

Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)

Out-of-School Learning Concentration







The EdD program at the University of Pittsburgh School of Education is for experienced professionals driven to propel their careers and positively transform the field of education. Our program is built around three pillars: (1) striving for equity and justice in education and health, (2) using improvement science to address equity and justice, and (3) harnessing the power of learning ecosystems.

Program Details

This concentration is intended for experienced informal learning and out-of-school learning professionals who seek advanced training for leadership, consulting, or policy-making positions.

Graduates work in museums, after-school learning programs, media and digital design, university outreach and extension, youth development, and other areas with designed learning environments.

Program Benefits Include:

- Can be completed in 3 years while working
- Hybrid, online format that requires only 1 inperson session each month on Saturdays
- Pitt is the #1-ranked public School of Education in Pennsylvania (*U.S. News & World Report*)
- Students transfer 30 credits toward the program from their master's degree

Curriculum

- Four Out-of-School Learning Courses (12 credits) that address topics such as informal learning, youth development, organizations, networks, and trends that affect the future of out-of-school learning.
- Four Foundations Courses (12 credits) to equip you with the knowledge and competencies to develop as a leader and a scholar-practitioner in the areas of today's educational landscape, equity and justice, educational policy, and leading change
- Four Practitioner Inquiry Courses (12 credits) to introduce and develop your expertise in improvement science and associated techniques
- Practice-Based Scholarship Courses through Guidance in Scholarly Practice (18 credits), Supervised Practitioner Inquiry (3 credits), and Laboratory of Practice (3 credits)

