Ed.D. in Educational Leadership
(School Track)
Superintendent Focus (Licensure)¹

Students are required to take a minimum of 60 credit hours of doctoral coursework (i.e., 8000 level courses) beyond the master’s degree and complete a Qualifying Examination and Doctoral Dissertation. Courses for students with the Superintendent Focus of the School Track include:

**Foundations Coursework (33 Credit Hours)**
- ADMN 8101: Perspectives on Adult Learning Theory
- ADMN 8110: Organizational Theory and Behavior
- ADMN 8120: Advanced School Law
- ADMN 8121: Doctoral Seminar in Curriculum Design
- ADMN 8130: Educational Governance and Policy Studies
- ADMN 8140: School Finance
- ADMN 8150: Human Resources Development and Administration
- ADMN 8160: Introduction to Educational Administration
- ADMN 8410: Advanced Internship in Educational Leadership I
- ADMN 8420: Advanced Internship in Educational Leadership II
- ADMN 8610: Interdisciplinary Seminar

**Research Coursework (12 Credit Hours)**
- Students must take RSCH 8210, 8110, & RSCH 8120 sequentially and RSCH 8111 anytime after RSCH 8210
- RSCH 8210: Applied Educational Research
- RSCH 8110: Descriptive and Inferential Statistics
- RSCH 8120: Advanced Statistics
- RSCH 8111: Qualitative Research Methods

**Electives (6 Credit Hours)**
- Students may take 6 credit hours of elective courses. These courses often include additional research courses that will assist the dissertation process.

**Dissertation Proposal Seminar (3 Credit Hours)**
- ADMN 8699: Dissertation Proposal Seminar²

**Dissertation Coursework (at least 6 Credit Hours)**
- ADMN 8999: Dissertation Research³

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¹ This course guide is provided for general information and is not intended to be used to direct one’s academic pathway. Detailed and the most up-to-date information is contained in the Doctoral Program Handbook and the UNC Charlotte Graduate Catalog.

² Students may take ADMN 8699 only after all coursework above is completed or during the final semester of coursework.

³ Students may take ADMN 8999 only after all other coursework in the program is completed. Students must maintain continuous enrollment in ADMN 8999, to include the ten-week summer session, until degree completion and must be enrolled during the semester in which they graduate. Failure to maintain continuous enrollment in ADMN 8999 will result in dismissal from the program.