Ed.D. in Urban Leadership
Nathan Weiss Graduate College

Mission
The Ed.D. in Urban Leadership seeks to prepare dedicated educational leaders who understand and appreciate the challenges of urban areas and to be able to make a positive difference in the state’s urban schools, educational agencies and communities. Students analyze the dynamics of the political process in urban educational communities as it applies to the development of policy; they apply the principles of assessment including the analysis of data to facilitate evidence-based educational decision-making; and acquire the skills for effective leadership that spans school, family, and communities served by urban educational centers.

Ed.D. in Urban Leadership Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)
Students who earn a doctoral degree in Urban Leadership should be able to:

SLO1: Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by facilitating the development, articulation, implementation, and stewardship of a school or district vision of learning supported by the school community.

SLO2: Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by promoting a positive school culture, providing an effective instructional program, applying best practice to student learning, and designing comprehensive professional growth plans for staff.

SLO3: Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by managing the organization, operations, and resources in a way that promotes a safe, efficient, and effective learning environment.

SLO4: Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by collaborating with families and other community members, responding to diverse community interests and needs, and mobilizing community resources.

SLO5: Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by acting with integrity, fairly, and in an ethical manner.

SLO6: Candidates who complete the program are educational leaders who have the knowledge and ability to promote the success of all students by understanding, responding to, and influencing the larger political, social, economic, legal, and cultural context (accomplished through an action research doctoral dissertation).

* KU Student Outcomes: Kean University graduates should be able to:
1. Think critically, creatively and globally;
2. Adapt to changing social, economic, and technological environments;
3. Serve as active and contributing members of their communities; and
4. Advance their knowledge in the traditional disciplines (GE) and enhance their skills in professional areas (Prof.
programs)