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CREDENTIALS TO RESHAPE YOUR WORLD

DOCTOR OF
EDUCATION
IN EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION
ONLINE

Doctor of Education

The Doctor of Education degree in Educational Administration is designed for a *K-12 public school administration* emphasis. The department encourages applications from candidates with *strong* academic achievement and scholarship ability, leadership abilities, and commitment to education.

Purpose of the Doctoral Program

- To educate a person who has developed breadth of vision, a capacity for interpretation, and the ability to carry out critical investigation.
- To help acquire new concepts, promote a zeal for adding to the sum of human knowledge, and develop the ability to conduct original research and to think clearly and independently.
- To develop the professional competencies necessary for applying knowledge in the essential areas of human and public interest.

OUR MISSION

- The Department of Educational Leadership at Texas A&M University-Commerce prepares graduates for teaching, service, and leadership roles in a variety of educational, business, government, and industry contexts.

OUR VISION

- *The Department of Educational Leadership at Texas A&M University-Commerce envisions exemplary programs that challenge highly-qualified students to excel in their respective disciplines and careers through engagement in a rigorous and transformative learning environment linking theory to practice while expanding the knowledge base of the learner, the profession and the respective academic discipline.*

Texas A&M-Commerce

- Texas A&M University-Commerce has the highest graduation rate among Texas public institutions for doctoral programs. The Department of Educational Leadership ranks at the top in Texas in the preparation of K-12 principals and second in the preparation of K-12 superintendents.
- We have designed a 60 credit hour online doctorate providing milestones for success in earning your Ed.D. Writing courses are planned near the beginning of the degree program to provide the earliest assistance for your dissertation.
- Faculty utilize a variety of innovative teaching processes and provide academic support to ensure you reach your goals. Coursework includes administration, governance, organizational behavior, research methods and more.
- COEHS Office of Research is available to provide support for Statistics and Writing.

Acceptance

- Students desiring acceptance into a doctoral program must meet the general requirements for admission to Graduate Studies, have a 3.40 GPA for master's degree work and meet all departmental requirements, such as GRE score, letters of recommendation, administrative experience, etc.
- The department accepts two cohorts of doctoral students each year. Acceptance to the program is competitive.

Application Process

- Admission to the doctoral program in Educational Administration is a three-step process. The process is competitive. In any given year, the department receives more applications from qualified students than can be accepted. Consequently, application materials should be carefully prepared so as to present the student in the most positive light.

Three Steps

- Step 1. First, you must apply to and be accepted by the A&M-Commerce Graduate School. The general requirements for admission to the Graduate School are found in the graduate catalog and on the Graduate School's web site.

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- Step 2. We require that you complete an application to the program. The admissions process includes review of your credentials submitted to the Graduate School through a doctoral committee review in the Department of Educational Leadership.

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- Step 3. An interview and questionnaire may be required for students who **successfully** complete the first two steps of the admissions process. The writing sample will be reviewed for content depth, grammar, syntax, and general writing style.

Cohort Groups

- Students admitted to the doctoral program begin with classes as a cohort group in the semester following admission and are required to progress as a cohort group through a sequence of doctoral-only core courses and research tools courses. The cohort program is designed to provide students with the opportunity to move through the program in a logical and sequential manner with a group of colleagues pursuing similar professional goals.

Superintendent Courses?

- Doctoral students may also take Superintendent Certification Courses in the course of study and earn their certification while completing the doctoral degree.

Time Limitation for Degree

- All degree requirements beyond the master's must be completed within ten calendar years from the date of admission to the doctoral program. No coursework beyond the master's degree that is over ten years old at the time the doctoral degree is conferred can be used toward the doctoral degree. When this occurs the student must replace old coursework with additional courses.

Cost

- About \$350 per Credit Hour
- Around \$25,000 depending upon your coursework
- TAMUC ranks No. 18 among “Online Colleges in Texas That Win on Affordability,” (AffordableCollegesOnline.org)
- TAMUC ranks #1 in the North Texas Area in value
- Financial Aid and Scholarship opportunities are available.

Rewards

- Professional Opportunities
- Job Options
- Potential for Higher Pay
- Accomplishment and Self-Satisfaction

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