

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (DOCTOR OF EDUCATION)

Application Deadlines

Applications for this program are accepted throughout the year in fall, spring, and summer.

Date	Event
June 1	Fall Priority Admission Deadline
August 1	Fall Admission Deadline
September 1	Spring Priority Admission Deadline
November 1	Spring Admission Deadline
February 1	Summer Priority Admission Deadline
April 1	Summer Admission Deadline

Application Materials Required for the EdD in Educational Leadership

Applicants for a Doctor of Education program must submit all of the following documentation to Graduate Admissions to be considered for admission:

Graduate Admissions
Jacksonville State University
700 Pelham Road North
Jacksonville, Alabama 36265-1602

Applicants will not be considered for admission until all required documents are received by Graduate Studies.

- Completed JSU Graduate Application for Admission (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgr-recruiter.jsu.edu%2FApply%2FAccount%2FLogin&data=05%7C01%7Ctgaddy%40jsu.edu%7Cd71fef38c90244fc0b7c08da9743a727%7C32f44c14cd0e4539b7633c860806727a%7C0%7C0%7C637988614065286693%7CUnknown%7CTWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoIMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6IjE6IiwuLjxvcj0mPU%3U%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&data=j6DZIVv7GMYgmqx7IVdJlr3yRfPg1KMsOBxkUxmKZF0%3D&...>)
- Non-refundable \$35.00 application processing fee.
- An earned Master's degree from an institutionally accredited institution.
- Official transcripts from the baccalaureate degree awarding institution and **all** transcripts from institutions where post-baccalaureate work has been completed. To be considered for admission, applications must hold a degree from an institutionally accredited institution or its foreign equivalent. (Students who have previously attended JSU do not need to request a transcript from the university.)
- An updated résumé or CV.
- Writing sample that includes the following: (1) the applicant's rationale for applying for the EdD; (2) a statement regarding career/professional goals; AND (3) an opinion-based writing sample of no more than 1,500 words describing a current and critical social or cultural problem, how it impacts your area of interest in education, and possible solutions.

- International student applicants must see the International Student Applicants (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/graduate/admission/international-student-applicants/>) section of this catalog for other application and enrollment requirements.

Admission Requirements for the EdD with a Major in Educational Leadership

Potential applicants should be aware that admission to the JSU doctoral programs is a competitive process and that submitting an application does not guarantee admission.

Unconditional Admission

- For unconditional admission: GPA 3.25 and higher graduate GPA.

Conditional Admission

- For conditional admission: GPA 3.0 to 3.24 graduate GPA.

Note: Admission to the EdD in Educational Leadership is restricted to one (1) qualified Jacksonville State University employee per cohort.

Minimum Requirements for the EdD in Educational Leadership

An overall 3.25 GPA is required on all coursework attempted for the doctoral degree. Transfer credit cannot be used to raise the GPA to the required 3.25.

Course	Title	Credits
Educational Foundations and Environments (Minimum 18 hours)		
EFD 700	Philosophy of Education	
EFD 702	Historical Foundations of Education	
EFD 704	Leadership Theory and Behavior	
EFD 706	Cultivating Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Education	
EFD 708	Contemporary Issues and Trends in Education	
EFD 707A	Leadership for Creative Problem Solving	
Research and Inquiry (Minimum 18 hours)		
EFD 701	Educational Inquiry	
EFD 703	Data Collection and Management	
EFD 705	Advanced Measurement and Evaluation	
EFD 707	Applied Educational Research	
EFD 709	Conducting Dissertation Research	
EFD 711	Directed Dissertation Proposal	
Dissertation (Minimum 6 hours)		
EFD 712	Directed Dissertation Research	
EFD 714	Directed Dissertation Presentation	
Residencies ¹		
EFD 760	Residency I	
EFD 761	Residency II	
EFD 762	Residency III	
Electives		
Select eighteen hours of electives in Education Foundations. ²		
Total Hours		60

60 Doctoral Semester Hours Required for this Degree

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- ¹ Successful completion of each residency is required for degree completion.
- ² Electives can be completed from one of four areas: General, P-14, Higher Education, or Teaching and Learning. Area designation can be found in the course description. Electives must be offered at the 600 or 700-level to be eligible to apply to the EdD program.

Graduation

All students must apply for graduation (<http://www.jsu.edu/graduate/graduation.html>) by the given deadline of the semester (<http://www.jsu.edu/registrar/academic-calendar/>) in which they plan to graduate. Please see the Graduation and Comprehensive Exam (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/graduate/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-comprehensive-exam/>) section of this catalog for more information.