

## Doctor of Education Degree (Ed.D.) in Educational Leadership



ORGANIZATIONAL  
IMPROVEMENT

SCHOLAR PRACTITIONER LEADERSHIP

LEADERSHIP FOR  
SOCIAL JUSTICE



# OVERVIEW

## California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

offers an independent Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership on the Pomona campus. As one of 23 campuses in the California State University system, the university is dedicated to developing educational leaders who champion both quality and equity for students.

The mission and vision of **Cal Poly Pomona** focuses on our local and expanded communities. We strive to fulfill our goals through the development of lifelong learners and leaders who are prepared to apply academic knowledge within their chosen field upon graduation in a changing multicultural world. Toward this end, the Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership is designed to develop leaders for the 21st century who are prepared to engage in the challenges and embrace the opportunities of educational leadership today and in the future.

Centrally located in the heart of the Inland Empire, bordering Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Orange Counties, **Cal Poly Pomona** offers an accessible location for returning students to embark on an educational journey toward academic advancement and personal enrichment. Our program is designed to provide optimal support and accommodation for working adults and busy professionals. Classes are embedded in a broader research learning community committed to the success of each individual student.





# WHAT WE CAN OFFER YOU AS A DOCTORAL STUDENT



A unique doctoral program focused on transforming schools, turning around underperforming schools, and enhancing schools that are already succeeding

A program designed for working professionals with classes every other weekend

Distinguished faculty who are graduates from some of the nation's finest universities

A program developed by Cal Poly Pomona faculty and leaders in close collaboration with key business leaders and outstanding practicing school administrators, with representation from the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Association of California School Administrators

The opportunity to present papers at research conferences

The support needed to earn your degree from beginning to end

Ongoing support from your admission to the program through graduation

Carefully designed research learning communities to assist you through the dissertation process in a cohort model of classes

A pragmatic approach to learning with real-world instruction applicable in the workplace

Two specializations of K-12 Educational Leadership or Community College/Postsecondary Education



## Living



Recognizing the growth and diversity in our school systems today, our Ed.D. program prepares candidates to be outstanding educational leaders in rural, urban, and suburban settings and prepares candidates to make sound decisions transforming schools within the broader context of equity and social justice.

*Learning*



# Doctorate in Educational Leadership

## THREE YEAR PROGRAM OF STUDY SUMMER 2023-SPRING 2026 DOCTORATE IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

### California State Polytechnic University Pomona

| Year 1   |   | Year 2  |     | Year 3   |   |
|--|---|---|-----|--|---|
| Summer Semester 2023   |   | Summer Semester 2024  |     | Summer Semester 2025   |   |
| EDD 7000<br>Leadership for Learning  | 3 | EDD 7080<br>Building School/Community Partnerships for Student Success  | 3   | EDD 7090<br>Maximizing Fiscal and Human Resources for Student Success<br>OR<br>EDD 7390 Leadership in Postsecondary Strategic Planning & Resource Allocation | 3 |
| EDD 7010<br>Research Learning Community Seminar (RLCS): Introduction to Doctoral Studies and Dissertation Research   | 3 | EDD 7120<br>Creating the Conditions for Student Success<br>OR<br>EDD 7320 Teaching, Learning and Student Success in Postsecondary Settings        | 3   | EDD 7170<br>Global Perspectives on Educational Leadership, Achievement, and Equity   | 3 |
| Fall Semester 2023   |   | Fall Semester 2024  |     | Fall Semester 2025   |   |
| EDD 7030<br>Quantitative Research Methods for School Improvement   | 3 | EDD 7110 Advanced Quantitative Research OR EDD 7111 Advanced Qualitative Research   | 3   | EDD 7180<br>Research Seminar: Dissertation   | 1 |
| EDD 7140<br>Leadership for Equity and Advocacy   | 3 | EDD 7020/7020L<br>Leading and Learning with Technology<br>OR<br>EDD 7330 Data-Driven Assessment and Evaluation in Postsecondary Education         | 2/1 | EDD 7160<br>Synthesizing Key Concepts of Ethics, Equity and Social Justice for Transformative Leadership   | 3 |
|  |   | EDD 7100<br>Research Learning Community Seminar: Literature Review  | 1   | EDD 8000<br>Dissertation   | 6 |
| Spring Semester 2024   |   | Spring Semester 2025  |     | Spring Semester 2026   |   |
| EDD 7060<br>Qualitative Research Methods for School Improvement  | 3 | EDD 7040 Organizational Culture and Institutional Change<br>OR<br>EDD 7340 Organizational Culture, Leadership & Change in Postsecondary Education | 3   | EDD 7190<br>RLCS- Dissertation Completion  | 1 |
| EDD 7070<br>Education Policy, Systemic Reform, and Social Justice<br>OR<br>EDD 7370 Governance, Policy & Foundations of Community Colleges and Postsecondary Education | 3 | EDD 7150<br>RLCS- Developing a Dissertation Proposal  | 3   | EDD 8000<br>Dissertation   | 6 |
| Blue – Pre-K-12 Educational Leadership Option<br>Green- Community College and Post-Secondary Option  |   | Qualifying Paper for Candidacy  |     | Dissertation Defense   |   |

# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTATION

The following admission requirements apply to all Ed.D. applicants. Admission is granted on a competitive basis.

Meeting the requirements qualifies an individual for, but does not guarantee, admission to the program.

Please consult the doctoral studies website for complete admissions information or call Betty Alford at 936-554-5240, Doctoral Program Director

[www.cpp.edu/~ceis/edleadership/doctoral-program/index.shtml](http://www.cpp.edu/~ceis/edleadership/doctoral-program/index.shtml)



1. **PRIOR EDUCATION with TRANSCRIPT VERIFICATION** - You must already have earned a baccalaureate degree and a master's degree from an accredited institution of higher education with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in upper division (junior/senior year) and graduate study.
2. **GRADUATE RECORD EXAM (GRE)** - No GRE is required.
3. **REFERENCE LETTERS** - Three confidential letters of recommendation from professionals in the field attesting to both your leadership ability and scholarship potential are required. You will submit your three recommenders' information via Cal State Apply at the time of your application. It is recommended that you contact your recommenders prior to submitting their names or you can submit the reference letters to [btalford@cpp.edu](mailto:btalford@cpp.edu).
4. **SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION** - The supplementary application requires responses to writing prompts as well as the submission of a current vita.
5. **INTERVIEW** - Applicants will be contacted to schedule an interview with the program admission committee.
6. The admission decision is made through a holistic consideration of the required admission requirements.
7. Classes for the new cohort begin summer, 2023.

## Leading



# What does a leader look like? *You!*

## Application Process

1. **UNIVERSITY APPLICATION** - To begin the application process, you must apply through the CSU application website: [www.calstateapply.edu/apply](http://www.calstateapply.edu/apply). Select the Summer 2023 option in the dropdown menu. Please note that you will need to upload an unofficial copy of your bachelor's and master's transcripts. Please upload the unofficial copy of your master's transcript into the area marked REQUIRED. Upload the unofficial copy of your bachelor's transcript in the additional provided area. Then request that your official baccalaureate and masters degree, transcripts are mailed to the Admission's Office or requested to be sent electronically.
2. **PROGRAM APPLICATION** - All documents listed in #4 on the facing page should be submitted electronically as PDF files to [btalford@cpp.edu](mailto:btalford@cpp.edu). Please remember to check the doctoral studies website for complete details on the admission process.  
[www.cpp.edu/~ceis/edleadership/doctoral-program/index.shtml](http://www.cpp.edu/~ceis/edleadership/doctoral-program/index.shtml)
3. **Financial Aid** information including FAFSA is available here:  
[www.cpp.edu/~financial-aid/](http://www.cpp.edu/~financial-aid/)

## Accreditation

**California State Polytechnic University, Pomona** is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. The College of Education and Integrative Studies is accredited by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

**Cal Poly Pomona's** Doctor of Education Degree (Ed.D.) in educational leadership is approved by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

## FACULTY

Our highly qualified faculty, graduates from some of the nation's finest universities, bring firsthand knowledge and administrative experience to their interaction with you.

Their wealth of expertise as educators and educational leaders enables them to draw upon practical knowledge as they integrate research and personal experience into the classroom.



Are you ready to live, learn and lead?

BUILD YOUR LEGACY



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