

# Doctoral-Level Certificate in Strengths-Oriented Higher Education

The doctoral programs in higher education, in conjunction with the Noel Academy for Strengths-Based Leadership and Education, offer a 10-unit Doctoral-Level Certificate in Strengths-Oriented Higher Education (<https://www.apu.edu/bas/programs/strengths-certificate>). Designed for educators and leaders who wish to deepen their knowledge and application of a strengths development model to their work in higher education, the certificate consists of three courses.

## Course Requirements

Code	Title	Units
<b>Opening Sequence</b>		
HED 701A	Strengths-Oriented Leadership	2
HED 701B	Strengths-Oriented Leadership	1
HED 701C	Strengths-Oriented Leadership	1
<b>Choose from the following sequences:</b>		
HED 705A	Student Access, Equity, and Success in College	4
HED 705B	Student Access, Equity, and Success in College	
<b>- OR -</b>		
HED 724A	Teaching, Learning, and Assessment in Higher Education	
HED 724B	Teaching, Learning, and Assessment in Higher Education	
HED 724C	Teaching, Learning, and Assessment in Higher Education	
<b>Concluding Course</b>		
HED 761	Strengths-Oriented Research and Programming	2
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>10</b>

This program is offered on the Azusa campus, comprising two weeks in January and two weeks in July, and program participants join existing cohorts of doctoral students in their classes. The doctoral credits from the certificate may be transferred to any other university. Participants must have a master's degree or higher with a GPA of at least 3.0 at the graduate level to be eligible for admission to this program, and must complete all certificate courses with a *B-* or above.

For questions about this program, email [doctoralhighered@apu.edu](mailto:doctoralhighered@apu.edu).