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- Our School of Education programs are fully WASC approved.
- Our Teaching Credential programs are fully California CTC approved.

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Apply Today!

Apply online with the Admissions office at: lasierra.edu/apply. Have copies of all official transcripts from previous colleges or universities sent directly to admissions. A GPA of 3.3 or higher is expected for admission into the doctoral program along with GRE results.

Talk to our financial aid office, and learn how you can pay for graduate school with grants and loans.

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Education Specialist (Ed.S)

SCHOOL OF ED. CORE COURSES (12 UNITS)

EDAD 687	Leadership and Organization	3
EDFO 606	Sociology of Education	3
EDPC 607	Dynamics of Personality	3
EDAD 688	Moral Leadership	3

SCHOOL OF ED. RESEARCH CORE COURSES (6 UNITS)

EDRS 604	Educational Statistics I	3
EDRS 605	Qualitative Research I	3

SPECIALIZATION COURSE: (18 UNITS)

Neuroscience and Education

EDCI 545	Brain Science and Learning	3
EDCI 565	Advanced Special Education	3
EDPC 711	Biological Foundations of Education I	3
EDPC 712	Biological Foundations of Education II	3
EDCI 664	Social and Emotional Intelligence	3
EDCI 665	Critical Issues in Brain Science and Pedagogy	3

Higher Education

EDCI 628	History of Curriculum Design and Development in Higher Education	3
EDFO 647	History and Philosophy of Higher Education	3
EDFO 645	History of Educational Thought	3
EDCI 630	Pedagogy and Practice in Higher Education	3
EDCI 651	Curriculum Development in Higher Education	3
EDCI 664	Social and Emotional Intelligence	3

ELECTIVE COURSES: (9 UNITS)

Consult your advisor to select an additional 9 units from the School of Education as electives

Additional Specialist Requirements:

Comprehensive Examination (Required for program completion and advancement toward Ed. D.)

Doctor of Education (Ed. D.)

SCHOOL OF ED. CORE COURSES (9 UNITS)

Educational Statistics II OR	EDRS 702
Qualitative Research II	EDRS 703
Research Design (Quantitative) (prerequisite 702) OR	EDRS 704A
Research Design (Qualitative) (prerequisite 703)	EDRS 704B
Contemporary Issues in Education	EDFO 791

DEPARTMENTAL CORE (6 UNITS)

Curriculum Development in Higher Education	EDCI 651
Pedagogy and Practice in Higher Education	EDCI 630

ELECTIVE COURSES (15 UNITS)

Chosen in consultation with your advisor. They may include one of the following specializations or a distributed area such as:

- Neuroscience and Education
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Educational Psychology
- Higher Education
- Leadership and Administration

Additional Doctoral Requirements:

Qualifying Examination (Required during the final quarter of coursework before registering for the dissertation)

DISSERTATION (12 UNITS)

Register for at least one unit of dissertation credit per quarter. If you have registered for all 12 dissertation units and have not yet completed all the requirements for the degree, you will be charged a fee of one graduate unit per quarter until the degree is completed.

- Submit a dissertation proposal to a full time faculty member to chair your dissertation
- Work with dissertation chair to form a dissertation committee
- Dissertation proposal approval
- Institutional Review Board application for Research on Human Subjects (if applicable)
- Write dissertation
- Submit Petition for Graduation (when the dissertation defense date has been set)
- Successful dissertation defense
- Publication of dissertation
- All degree requirements completed within 7 years

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