

Doctoral Coursework and the Development of the Dissertation

Preparation Stage

1. Setting up your research
2. Focusing your research
3. Preparing for the dissertation proposal
4. Submit dissertation proposal and IRB



Year 2 Summer 1 (Residency)

- EDL 840 – Foundations of Ed Leadership → Theory & Lit Review
- EDL 850 – Mixed Methods and Research Design
- EDL 900 – Intro to Dissertation
- EDL 910 – Dissertation Seminar I → “big picture”

Research Stage

5. Data collection
6. Ongoing research and support
7. Data analysis
8. Write 1st draft of dissertation



Fall & Spring

- EDL 860 – Advanced Qual. Research
- EDL 870 – Advanced Quant. Research
- EDL 920 – Dissertation Seminar II
- EDL 930 – Dissertation Seminar III

Completion Stage

9. Write complete draft and submit to advisor for initial approval
10. Prepare for dissertation defense
11. Defend dissertation
12. Finish Up



Year 2 Summer 2

- EDL 905 – White Paper for Educational Reform
- EDL 870 – Dissertation Seminar IV