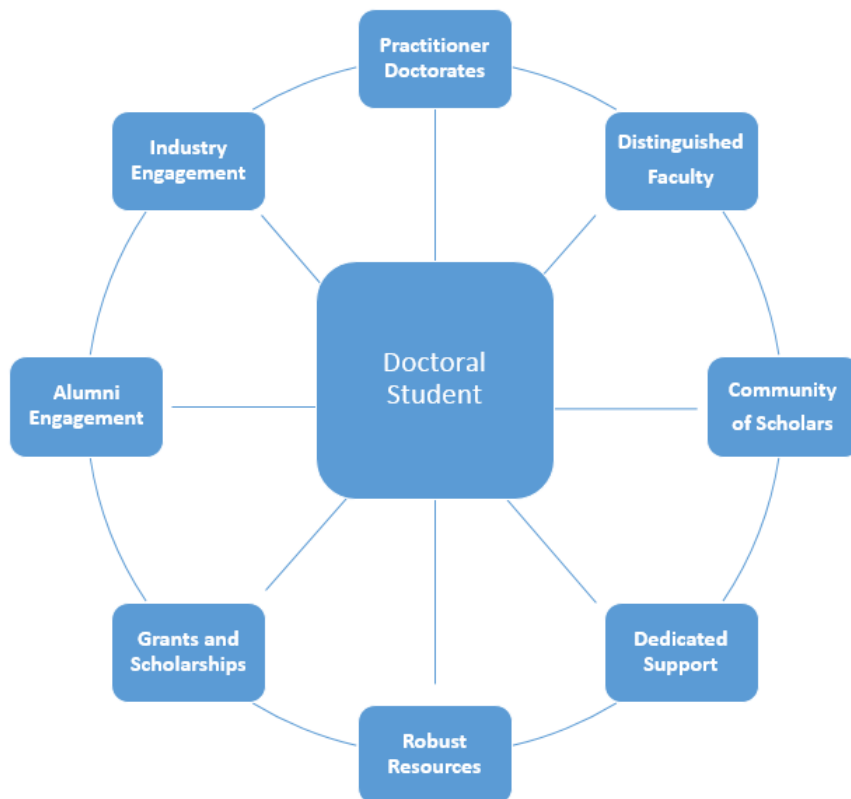


College of Doctoral Studies Doctoral Education Ecosystem®

The College of Doctoral Studies is a uniquely dedicated doctoral school surrounding each student with an extensive **Doctoral Education Ecosystem®** to help them apply the intelligence, acumen and rigor they need to succeed on the demanding path to a terminal degree. Our vibrant community of thought leaders and extensive network of tools and training are designed to optimize, enrich, and expedite the doctoral journey. We work to ensure that each student's journey will lead to the completion of an original, meaningful dissertation so they can earn the distinguished and coveted title of "Dr."

The **Doctoral Education Ecosystem®** is comprised of eight key elements:



1. **Practitioner Doctorates** *Online courses organized around the dissertation*

Our doctoral programs are designed to readily transform postgraduate students into successful scholars, subject-matter experts, and innovators in their field. Applying our unique Scholar-Practitioner-Leader™ model, courses are focused on applying knowledge, critical thinking, and leadership to address real-world problems. Classes help students select a unique dissertation topic and write an original, meaningful dissertation.

2. Distinguished Faculty *Career-focused practitioner faculty skillful in dissertation development*

Courses and dissertation committees are led by doctorally prepared, highly credentialed faculty members with a track record of teaching and publishing and with an average of 20 years' experience applying their extensive knowledge in their field. They are well-versed in the art of turning theory into practice and bringing ideas to life. As a result, student dissertations are poised to address valued, real-world challenges.

3. Community of Scholarship *Supporting your field of study*

College of Doctoral Studies puts you at the center of a vibrant community of doctoral scholars who help students apply a distinct Scholar-Practitioner-Leader™ model to achieve innovative results in your area of study. They connect with professionals in education, refine their skills as a researcher and build theoretical and practical knowledge to enhance leadership skills in their organization and within their community.

4. Dedicated Support Team *Expert guidance and leadership at every stage of the doctoral journey*

Our learning ecosystem is led by an extensive team of doctorate-focused experts at every stage of the doctoral journey including academic deans, doctoral faculty, chairs, and committee members; residency coordinators; enrollment and academic advisor specialists; and residency operations experts.

5. Robust Resources *Integrated online dissertation tools at your fingertips*

Integrated online doctoral learning and dissertation tools on everything from writing dissertations to conducting research, organizational leadership to publishing and critical thinking, all designed to guide students through the evolution of their dissertation and to empower them at every stage of the journey.

6. Grants & Scholarships *Supporting lifelong research and scholarship*

Special grants and scholarship opportunities are available to encourage students as they research, publish, and present their scholarship at industry events and in peer-reviewed journals.

7. Industry Engagement *Extending opportunities to address real-world challenges*

Partnerships and affiliations with global business, education and government organizations open doors to shared insights, research, and programs addressing today's formidable education and business challenges.

8. Alumni Engagement *Fostering mentorship and giving back to CDS and its students*

Resources are available to help doctoral alumni remain engaged with CDS and scholarship long after they earn their degree. Programs for doctoral alumni include and alumni-focused area on the CDS Research Hub, alumni newsletter, online alumni community, speakership opportunities and networking events.