University of North Texas

The University of North Texas is one of the nation’s largest public research universities with over 40,000 students. Ranked a Tier One research university by the Carnegie Classification, UNT is a catalyst for creativity, fueling progress, innovation and entrepreneurship for the North Texas region and the state.

UNT’s programs are internationally recognized with research and scholarship spanning all disciplines. World-class faculty are making breakthroughs every day, and UNT students and alumni are changing the world around them.

- We offer 94 master’s and 38 doctoral degree programs.
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- Our library system includes a nationally recognized digital program that offers millions of pages of historic and unique content.
- Leading researchers, renowned faculty and graduate students work together on projects that advance knowledge and push boundaries.
- We have 22 research centers and institutes.

UNT is located in Denton, a town with an estimated population of 148,146 and located about 40 miles north of Dallas and Fort Worth. Learn more about UNT at unt.edu.

Contact us for more information on our Ph.D. program

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We’re located at UNT Discovery Park

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LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES
DOCTORAL PROGRAM
Get your Ph.D. in Learning Technologies

Our coursework focuses on understanding and expanding the synergy of technology, learning, training, instructional systems, and research. This leads to a Doctor of Philosophy in Learning Technologies and can be completed in residency or in a distributed (online) format.

Program graduates are prepared for positions at universities and organizations that require creative and innovative applications to problems by implementing learning technology solutions. Graduates of our program work as faculty, teachers, instructional designers, directors of distance education, technology coordinators, trainers, and other positions in the instructional, educational, and learning technology fields.

Students entering the program are assigned both a major professor (faculty advisor) and an Associate Graduate Faculty (AGF) mentor. The student works with their major professor during coursework and into dissertation with a focus on student-centered research for the purpose of guiding the student to successful completion of the program. Mentors are distinguished professionals and scholars in the filed who oversee the student’s work toward dissertation.

Program Formats

**Residential**—The Ph.D. is offered as a residency-based program primarily for those in the North Texas region. Our residential students meet for courses at the state-of-the-art UNT Discovery Park campus. Students in the residential option typically take 9-semester credit hours each long semester (fall and spring).

**Distributed**— Students participating in the distributed option take a standard set of courses online year-round, typically 6-credit hours each semester (fall, spring, and summer).

Degree requirements

The Ph.D. degree consists of 60-69 credit hours, which include:
- 15 credit hours of core courses
- 15 credit hours of electives/topic courses
- 18 credit hours of research courses
- 9 credit hours of tools courses, as needed
- 12 credit hours of dissertation

Deadlines

The Ph.D. program admits new cohorts for both the residential and distributed option each fall semester.

Application materials must be submitted and considered complete before the deadline. Space is limited, so you are encouraged to apply early.

More information can be found at: [lt.unt.edu/doctoral-admissions-process](http://lt.unt.edu/doctoral-admissions-process)

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Applying to the program

Admissions consist of:

An application to the University of North Texas Toulouse Graduate School includes:
1. Completed application for admissions (apply online at ApplyTexas.org)
2. Transcripts from previous colleges attended
3. GRE or GMAT scores—required

*Due to processing time, it is imperative that you submit these materials well in advance of the application deadline so that they are received by the program office before that date.

An application to the Learning Technologies program includes:
1. Personal resume or CV
2. Personal statement (500-1000 words)
3. Three letters of recommendation (one must be from a faculty member)
4. Writing sample
5. LT Ph.D. Application (Preferred Advisor form)