PH.D. IN EDUCATIONAL STUDIES IN DIVERSE POPULATIONS

This program is designed to prepare professionals who can conduct research and lead innovation that enhances educational and life outcomes for diverse populations in P-12, post-secondary, and community settings. Such diverse populations include racially, ethnically, culturally and linguistically diverse individuals, those with disabilities, those from high-poverty backgrounds, those impacted by gender bias or bias related to gender identity and/or sexual orientation, and those who have other learning or behavioral differences.
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The Ph.D in Educational Studies in Diverse Populations (ESDP) is approximately 60-90 credit hours. In addition to prerequisite requirements, the program is comprised of four key parts: core courses, research courses, concentration courses and a dissertation. Prospective students may apply for one of three concentrations.

Metropolitan Education Studies
This concentration examines diversity issues within large metropolitan areas, including urban, suburban, and exurban communities.

Pedagogical Studies
This concentration examines educational policies, curriculum, and instruction that support the needs of diverse learners in P-12 schools or language centers.

Health Disparities within Diverse Populations
This concentration examines cultural, psychological, behavioral, social, and environmental influences that impact health and education.

Admissions Requirements and Application Procedures
Admission to the ESDP program is two-fold: Admission to the Ph.D program and admission to the concentration. Prior to beginning coursework you must have unconditional admission to the UAB Graduate School and to the ESDP program. After completing core courses, the core faculty along with the concentration faculty will discuss each student’s performance and viability and will make determinations about concentration admission.

The application deadline is March 1 for cohorts beginning the fall semester of that year. Application is made through the UAB Graduate School at uab.edu/graduate. Further details and admission requirements can also be found at this site.

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