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OUR HISTORY

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From a small teacher-training institution in the 1920's, Delta State has grown into a multi-purpose university that focuses strongly on quality classroom instruction. The growth and success of the University is a tribute to the dedication of the faculty and staff, the hard work of the students, and the strong support of the Delta community and state legislature.

OUR PROGRAM

The Doctor of Education in Professional Studies program is designed to prepare educators to assume leadership roles in P-12 education, higher education, and educational leadership. We offer three tracks of study - educational leadership, curriculum & instruction, and higher education. All of our courses are hybrid, so they have one in-person class meeting per month during evenings or Saturdays. Some courses may meet less or are fully online. Also, our program is designed to allow new applicants to take up to 6 credit hours before gaining full admission.

Fully admitted students receive an individualized program of study. Previous courses may transfer if they are pertinent to your chosen track and are an earned grade of B or better. All research courses should be less than 6 years old to transfer. We offer open enrollment, so you can begin coursework as early as next semester!

OUR ADMISSION REOUIREMENTS

Students entering the program must possess:

- 1. Master's or Educational Specialist degree from an accredited college/university
- 2. Minimum of 2 years experience in teaching or an equivalent area

To earn full admission, each student must submit:

- 1. Application
- 2. Official transcripts
- 3. Immunization records
- 4. GRE verbal, written and quantitative scores (less than 5 years old)
- Electronic portfolio to the doctoral coordinator on or before February 1 for full admission eligibility in summer/fall, and September 1 for full admission eligibility in spring
- 6. Writing sample. After portfolio submission, you will be contacted to schedule an appointment.

Delta State University awards 15 hours of graduate credit to fully admitted doctoral students in leadership who have NISL certification. For higher education majors, Delta State University awards 9 hours of graduate credit to fully admitted students with MCCLA certification. Contact the doctoral program coordinator for more information.

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