

# DOCTOR OF EDUCATION (ED.D.) IN EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

## PRE - K-12 PRINCIPAL SPECIALIZATION

### UNIVERSITY CENTER - RAPID CITY, SD

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The doctoral degree in Educational Administration (Pre - K-12 Principal specialization) provides students with the opportunity to choose from a diversity of courses to prepare themselves for a variety of careers in PK-12 building- and district-level administrative settings. Both principalship and superintendency programs may be available through the PK-12 program option depending on adequate enrollments and individual student needs.

Students are required to successfully complete a minimum of 90 credits of graduate credit beyond the bachelor's degree with at least 60 credits being beyond the master's degree.

As part of the program, students are required to complete a minimum of 15 credits toward the completion of a dissertation. Students planning to enter the doctoral program in Educational Administration (PK-12) will be required to complete a graduate school application including three letters of recommendation, transcripts, and scores from either the Graduate Records Exam (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT).

#### GETTING STARTED

Prospective graduate students may apply through the Graduate School at [www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm](http://www.usd.edu/grad/how-to-apply.cfm).

The Graduate School forwards completed applications to the appropriate academic department for review. The department will then recommend the admission status of the applicant to the Dean of the Graduate School, who will make the final decision on admission.

Once accepted, students can register online through WebAdvisor at [www.usd.edu/webadvisor](http://www.usd.edu/webadvisor) or through the online form located at <https://www.usd.edu/cde/registration>.

#### TUITION RATES

For the most up-to-date online course tuition information, please visit: [www.usd.edu/cde/tuition-rates.cfm](http://www.usd.edu/cde/tuition-rates.cfm).

**\*If you are a prospective student with a disability and need assistance or accommodations during the admission/application process, please contact the Director of Disability Services, 119B Service Center North, USD, Vermillion, SD 57069. Phone: 605-677-6389 Fax: 605-677-3172 E-mail: [disabilityservices@usd.edu](mailto:disabilityservices@usd.edu)**



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#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate School and specific requirements of the educational administration program. Graduate School requirements can be accessed online at [www.usd.edu/grad](http://www.usd.edu/grad).

**To be eligible for the PK-12 Doctoral degree in Educational Administration, applicants must:**

- Possess a valid teaching certificate for licensure
- Possess a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning and an undergraduate GPA of at least 2.7 (on a 4.0 scale) or its equivalent (2.5 for provisional admission)
- Possess a master's degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning and a graduate GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or its equivalent
- Provide official transcripts from all institutions of higher learning
- Provide official GRE or MAT scores
- Provide three letters of recommendation
- Provide a Statement of Purpose

#### NON-DEGREE PURSUANT STATUS

To experience the University of South Dakota as a non-degree pursuant student, the University offers graduate students the option of learning under a non-degree pursuant classification. Up to nine credit hours earned as a non-degree pursuant student may be applied to a graduate degree from USD at the discretion of the academic department.

**Please note:** Enrollment in a course does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

Enrolling as a non-degree pursuant student is easy. Simply complete the online registration form at <https://www.usd.edu/cde/registration> during the registration session open to the public.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information, please [www.usd.edu/cde/rapid-city.cfm](http://www.usd.edu/cde/rapid-city.cfm) or contact a higher education service site that is appropriate for you:

##### Vermillion area & Worldwide

Division of Continuing & Distance Education  
1-800-233-7937  
605-677-6240  
[cde@usd.edu](mailto:cde@usd.edu)

##### Rapid City & Pierre area

University Center - Rapid City  
Contact: Benjamin Krush  
605-718-4112  
[UC-RC@usd.edu](mailto:UC-RC@usd.edu)

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# PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE ROTATIONS

## Summer 2011

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDAD 810	Research in Educational Administration	3	UC-RC
EDAD 801	Theory in Educational Administration	3	UC-RC

## Fall 2011

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDER 762	Introduction to Statistics	3	UC-RC
EDAD 716	Administration and Curriculum Development	3	UC-RC

## Spring 2012

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDFN 735	The Education System and Its Public	3	UC-RC
EDAD 740	School-Community Relations	3	UC-RC

## Summer 2012

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDAD 820	Human Resources Administration	3	UC-RC
EDAD 720	Special Education Law	3	UC-RC

## Fall 2012

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDER 792	Special Topics in Inferential Statistics	3	UC-RC
EDAD 712	School District Administration	3	UC-RC

## Spring 2013

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDAD 731	School Business Administration	3	UC-RC
	Elective - Supporting Area	3	UC-RC

## Summer 2013

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDAD 885	Dissertation Seminar/Writing Workshop in EDAD	3	UC-RC
EDAD 890	Seminar in Literature Review and Research Strategies	3	UC-RC

## Fall 2013

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
EDAD 894D	Internship in EDAD (Ed.D.)	3	UC-RC
AHED/EDAD 898D	Doctoral Dissertation in AHED/EDAD	3	UC-RC

## Spring 2014

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
AHED/EDAD 898D	Doctoral Dissertation in AHED/EDAD	6	UC-RC

## Summer 2014

Course/No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Site
AHED/EDAD 898D	Doctoral Dissertation in AHED/EDAD	6	UC-RC

## Ed.D. in Educational Administration Pre-K-12 Specialization Program Total: 60 credit hours