

# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION



Faculty, staff and students  
strive to prepare and be professionals who are:

## *Competent*

equipped with the knowledge, skills  
and technological expertise to help  
all individuals learn and develop

## *Committed*

dedicated to the ethical practices and collaboration  
that serve as the foundation of a diverse  
and intellectually vibrant society

## *Reflective*

devoted to analyzing their own past practices  
in ways that fuel ongoing learning  
and improve future practices

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SYLLABUS**

1.    **Course Number:**     HIED 8990  
      **Course Title:**     Research and Dissertation  
      **Credit Hours:**    VC 1 – 10 hours (course can be repeated)  
      **Prerequisites:**    None  
      **Corequisites:**    None
  
2.    **Date Syllabus Prepared:** January 6, 2009
  
3.    **Required Text:**     None
  
4.    **Course Description:** This unit provides individualized support and direction for students writing their dissertation. It may be taken for more than one semester. Provides students an opportunity to formulate a research problem and carry out individual research under guidance. It fosters the development of analytical and critical thinking skills, provides an opportunity to synthesize findings, draw conclusions, and provides an opportunity for students to establish a foundation for a long term research focus. This unit is the culminating experience in the graduate process.
  
5.    **Course Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:  
  
      The course objectives will be developed on an individual basis dependent upon the location, type of research topic, and level of student skill development. The ultimate objective will be development and completion of a dissertation research project.
  
6.    **Course Content**  
  
      Content will be dependent upon the topic and student needs.
  
7.    **Course Requirements**  
  
      Student will be required to meet with his/her committee on a regular basis, to satisfy their requirements on a continuous basis, to make satisfactory progress toward completion of the research, to complete the dissertation research project, and to successfully defend the dissertation.

## **8. Grading and Evaluation Procedures**

Students will receive a grade of “NG” for this unit..

## **9. Class Policy Statements:**

- I. Students are expected to attend all class meetings and participate in all classroom exercises (Tiger Cub, p. 73). Should students need to be absent for any reasons, please contact the course instructor before missing that class meeting.
- II. Students are responsible for initiating arrangements for missed work due to excused absences (Tiger Cub, p. 74)
- III. Students who need special accommodations should make an appointment to discuss the Accommodation Memo during office hours as soon as possible. If you do not have an Accommodations Memo, contact the Program for Students with Disabilities, in 1244 Haley Center as soon as possible. Telephone: 334-844-2096.
- IV. All portions of the Auburn University Honesty Code can be found in the Tiger Cub (Title XII) will apply in this class.
- V. A grade of incomplete will not be given except under extreme circumstances as determined by the instructor.