VCU is a premier urban, public research university focused on academic success.

Established in 1838
Located in Richmond, Va.
More than 174,573 alumni worldwide
About VCU
» 31,231 students
» 102 countries represented in student population
» 22,473 (VCU and VCU Health)
» 2,274 full-time instructional faculty
About the School of Education

» Ranked 33rd best public graduate program in the nation by U.S. News & World Report
» 905 enrolled students
» 66 full-time instructional faculty; 114 teaching and research faculty; nationally-recognized
» 8 centers and institutes affiliated
» $25 million in external research funding per year for the last three years
SOE academic programs

- 2 Doctoral programs (9 Ph.D. tracks and 1 Ed.D.)
- 2 Master's programs (7 M.Ed./9 M.T. concentrations)
- 1 Dual degree (M.Ed./MBA)
- 15 Certificate programs
Doctoral Programs

Ed.D. in Leadership

Ph.D. in Education with concentrations in:
- Art education
- Counselor education and supervision
- Curriculum, culture and change
- Educational leadership, policy and justice
- Educational psychology
- Research and evaluation
- Special education and disability leadership
- Sport leadership
- Urban services leadership

Master’s programs

Master of Education with concentrations in:
- Adult learning
- Counselor education
- Curriculum and instruction
- Educational leadership
- Reading
- Special education
- Sport leadership

Dual degree M.Ed./MBA

Master of Teaching with concentrations in:
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Early and elementary education
- Earth Science
- English
- History/social studies
- Mathematics
- Physics
Campus life and athletics

NCAA Division I men's and women's athletic teams

More than 1 million hours of community service

More than 500 student organizations

About Richmond

» Virginia’s capital city
» Home to six Fortune 500 companies
» Growing innovation ecosystem
» Thriving arts community
» One of America’s great river cities
DOCTORAL STUDY
INFORMATION SESSION

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP
Why Choose VCU?

As members of a university in an urban area, we have a responsibility to serve the communities around us. This is especially true here at VCU, where so many underserved and disadvantaged are within our reach. Every day, our city, its schools and its students face unique challenges. But where there are obstacles, there are opportunities.

A CHANCE FOR CHANGE. A CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

- Mission for Excellence, Innovation, and Community Impact
- Nationally and internationally recognized faculty
- Professors of Practice who are current or recent administrators
- Collaborative history and partnerships with Virginia LEAs
Perks of Being a RAM

Cary Street Gym
- 18,000 sq ft facility
- Group Exercise Classes
- Cycle Studio, Racquetball Courts,
- Indoor Running Track, 4 Court Gym,
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Open 7 days a week until 12am

Cabell Library
- Borrow Books, Laptops, iPads, RamBikes
- Printing, Copying, Scanning Services
- Study and Work Spaces Available
- Events, Open Workshops & Webinars
  Ex. Publishing as a Grad. Student

Lynda
- Online Learning Co.
- Thousands of Tutorials for Learning & Career Development
  Ex. How to Present and Stay on Point, Creating a Perfect
  Elevator Pitch, Social Media in the Classroom

VCU School of Education
Two Doctoral Programs

Ph.D.

Ed.D.
Continuum?

Scholars

Practitioner
- Scholars
Ph.D.

- Personalized
- Mentoring by full time research faculty
- Research
- Dissertation

Ed.D.

- Team-based
- Instruction by faculty and practitioners
- Investigate problems of practice
- Capstone
The Ph.D. in Education
Educational Leadership, Policy and Justice Track (Ph.D.)

Designed for those interested in progressing from being consumers of research to producers of research who study problem-finding, problem-solving, policy development and leading for equity and justice in education.
Ph.D. Program

• 48-hour coursework
  full-time & part-time options
  full-time may qualify for assistantships

• Flexible Completion Timeline
  tailored to your needs
  go at your own rate
Research Courses → Qualifying Exam → Concentration Courses

Dissertation ← Comprehensive Exam ← Externship / Co-curricular
What Can I do with my Ph.D.?

• Faculty careers in higher education

• Policy and research analysts in
  • School districts
  • State departments of education
  • Non-profits
  • Think tanks

• Independent consultants

• P-20 leadership positions
What alumni have done with their PhD.

S. Dallas Dance, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Baltimore County Public Schools

Kerry Robinson, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee

Stefani Thachik, Ph.D.
Assistant Director of Honors Programs, UNCC

Javaid Siddiqui, Ph.D.
Executive Director and CEO, The Hunt Institute
Ph.D. Tuition

Full-Time
(9+ credits per semester)

$6,489/semester

Part-Time
(6 credits per semester)

$721/credit

For the most up-to-date tuition rates, http://accounting.vcu.edu/tuition/calculator/
*Additional university fees may apply and rates are subject to change by semester.

Information about financial aid can be found at, http://finaid.vcu.edu/

*Part time students must take two 3 credit courses in the fall & spring.
Application Process

Apply Online, http://graduate.admissions.vcu.edu/apply/

• Transcripts

• GRE Scores (minimum 300)
  To find a testing location please visit:
  https://ereg.ets.org/ereg/public/workflowmanager/workflow?workflowItemId=tcAvailability

• Personal Statement

• 3 Letters of reference

• CV

Due By – January 15, 2016
Class Schedule

**Summer** – weekly on campus meetings

**Fall** – weekly on campus meetings

**Spring** – weekly on campus meetings
The Ed.D. in Leadership
Ed.D. in Leadership

Providing leaders with **authentic experiences**, appropriate **knowledge, skills** and opportunities for **reflection** that will enable success in organizational positions.
Ed.D. Program

• 48 hours of coursework
• Completion in 3 years
• Weekly, Online and some Saturday classes
• Case-study based
• Team learning
The Capstone Experience

The Ed.D. program culminates in a Capstone where teams of students collaborate to study a real-world problem of practice.

The Capstone empowers students to serve universities, schools, government agencies, etc. in various ways.
What Can I do with my Ed.D.?

- Variety of leadership positions in
  - School districts
  - State departments of education
  - Non-profits
  - Think tanks
- Independent consultants/program evaluators
- Higher education position
Graduates from the Program

Michael Gill, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Hanover County Public Schools

Ram Bhagat, Ed.D.
Science Department Chair, Ballou Senior High School, Washington D.C.

Jaime Stacy, Ed.D.
Associate Principal, Henrico County Public Schools

Donna Jackson, Ed.D.
Assistant Dean for Admissions & Director of Student Outreach, School of Medicine, VCU
Ed.D. Tuition

Off-Campus  On-Campus
$640/credit  $721/credit

*course locations vary

For the most up-to-date tuition information, [http://accounting.vcu.edu/tuition/calculator/](http://accounting.vcu.edu/tuition/calculator/)
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- Transcripts
- MAT scores, 50th percentile (scale score 400, approx.)
  Richmond Testing Locations:
  VCU – 804.828.8069, cpsd@vcu.edu
  VUU – 804.257.5817, hlwest@vu.edu
- Personal Statement - leadership for learning, equity, accountability
- 3 references
- 3 years of leadership experience
- CV
- Applicant-designed WordPress website to display artifacts as evidence of leadership activities

Due By – February 1, 2017
When Do Classes Meet?

**Summer**
Begins mid-May and continues with online work in June. Final meetings in late July/early August on Saturdays.

**Fall**
Begins mid-September and ends early December. Meet for weekly class and 4-5 Saturdays.

**Spring**
Begins mid-January through early/mid-April
Meet for weekly class and 4-5 Saturdays.
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