



UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE
**EDUCATION &
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PhD in Education

Application
Due:
**DECEMBER
15**

THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE is a dynamic Research 1 university, committed to the professional development of our graduate students as we prepare them to become the next generation of educational scholars.

UD's PhD in Education program is grounded in interdisciplinary perspectives, high quality research, and rigorous methodological approaches, preparing students to address critical issues in education within one of four specialization areas: **Learning Sciences, Literacy, Mathematics Education, or Sociocultural and Community-Based Approaches.**

The College of Education and Human Development, comprised of 2 academic departments, a children's campus, and 10+ centers for research, education, and service, offers a vibrant and productive community right on campus.



Program Experiences

- Conduct research on ground-breaking projects with nationally-known, award-winning faculty
- Develop knowledge and skills through coursework in education research, advanced qualitative and quantitative methods, and specialization content areas
- Present independent research at conferences and prepare publications for peer-reviewed journals
- Learn in a climate of collaboration and camaraderie with small class sizes, thought-provoking symposia and supportive faculty mentors

Financial Support

Full-time students receive support for 4 years through assistantships and tuition scholarships. Students with assistantships receive 100% tuition scholarship and a 9-month stipend, plus health insurance. Merit-based supplemental funding is also available.

Career Opportunities

- Faculty or academic positions in research universities, departments of education, and school districts
- Leadership positions in state departments of education and school districts
- Policy positions in government and education

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PhD in Education Learning Sciences

The interdisciplinary Learning Sciences specialization bridges education with cognitive science, psychology, and human development to give doctoral students advanced knowledge of instructional practices that encourage deep learning in and outside of the classroom. Students learn how to generate, translate, and share research to make a difference in the lives of children, youth, and families.

Specialization Experiences

- Gain a rich understanding of the cognitive, developmental, and social processes that underlie learning.
- Conduct research on language, cognitive, and numerical development, STEM learning, learning differences, and the use of technology and media in education with nationally-known, award-winning faculty.
- Develop a rich methodological toolkit for designing learning and instructional investigations and assessing the outcomes of educational interventions.
- Study how learning takes place outside of the classroom by working with faculty who bring learning science to places like supermarkets, homes, museums, and after-school programs.

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Faculty

Our faculty hold grants from the **National Science Foundation**, the **Institute of Education Sciences** and private foundations. They have been recognized for their work by the **American Educational Research Association**, the **American Psychological Association**, the **Association for Psychological Science**, and the **Society for Research in Child Development**.

Our faculty include Christina Barbieri, Zoubeida Dagher, Ralph Ferretti, Danielle Ford, Roberta Michnick Golinkoff, Fred Hofstetter, Nancy Jordan, Chrystalla Mouza, Teomara Rutherford and Carol Wong.

Contact Us

To learn more about how you can apply to UD's PhD in Education: Learning Sciences program, contact our specialization coordinator: Nancy Jordan (njordan@udel.edu)

"My work focuses on how social environments affect early language development. I want to better understand, and ultimately reduce, the preschool age language gap in order to create a more equitable foundation from which all students can achieve academic success. As a first year PhD student, I have already participated in multiple research projects. I am creating a survey with colleagues that analyzes maternal beliefs about their use of infant-direct speech (baby talk) and collecting and analyzing data."

—Alexus Ramirez, PhD student

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