

The Educational Leadership Doctoral Program features coursework, seminars, a residency year, a dissertation, and a cohort structure designed to promote peer support and interaction. The 60-hour program includes 42 hours of required core coursework, while also allowing for a **cognate of 18 hours** in an area that supports the student's professional goals.

The most common areas of specialization are higher education and the superintendency; however, any area in which there is a graduate degree is eligible for use as a cognate area. Areas of specialization available as part of the doctoral degree include:

Cognate in Superintendency

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<https://www.tamuk.edu/education/departments/edlc/edadmin.html>

EDAD 5352 Educational Facilities Planning
EDAD 5351 Staff and Pupil Personnel **OR**
EDAD 5381 Administration of Special Programs
EDAD 5384 Adv. Problems in the Superintendency
EDAD 5313 School Finance
EDAD 5385 Superintendency Internship

Cognate in Principalship

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<https://www.tamuk.edu/education/departments/edlc/edadmin.html>

EDAD 5301 Behavioral and Organizational Foundations of Education
EDAD 5345 Internship
EDAD 5383 Public School Law
EDAD 5344 Supervision
EDAD 5343 Managing School Resources
EDAD 5341 School Administration

Cognate in Higher Education Administration and Leadership

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<https://www.tamuk.edu/education/departments/edlc/heal.html>

HEAL 6325 Student Personnel Services in Higher Education
HEAL 6326 Curriculum/Program Planning in Higher Education
HEAL 6327 Higher Education Administration
HEAL 6328 Strategic Enrollment Leadership
HEAL 6336 Teaching and Research in Higher Education
HEAL 6338 Legal and Ethical Issues in Higher Education

Cognate in Adult Education

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<https://www.tamuk.edu/education/departments/edlc/adulted.html>

6 ADED classes at the 5300 level

Cognate in Instructional Technology Leadership and Innovation

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<https://www.tamuk.edu/education/departments/edlc/tech.html>

EDIT 5310 Microcomputers in the Classroom
EDIT 5311 Intro to Digital Learning Society
EDIT 5312 World Wide Web Learning Environments
EDIT 5313 Principles of Instructional Technology
EDIT 5318 Advanced Instructional Strategies and Learning Theories
EDIT 5320 Multimedia Design and Production

Cognate in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)

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<https://www.tamuk.edu/education/departments/edlc/stem.html>

STEM 6310 Introduction to STEM Education
STEM 6312 Theoretical Foundations of STEM Education
STEM 6314 Special Topics in STEM Education
STEM 6316 Instructional Design in STEM Education
STEM 6318 Trends and Issues in STEM Education
STEM 6320 Leadership in STEM Education
STEM 6322 Research in STEM Education

Cognate in Bilingual Education

Coordinator: Dr. Norma Guzman (norma.guzman@tamuk.edu)

EDBL 6301 Foundations of Bilingual Education
EDBL 6310 Literature of the Mexican-American
EDBL 6321 Linguistics and Education I
EDBL 6334 Teaching Subject Matter in Spanish
EDBL 6391 Advanced Problems Bilingual Education I
EDBL 6393 Advanced Problems Bilingual Education II

Cognate in Reading

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6 EDRG classes at the 5300 level

Cognate in Special Education

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6 EDSE classes at the 5300 level

Cognate in Counseling

Coordinator: Dr. Lorena Rosenbaum (lorena.rosenbaum@tamuk.edu)

6 EDCG classes at the 5300 level