



The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA

Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education

Tulsa Programs

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

IN INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP AND ACADEMIC CURRICULUM Concentration in Early Childhood Education

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In January, 2011, OU was named by the Carnegie Foundation to its highest tier of research activity classification, the first time a public institution in Oklahoma has received this outstanding recognition.

OVERVIEW

The University of Oklahoma offers the Ph.D. in Instructional Leadership and Academic Curriculum with a concentration in Early Childhood Education in its entirety on the Tulsa campus. Course delivery is typically in the evenings. If enrolled full-time, coursework can be completed in three years. Part-time enrollment will result in more time needed to complete courses. Coursework is followed by the writing of a doctoral dissertation. Time for completion of the dissertation varies from candidate to candidate.

The Ph.D. program is designed to prepare faculty researchers and leaders serving young children (birth through age eight) and their families, in multiple settings. The program will have a strong focus in research, leadership, and advocacy, as well as infant/toddler studies.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For additional information on the OU Graduate College and its application procedures: <http://www.ou.edu/gradcollege/admissions/apply>

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

OU utilizes an online graduate application system available at the following link: www.gograd.ou.edu/apply
All items required for admission are included in the online application. Below is a list of items necessary to complete the online doctoral application:

- Names and email addresses for letters of reference from at least three persons who are familiar with your qualifications. Include faculty members with whom you have done graduate work and others who have personal knowledge of your professional experience.
- Graduate Record Examination general test scores. Information about the GRE is available via the Internet at www.gre.org. (Only scores within the past five years can be considered). Advance appointments to take the computer-based test locally can be made by contacting Prometric Testing Center at 918-747-9333.
- A resume, and if the applicant chooses, a narrative autobiography emphasizing career experience.
- A short essay including a statement of career objectives and why a Ph.D. in ECE will assist you in meeting your career objectives.
- Official transcripts of both graduate and undergraduate work.
- One academic writing sample, such as a published article or graded graduate-level research paper.

*Applicants must have completed a Master's degree in early childhood, child development, social work, or a related field, and have a **minimum of three years** experience working directly with children to be eligible for admission.

Application deadlines: Fall- May 15, Spring- September 15, Summer- February 15

PH.D. PROGRAM OF STUDY *Minimum Degree Requirements*

*Early Childhood Education Courses: Up to 30 credit hours of related education courses may be transferred from a Master's degree.
•ILAC Core: 12 credit hours •Research Methodology: 15-18 credit hours •ECE: 9-18 credit hours •Dissertation Research: 9 credit hours
Degree requires approximately 90 credit hours, including the Master's degree. However, each individual's program of study will vary.

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