EDLD - Education Leadership

EDLD 501. Found Adult Education. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. A survey of the field and profession of adult education as part of lifelong learning. Professionalism in adult education is approached through the study of: related adult education; historical and philosophical foundations; providers and programs; issues and trends.

EDLD 507. Fndtns of Educational Ldrsph. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. BA/BS in Education. This is the entry course for the K-12 Educational Leadership program. Topics included are leadership theory and practice; instructional leadership; basic organization theory; working with students, staff, parents, and community; creating a vision and a strategic plan for realizing the vision; and the identification and initial development of leadership skills, including a personal and professional code of ethics.

EDLD 508. Supervision of Instruction. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. BA/BS in Education. This course emphasizes the improvement of teaching and learning through facilitating instructional capacity of teachers in schools. The use of the Danielson Framework for Teaching as it pertains to implementation of Common Core State Standards will be highlighted as will professional development and legal requirements of school and staff accountability.

EDLD 509. Issues/Trends in High Ed. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. An in-depth and contemporary exploration of critical issues, trends, and forces facing and influencing higher education with an emphasis on current issues. The theme is addressing the ways in which institutions respond to these issues.

EDLD 512. Fin Adm in High Ed. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. The study of financial governance across higher education: from macro-systems (national and state governing boards) to micro-systems (university, college, and department). In the course, students assess the impact of various decisions and levels of funding on students and an institution’s financial status.

EDLD 513. Resource & Prog Mgmt. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. The study of program/department management in higher and adult education for both academic and administrative support units. Includes issues that deal with leadership, the management of faculty, support personnel, programs, and budgeting.

EDLD 515. Planned Change. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. A study of the change process as applied to schools. Includes the theory and process of change, research about change, roles and practice, change models and systems, and leadership in school improvement planning and implementation, and evaluation of changed systems.

EDLD 520. Schools & Diverse Communities. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. BA/BS in Education. This course reviews the techniques for connecting the school with all parents in a diverse community. Students will learn various models that promote community involvement in teaching, community use of school facilities, responding to community interests, and using the news media. Developing effective communication with various cultural, ethnic, racial, and special interest groups in the community will be stressed along with issues of social justice.

EDLD 526. Evaluating School Programs. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su & On Demand PREREQUISITE: Graduate Standing and EDLD 534, Data Driven Decision Making. This course will examine evaluation and reporting techniques for school programs. Students will be required to use data to evaluate and report on an existing school program.

EDLD 529. Postsecond Dist Delivered Educ. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) (1 Lec; 3 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. Higher, Continuing, and Adult Education professionals will study the literature, strategies, and practices involved in delivering post-secondary education at a distance.

EDLD 531. Theoretical Fndtns/Coll Sdrns. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course will introduce the theories which have been advanced regarding college students and the professional practice of student affairs. The course will examine the similarities and differences among college student and the impact which different environments and policies may have on student psycho-social development, learning attitudes, values, behaviors, and satisfaction with college.

EDLD 532. School Law. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. A general examination of law and court decisions relative to the administration of K-12 schools. Specific attention is given to Montana school law.

EDLD 533. Law & Policy in High Ed. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. Analysis and interpretation of landmark legislation affecting American higher education since 1960 and the resulting policies that govern the management of universities and colleges. Topics include: separation of church and state, access, collective bargaining, intercollegiate athletics, affirmative action, and relations with state and federal governments.

EDLD 534. Data Driven Decisions. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. The course focuses on instructional leadership actions and behaviors which guide school personnel in sound decision making practices for continuous school improvement. Students will be required to collect, analyze (using statistical methods) and utilize classroom, school and district level data from local contexts as a means of increasing student achievement across all contexts.

EDLD 535. Student Services. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate Standing. Students will examine philosophical, organizational and programmatic aspects of post-secondary student services and the ethical and legal dimensions of student affairs professional practice.

EDLD 538. College Curriculum. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course considers the definition, philosophical and historical roots, disciplinary organization, current issues, designs, administration, and evaluation of the college curriculum.

EDLD 543. Social Justice in Educ. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. Consideration of social equity issues in education to include disabilities, gender, ethnic, social, and economic issues.

EDLD 555. School Finance. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,Su
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course prepares school leaders to identify and analyze sources of fiscal and non-fiscal revenue and resources for schools and school districts, to manage financial and material assets, to develop an efficient budget planning process, and to perform a variety of budget management functions. Course emphasis is on Montana school finance.

EDLD 564. The Comprehensive Portfolio. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Consent of Instructor. Students create a professional portfolio to evidence their vision of learning, the culture of teaching and learning, community/ school relationships, and the social, cultural, ethical, legal, political, and economic context of schooling.

EDLD 565. K-12 Instructional Leadership. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S
SU COREQUISITES: EDLD 507 and EDLD 515 Students will examine issues, challenges, and processes of leading instruction in elementary and secondary schools. The course prepares school leaders for the role of instructional leader at the building level, and the specific leadership behaviors demonstrated to improve student achievement.

EDLD 571. In-Service Education. 1-4 Credits. (1-4 Lec; 1-4 Lab; 6 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing and employment by sponsoring school organization. A carefully supervised group study of an educational problem. The study will culminate in a special report, syllabus, blueprint, course of study or guide book or report to be filed with the local administrator and with the.

EDLD 574. Field Exp in Ed Ldrshp. 1-6 Credits. (3-5 Lec; 6 cr max) F,S,Su
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This is a course that offers the student the opportunity for guided field experience as a principal or superintendent in K-12 schools.

EDLD 575. Prof Paper & Project. 1-4 Credits. (1 Lec; 6 cr max) F,S,Su
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. A research or professional paper or project dealing with a topic in the field. The topic must have been mutually agreed upon by the student and his or her major adviser and graduate committee.

EDLD 588. Professional Development. 1-3 Credits. (1 Lec; 3 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing, teaching experience and/or current employment in a school organization, consent of instructor and Dean of Graduate Studies. Courses offered on a one-time basis to fulfill professional development needs of in service educators. A specific focus is given to each course which is appropriately subtitled.

EDLD 589. Graduate Consultation. 1-3 Credits. (3 Lec; 3 cr max) F,S,Su
PREREQUISITE: Master's standing and approval of the Dean of Graduate Studies. This course may be used only by students who have completed all of their course work (and thesis, if on a thesis plan) but who need additional faculty or staff time or help.
EDLD 590. Master's Thesis. 1-10 Credits. (1 Ind; max unlimited) F,S,Su
PREREQUISITE: Master's standing. This course will address responsible conduct of research.
EDLD 591. Special Topics. 1-4 Credits. (1 Lec; 12 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Upper division courses and others as determined for each offering. Courses not required in any curriculum for which there is a particular one-time need, or given on a trial basis to determine acceptability and demand before requesting a regular course number.
EDLD 592. Independent Study. 1-3 Credits. (1-3 Ind; 6 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing, consent of instructor, approval of the Dean of Graduate Studies. Directed research and study on an individual basis.
EDLD 594. Seminar. 1 Credit. (1 Sem; 4 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing or seniors by petition. Course prerequisites as determined for each offering. Consent of instructor. Topics offered at the graduate level which are not covered in regular courses. Students participate in preparing and presenting discussion material.
EDLD 598. Internship. 2-12 Credits. (2 Ind; 12 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course is an in-depth past-to-present study of the historical and philosophical development of American higher education set against the backgrounds of political, social, economic, cultural, and intellectual landscapes.
EDLD 605. History and Philosophy of American Higher Education. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) Su
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course encourages a deeper understanding of personal beliefs, style, values, and ethics required of school leaders. The development of a shared vision and strategic plan will be emphasized.
EDLD 606. Organization and Administration of Higher Education. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F
In this course students will examine the different organizational structures that characterize and govern American higher education. In this introduction to the field of higher education governance, organization and change structures and influences will be examined.
EDLD 610. Ldrship and Organizational Thry. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: MA in Educational Leadership, or Principal's Certification, EDLD 507. The course will provide existing school leaders with theories, concepts, and behaviors of effective leadership that addresses the challenges of schools today. The course encourages a deeper understanding of personal beliefs, style, values, and ethics required of school leaders. The development of a shared vision and strategic plan will be emphasized.
EDLD 616. Organization and Administration of Higher Education. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course focuses on increasing the knowledge and skills of supervising and leading instruction on a district or school systems basis. Emphasis is given to dimensions of leadership at the district level including supervision of the leadership team, aligning the vision, mission, and strategic plan with student needs, professional growth, and maximizing resources to support teaching and learning.
EDLD 620. The School Superintendent. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Principal's Certification, or concurrent enrollment in EDLD 520. This course focuses on the leadership skills necessary for the school superintendent. There is emphasis on superintendent relations with the school board and the school community, and on working with stakeholders to identify school priorities. The development of effective and appropriate communication strategies and interpersonal skills that promote public confidence for schools is stressed.
EDLD 628. College Students. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F, alternate years
PREREQUISITE: MA in Educational Leadership or Principal's Certification, and EDLD 508. This course provides a framework for inclusive leadership. Students evaluate the relationship among privilege, power, and educational equity from a variety of perspectives. Critical theory will be stressed in examining the complexities of diversity and its impact on organizational leadership.
EDLD 645. Personnel Mgmt in Education. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Principal's Certification or concurrent enrollment in EDLD 508. This course is designed to prepare educational leaders to apply effective job analysis procedures, to understand performance appraisal for instructional and non-instructional staff, formulate professional growth plans, negotiate union agreements, and apply appropriate policies, criteria, processes for recruitment, selection, induction, and compensation of personnel with an emphasis on equity and diversity.
EDLD 650. MT Finance & Facilities. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F alternate years and Su on demand
PREREQUISITE: Master's degree in Educational Leadership, state license as a principal, or concurrent enrollment in EDLD 555. This course is designed to facilitate a more in depth understanding of the efficient and effective use of finances, facilities, and other tangible and intangible resources at the school district level. An emphasis will be placed on Montana school finance structures, equitable distribution of resources and the alignment of resources to strategic plans and district vision. This course fulfills the Montana Chapter 57 licensure requirements for superintendents educated in out of state preparation programs.
EDLD 655. MT Legal & Policy Studies. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) S, On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Master's degree in Educational Leadership, state license as a principal, or concurrent enrollment in EDLD 532. This course is designed to facilitate a more in-depth understanding of legal issues relative to education in Montana and their policy implications. Students will increase their understanding of how legal decisions impact their school. They will explore policy analysis and implementation, and develop an understanding of how laws, policies, and systemic organizational life are intertwined. This course fulfills the Montana Chapter 57 licensure requirements for superintendents educated in out of state preparation programs.
EDLD 657. Ed Policy & Politics. 3 Credits. (2 Lec) F
Alternate years PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing. This course provides existing school leaders with an understanding of the goals of the U.S. and State level political systems, the governmental structures seek to achieve these goals, and the interest groups that influence the goals and their implementation.
EDLD 690. Doctoral Thesis. 1-10 Credits. (1 Ind; max unlimited) F,S,Su
PREREQUISITE: Doctoral standing. Restricted Entry. This course will address responsible conduct of research.