THE ED.D IN LEADERSHIP

Our Doctor of Education in Leadership degree is designed to provide students with the skills needed to manage, maintain and influence organizations, and to succeed in positions of leadership. Designed for those interested in critically examining leadership in education, our program provides learning experiences that allow students to research real-world problems of education and leadership. Emphasis is placed on problem-solving and translational research, as well as team instruction and team learning.

OUR MISSION FOR EXCELLENCE, INNOVATION AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

As members of a university in an urban area, we have a responsibility to serve the communities around us. This is especially true here at VCU, where so many underserved and disadvantaged are within our reach. Every day, our city, its schools and its students face unique challenges. But where there are obstacles, there are opportunities:

A CHANCE FOR CHANGE.
A CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

The Context In Which We Work

40%
Overall, economically-disadvantaged students now make up 40 percent of Virginia's student population.

34%
Thirty-four percent of children in Virginia live in low-income families.

17%
Nearly seventeen percent of children in Virginia face food insecurity.

12%
Students receiving special education services represent twelve percent of the student population in Virginia.

10%
English language learners now represent ten percent of the student population in Virginia.

3.3%
One in every 30 children in the U.S. have experienced homelessness.

The Coursework

First Year

Summer
EDLP 700: Effective Learning Networks
EDLP 702: Understanding Self As Leader: Theory and Data Analysis
EDLP 703: Understanding Self as Leader: Practice Applications
EDLP 708: Leadership Presence
EDLP 709: Equity and Leadership

Fall
EDLP 704: Frameworks for Decision Making: Legal Perspectives
EDLP 705: Frameworks for Decision Making: Ethical Perspectives

Second Year

Summer
EDLP 715: Principles for Professional Writing
EDLP 716: Principles for Professional Writing II
EDLP 717: Communicating Research Findings
EDLP 711: Evidence Informed Perspectives on Practice
EDLP 712: Planning for Sustainable Change I
EDLP 713: Evidence Informed Perspectives on Practice II
EDLP 714: Planning for Sustainable Change II

Fall
EDLP 710: Equity and Leadership
EDLP 718: Leadership Presence
EDLP 719: Professional Writing

Spring
EDLP 720: Frameworks for Decision Making: Legal Perspectives
EDLP 721: Frameworks for Decision Making: Ethical Perspectives
EDLP 722: Principles for Professional Writing
EDLP 723: Principles for Professional Writing II
EDLP 724: Evidence Informed Perspectives on Practice
EDLP 725: Evidence Informed Perspectives on Practice II
EDLP 726: Planning for Sustainable Change I
EDLP 727: Planning for Sustainable Change II

Third Year

Summer
EDLP 717: Communicating Research Findings
EDLP 790 - Capstone Development
EDLP 791 - Capstone Plan Implementation
EDLP 792 - Capstone Plan Implementation

Fall
EDLP 793 - Capstone Completion
EDLP 794 - Capstone Completion
EDLP 795 - Capstone Completion

Spring
EDLP 796 - Capstone Completion
EDLP 797 - Capstone Completion
EDLP 798 - Capstone Completion