



SUBJECT	Tuition Doctor of Education (UBC Okanagan)
SUBMITTED TO	Finance Committee
MEETING DATE	June 15, 2022
SESSION CLASSIFICATION	Recommended session criteria from Board Meetings Policy: OPEN
REQUEST	APPROVAL REQUESTED IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Finance Committee, in accordance with authority delegated by the Board of Governors, approves 2022-2023 tuition of \$3,667.00 per instalment for domestic students and \$6,021.00 per instalment for international students for the Doctorate of Education at UBC Okanagan, subject to increases as approved by the Board of Governors.
LEAD EXECUTIVE	Rehan Sadiq, Provost and Vice-President Academic pro tem, UBC Okanagan
SUPPORTED BY	Dale Mullings, Associate Vice-President Students, UBC Okanagan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed Ed.D. supports and builds on the strategic plan of both the Okanagan School of Education (OSE) and The University of British Columbia that foregrounds attention to people and places with deep consideration to collaboration, inclusion, and innovation. The proposed Doctor of Education is a program designed to inform, empower, and engage working professionals to deepen and broaden their knowledge in their professional contexts.

The certificate was approved by the UBC Okanagan Senate in May 2022. Pending approval from the Board of Governors, the certificate will admit its first cohort of students in September 2022.

The primary objective of this program is to offer an advanced degree and professional learning opportunities for working professionals with the aim of developing diverse communities of scholar-practitioners who will lead research-informed change and innovation in their professional context. This growing network of graduates from this program will blend practical wisdom with professional skills and knowledge to name, frame, and solve problems of practice through engaging in deep professional inquiry and contributing to the ongoing improvement at their local levels and beyond. This degree will be attractive to teachers and administrators in the K-12 and post-secondary systems and other related sectors (e.g., social work, health, government). This program fills a niche for advanced degrees and flexible professional development in an interdisciplinary market from a timely, ever-changing, and relevant perspective.

This proposed Doctor of Education is well situated within the vision, purpose and values of *Shaping UBC's Next Century Strategic Plan* as well as *UBC Okanagan's Aspire* plan—inspiring people, ideas, and actions for a better world. Themes of inclusion, collaboration, and innovation are woven into the fabric of this program. These themes are the building blocks upon which our Ed.D. community of scholar-practitioners will be built and sustained as they work collaboratively to question, recognize and understand their own and others' worldviews and beliefs about education in relation to race, culture, gender, among other determinants of diversity toward fostering equity and inclusion in all educational communities. The program is also well aligned with the vision of UBC Okanagan 2040 to offer an array of excellent graduate and professional continuing education programs, delivered through hybrid pedagogies, and support graduate student training and continuing education programs.

Throughout the Ed.D. program students will have opportunities to learn about place-based concepts of leadership responsibilities that foreground ecological and biological diversity in Syilx traditional territory. This approach offers appreciative and reciprocal relationships with Syilx peoples, knowledge and territorial ecology, all of which is inclusive of and extending to Indigenous peoples globally. The design and delivery of the program promotes collaboration and co-curricular making with our Indigenous faculty colleagues, the members of the Indigenous communities, and community members on the Indigenous Education Council.

The tuition for the proposed Ed.D. program is \$33,003.00 for domestic students and \$54,189.00 for international students. This is based on a scan of comparable programs and the program's cost over the next 10 years, as approved by the Okanagan School of Education and the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic.

APPENDICES

1. Proposed Tuition and Fee Assessment Details
2. Student Tuition Consultation Report

Proposed Tuition and Fee Assessment Details

Program Description: Doctor of Education

Anticipated Start Date: September 2023

	Domestic	International
Tuition fees per instalment – Note 1	\$3,667.00	\$6,021.00
Minimum No. of Instalments	9	9
Continuing Fees per Instalment (assessed after 9 instalments)	\$1,240.94	\$1,341.16
Application Fees (Graduate) – Note 2	\$112.00	\$168.25
Non-Refundable Acceptance Deposit – Note 3	N/A	N/A

Note 1 – Proposed tuition will be subject to annual increases as established by the university. Tuition and student fees are charged in three equal instalments payable in January, May and September.

Note 2 – This is the current fee for the 2023W application cycle and is subject to annual increases.

Note 3 – The non-refundable acceptance deposit will be applied towards the first tuition instalment.



Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)

Program Summary for Tuition Consultation

The University would like to gather your comments on the tuition for a proposed Doctor of Education. Below you will find:

- instructions to provide feedback
- an overview of the program
- the proposed tuition

Instructions

We are seeking comments from individual students and student organisations on campus. Please review and distribute the information below as you deem appropriate.

All comments should be sent to Michelle.Lowton@ubc.ca by May 18th, 2022.

If you have any questions about this consultation process, please contact the AVP Students Office: Michelle.Lowton@ubc.ca.

Confidentiality

Comments will be collected by the Office of the Associate Vice-President Students, and only analysts within that office will know the identity of individual students submitting comments. At no time will anyone outside of the Office of the Associate Vice-President Students know the identity of individual students who submit comments to this consultation. Your comments will only be used for the purposes of the tuition consultation. Comments from individual students will be stripped of any identifying information to ensure confidentiality, but otherwise will be provided to the responsible Faculties and the Board of Governors verbatim.

Comments received from student organizations will be reported as coming from those organizations, and provided to the responsible faculty and the Board of Governors as received.

Program Overview

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To complete the 24-credit doctorate degree, students must complete:

- 15 credits of required core courses
- 3 credits of a required elective course
- Comprehensive Exam
- Practice-Based Dissertation Seminar (6 credits) with defense

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Tuition is reviewed annually by the Board of Governors. In recent years, tuition increases have been 2% for continuing domestic students and between 2% and 5% for continuing international students.

Comparable Programs: Tuition

	UBC - Okanagan	UBC - Vancouver	SFU	Western	University of Toronto - OISE
Name	Ed.D.	Ed.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy	Ed.D. in Leading for Educational change in the Yukon	Ed.D. in Educational Leadership	Ed.D. in: Educational Leadership and Policy; Higher Education; Social Justice Education; Counselling Psychology; Child Study and Education
Duration	3 years	3-4 years	3-4 years	3 years	4 years
Tuition Costs (\$ CAD)					
Total Domestic Student Cost	\$33,003.00	\$36,382.30	\$41,511.92	\$31,138.65	\$36,742.60
Total International Student Cost	\$54,189.00	\$59,035.08	\$41,511.92	\$104,672.79	\$163,463.96



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Consultation summary

An invitation for feedback regarding this new program and related tuition and fees was circulated to the UBC Student Union Okanagan, as well as through the Education program for the faculty to disseminate. Interested parties were notified that they are able to submit their feedback in multiple ways, including written, and on Zoom. The option to attend an online consultation was sent out in early May and a session was scheduled for May 11th at 9:30 on Zoom. The zoom session was attended by Dr. Sabre Cherkowski (Faculty Program Lead), Danielle Lamb (Project Manager, School of Education), Dale Mullings (AVPS), and Michelle Lowton (Director, Office of the AVPS). There was one written piece of feedback provided from a current student stating that this program’s fees appear to be in line with other similar degree programs and that this program would be a positive addition to the UBC Okanagan campus community.