FLORIDA COASTAL UNIVERSITY

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Fully Online (Global Access)

Doctorate of Education Leadership (Ed.D.)

- Fully Online & Flexible Learning
- Industry-Aligned Specializations
- Global Business Curriculum
- Real-World Capstone Project
- Collaborative & Interdisciplinary Approach
- Career-Ready Skills in Leadership, Technology, & Analytics

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ABOUT
FLORIDA COASTAL UNIVERSITY

Florida Coastal University (FCU) offers globally accessible, career-aligned academic programs created for working professionals who aspire to reach senior leadership, consulting, or academic roles.

Why learners trust FCU:

- Provisionally licensed by the Florida Commission for Independent Education (CIE)
- Affordable, flexible learning for working professionals
- Programs built on research, innovation & leadership excellence
- A global, diverse peer network from multiple industries
- Career-ready curriculum aligned to the future of business



President's Message



Dr. Alex Parnia has more than 40 years of experience in higher education in the United States. Dr. Parnia has held executive positions in higher education, including Director of satellite campuses, Dean of Business School, Dean of Counseling Psychology, Vice President of Marketing and Enrollment, Executive Vice President, Provost, and President.

Dr. Alex Parnia has been a reviewer with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and has a keen understanding of regulatory accreditation processes in higher education. Dr. Parnia was a tenured faculty member both at Cambridge and Nichols Colleges.

Dr. Alex Parnia served on the Board of Trustees of Presidio University in San Francisco, California and Notre Dame De Namur University in Belmont, California.

Warmest regards,

Dr. Alex Parnia
President and CEO, Florida Coastal University

Dr. David Champlin has been a leader in higher education for over twenty years. During that time, he has served in positions ranging from instructor, program director, general counsel, executive director, campus president and chief administrative officer. He currently serves as the Campus Director and Chief Academic Officer for Florida Coastal University.

Dr. Champlin has served as an evaluator and reviewer for accreditation agencies for many years and has extensive experience in all aspects of institutional and programmatic accreditation. Additionally, he has served on several boards including as President and Chairman of the Future Culinarians of America and as an elected member of the Career Colleges and Schools of Texas, which serves nearly one hundred career colleges and schools in the State of Texas. He has also worked directly with federal and state legislators to advance access to higher education for learners. Prior to beginning his journey in higher education, Dr. Champlin practiced law in the areas of environmental and commercial real estate law.

Warmest regards,

Dr. David Champlin
Chief Academic Officer



Academic Coaches



Dr. Ernest Bonat

Ph.D., General Psychology | Educator & Researcher

Dr. Joseph Marquette is a psychologist and academic with a Ph.D. from Capella University and a strong background in counseling and criminal justice. He brings research-driven insights into educational leadership and psychology.



Mr. Anthony Herbert Wallace

Higher Ed Leader | Doctoral Candidate | Admissions & Teaching Expert

Mr. Anthony Wallace has 20+ years in higher education leadership and instruction. With degrees in Management and Leadership and a doctoral pursuit in progress, he focuses on inclusive education, learner support, and institutional growth.



Dr. Wesley Rangel

Ed.D., Org. Change & Leadership | PMP | Veteran Educator

Dr. Wes Rangel is a USC graduate and PMP-certified educator with 10+ years of experience. A U.S. Marine veteran, he designs leadership and HR courses, focusing on ethics, workforce planning, and learner-centered instruction.

Licensure & Associations

Florida Department of Education

Florida Coastal University is provisionally licensed by the Florida Commission for Independent Education, Florida Department of Education, License #13279. For more information about this institution, you may contact the Commission at 8659 Baypine Road, Suite 308, Jacksonville, Florida 32256, United States; or at 904-559-2176 or visit www.fldoe.org/cie.

Quality Assurance in Higher Education (QAHE)

Florida Coastal University (FCU) has been awarded Full Accreditation by the International Association for Quality Assurance in Pre-Tertiary and Higher Education (QAHE).

This prestigious accreditation affirms FCU's commitment to delivering world-class education that meets rigorous global standards of academic excellence, institutional integrity, and public accountability. Through QAHE's voluntary, non-governmental review process, FCU has demonstrated its dedication to educational quality, transparency, and continuous institutional development.

American Accreditation Association (AAA)

Florida Coastal University is a proud organizational member of the American Accreditation Association (AAA).

AAA is a globally recognized body committed to advancing quality assurance, accreditation standards, and institutional excellence in higher education. Through this membership, Florida Coastal University strengthens its dedication to delivering world-class education aligned with international benchmarks.

Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges (FAPSC)

Florida Coastal University is a member of the Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges (FAPSC) and provisionally licensed by the Florida Commission for Independent Education, Florida Department of Education, License #13279.

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

The Doctorate of Education Leadership (Ed.D.) at Florida Coastal University is designed for experienced higher education professionals committed to improving learner outcomes, institutional effectiveness, and evidence-based policy.

A practice-focused doctoral degree, the Ed.D. blends leadership theory, applied research, governance principles, and educational strategy to prepare leaders who can drive meaningful transformation in colleges and universities worldwide.

The curriculum blends:

- Strengthen academic governance
- Lead strategic planning and innovation
- Improve student success and institutional performance
- Influence policy and organizational culture
- Conduct applied, data-driven research

Rooted in ethical leadership, strategic innovation, and scholarly inquiry, the Ed.D. prepares graduates to shape the future of higher education with integrity and vision.



Key Highlights

60 Credits

100% Online (Synchronous + Asynchronous)

Domain-Focused Specializations

Applied Dissertation with Industry Relevance

Personalized Mentorship from Research Faculty

Access to Global Research Networks

WHY THIS **PROGRAM?**

Designed for Higher Education Leaders

- For academic administrators, policymakers, and institutional innovators
- 100% online, built for full-time working professionals
- Personalized 1:1 dissertation mentorship with U.S. faculty
- Aligned with real-world challenges facing higher education
- Practice-driven, not theory-heavy—focused on applied impact
- Electives tailored to your leadership domain

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES (PLOs)

Graduates of the Doctorate of Education Leadership (Ed.D.) will be able to:

- Lead transformational change in higher education systems
- Conduct evidence-based, data-informed research
- Build ethical, inclusive, and learner-centered leadership practices
- Develop institutional strategies for academic excellence and innovation
- Present and publish research for academic and practitioner audiences
- Design, implement, and evaluate strategic initiatives for student success



PROGRAM Details

Program Duration:

- Full Time - 3 Years, Part Time - 4 Years

Program Start Date:

- January 2026

Course Fee:

- ₹6,00,000 (All Inclusive)
- Scholarships available
- Flexible payment plans

Eligibility

- Master's degree (preferred)
- Professional experience in education/higher education (recommended)



PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Program Structure – 60 Credits

1. Core Courses — 30 Credits

- Foundational knowledge in policy design, educational leadership, governance, institutional analysis, and research methods.

2. Elective Courses — 18 Credits

- Tailor your degree with specialization-focused electives aligned with your leadership role.

3. Dissertation Research — 12 Credits

- Develop an applied, research-driven project that addresses a real challenge in higher education.

Program Snapshot

- **Mode:** Fully Online (Global Access)
- **Schedule:** Full-Time or Part-Time
- **Admissions:** Rolling (Apply Anytime)
- **Capstone/Applied Project:** Included
- **Level:** Professional Doctorate
- **Total Credits:** 60



CURRICULUM BREAKDOWN

CORE COURSE

- Leadership Theory & Organizational Change
- Educational Policy Analysis & Governance
- Strategic Planning in Higher Education
- Ethics, Equity & Inclusive Leadership
- Institutional Effectiveness & Quality Assurance
- Data-Driven Decision Making in Education
- Research Design & Methodologies
- Higher Education Finance & Accreditation
- Innovation & Digital Transformation in Education
- Leading Academic Programs & Curriculum Design

ELECTIVES (18 Credits)

Choose electives aligned with your leadership specialization:

- Academic Affairs & Program Development
- Policy & Governance in Higher Education
- Student Success & Enrollment Leadership
- Institutional Research & Assessment
- Digital Learning Innovation
- Global Higher Education Strategy

DISSERTATION RESEARCH (12 Credits)

Applied research project aligned with your professional role.



CAREER OUTCOMES

Lead with Purpose. Influence with Expertise.

Graduates of the Ed.D. in Education Leadership excel in leadership, governance, strategy, and institutional transformation roles across higher education.

Career Domains & Sample Roles	
Career Domain	**Sample Roles**
Institutional Leadership	Provost, Dean, Department Chair
Educational Policy	Director of Academic Affairs, Policy Analyst
Curriculum Innovation	Director of Academic Programs, Instructional Leader
Research & Strategy	Institutional Research Director, Assessment Coordinator
Learner Success	Director of Learner Success, VP of Enrollment Management
Higher Education Consulting	Accreditation Specialist, Strategy Consultant



DISSERTATION JOURNEY

Your Doctoral Research Experience

The dissertation is the culmination of your doctoral identity—applied, practice-oriented, and directly relevant to higher education.

You will:

1. Identify a critical institutional challenge
2. Develop a doctoral proposal grounded in evidence
3. Participate in seminar series & receive expert mentorship
4. Conduct applied research to generate actionable solutions
5. Publish or present your findings in an academic or practitioner venue

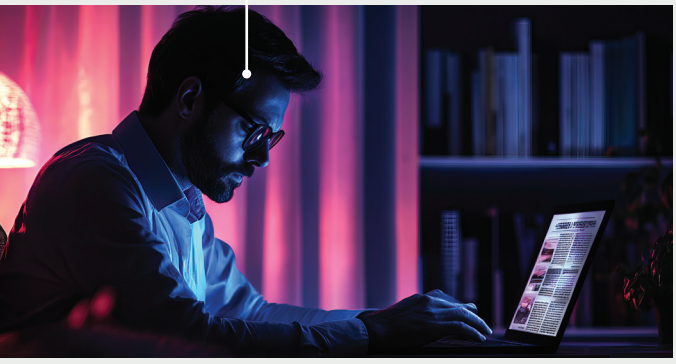
Your dissertation becomes your professional contribution to advancing higher education.

Skills You Will Master

- Academic governance & policy strategy
- Educational innovation & organizational change
- Strategic planning & institutional effectiveness
- Data-driven decision-making & analytics
- Research ethics & scholarly dissemination
- Leadership for inclusive, high-performing institutions



Application Process



01 **Connect with Admissions**

Receive guidance on requirements & next steps.

02 **Submit Your Application**

Application form, transcripts, and English proficiency proof.

03 **Eligibility Review**

Committee evaluates academic and professional profile.

04 **Decision**

Approved, waitlisted, or denied.

05 **Result**

Admission decision shared via email.

06 **Enroll**

Sign agreement, submit deposit & begin orientation.

Academic Partners

Networking Academy

IBM Partner Plus

CompTIA

Microsoft

Tools Covered

MS Project

Google Analytics

ORACLE

tableau

Excel

SAP

Trello

Power BI

python



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