DOCTOR OF EDUCATION IN LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION

Develop The Expertise to Become A Change Agent

The online Doctor of Education in Leadership and Innovation (EdD) at Purdue Global prepares students with diverse professional backgrounds to assume leadership roles in a variety of settings, including educational, nonprofits, government, corporate, and more. With a comprehensive curriculum and faculty support, you'll develop the leadership and research skills to create innovative and transformative learning and work environments in many fields, including postsecondary education, training and development, or roles related to your area of expertise. Your master's degree could help you graduate 1 year earlier, which could allow you to complete the doctoral degree in 2 years and save 33% of the total cost of tuition.[1]

PURDUE GLOBAL™

Why Earn Your Doctorate Online at Purdue Global?

Online Flexibility For Working Adults

Complete your coursework 100% online,[2] while meeting the demands of your current career. The EdD program includes an applied research project, which may be completed at your workplace or in your community.

Tuition And Time Savings

Save up to $12,600 and cut a year from your studies by transferring eligible credits from your master's degree and applying them to your EdD.[3]

Faculty Expertise And Mentoring

Learn from pioneers and leaders in online higher education. Our faculty support you on your educational journey, from start to finish. Prior to starting your program, your master's degree and career goals will be reviewed to ensure alignment with the career outcomes of the EdD. At the end of the program, you'll work with faculty in each of the four applied research project courses. Each faculty will guide you through a specific task within the research process. These tasks include identifying a researchable topic, navigating the Institutional Review Board process, choosing a methodology, and defending your research project.

Comprehensive Online Resources

As an online EdD student, you will have access to an extensive online library to support your research needs. Our Academic Support Centers provide tutoring, writing assistance, and technology support at no additional cost. Academic and Career Advisors are dedicated to helping you successfully navigate the work–school–life balance.

Nationally Ranked And Respected

Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by *The Wall Street Journal/ Times Higher Education*.[4]

GAIN THE CORE SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES TO LEAD AND INNOVATE

The Doctor of Education program prepares you to:

- Use research-based information to improve learning, foster innovation, and become a change agent.
- Advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion within institutions and enhance your vision as a leader.
- Analyze the context and conditions in which educational systems and teams operate.
- Evaluate the impact of policy and practices on educational settings.

Curriculum

This comprehensive curriculum builds your skills in leadership and innovative instruction, with diversity, equity, and inclusion principles integrated throughout. Topics include transformative learning, education policy, advancements in learning, education systems, ethics and accountability, and more. Courses are reviewed and revised regularly by industry experts to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in the field.

Core Courses

- Trends, Patterns, and Ethical Issues That Impact Education
- Transformative Learning Environments
- Creativity, Innovation, and Intrapreneurship in Education
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Educational Contexts
- Learning and Professional Practice
- Educational Systems
- Ethics and Accountability in Leadership
- Research in Responsive Curriculum Design and Development
- Four applied research project courses

Applied Research Project

Your studies will culminate in an applied research project focused on your workplace, community, or area of interest. Faculty in each of the four applied research project courses will guide you through a specific task within the research process. These tasks include identifying a researchable topic, navigating the Institutional Review Board process, choosing a methodology, and defending your research project.

Program Detail

Credit Hours: 90
Program Length: 2–3 years
Course Load: 2 courses per session
Terms: 10 weeks
Start Dates: Throughout the year

Additional Programs

- Master of Science in Education
- Master of Science in Higher Education
- Master of Science in Instructional Design and Technology
- Graduate Certificate in Instructional Design and Technology

Career and Networking Opportunities

Industry Outlook

Employment of occupations related to this area of study, such as **instructional coordinators**, **postsecondary education administrators** and **teachers**, and **training and development specialist**s, is projected to grow as fast or much faster than average through 2031.[5] Employment growth in the higher education field is closely tied to student enrollment at colleges and universities. Other employment opportunities are dependent on a number of factors and vary among industries.

Career Pathways and Outcomes

Roles

- Postsecondary administrator
- Postsecondary teacher
- Curriculum manager in postsecondary or K–12 settings
- Instructional coordinator
- Training and development specialist
- Librarian and media specialist
- Leadership or decision-making role in your area of expertise

Settings

- Colleges and universities
- Corporations and the private sector
- Governmental agencies
- Nonprofit organizations

Center for Career Advancement

Our team of Career Specialists connects you with job and networking opportunities, and offers the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

Purdue Alumni Association

Upon graduation you'll become part of the Purdue Alumni Association, an extensive and prestigious network of professionals representing a variety of fields and interests. You'll be able to make connections and access alumni benefits, including affinity networks, events, group travel, lifelong learning opportunities, and more.

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission
Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly
We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

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