The Higher Education Leadership specialization is a distance delivery, cohort based Ph.D. program focused on the development of leaders at colleges and universities. Its goal is to produce educational leaders and scholar practitioners that contribute to the knowledge and application of knowledge in a College and University setting. The program is a 60-hour, post masters program that includes 30 hours of leadership and administrative course content and 30 hours of research credits, plus comprehensive exams and a dissertation.

The delivery of the program is a blended format. Students are required to travel to Fort Collins for a 6-7 day extended week in July each year. Two additional days in January, prior to the beginning of the spring semester are also required. During the fall and spring semesters, six (6) credit hours of coursework are taken via video conference technology. The program is designed to be completed in five+ years, while the student remains employed full-time at an institution of higher education.

Admissions information is available online at: http://www.soe.chhs.colostate.edu/students/doctoral/hel/apply.aspx.

Applications are due to the School of Education Graduate Office by March 1 for admission to the new cohort.

All students must register for at least one credit of regular coursework or EDCL 799 every semester, including summer, until graduation.

2015 Cohort
EDHE 673 - Student Development Theory
Section: 701
Credits: 3 semester
Instructor: Susana Munoz
Days/Times: Mondays
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. MST

EDUC 709 - Leadership Development
Section: 701
Credits: 3 semester
Instructor: Linda Kuk
Days/Times: Mondays
5:30 - 7:00 p.m. MST

2014 Cohort
EDCL 701 - Higher Education Law
Section: 701
Credits: 3 semester
Instructor: Linda Schutjer
Days/Times: Tuesdays
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. MST

EDRM 704 - Qualitative Research
Section: 701
Credits: 3 semester
Instructor: George Kamberelis
Days/Times: Tuesdays
5:30 - 7:00 p.m. MST

2013 Cohort
EDOD 769 - Theory and Practice of Change
Section: 701
Credits: 3 semester
Instructor: Linda Kuk
Days/Times: Tuesdays
7:30 - 9:00 p.m. MST

EDRM 700 - Quantitative Research Methods
Section: 701
Credits: 3 semester
Instructor: Gene Gloeckner
Days/Times: Tuesdays
5:30 - 7:00 p.m. MST

2008-2011 Cohorts
EDCL 799 - Dissertation
Section: 701
Credits: 1-18 semester; consult with advisor
Days/Times: Hours arranged
The Community College Leadership (CCL) program is designed to meet the needs of persons interested in leadership positions at community colleges. The CCL program offers students the opportunity to improve their practice if they are currently serving in a leadership position. If students are seeking a leadership position, the CCL program offers them the opportunity to develop the cognitive, emotional and interpersonal skills required for success in such appointments.

Program Objectives

- To provide a comprehensive and progressive doctoral curriculum that develops the skills needed to successfully lead community colleges;
- To develop students’ research skills and abilities to enable them to expand the knowledge base concerning community colleges, effective teaching and student learning;
- To instill or reinforce a commitment to the critical engagement of diversity;
- To assist students in exploring ways to strengthen commitments to open access, the comprehensive mission and instructional quality.

All students must register for at least one credit of EDCL 799 every semester, including summer, until graduation.

PROGRAM ADMISSION IS SUSPENDED FOR THE CCL PROGRAM.