

**HIGHER & POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION
Doctor of Education (EdD)**

**International Executive Doctoral Program in Higher
Education Administration (IEDP)**

Program Guide

The Mary Lou Fulton Institute and Graduate School of Education, Division of Advanced Studies in Educational Policy, Leadership and Curriculum offers an executive doctoral (Ed.D.) degree in direct response to the increased demand for enhanced educational leadership by campus administrators with international and comparative educational emphases. The delivery method and schedule format of this rigorous program recognize the unique needs of campus administrators—working professionals with full-time responsibilities. The products and outcomes—through weeklong intensive sessions in winter and summer, ongoing portfolio assessment, and a culminating project grounded in professional practice and examined through action research methods—also recognize the unique characteristics of adult learners who are working professionals in higher education.

Critical areas of higher education administration in globalization are addressed: evolving concepts in leadership, action research as a leadership tool, the utilization and support of research efforts by others, program evaluation, organizational psychology, and sustainability in program innovation.

An initial cohort of approximately eighteen (18) participants will be admitted to the program after careful screening of applications. The members of this cohort will remain together as colleagues for the duration of the program.

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Program goals

This cohort doctoral program is a direct response to the increased demand for enhanced educational leadership in higher education. The program is structured to allow full-time campus administrators the opportunity to receive the terminal degree in order to assume or continue leadership roles in their respective institutions of higher education, while working full-time on their campuses. Program goals are to develop leaders with knowledge, skills, and deep understandings necessary to lead innovation and change for globalization in higher education in the colleges and universities of the future.

Curricular focus

The program of study will focus on:

1. Action Research as a Leadership Tool
2. Higher Education Executive Leadership for Globalization
3. Executive Administration and Educational Innovation
4. Field Study Proposal Development and Culminating Project

Special features

This innovative program will make use of a variety of learning modalities, including hybrid courses and one to two-week-long winter and summer intensives.

1. Hybrid courses will focus on:
 - a. Evolving concepts in leadership
 - b. Action research as a leadership tool
 - c. Using research and supporting researchers
 - d. Organizational psychology
 - e. Program evaluation
 - f. Globalization and higher education
 - g. Sustainability in program innovation
2. Three winter intensives, which will include an invited lecture by a leader in higher education administration.
3. Three summer intensives, which will include opportunities for participants to interview higher education leaders.
4. Ongoing support in writing academic English.
5. Guided independent research in action research methods and design.
6. Through field study related to the students' professional practice as campus leader, students will synthesize and apply knowledge gained during the first three years of the program.
7. Extensive use of distance learning and other information and communication technologies.
8. Face-to-face sessions to take place in México. (The program may be expanded to other countries later.)

Program costs

For the initial cohort, the estimated cost of the program is based on fees of \$6,500 per student per year, plus tuition. Visit the ASU Student Business Services website for current tuition rates. The cost of the executive doctoral program includes:

- All tuition and fees (Note: The Arizona Board of Regents determines annually any increases in tuition. The tuition amount may increase. Program fees may also increase, depending on increases in expenses that the program fee covers.)
- Support from designated faculty and support staff dedicated to the needs of the cohort members.

Minimum requirements for the Ed.D. Degree

Students completing the doctoral program will meet the minimum requirements for an Ed.D. in the Mary Lou Fulton Institute and Graduate School of Education at Arizona State University, including

- A minimum of eighty-four (84) semester hours taken beyond the Bachelors degree
- A culminating (dissertation) project of twelve (12) semester hours, plus an additional six (6) semester hours of guided independent research.

Admissions requirements

1. **A professional statement (maximum 1,500 words)** that includes
 - a. Your personal and professional reasons and goals for applying to this program;
 - b. What professional strengths you expect to bring to the program; and
 - c. Your past leadership experiences.
 - d. Any additional information that you wish the Admissions Committee to consider.
2. **Three (3) letters of recommendation.** Use the form provided.
3. **Curriculum Vitae or Résumé,** including work and academic experiences.
4. **Master's degree.**
5. **Graduate Record Examination (GRE)** test score report.
6. **Completed Graduate College application.**

Application procedures

To apply for admission to this program is a two-part process involving application to the Graduate College and application to Division of Advanced Studies in Educational Policy, Leadership and Curriculum. Separate application procedures are necessary.

Graduate College Application

Students applying for a graduate degree program at Arizona State University, including Division of Advanced Studies in Educational Policy, Leadership and Curriculum, must apply online for admission to the Graduate College. The link to the Graduate College online application is accessible at <http://www.graduate.asu.edu/admissions>. Look here for a direct link to the application form: <https://sec.was.asu.edu/dgsadmissions/Index.jsp>.

Division of Advanced Studies in Educational Policy, Leadership and Curriculum Application

Applicants must also submit an application to the Division. This application must be submitted electronically. The link to Division application information is accessible at <http://education.asu.edu/execdoc>.

In the event of Internet problems, applicants may email execdoc@asu.edu or contact support staff in the Division of Advanced Studies in Educational Policy, Leadership and Curriculum (480-965-6138) with questions regarding the application procedures described in this packet.

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