



Are you interested in obtaining an Education Specialist? *Then keep reading!*

Piedmont College specializes in bringing graduate programs to schools using an onsite Cohort model. www.piedmont.edu

Imagine completing your education specialist (Ed.S.) in four semesters. All classes will be held at the CF RESA location after working hours. All instructors hold terminal degrees (Ed.D., Ph.D.) and are either full time faculty from Piedmont, or real, live practitioners from schools and school districts! Piedmont wants the work to be highly context-specific and applicable. If there is sufficient interest, classes for the EDS will begin in the **fall 2018 semester**.

The cost is \$541 a credit hour for fall semester plus a \$100 per semester Technology Fee (4 semesters = \$400 total). At the end of your program you will have a \$125 graduation fee covering your diploma, diploma cover and cap and gown. The average cost for books is \$100 per class. There is financial aid available.

PowerPoint links below for the EDS

EDS: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/rdvi2u4qjic6lxv/EDS%20fl%2018%20ppt%20mailing%20may%2011%20deadline.pdf?dl=0>

EDS information packet:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/o42d2pysgs2385h/PDF%20Ed%20S%20Recruitment%20Packet%202017.pdf?dl=0>

Additional Information - Advanced Degrees for the EDS program in Curriculum and Instruction.

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/fiz4u6ahc1vts72/Advanced%20Degrees%20in%20Curriculum%20and%20InstructionREV5-15.pdf?dl=0>

Below is a note regarding your pay upgrade for the EDS. You can add on the Leadership Tier 1 after you complete your EDS degree with us. Teachers are eligible to receive an upgrade in their salary regardless of their teaching assignment if they complete an approved program in Curriculum and Instruction, Instructional Technology, or Teacher Leadership and pass the required GACE tests. An advanced degree in Educational Leadership does not lead to a salary upgrade unless the person is employed in a position that requires leadership certification (i.e., principal or AP).

If you have questions about the program please contact Dr. Breithaupt @ kbreithaupt@piedmont.edu.

If you have any questions regarding admissions please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions grad@piedmont.edu Use this link to apply online www.piedmont.edu/apply

For Financial Aid Information (Loans), call 1-800-277-7020 extension 1114 or gradaid@piedmont.edu

Below is specific information on each program – EdS, Leadership Tier 1 Add-On, and EdD

Ed.S. Program

Our EDS program in Curriculum and Instruction is 30 semester hours - 10 classes at 3 credit hours each. Classes meet at the Cohort site location.

- *For semesters with two classes - One night a week in eight week sessions.*
- *For semesters with three classes - One night a week per 8 week session, and one night every other week for 16 weeks.*
- *Class time 4:30 – 9:00 pm with ½ hour dinner break.*

Classes will be held in the fall semester (August/September; October/November) and in the spring semester (January/February; March/April). Classes meet during the day in the summer in June - three days a week (no classes in July). Your Coordinator will give you the exact schedule. The GACE in C&I is required by GAPSC in order to add this new field to your current certificate and earn your upgrade to a level 6.

Add-on for Tier I Leadership to your Ed.S. in C&I. This is an add-on certification program that consists of 3 classes plus an internship. After completing the coursework and the GACE tests in leadership and also in ethics in addition to your Ed.S. C&I degree, you would receive a Tier I certificate in Educational Leadership. This would allow you to be a leader in school or district positions where you will not supervise principals. At some time, you would need to complete Tier II leadership, which would then allow you to be a principal or superintendent. The tier structure is true for any college or university offering the program in Georgia.

Ed.D. Program

Either an Education Specialist (EdS degree from Piedmont College OR and Education Specialist degree OR thirty (30) credits beyond the master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction or related field from an accredited college or university will be considered for transfer credit. A transcript analysis will be conducted by the program director and an individual program of studies will be developed. Classes for the Ed.D. are offered on the Demorest and Athens campuses.

Please let me know if you have questions or need more information. Thanks again for your interest in our graduate programs!

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