Concordia University-Portland EdD Program Information
(Updated 2/24/2020)

Important Notes for All Candidates

Course Withdrawal
Please visit the Tuition Assessment and Refund Policy Page to review course drop and withdrawal information:

Course Transfer
All course and credit transfers are accepted at the discretion of the receiving institution. CU-Portland (CU-P) candidates may be required to take additional courses at their transfer institution to complete their degree program.

Dissertation Completion Guidelines for Insufficient Credits (Less Than 59 Credits)

These guidelines are for candidates who are enrolled in EDDR 698 as of January 6, 2020, but who will not earn the minimum 59 credits required to graduate by April 25, 2020.

Degree Requirements (non-negotiable):
(a) Minimum 59 credits by April 25, 2020
(b) Successful Defense of the Dissertation
(c) Faculty Chair Approval of the Dissertation for CU Commons Submission
(d) Submission of the Dissertation to CU Commons for Program Review

Concurrent Enrollment and Course Substitution for EDDR 698

NOTE: Prior to requesting any course enrollment changes, candidates should first consult with Financial Aid and/or Student Accounts on financial implications for any changes in credit loads.

- In order to fulfill the 59-credit degree requirement, candidates may substitute a second and/or third successfully completed iteration of EDDR 697 (2 credits each) for up to two iterations of EDDR 698 (1.5 credits each).

- If only one iteration of EDDR 697 was successfully completed and the candidate has completed one session of EDDR 698, up to three iterations of EDDR 698 (the second, third, and fourth required sessions) may be taken simultaneously in the March–April 2020 session in order to complete degree credit requirements.
Candidates in their second iteration of EDDR 698 during the January–February 2020 session may enroll concurrently in two iterations of EDDR 698 for the March–April 2020 session to fulfill the degree credit requirements.

A combination of qualifying substitutions and EDDR 698 concurrent credit enrollment is possible.

To take advantage of the Concurrent Enrollment options listed above, the following must occur:

- The dissertation committee determines that it is possible for the candidate to complete all EDDR 698 course requirements in the Spring 2020 session.
- Faculty Chair confirms with Office of Doctoral Studies by March 5, 2020 that they support the candidate’s enrollment in simultaneous iterations of EDDR 698.

**NOTE:** Degree conferral will not occur at CU-P unless all degree requirements are completed by April 25, 2020. (Candidates should to have a plan for transitioning to another institution in the event of not fulfilling all degree requirements by April 25, 2020).

In order to initiate any EDDR course substitutions or concurrent enrollments, please first contact your Faculty Chair to discuss whether you meet eligibility criteria as outlined above. The Faculty Chair will initiate (a) a request for course substitution or (b) a confirmation of support for concurrent enrollment with the Office of Doctoral Studies.

**CU Commons Submissions**

The Week 6 deadline for CU Commons submission is waived for the Spring 2020 semester. The final deadline for CU Commons submission is April 25, 2020.

The Doctorate of Education degree will be conferred by CU-P if the following requirements are met by April 25, 2020:

- A minimum 59 credits
- Successful Defense of the Dissertation
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The candidate will not need to complete the CU Commons publication process for degree conferral.

If the candidate chooses to have their dissertation published to the CU Commons, then all program required edits must be completed by the candidate and approved by the program by May 15, 2020.

**Committee Members**

New committee position appointments will be fulfilled by current doctoral program faculty.
Research Phase Degree Completion Options

These options are for candidates who are enrolled for the January 6–February 29, 2020 session in any of the following courses, and who cannot complete all EdD degree requirements by April 25, 2020:

- 3.75-Year Program Model: EDDR 610, EDDR 619, EDDR 620, EDDR 621, EDDT 653, EDDR 697, EDDR 698
- 3-Year Program Model: EDDR 791, EDDR 798

Option 1: Change of Program to EdS Degree for April 25, 2020 Conferral

For more information on this degree, please visit:

Candidates may apply for a change of program to the Education Specialist degree program. The EdS candidate will be required to successfully complete EDDR 797 Education Specialist Capstone during the March 2–April 25, 2020 session. Upon successful completion of the Education Specialist Capstone course and confirmation of all university requirements, the candidate will be eligible to be awarded the Education Specialist degree. (UPDATE 2/24/2020: See Appendix A for information on a course equivalence opportunity for candidates who have successfully completed the EDDR 697 or EDDR 798 dissertation proposal defense milestone).

Transfer of Educational Specialist degree credits earned at CU-P to another university would be governed by the policies of the receiving institution. If candidates are interested in earning a terminal degree after receiving the EdS degree from CU-P, then before entering this degree track, they should explore options with other institutions for transfer of EdS credits to another institution’s Ed.D. program.

To request a Program Change Application from the Doctorate of Education program to the Education Specialist program, speak to your Student Services advisor (eddstudentservices@education.cu-portland.edu; 888-628-2752).

NOTE: Prior to requesting any course enrollment changes, candidates should first consult with Financial Aid and/or Student Accounts on financial implications for any changes in credit loads.

Option 2: Transferring to Another Accredited Doctorate of Education Program

Candidates who would like to transfer to another accredited Doctorate of Education program will need to follow the transfer process defined by the receiving institution.

Transfer requirements vary by institution. Candidates should consider all viable options before making a final decision on any transfer.

A number of schools have indicated their support of CU-P EdD transfers. Please visit [www.cu-portland.edu/closure/transfer](http://www.cu-portland.edu/closure/transfer) for current information, which is being updated regularly.
Transfer Options for All EdD Candidates

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If you are able to attend, transfer fairs will be held on campus. Please see www.cu-portland.edu/closure/transfer for event details.
Appendix A: EDDR 797 Prior EDDR Coursework Equivalency

Candidates who have successfully passed their Dissertation Proposal Defense in EDDR 697 or EDDR 798 may request to have Doctorate of Education program research course (EDDR) credits transferred into the Education Specialist program to fulfill the capstone course requirement: EDDR 797 (3 credits).

Eligibility will be confirmed by the EDD Program based on the following requirements:

1. Passing scores on the following Critical Assessments:
   
   **3.75-Year Program Model (EDDR 697)**
   a. CA 9: Literature Review
   b. CA 10: Methodology
   c. CA 11: Proposal Defense

   **3-Year Program Model (EDDR 798)**
   a. Milestone 4: Literature Review
   b. Milestone 5: Methodology
   c. Milestone 6: Proposal Defense

2. Passing course grades in the following courses to transfer for EDDR 797:
   
   **3.75-Year Program Model**
   a. EDDR 697 (2 credits)
   b. EDDR 621 (2 credits)

   **3-Year Program Model**
   a. EDDR 798 (3 credits)
   b. Milestone 5: Methodology
   c. Milestone 6: Proposal Defense

To explore whether you are eligible for this research course (EDDR) transfer of credit opportunity, speak to your Student Services advisor (eddstudentservices@education.cu-portland.edu; 888-628-2752). The Director of Doctoral Studies must review and approve all credit transfer requests.