The University of Central Arkansas PhD in Leadership (LEAD) prepares scholar leaders to research and act for the common good. Recognizing that complex challenges require an integration of responsible leaders from various community sectors, program graduates will transform education, government, and nonprofit organizations to strengthen human and community capabilities. The program, taught by faculty from a variety of academic disciplines, offers a broad-based, interdisciplinary curriculum using scholarly skills and research to prepare active professionals to contribute to the knowledge of contemporary community leadership and to assume organizational leadership roles.

Program of Study

I. Leadership Required Core (18 semester hours)
The required core is designed to provide knowledge and understanding of contemporary organizations and the wide range of influences on 21st century leadership.

II. Research Core (15 semester hours)
The research core will prepare students to conduct high quality research that addresses critical human and community development needs. The Research Core includes quantitative and qualitative methodologies.

III. Cognate Courses (15 semester hours)
Students will choose cognate courses from education, community development, government, and/or nonprofit fields. Courses should provide a broader understanding of societal issues and deeper content knowledge for the dissertation.

IV. Dissertation (12 semester hours)
The PhD in Leadership dissertation is meant to foster research expertise and contribute to the development of theory, methodology, and discipline knowledge of leadership.

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