Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in Fayetteville State University’s Doctoral Program (Ed.D.) in Educational Leadership. Applications are currently being accepted for the Fall 2021 cohort. All required materials must be received by April 1, 2021.

Admission to the Ed. D. program at Fayetteville State University is based on the potential for success as doctoral students and future educational leaders. A maximum of 20 students will be admitted into the program.

A completed application consists of the following:

- Graduate application and fee
- Minimum graduate GPA of 3.50
- Official transcripts of all college/university work
- GRE score no more than five (5) years old (waived if student holds two (2) master’s degrees)
- A portfolio of professional growth
- Three professional letters of recommendation (not older than two years)
- A personal interview
- An on-demand writing sample
- Complete all requirements for the safety review. The campus safety requirement will NOT be bypassed under any circumstances

The professional growth portfolio must include:

- Resume/ CV
- A Statement of Purpose
- Evidence of leadership initiatives and potential (e.g. certificates, research, publications, workshops, presentations, programs)

Please mail or email portfolios to:

Ed. D. Program  
College of Education  
Fayetteville State University  
1200 Murchison Road  
Butler Building, Room 340  
Fayetteville, NC 28301-4298  
lhadley@uncfsu.edu

Questions may be addressed to the Department of Educational Leadership & School Administration at (910) 672-2319 or lhadley@uncfsu.edu
Statement of Purpose Guidelines

Please state your purpose in applying for a doctoral degree. Be sure to include: your preparation for this field of study, your research interests, and your future career goals. Please be specific about why Fayetteville State University would be a good intellectual fit for you.

The following are the guidelines for writing your essay:

- Maximum of four, double-spaced pages.
- 12-point Times New Roman font
- Include a cover sheet with your name, contact information and date