

Ed.D. statement of purpose guidelines

- Briefly introduce yourself and state your professional goals and current professional status. Why do you want to attain a doctoral degree?
- State your academic interests. Particularly, state which course cluster you are most interested in between cultural studies, leadership, literacy, mathematics, or science. Course clusters are listed in the [planning guide](#). Identify three USU graduate faculty members you think align with and might be able to support your research interests? Specify which of our graduate faculty members we might assign as your initial advisor.
- State a problem of practice that you are interested in focusing on during your doctoral program. What is a problem of practice that your research will contribute to the field? A problem of practice refers to an educational challenge recognized by a school or school district, which centers on the instructional core, is readily observable, can be acted upon, and links to a larger improvement strategy.
 - [More information on Problems of Practice](#).