DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN EDUCATION, EDUCATION AND INEQUALITY CONCENTRATION

The education and inequality concentration studies the intersection of power, race, place, and identity as key areas informing consideration of education and inequality. Areas of inquiry include race, gender, sexuality, citizenship, (dis)ability, and power as these concepts relate to identity and intersect with access to k-20 education, out-of-school learning, and social services. The program focuses on understanding the intersections of communities, families, schools, service providers, and children as part of the larger society and world in which they exist.

Visit the program website (https://gsehd.gwu.edu/programs/phd-education-and-inequality/) for additional information.

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 60 credits, including 36 credits in core courses, and 24 credits in the concentration, successful completion of a second-year research project, successful completion of the comprehensive examination; oral defense of both the dissertation proposal and the dissertation.

Requirements of the Doctor of Philosophy (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/education-human-development/#doctoraltext) program.

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**Required**

Core courses

SEHD 8200 | Foundations of Education I | 6
SEHD 8201 | Foundations of Education II | 6
SEHD 8100 | Special Topics (taken twice for a total of 6 credits) | 6

Research methods

12 credits of doctoral-level research methods coursework, selected in consultation with advisor. At least one course must be in quantitative research methods and one in qualitative research methods.

Dissertation

SEHD 8999 | Dissertation Research (taken for at least 12 credits) | 12

Additional requirements

Successful completion of second-year research project.

Successful completion of the comprehensive examination.

Oral defense of both the dissertation proposal and the dissertation.

### Education and inequality concentration requirements

24 credits in graduate-level courses determined in consultation with the advisor. Course selections are determined by the focus of the concentration and the specific interests of the student.

### DOCTORAL PROGRAM LEVEL B COURSES

Doctoral Program Level B Courses

GSEHD’s Level B research methods courses are advanced courses in a specific research methodology. All GSEHD doctoral students are required to take at least one Level B course in the methodology of their dissertation. The courses listed below are approved to meet this requirement. EDUC 8120 Group Comparison Designs and Analyses, and EDUC 8122 Qualitative Research Methods, must be completed before enrolling in a Level B course.

Some programs require more than one Level B course. Some Level B courses are taken in a predetermined sequence; for this reason, students should check each course description for prerequisites, as courses in the sequence build on others. More information regarding the Level B course sequence is available in the GSEHD Doctoral Student Handbook; (https://gsehd.gwu.edu/student-services/) students also may consult their faculty advisor or research methods faculty (https://gsehd.gwu.edu/directory/) for additional guidance.

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**EDUC 8100** | Experimental Courses (Mixed Methods Research) | 3
**EDUC 8130** | Survey Research Methods | 3
**EDUC 8131** | Case Study Research Methods | 3
**EDUC 8140** | Ethnographic Research Methods | 3
**EDUC 8142** | Phenomenological Research Methods | 3
**EDUC 8144** | Discourse Analysis | 3
**EDUC 8147** | Critical Methodologies in Educational Research | 3
**EDUC 8148** | Qualitative Data Collection | 3
**EDUC 8149** | Qualitative Data Analysis | 3
**EDUC 8170** | Educational Measurement | 3
**EDUC 8171** | Predictive Designs and Analyses | 3
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