**Why Dallas Baptist University?**

**Why should I choose Dallas Baptist University for my Ed.D. in Educational Leadership degree?**
Dallas Baptist University is a uniquely Christian university that encourages all students to become servant leaders in their chosen fields. Being an educator is a true calling. Faculty and staff at DBU understand and seek to help students achieve their goals while also nurturing them in their spiritual development.

**Do I have to be a Baptist to attend Dallas Baptist University?**
No. Students from all faiths and creeds attend, learn, and benefit from their experiences at DBU. Everyone is welcome into the DBU family!

**Does Dallas Baptist University have more than one campus?**
Yes. In addition to our beautiful main campus adjacent to Mountain Creek Lake, DBU also has regional academic centers in Colleyville, Carrollton, and Frisco.

**Application Procedures**

**How do I apply to the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership program at Dallas Baptist University?**
You may request a copy of our application by phoning 214.333.6850 or e-mailing. You may also apply online at doctoral@dbu.edu.

**What transcripts must I provide?**
You must supply all your previous transcripts. If you ever took a single course at a college or university, you must provide an official transcript from that institution.

**Where should I send my application materials?**
Application materials should be sent to: Dallas Baptist University Gary Cook Graduate School of Leadership 3000 Mountain Creek Pkwy Dallas, TX 75211

**Is there a deadline for applying per semester?**
The priority deadline to qualify for admission into the summer cohort is May 18. Acceptance is contingent upon meeting admissions requirements and availability of space in the doctoral courses.

**Financial Aid**

**DBU is a private university. Isn’t it much more expensive than a state university?**
Not really. Since the Texas Legislature deregulated state tuition, universities have routinely raised their tuition rates significantly. Graduate students, particularly, should exercise a “shop before you buy” mentality. You will be pleasantly surprised at what you find!

Current tuition costs can be found in the current course schedule under the financial information section.

**Can I apply for Financial Aid as a graduate student?**
Yes! We strongly encourage all students to apply for Financial Aid through our university Financial Aid office at (214).333.5363 or [www.dbu.edu/financialaid](http://www.dbu.edu/financialaid).
**Transfer Students**

**Can I transfer doctoral credits from another university?**
A maximum of twenty-four (24) transfer credit hours may be considered by the Ed.D. Director and Ed.D. Committee provided the following stipulations are met:

1. Transfer hours must be on the doctoral or post-master’s level, from a regionally accredited university, and may not have been used toward another degree.
2. Research and Statistics courses from other universities are accepted only as prerequisites or electives. They may not be substituted for required DBU Research or Statistics courses.
3. Students wishing to obtain Texas Superintendent certification through DBU must take their Superintendent courses at DBU.
4. Students who already have Texas Superintendent certification may transfer comparable courses into the Ed.D. program upon approval of the Ed.D. Director and Committee.

**How would I find out if credits I have taken at another university will be accepted at Dallas Baptist University?**
You should make an appointment with your program director for advising, bringing official transcripts for review and evaluation.

**Admissions Procedures and Notification**

**How can I verify that all my admissions documents have been received by the Ed.D. program?**
You may contact the Ed.D. program office to verify they have received all documents. If everything has not been received, they will be able to tell you what is lacking.

**Once I have submitted everything required, how will I know if I am accepted?**
Once the Ed.D. Council has met and reviewed your application, you will be notified by your program director.

**Who is the Director for the Ed.D. program?**
The director for the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership program is Dr. Dan MacMillan.

**Registration Procedures**

**Upon admission, how do I proceed to register?**
Upon admission, you will contact your program director who will advise you and assist you in getting registered.

**Why is there such importance placed on student advising at DBU? Why can’t I just register on my own?**
At Dallas Baptist University great importance is placed on the relationship between the student and their program director. This individual attention and mentoring helps the student obtain correct information, assures that things occur in a proper manner, and guarantees that every student has someone who knows them by name, understands their individual situations, and prays for them. The DBU strong emphasis on student advising is one of our greatest strengths.

**Can I register online?**
As a newly admitted student, you cannot register online. It is particularly important that as a new student you receive individual attention from your program director. After your initial registration you will be able to register online, if desired, after personal or virtual advising from your program director and after your first semester grades are posted.

**I am uncomfortable with online registration. Are there other ways for me to register?**
Of course! All students have the option of meeting directly with their program director for advising and registration in person. Also, to assist those working, students may choose to conduct advising with their program director via telephone or e-mail. Once appropriate advising has taken place, often the student can chose to complete their registration process via faxing with their program director.