# **Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership**

## Be The Change You Seek

Through critical thinking, analytic rigor and creative collaboration, you will gain the skills needed to affect positive change in your community.

The Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership (Ed.D.) is designed for leaders in:

- Public Schools
- Community Colleges
- Universities
- Other Community Settings

#### **Choose Your Path**

Through research and internship courses, you will apply theory to practice to make educational systems more effective, equitable and sustainable.

Choose your concentration:

- Educational Administration
- General Studies
- Reading and Exceptionalities
- Higher Education
- Expressive Arts, Inquiry and Leadership
- Instructional Technology Leadership

# **Apply Now**

The Ed.D. is 60 credit hours, including dissertation (up to 30 credit hours waived for EdS graduates).

To apply, you need to submit:

- Completed application and fee
- Current curriculum vitae/resume
- All college transcripts
- Letter of intent
- Evidence of 3 years of relevant work experience
- 4 references from colleagues or former professors
- GRE score no older than 5 years



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## Why an Ed.D. at Appalachian?

- A variety of concentrations
- Nationally recognized professors
- A cohort structure that allows for the integration of educational scholarship and practice in a supportive, collegial environment
- Internship: Practice / research opportunities
- Research assistantships
- On-campus and off-campus cohorts

# Our Doctoral Students Are Saying...

"The doctoral program has taught me to research life with a critical gaze; to ask questions and engage in challenging conversations. I have learned that our job as educational researchers is to answer questions and then to question the answers."

#### -Lisa McNeal, Instructional Developer, Appalachian State University

"The curriculum created for this program is as eclectic as its faculty. You will have the opportunity to learn from diverse faculty members from different departments and pursue different research agendas. This preparation is intended to provide you a comprehensive foundation as a future scholar and steward of the leadership discipline."

#### -JuanEs Ramirez , Appalachian State University

"The doctoral program helped me develop a passion to challenge the known and explore the unknown for new discoveries. I am not only an educator; I am now an educational researcher with the responsibility to lead educational reform."

-Fran Bates Oates, Elementary Education, Program Coordinator, Winston-Salem State University

### Learn More!

On-campus prospects: edl.appstate.edu

Off-campus prospects: distance.appstate.edu



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