



American College of Education



ONLINE  
**ED.D. & ED.S. PROGRAMS**  
IN LEADERSHIP

# RELEVANT LEADERSHIP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

For those seeking to reach the pinnacle of their careers as leaders, American College of Education offers the online doctoral and specialist programs in leadership.

The College is known for its accessible online delivery of academically rigorous, research-based, relevant content. Our programs impact the quality of leadership in America by helping leaders reach their fullest potential. The primary goal of our programs is to equip professionals with the tools necessary to be confident, creative, collaborative leaders within their communities.

Our students will have the added benefits of a carefully guided research experience facilitated through a capstone portfolio, which includes the doctoral dissertation or project, expert instruction about the use of survey tools and data, seminars with pioneers and innovators in leadership, a nationwide faculty unconstrained by the limits of a brick-and-mortar campus, and access to a robust library of current research, periodicals, and journals in the field.

## ADMISSION INFORMATION

Leaders from all disciplines are welcome, including education, business, nonprofit and community leadership.

Applicants must complete the application form and enrollment agreement, pay the application fee, and provide official documentation of successful completion of at least a master's degree in any discipline with a 3.0 cumulative GPA from a regionally accredited institution. International degrees may also be accepted.

Additional admission requirements include the following:

- Current resume or curriculum vitae
- Goal statement, demonstrating a clear expression of purpose and anticipated personal and professional goals
- Interview with the admissions faculty

See [ace.edu/programs](https://ace.edu/programs) for all admission requirements.



## PAYMENT AND FINANCING OPTIONS

- Payment in Full
- Payment Course-by-Course
- Monthly Payment Plan
- Third-Party Financing

Learn more about payment and financing at [ace.edu/programs](https://ace.edu/programs)

## ED.D. IN LEADERSHIP

64 SEMESTER CREDITS | \$306/CREDIT | APPROX 3 YEARS

The Ed.D. in Leadership is a terminal degree with a dissertation requiring original research. The program can be accomplished by working professionals.

Focus of Study options include:

- Adult and Continuing Education
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Early Childhood Education
- Educational and Community Organizations
- Health and Wellness
- Higher Education
- Instructional Leadership
- International Education
- Online Education
- Second Language Instruction
- STEM Leadership

Leaders who seek to become change agents, from their local communities to the regional, state, and national levels, will benefit most from the American College of Education doctoral program. Completion Pathways available for those holding an Ed.S. or ABD status with another institution.

## ED.S. IN LEADERSHIP

34 SEMESTER CREDITS | \$306/CREDIT | APPROX 1.5-2 YEARS

The Ed.S. in Leadership is a practitioner's degree at the post-master's level for those who seek advanced credentials but not a full doctoral degree with a dissertation requirement. The objective of the degree is to develop skills and competencies that will make the student a more effective leader. The degree does not lead to professional licensure, nor does it include an internship. Coursework from the Ed.S. may apply to the Ed.D. in Leadership.

Students in the Ed.D. & Ed.S. in Leadership programs will:

- Collaborate in diverse communities of learning and build partnerships with states, school districts, or other organizations
- Contribute to solutions for complex problems of practice
- Analyze and promote best practices in leadership
- Demonstrate evidence-based decision-making, integrating principles of equity, ethics, and social justice
- Develop and implement personal and organization-level knowledge and skills including technology
- Demonstrate mastery of content knowledge through the utilization of critical and creative thinking
- Demonstrate competence in the application of multiple research methods
- Contribute to professional knowledge bases through the dissemination of applied research

## DOCTORAL & SPECIALIST LEVEL GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

*Certificate in Advanced Graduate Study*

30 SEMESTER CREDITS | \$306/CREDIT | APPROX 18 MONTHS

The Certificate in Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) is a post-master's certificate of advanced study.

- Students can specialize in Leadership, Teaching and Learning, or Interdisciplinary Educational Studies
- Structured for those seeking to enhance graduate level skills through a student-designed program of study, this certificate offers a range of selected courses tailored to align to personal and professional goals
- The certificate includes nine courses plus a three credit project based capstone course, for a total of 30 semester hours
- Certain credits earned in the CAGS program are transferrable to the Ed.S. or Ed.D. in Leadership at American College of Education



## Learn more about ACE today!

Enrollment counselors are available to answer your questions.  
Call 1-855-290-3843 or visit [ace.edu/programs](http://ace.edu/programs)

American College of Education is located at  
101 West Ohio St., Suite 1200, Indianapolis, IN 46204.  
Phone: 1-855-290-3843.  
Some programs are not available in all states. See [ace.edu/programs](http://ace.edu/programs) for a list of programs.

American College of Education is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission ([www.hlcommission.org](http://www.hlcommission.org)). The College's accreditation includes approval to offer degree programs through distance education via the Internet.

B Corps are a new type of company that uses the power of business to solve social and environmental problems. American College of Education is certified by the non-profit B Lab to meet rigorous standards of social and environmental performance, accountability, and transparency. We've evaluated how our practices impact our employees, our community, the environment, and our students.



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