

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION, Ed.D.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Ed.D. Program is to prepare empowered professionals who take action in administrative and leadership positions to conduct and evaluate applied research to solve local, regional, and state education issues and problems.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete the program for the Ed.D. in Curriculum and Instruction will be able to demonstrate the following:

Content

- Articulate and apply the content and practices central to the areas of specialization.
- Use inclusive perspectives and pedagogies when developing, delivering, or evaluating training and instruction.
- Effectively use appropriate technologies to support practices central to the areas of specialization.

Critical Thinking

- Develop and analyze educational, organizational, or public policy.
- Design, conduct, and evaluate educational and training programs.
- Develop educational leaders capable of informed decisions about curriculum as well as instructional policy and its implementation.

Integrity/Ethics/Characteristics

- Conduct oneself in a manner that embodies professional ethics and ideals.
- Develop a philosophy of education or training.

Communication

- Anticipate, adapt to, and manage educational and organizational change.

Project Management

- Conduct high-quality research pertinent to local, regional, state, and national needs.
- Conduct and revise training and instructional programs based on outcome assessments.

Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes

The performance of the students seeking the Ed.D. degree in Curriculum and Instruction will have their performance evaluated, beyond course work, in two critical junctures in the program: as part of the written preliminary exam, and at the dissertation defense. Rubrics are under development for both of these events and should be completed by the end of the 2007-08 academic year.

Job Prospects for Graduates with the Ed.D. Degree in Curriculum and Instruction

The Ed.D. Program in Curriculum and Instruction is designed to meet the educational needs of regional, full-time employed professionals from a variety of backgrounds. Our graduates are employed in P-12 education (both teachers and administrators), as community college teachers and administrators, in the military, and as managers of training and development departments. Others work in a variety of community-based organizations in social services and health care. Completing this degree allows them to develop their thinking, experience and professional skills to advance within their chosen discipline and profession.

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