EdD EL Program Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the program delivery?
   a. Our program is taught on a unique hybrid model where a typical semester is comprised of one online class and one face-to-face class meeting on alternating Saturdays. This design is also based on a cohort model so the individuals in your online class will be the ones in the face-to-face class.

2. What are the hours of the Saturday classes?
   a. Saturday classes are scheduled from 8:00AM – 5:00PM.

3. Is financial aid available?
   a. Students seeking financial aid should complete the FAFSA to determine eligibility.

4. What is the cost of textbooks?
   a. Textbook costs vary each semester, by course, and by professor.

5. How many classes is considered full time?
   a. At the doctoral level, you are considered full time when you are enrolled in 8 credit hours.

6. What does the personal statement entail?
   a. The personal statement is usually around one page in length where the applicant discusses why they want to pursue this degree, how it will impact their personal and professional goals, and why they specifically want to attend Florida Southern College.

7. When does the cohort start?
   a. A new cohort begins every summer but students can join in the fall and spring as well.

8. When can I begin the dissertation?
   a. After completing 20 credit hours of doctoral coursework, students may exercise an option to start early on their dissertation.

9. What dissertation support will I have?
   a. Each student has a dedicated dissertation committee comprised of their chairperson and three faculty members who help to guide the student through the dissertation process and approve their dissertation chapter by chapter.

10. Can my Masters courses count for this program?
    a. Only doctoral level coursework can be evaluated for transfer credit or course substitution.