Welcome to the PhD in Education (Educational Sustainability) program in the Schulich School of Education at Nipissing University! Our PhD in Education fosters 21st century knowledge and understanding, regarding the relationships of the self to people, to nature, and to the environment. Students will develop the leadership skills to be agents of change in a rapidly changing, globally interconnected, highly competitive, and technological world. With a priority on faculty-student connections and first-rate educational experiences, we proudly trace our roots to the North Bay Normal School, which opened in 1909.

With small class sizes, the PhD in Education (Educational Sustainability) cultivates a sense of community, along with the personalized attention you deserve during your doctoral journey. The program includes two summer residencies (four weeks each July) followed by online courses, so that students can continue full-time or part-time employment throughout the degree. The program is designed for educators and other professionals who wish to deepen their critical thinking and enhance their professional and leadership roles.
Program of Study
Students must complete the following degree requirements:
1. Three core courses during a summer residence program over two years (four weeks each July) at Nipissing University in North Bay.
2. Three elective courses from the current MEd/PhD course listings (courses are online).
3. A comprehensive examination (two qualifying papers on theory and methodology).
4. A doctoral dissertation (may contain quantitative, qualitative, and arts-informed elements).

Why Nipissing?
You will be assigned a faculty advisor upon admission who will guide you on your doctoral journey. Our acclaimed faculty have varied research interests including Indigenous education, adult learning, holistic education, narrative inquiry, arts-informed research, policy analysis, the history of education, student and family engagement, technology, servant leadership, special education, international education, multi-literacy education, social justice and cultural studies, music education, alternative learning, outdoor learning, and experiential learning. Our low faculty-to-student ratio promotes individualized attention for graduate students during their doctoral journey.

Where Can I Go After Graduation?
Our PhD program prepares students for leadership and advancement with sustainable educational practices in a variety of fields including education, health, social work, business, social justice, and administration. Some pursue careers in academia at colleges and universities. The PhD in Education (Educational Sustainability) program at Nipissing University offers limitless career opportunities!

Application & Deadlines
For information on deadlines and how to apply, visit our website at: www.nipissingu.ca/graduatemanagement

Financial Aid
Funding is available to graduate students from both internal and external sources. Internal funding includes teaching/research assistantships, faculty research grants, and Nipissing University Graduate Scholarships (NUGS). Students are encouraged to compete for external scholarships, too. For more information, visit: www.nipissingu.ca/gradfunding

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