



## Valdosta State University Performance-Based Leadership Collaborative Program

The **Performance-Based Leadership Specialist Degree (Ed.S.)** offers candidates the opportunity to continue to develop leadership knowledge and skills while specifically addressing their leadership role and career goals. The Ed.S. results in a clear renewable building or system level performance-based leadership certificate (PL6).<sup>1</sup> The candidate must hold a master's degree from an accredited or PSC approved college or university.

The **Performance-Based Certification Non-Degree Program** offers candidates the opportunity to become certified in performance-based leadership at the building or system level (PL6/7). The candidate must hold a specialist's degree or higher from an accredited or PSC approved college or university.

All performance-based leadership candidates must hold a renewable (L) or non-renewable (NL) educational leadership certificate. Non-renewable leadership (NL) certification can be obtained by posting a passing score on the GACE Leadership exam. They must also submit an assurance form from a local school system identifying the candidates as serving in leadership roles as defined by their local system and supporting the performance based residency requirements. Examples include, but are not limited to: team leader, grade chair, department chair, SACS team chair, academic coach, school improvement team leader, athletic director, assistant principal, principal, curriculum coordinator, or special education director.

Programs are offered through a flexible delivery system. Courses will be delivered in a variety of formats including online, weekly, weekend, and condensed summer sessions.

### SAMPLE PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Semester	Ed.S. Performance-Based Leadership Course # --sem. hrs. (delivery)	Performance-Based Leadership Add-On Course # --sem. hrs. (delivery)
Sem. A	RSCH 8000-3 hrs (online) LEAD 8920-6 hrs (field-based activities)	LEAD 8920-6 hrs (field-based activities)
Sem. B	LEAD 8620-3 hrs (online) LEAD 8140-3 hrs (online) LEAD 8930-6 hrs (field-based activities)	LEAD 8930-6 hrs (field-based activities)
Sem. C	LEAD 8030-3 hrs (traditional w/ online components—meets on Saturdays) LEAD 8940-6 hrs (field-based activities)	LEAD 8940-6 hrs (field-based activities)
Total Sem.Hours	30	18 assumes transfer of 6 core hours from other graduate degree
Estimated Cost <sup>2</sup>	\$ 6921	\$ 4305

<sup>1</sup> For candidates possessing an L5 certificate a GACE Educational Leadership score must be recorded--a passing score is required for Performance-Based Leadership certification (PL6) but not graduation (L6).

<sup>2</sup> Cost estimates are based on Fall 2010 tuition and fees and calculated using the schedule above assuming traditional classes are offered in the off-campus satellite locations. Course offerings are subject to change based on enrollment and other factors.

## Admission Requirements

### Ed.S. ---Performance-Based Leadership Specialist Degree Program

- Masters degree from an accredited college or university
- Meet Graduate School minimum score on MAT/GRE and GPA (See Graduate Catalog)
- Hold an NL or L certification (NL certification can be obtained by posting a passing score on the GACE in EDL)
- Be employed in a leadership role as defined by the local system (see previous description)

### Add-On ---Performance-Based Leadership Certification

- Specialist or doctoral degree from an accredited college or university
- Hold an NL or L certification (NL certification can be obtained by posting a passing score on the GACE in EDL)
- Be employed in a leadership role as defined by the local system (see previous description)

The Educational Leadership Program Web Site offers an overview of each of the programs based on the new PSC leadership certification rules

<http://www.valdosta.edu/coe/clt/OpeningPage.shtml>

Applications, catalogs, and other admission information are available online from the Graduate School and the Department of Curriculum, Leadership, and Technology.

The Graduate School  
229.333.5694 or 800.618.1878  
<http://www.valdosta.edu/gradschool/>

VSU Testing Office  
229.245.3878  
<http://www.valdosta.edu/testing/>

### VSU application deadlines:

**Fall—July 15**

**Spring--November 15**

**Summer—April 15**

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