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next big step  
in your career journey.**



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## Doctorate of Education Leadership (Ed.D.)

Fully Online & Flexible Learning

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Industry-Aligned Specializations

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Global Business Curriculum

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Real-World Capstone Project

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Collaborative & Interdisciplinary Approach

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Career-Ready Skills in Leadership, Technology, & Analytics

The Doctorate of Education Leadership (Ed.D.) at Florida Coastal University is a terminal, practice oriented doctoral program designed to develop senior leaders and change agents in education. It blends advanced research methodologies with applied leadership strategies to prepare candidates for the complex challenges of modern educational systems.

Focused on organizational leadership, policy reform, instructional innovation, and evidence based decision making, the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership equips professionals to lead schools, districts, colleges, and education organizations at the highest levels. Graduates are prepared to influence educational policy, implement systemic improvements, and foster academic excellence with confidence and integrity.



### Program Overview

The Doctorate of Education - Leadership (Ed.D.) is a 60 - credit, fully online doctoral program that blends advanced educational expertise with applied leadership strategies. The curriculum is designed to prepare experienced professionals to lead with vision, drive institutional transformation, and generate research driven insights that address complex challenges in education. Key focus areas include organizational leadership, higher education policy, curriculum innovation, data informed decision making, and the ethical dimensions of academic leadership.

Students gain valuable exposure to real world educational and research challenges through case studies, elective tracks, research methodology courses, dissertation writing, and interactive coursework all delivered through a flexible, student centered online platform.

The program includes:

- 30 credit hours of Core Courses
- 18 credit hours of Elective Courses
- 12 credit hours of Dissertation Research

### Why choose this program?

- Focused on advanced educational leadership skills, strategic policy, and organizational transformation
- Combines doctoral level research with practical, field based applications
- Includes leadership residencies, applied research projects, and a dissertation addressing real world educational challenges
- Prepares you for senior roles in academic administration, education policy, and institutional leadership
- Builds analytical, research, and decision making expertise tailored to the education sector



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### Why Florida Coastal University?

- **Approved:** Provisionally by the Commission for Independent Education (CIE), Florida
- **Affordable Tuition:** Designed for ambitious professionals, without financial burden
- **Work-Life-Academia Balance:** Learn at your own pace from anywhere in the world
- **Job-Aligned Curriculum:** Built for practical impact and career transformation
- **Global Network Access:** Connect with peers, alumni, and faculty across industries.

### Career Pathways

Graduates of the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Educational Leadership program are equipped with advanced academic knowledge, research expertise, and executive leadership skills. Career paths for graduates with a Ed.D - Data Science degree can include:

- Superintendent or School District Leader
- University Dean or Provost
- Chief Academic Officer / Academic Director
- Education Policy Advisor or Analyst
- Leadership Development Consultant for Educational Institutions



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### Curriculum Structure

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### Dissertation Experience

The dissertation is the heart of the Ed.D. journey. It empowers students to:

- Identify a pressing issue in higher education
- Conduct original, applied research
- Recommend innovative, evidence based solutions
- Defend their dissertation before a committee of academic leaders

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