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Grade, Credit, and Time Requirements



1. Each degree candidate must complete at least 60 hours of graduate credit subsequent to earning a master's degree; at least 54 of these hours must be in non-dissertation course work. Each student is also required to schedule and pass EDLD 900 Doctoral Dissertation Seminar I. Once a student completes EDLD 900 and begins working on their dissertation, they must schedule EDLD 999 dissertation hours until they are ready to defend and complete their dissertation. It is the student's responsibility to contact the graduate advisor to determine the acceptability of previous coursework.
2. Each degree candidate must present acceptable grades in the coursework specified for the curriculum. Grades must average B or better, both overall and in the major field. No more than one course in which a grade of C has been earned may be applied toward the fulfillment of degree requirements.
3. At least one-half of the minimum semester hours required of each degree candidate (not including dissertation credit) must be in courses limited to graduate students.
4. Upon satisfactory completion of the dissertation, the student will have a minimum of 6 semester hours of dissertation credit from EDLD 900 and EDLD 999.
5. All degree requirements must be completed within six calendar years following admission to candidacy in the Ed.D. program. Admission to candidacy is defined as successful completion of the qualifying paper.
6. A maximum of 12 semester hours of appropriate graduate coursework (six from the master's degree and six from post-master's course work), subject to approval by the Consortium, with prior approval by the candidate's advisor, the program coordinator and the Graduate School Dean, may be transferred from other accredited institutions or from within a consortium institution.



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