The College of Education offers the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree with a major in Education with an emphasis in community college leadership. The College of Education is committed to excellence in its doctoral program. In order to meet this commitment admission is limited and competitive. Doctoral students enroll as members of a cohort with the goal of completing all degree requirements within three to four years.

**Doctoral Degree**
The program is designed to prepare individuals whose career path includes academic and/or executive leadership in community colleges. Its focus is on the application of current research and literature to problems in education as they pertain to community colleges.

**Prerequisite Academic Background**
Individuals entering the program must have completed a master’s degree in education or a related field, or the equivalent in post-baccalaureate graduate-level course work.

**Prerequisite Experience**
Applicants must have a minimum of three years of professional experience in community colleges or a professional field related to teaching, learning and/or leadership. (see attached)

**International Students**
International applicants are *not* eligible for this program as it is a part-time hybrid program.

**Application deadline:** The Community College Leadership Program at Oregon State University uses a priority application **deadline of February 15th**, followed by rolling admissions until the cohort is full or until the end of the third calendar week in August.

**Priority admission:** (Students who apply to the doctoral program before February 15 of each year will receive notice of the admission decision no later than March 15.

**Rolling admission:** Students who apply after February 15 will be reviewed on a space available basis until the third calendar week of August.
CRITERIA AND EVIDENCE FOR ADMISSION CONSIDERATION

As you consider applying for admission to our program and prepare your application packet, it is important that you know the criteria on which your application will be evaluated. The areas described below are those that the faculty will consider as they review your file. Your packet should attempt to respond to all areas. You are encouraged to contact a member of the Community College Leadership Program faculty if you have questions in the preparation of your application materials.

1. Your career aspirations/goals following completion of the doctorate.

   **Minimum requirements:** Aspiration to assume a faculty or administrative leadership position in a community college. Your professional experiences indicate an interest in and commitment to education.

   **Potential evidence:** Statement of experiences; reflection paper; letter(s) of recommendation; publications; interview.

2. Prior educational achievement allows you to benefit from the program within a reasonable time frame.

   **Minimum requirement:** At least 33 quarter credits of graduate course work appropriate for your career aspirations; minimum combined GPA of 3.0 (A=4.0) for the last 90 quarter credit hours of graded undergraduate course work for the first baccalaureate degree plus all work completed thereafter.

   **Potential evidence:** Transcript(s) of grades for both undergraduate and graduate preparation; GRE verbal, quantitative, and analytic scores; letter(s) of recommendation; statement of experiences; reflection paper.

3. Prior work experience allows the applicant to benefit from the program in a reasonable time frame.

   **Minimum requirement:** At least three years of successful professional experience appropriate for the applicant's career aspirations.

   **Potential evidence:** Resume; statement of experiences; reflection paper; letter(s) of recommendation; interview.

4. Ability to communicate orally and in writing which demonstrates that the applicant will benefit from the program, including the writing of the doctoral dissertation.

   **Potential evidence:** Summary of experiences; reflection paper; letter of intent; transcript(s) of undergraduate/graduate grades; master's thesis; journal articles; GRE verbal score; for international students a minimum 575 combined TOEFL score and 4 TWE score; personal interview.
5. The applicant has knowledge of the mission of the community college.

   **Potential evidence:** Statement of experiences; reflection paper; resume; letter(s) of recommendation; transcripts.

6. The applicant has knowledge of the teaching and learning processes.

   **Potential evidence:** Statement of experiences; reflection paper; resume, transcripts; letter of intent; letter(s) of recommendation.

**Additional Considerations:** The Community College Leadership Program requires an interview of selected applicants as a part of the application process. Interviews are typically held on campus in late April and/or early May.

While the CCLP has an emphasis in administrative leadership, an increased sophistication in understanding and using research and in producing useful research projects is one of the desired outcomes of the program. To this end, a culminating dissertation is required. Each participant will participate in selecting an available College of Education faculty member to serve as major professor and doctoral committee chair.

**Final Selection:** The selection of applicants will be based on all data from the application file, the interview, and writing ability. Because this is a cohort program, admission consideration is in part based on the ability of the applicant to enhance and enrich the experience of the cohort members. Admission is also based on the availability of major professors and resources within the College of Education. Your application must be complete at the time of the interview.

Oregon State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, disability or veteran's status in any of its policies, procedures, or practices.

For administrative, application or application process questions please contact:

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Application deadline: February 15, 2015. Applications received after February 15th will be reviewed on a space-available basis only. Applications must be complete before they are reviewed for admission consideration.

Note: International applicants are not eligible for this part-time hybrid program.

_____ 1. Apply to OSU Graduate Admissions online at http://gradschool.oregonstate.edu/admissions (Note: there is a required application fee)

_____ 2. Send official transcripts from all Colleges and Universities you have attended. Mail to:
Graduate Admissions, 300 Kerr Administration Building, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331-2121

Community College Leadership documents:
Upload the following documents onto your OSU Graduate Admissions website.

_____ 3. Resume/Vita- A current resume/vita which includes employment history and professional experience.

_____ 4. Writing Sample- A 3-5 page personal/professional narrative that summarizes significant learning experiences that have contributed to your professional development and describes how you expect graduate study to further your personal and professional goals.

You will not upload these, your references will do that.
Letters of Recommendation – You will enter the names and email addresses of three individuals who will provide letters of reference on your behalf within your Graduate Admissions application. Your references will be contacted by the Graduate School and asked to independently upload their letters.

If you have questions regarding your application or the application process, contact Laurie Brendle-Sleipness at (541) 737-4317 or email Laurie.Brendle@oregonstate.edu. Please contact Shelley Dubkin-Lee at (541) 737-5963 for program questions.
You will be asked to provide names and email addresses for 3 references, one of whom must be your current employer. The letters must pertain to your ability to complete a doctoral program and indicate the manner in which the doctoral degree will enable you to make a contribution to Education. These references will be automatically be sent an email requesting a letter and will ask the references to upload them onto the Graduate Admissions website. Please inform your references what they should address in their letter.

Submit the following items directly to: Office of Graduate School Admissions, Oregon State University, 300 Kerr Administration Building, Corvallis, OR 97331-2106.

_____2. Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended.

APPLICATION PROCESS STEP TWO:

Upload the Community College Leadership Program application materials listed below to the Graduate Admissions website.

_____ 1. A statement of experiences, goals, and philosophy (not to exceed three pages).
_____ 2. A reflection on how the evidence you submitted addresses that admission criteria (not to exceed three pages).
_____ 3. Current resume or curriculum vita.

My signature verifies that all information submitted by me for this application is true and correct.

_________________________________            _________________________
Signature                                                                 Date

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Print Name