EDUCATION - HIGHER EDUCATION MANAGEMENT (EDHE)

These courses are only for students enrolled in the Higher Education Management executive program.

EDHE 501 Introduction to Doctoral Studies
Introduction to Doctoral Studies provides an introduction and orientation to the Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. This course highlights resources, strategies, and expectations for earning the Doctor of Education degree at Penn through GSE's Executive Doctorate program. Discussions center on students’ background and goals, program curriculum and milestones, library resources and academic writing. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered summer term only Activity: Lecture 0.5 Course Units

EDHE 502 Contemporary Issues
By introducing the key issues confronting (primarily American) higher education, this course will encourage students to develop the capacity to identify, summarize and critique arguments and perspectives on these issues. Students will think concretely about the key research questions that need to be asked and answered to move these issues forward, and will begin to develop an appreciation for the kinds of data that are available to describe and analyze these issues. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered summer term only Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 503 Why History Matters
How an institution remembers its history, what use it makes of its important historical moments, and how the interpretation of those events divide or coalesce an institution's stakeholders shape our understanding of the past and, often quite powerfully, shape the present. The task in Why History Matters is to use contemporary writing and original documents to sort through historical events as historians understand them and simultaneously to ask how those events shape our current views of higher education. The module argues that historical moments are rarely simple events that once happened. They matter because interpretations of the events - some of which occurred over long periods of time - are both controversial and become part of the institutional culture at an institution. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered in fall term Activity: Lecture 0.33 Course Units

EDHE 504 Proseminar I
The purpose of Proseminar is to introduce students to the fundamentals of doctoral study: how to read scholarly materials critically, how to systematically review literature relevant to an area of inquiry, and how to formulate a focused research question (or set of interrelated questions). This course will help students conceptualize their research projects for their dissertations and assist them in formulating rough drafts of dissertation proposals. During monthly meetings, students spend much of their time developing literature reviews on their topics of interest and preparing for their dissertation proposal hearings. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered summer term only Activity: Lecture
0.5 Course Units

EDHE 505 Proseminar II
This module builds upon Proseminar I and continues to explore the fundamentals of doctoral study: how to read scholarly materials critically, how to systematically review literature relevant to an area of inquiry, and how to formulate a focused research question (or set of interrelated questions). This course will help students conceptualize their research projects for their dissertations and assist them in formulating rough drafts of dissertation proposals. During monthly meetings, students spend much of their time developing literature reviews on their topics of interest and preparing for their dissertation proposal hearings. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered summer term only Activity: Lecture
0.67 Course Units

EDHE 506 Strategic Management Research I
Through exploring key issues related to strategic management, students will come to an understanding of the types of possible research questions that might be pursued to enhance decision-making. This module will cover a set of topics at the heart of strategic management including management, governance, leadership, and strategic planning while maintaining focus on how the changing context of higher education influences these topics. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered in fall term Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 507 Quantitative Methods I
This course provides an overview of basic quantitative methods applicable to applied research in higher education. Students will develop the ability to recognize good data and good evidence, including the distinctions between data and evidence within the context of institutional decision-making. The course includes attention to basic approaches to quantitative research, methods of collecting and analyzing data, and usefulness of data and analyses for decision-making, and will draw on the real problems students in the class are facing in their current jobs. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management. Course usually offered in fall term Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units
EDHE 508 Qualitative Methods I
Intended to provide a survey of the field of qualitative research, this course focuses on foundational philosophies of qualitative inquiry and develops tools needed to conduct qualitative research. The course is designed to support students in developing a critical understanding of the various stages of qualitative research including the development of researchable questions, theoretical and conceptual frameworks, methodological stances and approaches, data collection and analysis plans as well as instrument design and implementation. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.67 Course Units

EDHE 509 Public Policy
This module is designed to help students embrace a better understanding of the broad economic/political pressures facing colleges/universities today, the role of the state and federal governments and how these roles have changed over time, the public institutional tradeoffs related changing policy environments at the state/federal level, and the political context of higher education and emerging issues related to public accountability. Through coursework, students examine one or more states in-depth, in terms of demographic, economic, and policy contexts as it relates to higher education. Course meets in Boulder, CO. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 510 Leadership and Change
The module on Leadership explores how executives and senior managers in higher education can think strategically and communicate persuasively, act decisively, and build leadership and teamwork in their organizations. Students apply theory and models to real world cases, both contemporary and historical, from multiple industries. Students focus on building leadership and teamwork to anticipate challenges ahead of serving long-term organizational interests, executing decisions and policies with integrity, and identifying an mentoring those whose leadership will be needed in the future. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 511 Leading Small Colleges
This module focuses on strategies for the sustainability and growth of small colleges, asking what is required to improve competitive standing, particularly among top colleges. Students analyze real data from an institution to develop an action plan to address this question, with the assumptions made and questions asked to arrive at this plan carefully scrutinized during class discussion. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 512 Proseminar III
This module builds upon Proseminar II and continues to explore the fundamentals of doctoral study: how to read scholarly materials critically, how to systematically review literature relevant to an area of inquiry, and how to formulate a focused research question (or set of interrelated questions). This course will help students conceptualize their research projects for their dissertations and assist them in formulating rough drafts of dissertation proposals. During monthly meetings, students spend much of their time developing literature reviews on their topics of interest and preparing for their dissertation proposal hearings. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 513 Strategic Management Research II
The purpose of this module is to build on and explore additional topics presented in Strategic Management Research I. Through exploring key issues related to strategic management, students will come to an understanding of the types of possible research questions that might be pursued to enhance decision-making. This module will cover a set of topics at the heart of strategic management including management, governance, leadership, and strategic planning while maintaining focus on how the changing context of higher education influences these topics. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 514 Quantitative Methods II
The purpose of this module is to build on and explore additional topics presented in Quantitative Methods I. This course provides an overview of basic quantitative methods applicable to applied research in higher education. Students will develop the ability to recognize good data and good evidence, including the distinctions between data and evidence within the context of institutional decision-making. The course includes attention to basic approaches to quantitative research, methods of collecting and analyzing data, and usefulness of data and analyses for decision-making, and will draw on the real problems students in the class are facing in their current jobs. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 515 Qualitative Methods II
The purpose of this module is to build on and explore additional topics presented in Qualitative Methods I. Intended to provide a survey of the field of qualitative research, this course focuses on foundational philosophies of qualitative inquiry and develops tools needed to conduct qualitative research. The course is designed to support students in developing a critical understanding of the various stages of qualitative research including the development of researchable questions, theoretical and conceptual frameworks, methodological stances and approaches, data collection and analysis plans as well as instrument design and implementation. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.67 Course Units
EDHE 516 Higher Education Finance
This module focuses on strategies for the sustainability and growth of small colleges, asking what is required to improve competitive standing, particularly among top colleges. Students analyze real data from an institution to develop an action plan to address this question, with the assumptions made and questions asked to arrive at this plan carefully scrutinized during class discussion. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 517 Equity and Diversity
The goal for this course is to provide students with a critical understanding of issues of diversity in American higher education. The module is designed around functions of higher education and its success is dependent on open and mature conversations about sometimes difficult and sensitive issues that ultimately inform students' research and practice. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 518 Managing Intercollegiate Athletics
Students will review a number of issues that resonate in higher education such as athletic department right-sizing (dropping or adding sports), leading through a PR crisis involving athletics, and strategizing whether the investment a campus is making in athletics is appropriate. Students will also clarify their understanding of the philosophical arguments surrounding an institutions organizational and Divisional classification, the roles and responsibilities of the governing bodies, the expectations and challenges that confront todays student athletes, and the market forces that drive big time college sports. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 519 University and Its Community
This course will focus on the past, present, and likely future of university-community relationships. It will provide an overview of university-community conflict, cooperation and collaboration from the colonial college to the present. Particular emphasis will be placed on developments since the early 1990s and the birth of what might be termed the engaged, democratic, civic university responsibility movement. Various approaches to university-community partnerships in the US and abroad will be discussed. Through readings, discussion, and written assignments students will develop strategies for developing effective democratic partnerships that would positively impact the community and the university and powerfully contribute to student learning and development. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 520 Managing Human Resources
This module addresses the most important tasks in managing people, from hiring to supervising to development. Our focus is first on what research tells us about the factors that drive success in these areas and second on the practice of using those principles to enhance individual and organizational performance. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 521 Leadership, Governance, and Change
The purpose of this module is to explore key issues related to these topics and the types of possible research questions and methods that might be pursued to understand these topics more deeply. The content is intended to link practice and theory. The course has a strong tilt toward non-profit four-year colleges and universities in the U.S. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
1.0 Course Unit

EDHE 522 Higher Education Finance II
The purpose of this module is to build on and explore additional topics in higher education finance presented earlier. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
0.5 Course Units

EDHE 523 Globalization
Following a field research project outside the United States, students reflect on the continuing globalization of higher education and institutional implications. By exploring current issues higher education faces outside the United States, students develop a more informed understanding of domestic challenges and how these challenges might be addressed. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 524 Innovation
Globally, higher education institutions are struggling with the effects of an increasingly digital world. This course provides an overview of how digitization impacts the economics, administration, teaching and learning, and research practices of universities and colleges. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 525 Leadership, Governance, and Change
The Higher Education in International Contexts course provides students with exposure to issues facing international higher education and uses this exposure to reflect on higher education in the United States. The course will be centered on an experiential field research project. Students will travel to another country to meet and collaborate with higher education leaders there to learn firsthand about the challenges and opportunities associated with developing and transforming higher education. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered summer term only
Activity: Lecture
2.0 Course Units
EDHE 602 Student and Campus Services
A scan of most any American college or university will reveal a wide variety of services, functions and activities offered in support of student learning, student expectations and student life. Such functions include robust athletic and recreation programs, comprehensive health care and comprehensive arts, culture, diversity and community service programs. Many argue the essential nature of these functions; others decry the excessive hand-holding of students and the substantial expense of these services and functions. In this module, students will review the complex landscape of campus services intended predominantly for student support and engagement. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 603 Technology
In this module we will discuss a range of Information Technology goals (and challenges) shared by most colleges and universities, and they may be pursued through local IT infrastructure or services contracted with external entities. We will discuss IT challenges and opportunities especially relevant to the higher education sector, making the practice of IT at a college or university different from IT in most small and large corporations. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 604 Higher Education Law
This module explores topics such as contract law, employment law, Constitutional law (freedom of speech, due process, equal protection), tort law (liability for negligence), anti-discrimination laws, and administrative law. The premise of this module is that a successful higher education executive has an understanding of the legal environment in which colleges and universities must function today. The objective of the module is to provide this understanding. From a pragmatic perspective, this knowledge enables a higher education administrator to employ preventive legal strategies in institutional decision-making. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 605 Enrollment Management
Enrollment management is an organizational concept with a varying set of associated strategies for achieving institutional goals. Based on institutional type and mission, these goals can range from increasing and diversifying enrollment to optimizing tuition revenue. The impact of enrollment management over the last several decades has caused institutional leaders and the public to recast their strategic foci and reexamine their values regarding higher education. This course will provide an overview of multiple enrollment management models. Students will be asked to consider the evolution and maturation of these models, the related implications of these organizational structures and strategies, and the benefits and drawbacks of enrollment management on institutions and the marketplace. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 606 Dissertation Workshop I
Designed to support students through the dissertation process, this course will cover topics such as: submitting to the IRB; selecting an analytic strategy; data collection and management; coding and data analysis; and structuring dissertation chapters. Students will use a structured timeline in order to successfully defend their dissertations in the spring of their second year of the program. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.5 Course Units

EDHE 607 Higher Ed Entrepreneurship
The purpose of this module is to focus on an emerging future in light of today's demands, particularly balancing entrepreneurial demands with public purpose objectives. This module asks, 1) what is the future going to hold? and 2) how must college and university leaders respond? Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 608 New Models for Post-Secondary Education
This course will create a foundation to understand the push for reform in higher education, examine in depth several new approaches to post-secondary education in the United States, and develop frameworks for assessing new models of post-secondary education. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 609 Capstone Seminar
The Capstone module offers a culminating experience for students to share and discuss their intellectual and professional experiences in the program and how this has prepared them for the future. It is also an opportunity for students to provide feedback on the curriculum, pedagogy, and other program elements. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 610 Advancement
In this course, students will develop an in-depth understanding of institutional advancement and an ability to relate it to the broader management of colleges and universities. The course focuses primarily on how colleges and universities attract voluntary support, and will begin with an overview of advancement and external relations before moving on to fundraising specific issues. The history of fundraising, fundraising theory, fundraising ethics, fundraising tactics and other related topics will be discussed. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units
EDHE 611 Teaching and Learning
Through this course, students will be able to articulate the importance of student learning from a variety of perspectives; explain the role of organizational culture and how it interfaces with student learning; understand how issues of diversity and inclusive excellence support student learning; clarify what responsibilities administrators have as campus leaders to ensure student learning; identify existing barriers to student learning; and develop strategies to overcome those barriers. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 612 Negotiating & Bargaining
Through role-plays and exercises in class, the module addresses conflict management and negotiations through focusing on behavioral skills rather than substantive knowledge, putting relatively straightforward conceptual material to use in the context of real situations. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 613 Dissertation Workshop II
The purpose of this module is to build on and explore additional topics presented in Dissertation Workshop I. Designed to support students through the dissertation process, this course will cover topics such as: submitting to the IRB; selecting an analytic strategy; data collection and management; coding and data analysis; and structuring dissertation chapters. Students will use a structured timeline in order to successfully defend their dissertations in the spring of their second year of the program. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.5 Course Units

EDHE 614 Ethics and Leadership
This module introduces some models of organizational and leadership ethics and uses case discussions and personal experiences to explore and better understand the ethical dilemmas that face leaders in higher education. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in spring term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 615 Leadership and Change for Higher Education's Future
Most discussions of higher education's future focus on key and familiar trends - demographics, technology, funding, new organizational models, etc. While each trend will affect higher education, the reality is that leaders will face a multitude of challenges simultaneously and those trends will interact with each other. How can higher education leaders explore those trends and issues sufficiently and begin to prepare for how, as a set, they may impact higher education? Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Course usually offered in fall term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 616 Advanced Topics in Higher Education Management III: Faculty Roundtable
Seminar on special topics on higher education. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 617 Community Colleges
This module examines the historical origins, evolving mission, programmatic similarities and differences, demographics, performance, finances, governance, and presidential leadership of U.S. community colleges. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 618 Virtual Distance Learning
In this course, you will experience Virtual Distance Analytics by participating in the Virtual Distance Index Assessment, receive your own Virtual Distance Management Report, detailing where Virtual Distance is most likely impacting you and your organization as well as content to master Virtual Distance in order to reduce and manage it over time for better educational outcomes. You will learn new leadership skills and core competencies to enhance your effectiveness in the Digital Age and help your students maximize their educational potential during this process of digital transformation. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units

EDHE 619 Quality/Risk Management
This module will focus on what leaders can do to induce a culture of quality within an academic environment. This course is only for students enrolled in the Higher Education Management executive program. Prerequisite: Enrollment in Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management.
Taught by: Larry Ward
One-term course offered either term
Activity: Lecture
0.33 Course Units