



## Doctor of Education **LEADERSHIP & INNOVATION**

### Program Overview

Pacific's EdD concentration in Leadership & Innovation is designed for innovators and creators across sectors. The program offers a unique and transformative experience for practitioners interested in learning, leadership, and change.

Students come from K-12 education, higher education, nonprofit and advocacy organizations, government, the military, and corporations. Our students focus on a systems and innovation perspective to make impactful changes in our learning system. The part-time doctoral program includes twelve in-person

weekend sessions per year, in addition to weekly online interactive video conferences.

An important feature of the Pacific program is the Applied Inquiry coursework. Through a series of four courses, students complete a large percentage of dissertation work during regular courses. Our students begin working toward their dissertation proposal in the first semester. The entire draft proposal is targeted for completion in the first semester of Year 3.

### PROGRAM FAST FACTS

**Sacramento**

Campus

**56**

units

**3-4**

years

**Jan 15**

priority admission

**May 31**

application deadline

**Fall**

semester start

**Hybrid**

online and  
face-to-face  
courses

**GRE**

not required

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Originally when I was considering a doctoral program, I was looking to transform into a leader with a greater purpose. At Benerd, I found exceptional opportunities leading to new possibilities beyond my imagination.

**Regina Lane**  
EdD Candidate

### Curriculum

Our EdD program emphasizes a combination of rigorous academic exploration and applied, practical use projects. Students have the opportunity to choose a specialization, which includes a four-course sequence. Options include:

- Organizational Learning and Effectiveness
- Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation

### Action-Oriented Dissertation

We've created a unique dissertation process that allows you to customize your work in an area of personal and professional interest. Most importantly, your dissertation involves the application of your work through an applied, fieldbased project using one of several methodologies including:

- Action Research
- Design Thinking
- Program Evaluation
- Case Study

Our students begin working toward completing their dissertation proposal in the first semester. Through a series of four Applied Inquiry courses and other research methods coursework, students complete a large percentage of dissertation work during regular classes.

### Tuition, Scholarships, and Financing

Tuition and fees are set annually. The Benerd College graduate tuition rate for the 2019-20 academic year is \$1,053 per unit, which is a 31% discount provided automatically to all graduate students enrolled in a Benerd graduate program.

Graduate students who are U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens may apply for federal student loans. Please contact our Office of Financial Aid for more information about financing options.

### Office of Financial Aid

209.946.2421 | FinancialAid@pacific.edu

### OUTCOMES

To develop leaders through critical and iterative reflection who are prepared to disrupt and re-create systems to advance social change.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The admission process involves a holistic review of each applicant's background and experiences. The following are required for admission through our application in GradCAS ([gradcas.liasoncas.com](http://gradcas.liasoncas.com)):

- Master's Degree
- Official transcripts
- Resume
- Personal statement
- Writing sample
- Three letters of recommendation
- Departmental Interview

For international students, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is required.

For more information, please visit:

 [Pacific.edu/SacEdD](http://Pacific.edu/SacEdD)