

# 2017-2018 Assessment Cycle EDUC\_Educational Leadership Ed D

## Mission (due 12/4/17)

### University Mission

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette offers an exceptional education informed by diverse worldviews grounded in tradition, heritage, and culture. We develop leaders and innovators who advance knowledge, cultivate aesthetic sensibility, and improve the human condition.

### University Values

We strive to create a community of leaders and innovators in an environment that fosters a desire to advance and disseminate knowledge. We support the mission of the university by actualizing our core values of equity, integrity, intellectual curiosity, creativity, tradition, transparency, respect, collaboration, pluralism, and sustainability.

### University Vision

We strive to be included in the top 25% of our peer institutions by 2020, improving our national and international status and recognition.

### College / VP and Program / Department Mission

#### Mission of College or VP-area

*Provide the mission for the College or VP-area in the space provided. If none is available, write "None Available in 2017-2018."*

The mission of the College of Education at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette is built on the three pillars of the academy: Teaching, Scholarship, and Service. A commitment to high standards in each of these areas enables the college to be responsive to community, regional, and state needs while addressing national and international concerns. Through Teaching, Scholarship, and Service, the college strives to prepare outstanding teachers, educational leaders, and other professionals in related domains, while developing viable public and private partnerships which systematically improve education. This mission, being fundamental and timeless, represents the professional and ethical imperative of the College of Education to be attentive to the needs of contemporary college students and to the challenges of serving a diverse, modern society.

#### Mission of Program / Department

*Provide the program / department mission in the space provided. The mission statement should concisely define the purpose, functions, and key constituents. If none is available, write "None Available in 2017-2018."*

Program Mission: Focused on current and future educational leaders, the Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership Degree program's mission is to prepare its graduates to meet the challenges of today's complex educational landscape by fostering the development of practical knowledge and problem-solving skills grounded in a framework of relevant educational theory.

### Attachment (optional)

*Upload any documents which support the program / department assessment process.*

## Assessment Plan (due 12/4/17)

### Assessment Plan (Goals / Objectives, Assessment Measures and Criteria for Success)

#### Assessment List

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**Program / Department Assessment Narrative**

The primary purpose of assessment is to use data to inform decisions and improve programs (student learning) and departments (operations); this is an on-going process of defining goals and expectations, collecting results, analyzing data, comparing current and past results and initiatives, and making decisions based on these reflections. In the space below, describe the program's or department's overall plan for improving student learning and/or operations (the "assessment plan"). Consider the following:

- 1) What strategies exist to assess the outcomes?
- 2) What does the program/department expect to achieve with the goals and objectives identified above?
- 3) How might prior or current initiatives (improvements) influence the anticipated outcomes this year?
- 4) What is the plan for using data to improve student learning and/or operations?
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**Assessment Process**

- 1) What strategies exist to assess the outcomes?  
The EDLD Division uses all of the primary modalities to make sure all students are being taught to the highest standards.
- 2) What does the program/department expect to achieve with the goals and objectives identified above?  
The main goal is to continue to produce highly productive scholars who provide meaningful educational innovations in the work place.
- 3) How might prior or current initiatives (improvements) influence the anticipated outcomes this year?  
We will continue to utilize the Writing Center in order to continue to strengthen our candidates technical and working knowledge of the writing process.
- 4) What is the plan for using data to improve student learning and/or operations?  
We will continue to meet regularly on the candidate's outcomes in order to maintain the high level of performance noted in the data sets.
- 5) How will data be shared within the Program/Department (and, where appropriate, the College/VP-area)?  
Data is shared via email, face-to-face and in group presentations on a regular basis.

**Results & Improvements (due 9/15/18)**

**Results and Improvement Narratives**

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		<p>recommen- dations • Standard 6: Writing/for matting been met yet? Met</p>			<p>address the needs of the students. For example, added focus on alignmen t of proposal goals with data analyses , major findings, and research implicati ons will be incorpor ated into the advance d research courses (example , EDLD 900 and 999) for the purpose of enhancin g student performa nce on the overall summati ve dissertati on.</p>
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## Reflection (Due 9/15/18)

### Reflection

The primary purpose of assessment is to use data to inform decisions and improve programs and operations; this is an on-going process of defining goals and expectations, collecting results, analyzing data, comparing current and past results and initiatives, and making decisions based on these reflections. Recalling this purpose, respond to the questions below.

#### 1) How were assessment results shared in the program / department?

*Please select all that apply. If "other", please use the text box to elaborate.*

Distributed via email

Presented formally at staff / department / committee meetings (selected)

Discussed informally (selected)

Other (explain in text box below) (selected)

The EDD Coordinator conducts one-on-one meetings with faculty members regarding student progress and data.

#### 2) How frequently were assessment results shared?

Frequently (>4 times per cycle)

Periodically (2-4 times per cycle) (selected)

Once per cycle

Results were not shared this cycle

#### 3) With whom were assessment results shared?

*Please select all that apply.*

Department Head (selected)

Dean / Asst. or Assoc. Dean (selected)

Departmental assessment committee

Other faculty / staff (selected)

#### 4) Consider the impact of prior applied changes. Specifically, compare current results to previous results to evaluate the impact of a previously reported change. Demonstrate how the use of results improved student learning and/or operations.

The EDLD faculty recognized the need to assist candidates with Standard 6: Writing/Formatting. Over the last couple of years, faculty advisors have continued to guide candidates to the UL Lafayette Writing Center. After examining the 2017-2018 data has indicated an improvement in the writing format as illustrated in the Qualifying Paper (Comprehensive Exam).

#### 5) Over the past three assessment cycles, what has been the overall impact of "closing the loop"? Provide examples of improvements in student learning, program quality, or department operations that are directly linked to assessment data and follow-up analysis.

At the time of the defense (Qualifying Paper, Proposal Defense, and Dissertation Defense), 100% of our candidates score "Meets Expectations". In the past, we've had a couple of candidates fall below the expected score. The EDLD faculty have adopted a "one-on-one approach" to enhance candidates understanding and performance based on the standard.

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