City University of Seattle’s doctoral program is designed for leaders who are ready to ascend to the highest step on their organizational ladder.

CityU’s doctorate in leadership program is unique in how it combines the academic rigor of top-tier doctoral programs with the convenience of an online format. Graduates from our program are ready to assume senior leadership positions in public school systems, universities, nonprofits, and for-profit organizations. Organizational consultants can also stay a step ahead with knowledge gained through this program.

**WHY STUDENTS EARN A DOCTORATE AT CITYU:**

- High student satisfaction: 92% of doctoral students surveyed are “satisfied” or “highly satisfied” with their overall student experience.
- High retention rates: 87% of students stay in the program.
- Regional accreditation: CityU’s doctoral program is recognized for its academic rigor, high quality curriculum, and extensive student support.
- Time to completion: Coursework can be completed in as few as two and a half years (not including dissertation). Ask an advisor for more information.
- Competitive pricing.

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DOCTORAL PROGRAM DETAILS

**ORIENTATION**
All students admitted to the doctoral program will participate in an orientation before their first class. During this orientation, students will learn more about the program, including course delivery, writing, and research requirements needed for program completion.

**PROGRAM DELIVERY**
The doctorate in leadership program is offered entirely online with the option to attend three two-day residencies in Seattle during the summer.

**PROGRAM SECTIONS**
- Mandatory research and leadership core courses that build a foundation for further doctoral study.
- Program concentration study in the student’s chosen area: Educational Leadership P-12, Higher Education, Organizational Leadership, or Specialized Study that allows the student to frame a degree focus in a specific area consistent with the student’s current or anticipated field of interest.
- During the summers, students complete three residency requirements as part of their coursework. Residencies focus on providing writing and research skills needed for success on the comprehensive exams and dissertation.
- Dissertation work. The dissertation is a significant research project that will be completed in three parts: prospectus, proposal, and final dissertation.

If you aren’t ready for your doctorate yet, CityU also offers a variety of 100% online Master of Education options to help you reach your professional development goals as a teacher/leader.