

**University of Massachusetts Lowell
Graduate School of Education
Leadership in Schooling (Ed.D.)**

Requirements: Complete a minimum of 48 credits of doctoral level (600 or 700) course work with a cumulative grade of B (3.0) or better. The doctoral candidate defend a Comprehensive Portfolio and submit a Qualifying Paper, satisfactorily complete and defend a dissertation as approved by the candidate's dissertation committee, and complete the program within eight (8) years from the date of admission.

Foundations of Education		(min. 6 credits)	6
01.645	Perspectives and Visions of Schooling I	(3)	
01.646	Perspectives and Visions of Schooling II	(3)	
Research and Evaluation		(min. 9 credits)*	9
<i>07.640 Pre-requisite or equivalent graduate level research course</i>			
07.701	Seminar in Data Analysis	(3)	
07.702	Seminar in Research Methods and Design	(3)	
07.704	Qualitative Research Methodology	(3)	
Field of Specialization		(min. 9 credits)	9
01.636	Sociocultural Contexts of Education	(3)	
05.650	Instructional Leadership & School Reform	(3)	
05.651	Transformative Leadership for Schools	(3)	
05.601 or 05.602 Seminar – Portfolio Development		(min. 2 credits)	2
05.701 or 05.702 Seminar – Qualifying Paper Development		(min. 2 credits)	2
Electives		(min. 8 credits)	8
Eight semester hours will be selected by the student with the advice and approval of the student's faculty advisor to provide an appropriate specialization in a professional field.			
Additional seminars (05.601/602 and 05.701/702) may be taken for elective credit.			
Dissertation Planning		(Min. 12 credits)	12
		Total	48

Notes:

In cases where students have a choice of courses to fulfill the requirement, the decision as to the most appropriate selection should be made in consultation with the student's advisor, in light of the student's previous academic program.

* 07.640 "Introduction to Research Methods" is recommended as a prerequisite for candidates who lack a prior course in statistics. This course does not count as the third research course nor toward the 48 credits doctoral program.