

ED.D. IN ADULT AND HIGHER EDUCATION SPECIALIZING IN COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEADERSHIP



Northern Illinois
University

Our Community College Leadership Ed.D. program is designed to prepare higher education professionals to advance in a variety of administrative positions within the community college environment. This online degree emphasizes applied practice and action-based research, giving mid-career professionals the edge to move ahead.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Designed for community college professionals who are looking for a flexible learning environment and the opportunity to engage in learning opportunities through coursework focused on theory-to-practice and inquiry-based educational practices.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Students may have a master's degree in any field.
- No GRE required.
- Application
- Three Letters of Recommendation
- Resume/CV
- Three years of professional experience in higher education preferred.

COST:

<http://www.niu.edu/bursar/tuition/graduate.shtml>

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Students will receive letters with directions on how to register.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

The UC Community College Leadership Ed.D. cohort program will start each summer that enrollment is met. Students will then take courses summer, fall and spring terms for three years.

DELIVERY MODE:

Our online classes, combined with a one-week on-site course at University Center at Lake County or NIU Naperville each summer, allows students to earn the degree in three years. Each summer,

students will take two hybrid courses that require a one week face-to-face meeting at UC typically held the fourth week of June. The course will meet Monday-Friday from 8:30am–4:30pm with a one hour break. Fall and spring classes will consist of two 8 week consecutive courses each term.

LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:

Online with one-week on-site course at University Center at Lake County or NIU Naperville each summer.

TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Textbooks are available for purchase through NIU Bookstore, however, students can purchase their textbooks through various book vendors.

TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Students will transfer 30 credits of their master's coursework to the doctoral degree. Since this program is a cohort model, students will not be able to take courses as students-at-large or transfer other graduate coursework into the program beyond their master's degree.

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

84 credits total; 54 credits beyond the master's degree

FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Federal financial aid is available for students in this program: <http://www.niu.edu/fa/>. There also may be tuition waiver applications available for fall and spring terms.

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REQUIRED COURSES:

YEAR 1 SUMMER

CAHE 770 The Administration of Higher
Education
CAHE 503 U.S. College Students

YEAR 1 FALL

CAHE 772 Financing of Higher Education
ETR 519 Applied Educational Research

YEAR 1 SPRING

CAHA 555 Seminar in Community Colleges
ETR 521 Educational Statistics I

YEAR 2 SUMMER

CAHA 570 Organization, Personnel
Management, and Academic
Administration
CAHA 740 Pedagogical Innovations & Student
Learning

YEAR 2 FALL

CAHE 704 Strategic Marketing and Enrollment
Management
ETR 790 Community-Base and Participatory
Action Research

YEAR 2 SPRING

CAHE 771 Legal Aspects in Higher Education
ETR 531 Program Evaluation in Education

YEAR 3 SUMMER

CAHA 575 Public Policy Studies in Higher
Education
CAHA 721 Applied Research Design

YEAR 3 FALL

CAHA 799 Dissertation of Practice

YEAR 3 SPRING

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