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# Ed.D. How to Earn you Doctorate without Giving Up Living

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**how to earn your doctorate without giving up living**





Nova University is offering a new, unique national three-year off-campus program for qualified professional school administrators.

Called "The Nova Cluster" concept, it allows you to work at home in your own way utilizing special study guides.

In effect, Nova University is bringing the campus and the curriculum to you — professor and all.

Once a month a professor in a particular discipline from the Nova University faculty flies into your local area to meet with you and a Cluster of your fellow doctoral candidates for an intensive eight-hour seminar.

The rest of the time, you work alone or with your colleagues under the supervision of a qualified local coordinator.

At any time you can consult with your coordinator or your Nova professor, on campus, by phone or correspondence.

Toward the end of each program, you carry out an individual field practicum at home and in your own time.

The only time you have to set foot on the Nova University campus is for symposia (one each year, the first two

years), for your final exams (written and oral) and to present dissertations.

At the present time there are Nova Clusters in Fort Lauderdale, Gainesville, Jacksonville and West Palm Beach, Florida; Solano County, California; Hartford, Connecticut; Atlanta, Georgia; Nassau County, New York; Bucks County, Pennsylvania; and Dallas, Texas. More clusters will be formed, based on demand.

Eight fields of competence are covered, all having to do with your profession as a school administrator: (1) Finance, (2) Curriculum Development, (3) Supervision, (4) Administrative Theory, (5) Educational Assessment and Statistics, (6) Social Issues and School Law, (7) Systems Management and (8) Learning Theory.

### *The requirements*

While the course is designed to help you make the most effective use of your available study time, the prerequisites and requirements are as complete and rigorous as any full-time on-campus doctoral program.

In fact, the university expects levels



of competence at the end of the curriculum to equal or surpass those attained by conventional means. Quality control is guaranteed through the use of external examinations.

To enroll in the Nova Cluster program you must have:

- a. A school administrative license or other credentials.
- b. A master's degree from an accredited institution. The transcript indicating this degree must come directly from this institution.
- c. Current employment in a school district, in an administrative or supervisory capacity.
- d. Letters of recommendation must come directly from each individual recommending you.

To complete the program, you must pass a written examination and pursue a practicum in each of the eight areas of study. This involves choosing an actual school administrative problem, analyzing its causes and effects, arriving at a practical solution and implementing the solution.

In each of the first two years, you will be expected to concentrate on at

least three of the eight areas and, in the third year, to direct your efforts toward completing the last two areas and your dissertation requirement.

Dissertation topics will be based on important problems you personally face as part of your professional responsibilities in order to further enhance the relationship between theory and practice.

### *The fees*

There is a \$200 deposit required with the application form, plus a \$25 processing fee. Tuition is \$1,500 each study year, payable at the time of acceptance.

Working at a normal pace, you can expect to complete your doctorate in three years. On the other hand, you may finish in two years, or elect to stretch it over a longer period if necessary.

Either way, the tuition fee must be paid for each year you are actually working on your competency requirements. After that, there is a special maintenance fee to cover the time you need to complete your dissertations.

During each of the first two years, you should plan to attend a one-week symposium on the Nova University campus in Fort Lauderdale.

To obtain your application forms, write:

*Off-Campus Ed.D. Program  
Nova University  
3301 College Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314*

Please enclose a check for \$225 with the completed application. The \$200 deposit is refundable in the event the application is not accepted.

### *Financial Assistance*

Participants in the program are eligible for federally insured loans. The program is also approved for Veteran's Administration educational assistance allowances.

### *The University*

Founded on revolutionary educational concepts and a loosely structured learning environment in 1964, Nova University is dedicated to the advancement of scientific learning.

The university offers Ph.D. degrees in the fields of oceanography, science education and the behavioral sciences and life sciences. It is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Private, non-sectarian and non-profit, Nova University is an autonomous component of a 1,000-acre educational complex, including:

1. A public elementary, middle and high school system.
2. A two-year community college.
3. The University School, a highly innovative institution for children from pre-school to college-preparatory age, where much of Nova's educational research is applied.

Nova University and its neighboring institutions have attracted, nationally and internationally, administrators and teachers interested in their pioneering activities.

In 1970, Nova University joined with the New York Institute of Technology to form an educational consortium, bringing together the intellectual resources of both innovative institutions.



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