

Western Carolina University
College of Education & Allied Professions
Department of Human Services
(Ed.D.) Educational Leadership Program
Course Sequence¹
(53 credit hours total)

Semester	Required Ed leadership (19 required)	Required Research/Inquiry (16 required)	Disquisition Independent Study (9 required)	PK-12 Superintendent Licensure Concentration ONLY (9 required)	CC, University, & PK-12 NON-Superintendency Concentration ONLY (9 elective credits required)
Summer 1	EDL 822 Leadership of Complex Educational Organizations 3 credits	EDRS 801 Methods in Improvement Science 3 credits			
	EDL 805 Academic Writing for Research 1 credit				
Fall 1	EDL 876 Leadership for Equity & Social Justice 3 credits	EDRS 802 Design and Analysis of Ed Research 3 credits			
Spring 1	EDL 826 Policy Leadership 3 credits	EDRS 803 Data Collection 3 credits		EDL 883—Intern I 1 credit	2 credit concentration elective
Summer 2	EDL 828 Human Resource Leadership 3 credits	EDRS 895 DRS/Disquisition Proposal Writing 3 credits		EDL 884—Intern II 1 credit	

¹ Subject to change in response to program needs

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Fall 2	EDL 824 Leading Institutional Improvement 3 credits	EDRS 804 Data Analysis 3 credits	EDL 899—Disq Research 1 credit	EDL 885—Intern III 1 credit	2 credit elective
Spring 2	EDL 832 Decision-Making 3 credits	EDRS 805 Interp and Use of Research 1 credit	EDL 899—Disq Research 1 credit	EDL 877 The Superintendency 3 credits	2 credit elective
Summer 3			EDL 899—Disq Research 2 credits	3 credit elective	3 credit elective
Fall 3			EDL 899—Disq Research 3 credits		
Spring 3 (Graduation)			EDL 899—Disq Research 2 credits		