

DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (EdD)

UW TACOMA SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

ABOUT THE UW TACOMA EdD PROGRAM

The Ed.D. is a three-year synchronous, interdisciplinary, cross-sector cohort with professional educators serving in education, community, and Tribal/Indigenous leadership roles. The program strengthens community grounded leadership approaches, centers ancestral knowledges, applies relational learning, practices disrupting and dismantling of harmful systems, and fosters healing approaches. Courses are typically offered on one Friday/Saturday per month, for the hybrid and online models, with additional engagements between sessions. **Note that EdD Online entails a yearly weeklong in-person, Tacoma-based intensive in late June.*

Accepting applications annually
Effective June 2026.

SNAPSHOT:

YEAR 1: Leadership Core & Theory to Practice
Courses include: Revolutionizing Leadership; Antiracist & Decolonial Frameworks; Critical Pedagogies; Decolonizing Writing; Disrupting & Dismantling Current Praxis

YEAR 2: Community Grounded Praxis & Research Sequence
Courses include: Human Capacity in Educational Institutions; Relational Learning & Healing; Funding, Budgets, & Inequities; (De)constructing Knowledge (Proposal Development)

YEAR 3: Dissertation in Practice
Courses include: DiP Research (w/Chair + Committee) & monthly Dissertation Seminar

EDD Values:

- *Community Grounded*
- *Ancestral Knowledge*
- *Relational Learning*
- *Healing*
- *Disrupt & Dismantle*

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- COMPLETE ONLINE APPLICATION
- MASTER'S DEGREE
- CURRENT RESUME OR CURRICULUM VITAE
- PROFESSIONAL ESSAY
- TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
- UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS
- CERT-SEEKING P12 LEADERS ONLY:

**Proof of current full-time employment at the required cert level and serving in the required role.

**A photocopy of the required certificate.

**A 1-page maximum statement.

**One of the two required letters of recommendation must be from a current P12 admin in a supervisory position.

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