



San Diego State University & Claremont Graduate University Joint Ph.D. Program in Education



Program Overview

The mission of the Joint Ph.D. Program in Education offered by San Diego State University and Claremont Graduate University is to develop scholars who are committed to research on democratic schooling, social justice, and equal educational outcomes for all students, and the improvement of educational systems serving diverse communities. How can we develop schools that are more responsive to such communities? How can we make sense of the complexity of educational organizations, the communities they serve, and the environments in which they operate? If you are anxious to contribute to the knowledge base that supports creation of educational programs and systems that are more democratic and effective, the SDSU/CGU Ph.D. Program in Education can help you achieve that goal.

Program Emphases

Students in the Ph.D. in Education program may choose from the following emphases in their program of study:

- Teaching, Learning, and Culture
- Education Policy, Evaluation, and Reform
- Higher Education/Student Affairs

Application Process

All applicants must have completed a master's degree program prior to admission and reside in San Diego or Imperial counties or commit to relocating if admitted to the program.

The application process involves two applications for admission, one to California State University through the CSUMentor website and one to the SDSU/CGU Joint Ph.D. Program in Education through the online supplemental program application website.

Applications for admissions are processed through SDSU when the following have been completed:

- 1) Submit the California State University application through the CSUMentor website. **For the CSU Mentor Application, go to:** <http://secure.csumentor.edu/AdmissionApp/>
- 2) Request that official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate coursework be sent to the SDSU Graduate Admissions **and** to the CGU Office of Admissions offices.
- 3) Request Standardized Test Scores from the Educational Testing Services (ETS). Official scores must be sent directly to SDSU (institutional code **4682**) **and** CGU (institutional code **4053**) for the following:

- **GRE** (not more than **five** years old) - <http://www.ets.org>
 - **TOEFL*** (not more than **two** years old) - <http://www.ets.org/toefl>
- *Minimum score of 100 required
*If medium of instruction was in a language other than English.

- 4) Submit the program application through the Supplemental Program Application website. **For the Supplemental Program Application, go to:** <http://gra.sdsu.edu/decisiondesk/>
- 5) Upload a 2-to-3-page personal statement. The statement should include your reasons for seeking admissions to this particular doctoral program, your perceived strengths and weaknesses in preparation for doctoral study, your research interests, and your relevant academic and employment experiences. Indicate why you believe the SDSU/CGU Joint Ph.D. Program in Education is appropriate for you. Be sure to include the faculty at SDSU **and** CGU with whom you would like to work based on your thorough knowledge of their work. The personal statement should be typed and double-spaced.
- 6) Upload a current resume listing work experience, education, awards, publications and presentations.
- 7) Request three (3) academic and/or professional recommendations. Ask recommenders to use the form in the online Supplemental Program Application website.
- 8) Scan and upload unofficial transcripts from each university or college attended, including verification of completion of a master's degree. If degree requirements have not yet been met, submit a transcript listing all work completed to date.

Fall 2017 Application Deadline

CSUMentor Application
& Supplemental Program
Application Deadline:

March 1, 2017

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