



HOUSTON CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DEGREE PLAN
DOCTOR OF EDUCATION (EDD) IN SPECIAL EDUCATION LEADERSHIP
CATALOG YEAR: 2025-2026

NAME: _____ H#: _____ DATE: _____

Candidates for the EdD in Special Education Leadership must complete the following requirements:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	HOURS
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CORE		
EDLD 7300	Seminar in Doctoral Studies in Executive Educational Leadership	3
EDLD 7301	Cultural Competence for Educational Leaders	3
EDLD 7302	Leadership Theory and Applications	3
EDLD 7303	Rethinking Education with Emerging Technologies	3
EDLD 7304	Organizational Behavior and Theory	3
EDLD 7306	Introduction to Academic Writing and Research	3
EDLD 7307	Christian Worldview for Educational Leaders	3
EDLD 7308	Ethical Leadership and Governance	3
EDSU 7303	Public Policy in Education	3
EDSU 7310	Program Evaluation	3
EDSU 7321	District Finance, Plant Planning, and Management	3
	TOTAL LEADERSHIP CORE	33
RESEARCH CORE		
EDLR 7310	Accountability and Measurement for Current Issues in Education	3
EDLR 7311	Methods of Quantitative Educational Research	3
EDLR 7312	Qualitative Research Methodology	3
EDLR 7323	Applied Research in Education	3
EDLR 7399	Dissertation Defense Preparation	3
	TOTAL RESEARCH CORE	15
SPECIAL EDUCATION LEADERSHIP REQUIREMENTS		
EDSP 7321	Legal Issues and Policies in Special Education	3
EDSP 7322	District and Community Relations for Special Education Leaders	3
EDSP 7323	Personnel Preparation and Collaboration in Special Education	3
EDSP 7324	Instructional Practices in Special Education	3
EDSP 7325	Field Experience in Special Education Leadership	3
	TOTAL SUPERINTENDENT REQUIREMENTS	15
	TOTAL HOURS IN DEGREE	63

EDLR 7120 Dissertation Research V is offered if needed, but not included on the original degree plan.

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

No grade below a "B"

Overall GPA of at least 3.00

Admitted to candidacy

Completion of a comprehensive portfolio

Recommendation from the department

Candidate must complete degree within six (6) years

Transfer credits from another college or university will be reviewed and approved by the college and department

**BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL REQUIREMENTS ON THE DEGREE PLAN.
THIS DEGREE PLAN IS NOT VALID UNTIL RECEIVED & PROCESSED BY THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS.**

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

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