



**Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Degree
Program Requirements
Effective August 1, 2021**

Higher Education Foundation Core (15 hours)

- HIED 5083 History and Philosophy of Higher Education
- HIED 6423 Trends, Issues and Problems in Higher Education
- HIED 6643 College Students in the United States
- HIED 6653 Legal Aspects of Higher Education
- HIED 6683 Governance and Policy Making in Higher Education

Higher Education Courses (15 hours)

Up to 6 credit hours of master's-level Higher Education courses or self-directed Higher Education courses such as Practicum or Independent Study may be approved by the advisory committee.

- HIED 6013 The Professoriate: Problems and Issues
- HIED 6023 Introduction to the Study of Higher Education
- HIED 6083 Management Skills for Effective Leadership
- HIED 6093 Leading Change
- HIED 6303 Advancement in Higher Education
- HIED 6323 Design and Evaluation of College Teaching
- HIED 6353 The College and University Presidency
- HIED 6483 Strategic Enrollment Management
- HIED 6663 Finance and Fiscal Management
- HIED 699V Seminar

Research Requirements (15 hours)

- HIED 5093 Research in Higher Education and Student Affairs (or an equivalent course approved by the student's advisory committee)
- ESRM 6403 Educational Statistics and Data Processing (or an equivalent course approved by the student's advisory committee)
- HIED 6693 Research Techniques in Higher Education

Advanced research methods courses selected from the following or as approved by the student's advisory committee (6 hours)

- ESRM 6413 Experimental Design in Education

- ESRM 6423 Multiple Regression Techniques for Education
- ESRM 6533 Qualitative Research
- ESRM 6543 Advanced Qualitative Research
- ESRM 6653 Measurement and Evaluation

Graduate Electives

Electives as needed to fulfill total graduate semester hours required. May include graduate hours completed as part of another graduate degree program as approved by the student's advisory committee.

Dissertation (18 hours)

- HIED 700V

Completion of the following doctoral program requirements:

- Minimum of 96 total graduate semester credit hours that includes a minimum of 72 credit hours of post-baccalaureate graduate coursework and at least 18 credit hours of dissertation.
- For students with master's in higher education, a minimum of 42 graduate semester credit hours completed beyond master's at the University of Arkansas, including a minimum of 24 hours of post-master's higher education coursework and at least 18 semester credit hours of dissertation.
- Minimum grade point average of at least 3.25 on all course work presented as part of the degree program. No graduate degree credit will be granted for any course grades below "C."
- Satisfactory completion of all requirements governing the written and oral examinations for the candidacy examination, the dissertation, and the final oral dissertation defense.

Students should also be aware of Graduate School requirements with regard to doctoral degrees (<http://catalog.uark.edu/graduatecatalog/degree requirements/#phdandeddgreestext>).