EDU 7040	Organizational Theory and Behavior
EDU 7050	Educational Politics, Policy, and Current Issues
EDU 7065	Legal Issues in Education
EDU 7070	Curriculum Analysis
EDU 7085	Finance and Budgeting
EDU 7090	Quantitative Analysis
EDU 7093	Advanced Quantitative Research
EDU 7120	Qualitative Methods of Inquiry
EDU 7123	Advanced Applications of Qualitative Research Methods
EDU 7135	Planning and Evaluation in Education

Dissertation

12 hours

EDU 7138	Dissertation Seminar A (2 credit hours)
EDU 7139	Dissertation Seminar B (1 credit hour)
EDU 7140	Dissertation (9 credit hours)

Total

60 hours

Financial Aid

Tuition deferment is available to students receiving employer reimbursement. FSC participates in all major federal aid programs including military funding.

Teachers employed by Polk County Public Schools who host a Florida Southern College education student for internship earn a voucher for one free Florida Southern College School of Education course up to four credits. There is no limit to the number of vouchers you can earn; however, they are nontransferable. Vouchers may be applied to any School of Education course offered and may be used toward the completion of a degree program. Vouchers expire three years after the award date.

Admission Requirements

- Completed online application
- An earned baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education as verified by an official transcript of conferring institution
- An earned graduate degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education as verified by an official transcript of conferring institution
- Earned grade point average of at least a 3.0 on a four-point scale in an accredited master's degree program
- Official Graduate Record Exam (GRE) scores taken within the last five years (exempt if GPA is over 3.0)
- One letter of recommendation
- Résumé or CV of educational and work experience
- Personal statement to include your personal and professional goals and expectations of Florida Southern College's EdD program in helping you reach your goals
- Personal interview

Application materials can be submitted electronically to **evening@flsouthern.edu** or mailed directly to:

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Next Steps

- Talk to your Admission Counselor about what Florida Southern has to offer you
- Attend an information session
- Complete the application online at **www.flsouthern.edu/apply**
- For more information, please call 863.680.4205

