Educational Leadership Disposition Assessment (ELDA) Data

Alignment

Alignment to National Standards

Disposition #1: Confidence

Disposition #2: Determined / Perseverance (NELP 2.1)

Disposition #3: Vision (NELP 1.1)

Disposition #4: Driven to Learn (NELP 2.1)

Disposition #5: Conflict Resolution (NELP 2.1, 2.2, 2.3)

Disposition #6: Embraces Diversity and Equity (NELP 3.1, 3.3, 5.1)

Disposition #7: Relationship Skills (NELP 2.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3)

Disposition #8: High Expectations for All

Disposition #9: Positive Attitude

Disposition #10: Effective Communication (NELP 5.3)

Disposition #11: Integrity (NELP 2.1)

Disposition #12: Creates a Positive Culture (NELP 3.1, 7.2, 7.3)

Disposition #12: Creates a Positive Culture (NELP 3.1, 7.2, 7.3)

Disposition #14: Adaptable in Working with Staff and Stakeholders (NELP 5.1, 5.2, 5.3)

Disposition #15: Self-Aware of Strengths and Weaknesses (NELP 2.1, 2.3)

How Alignment is Assured

The exam is developed directly from the MLDS standards which are directly aligned to the NELP standards. Alignment is assured through a third party, Watermark, Inc.

Evidence Overview

Use of Assessment as Part of the Quality Assurance System

Education leaders require a unique set of dispositions to be effective in their roles as administrators and directors. Dispositions of education leaders should be assessed over time and the assessment should incorporate an ongoing reflective process. The purpose of assessing the dispositions of education leadership candidates is to identify areas for growth and to provide appropriate and effective mentoring for the candidates.

Details of Assessment Administration

Program MS CTE Leadership	Beginning	of Program	Mid-Pi	rogram	End of Program		
	Course	Completed by	Course	Completed by	Course	Completed	
	CTE 5150	Student Self- Assessment	CTE 5022-Start of Semester	Student Self- Assessment	CTE 5022-End of Semester	Student and Faculty	
EdS CTE Leadership	CTE 5150	Student Self- Assessment	CTE 5022-Start of Semester	Student Self- Assessment	CTE 5022-End of Semester	Student and Faculty	
MSE/EdS Ed Leadership (K-12)	EDAD 5110 Foundations of Ed Admin	Student Self- Assessment	EDAD 6969 Internship in School Admin I	Student Self- Assessment	EDAD 6971 Internship II	Student and Faculty	
EDS Ed Leadership (Superintend ent)	EDAD 6700 Sch Dist Admin	Student Self- assessment		Student Self- Assessment	EDAD 6972 Internship Central Office	Student and Faculty	

How the Evaluation is used to Measure Candidate Progress

Students in the College of Education Advanced Programs are requested to complete the ELDA assessment at the beginning, middle, and end of their program. For this evidence, a growth model will be evaluated by comparing student dispositions at the beginning and end of their programs. Means and standard deviations for each assessed disposition are reviewed by program faculty. Low-performing areas are highlighted as needing attention.

Evidence and Analysis

Directions Delivered to Candidates

One of UCM's accreditation requirements is to have students complete an Education Leadership Disposition Assessment (ELDA). You will need to complete this self-assessment at the start of this course and at the end. This is an assignment and is due by the end of the first week of the course (January 16).

Note: Select the "Mid-program" for the question asking "Choose the descriptor that best fits the student's position in the program"

Please use this link to complete the survey.

Evaluation Instrument

See below.

Assurance of Reliability and Validity

Wilson et al. 2019, provided the following information in regards to the reliability and validity of the assessment. The EDLDA tool was created to meet accreditation standards found in national and state bodies that accredit and approve educator preparation programs. The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) Advanced-Licensure Program Standards A1, A2, A3, and A5 require educator preparation programs to address and assess candidate dispositions. The EDLDA provides evidence for programs using the package to successfully meet each standard. The Educational Leadership Disposition Assessment (EDLDA) also meets Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation (AAQEP) Standards 1 and 2 (2018). Additionally, the tool aligns with the National Educational Leadership Preparation (NELP) Standards as further described in this document.

Wilson et al. 2019, utilized educational leadership professors from a mid-sized university in the Southeastern region of the United States to conduct interrater reliability. The correlation coefficient for each disposition was found to be high.

In addition, Construct validity was ensured by alignment to the National Educational Leadership Preparation (NELP) Standards.

Presentation of Data Summative Ratings for Beginning and Ending Student Self Assessment Years 2022, 2021, and 2020

	Beginning Mean	Ending Mean	Change	Number (n)
All Respondents	1.47	1.91	.44	Beginning N = 92 Ending N= 150
Females	1,47	1.88	.41	Beginning N = 58 Ending N= 108
Males	1.49	1.86	.37	Beginning N = 32 Ending N= 40
No Gender Given	N/A	N/A	N/A	Beginning N = 2 Ending N= 2
African American	1.36	1.67	.31	Beginning N = 11 Ending N= 6
Asian/PI	N/A	N/A	N/A	Beginning N = 1 Ending N= 1

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Caucasian	1.48	1.88	.40	Beginning N = 75 Ending N= 137
Other	1.48	1.89	.41	Beginning N = 3 Ending N= 2
Race Not Given	1.26	2.00	.74	Beginning N = 2 Ending N= 4

All Respondents t-test

Paired Samples Statistics

		Mean	N	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Pair 1	Beginning	1.4686	47	.15215	.02219
	End	1,9095	47	.04624	.00674

Paired Samples Test

			Paired Differences						Signif	cance
				Std. Error	95% Confidence Differe					
		Mean	Std. Deviation	Mean	Lower	Upper	t	df	One-Sided p	Two-Sided p
Par 1	Beginning-End	44099	.12215	.01782	47685	40513	-24.750	46	<.001	<.001

Analysis and Interpretation

Student disposition data from the years 2019-2022 were collected and analyzed. Students self-assessed themselves at the beginning and end of their program. There were N = 92 students who submitted assessments at the beginning and N = 150 students with end-of-program submissions. Overall, students' mean ratings increased by almost one-half of a percentage point (based on the 0-2 scale). The students' mean beginning rating was 1.47 and the ending rating was 1.91.

Female students had a larger rating increase than males, .41 compared to .37 respectively. The race/ethnicity comparison is statistically invalid due to the minimal number of non-Caucasian students represented. Caucasian students' mean ratings increased by .40 points.

For further analysis, a paired samples *t*-test was run to help validate the descriptive statistics and to determine if the difference was statistically significant. The results from the *t*-test were significant. The ending ratings (M = 1.91, SD .046) were significantly higher than the beginning ratings (M = 1.47, SD = .152), t(46) = -24.75, $\rho < .001$).

Continuous Improvement

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Focus Area(s)

The ELDA instrument has only been utilized in our college for the previous three years. Additional procedures for collecting and analyzing the data need to be implemented. For example, our instrument did not collect demographic information like gender and race/ethnicity. UCM staff had to go back and look up each respondent's demographic information and enter it into the spreadsheet for analysis. Additionally in the future, additional analysis could be completed comparing faculty assessments of the students to their own self-assessments.

Educational Leadership Disposition Assessment

Name:	Date:
Evaluator:	

Directions: Please use the following numbers to rafe the individual on each disposition based on the following scale by marking the corresponding number in the cell. Please note that italicized constructs are further explained in the technical manual, indicators for each disposition are found in the cells. Scores for each of the fifteen dispositions will be averaged to calculate an overall composite score. Lastly, please add comments to support ratings as needed.

- 0-Needs Improvement: minimal evidence of understanding and commitment to the disposition
- 1-Developing: some evidence of understanding and commitment to the disposition
- 2-Meets Expectations: considerable evidence of understanding and commitment to the disposition

Disposition Associated Indicators **Needs Improvement** 1. Confidence Developing Meets Expectations 0 Demonstrates Is sometimes successful in Demonstrates indecisiveness. decision making. self-assurance as evidenced by decisiveness in decision making. Lacks self-assurance as Attempts to lead others Demonstrates the ability a leader. and develop loval. informed followers. to lead others by being supportive in efforts to develop followers who act in the best interest of the school and students. Demonstrates Occasionally demonstrates Shows consistency arrogance. the positive psychological states of confidence, high between their values. self-esteem, and resilience beliefs, and actions by in themselves and strives to developing the positive promote equivalent psychological states of

behaviors in others.

confidence, high self-esteem, and resilience in themselves

and others.

Disposition	Ass	sociated Indicators		
2. Determined/Perseverance NELP 2.1	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2	
	Does not demonstrate perseverance and resilience (grit) as evidenced by giving up easily during difficult situations.	Demonstrates perseverance and resilience (grit) most of the time yet has some difficulty managing unexpected adversity.	Demonstrates persistence (grit) and does not give up easily even when confronted with challenging situations.	
	Demonstrates inconsistent commitment and follow through on tasks and responsibilities.	 Demonstrates some commitment and consistency by following through an tasks and responsibilities. 	 Demonstrates strong commitment and consistent follow through on tasks and responsibilities. 	

Disposition

3. Vision

Associated Indicators

Developing

Meets Expectations

Needs Improvement

NELP 1.1	0	1	2
	Unable to work with stakeholders to develop and communicate a school vision.	 Strives to share a vision of what is possible with stakeholders. 	 Collaboratively leads, develops, and communicates a school vision that reflects a core set of values and principles.
	 Unable to see the big picture when making key decisions. 	 Sometimes has difficulty seeing the big picture when making key decisions. 	 Ability to see the big picture when making key decisions.
	 Does not embed the vision in all decisions. 	 Attempts to embed the vision in all decisions, expectations, and daily practice. 	 Embeds the vision in all decisions, expectations, and daily practice.
	 Unable to communicate a clear vision openly. 	 Attempts to communicate a clear vision openly. 	 Communicates a clear vision openly with a voice characterized by purpose.
Disposition		Associated Indicators	
4. Driven to Learn NELP 2.1	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations
	 Does not accept constructive feedback for continuous improvement of professional behaviors. 	Occasionally occepts constructive feedback for continuous improvement of professional behaviors.	 Accepts constructive feedback for continuous improvement of professional behaviors.
	 Demonstrates little to no evidence of life-long learning for self and others. 	 Demonstrates some evidence of life-long learning for self and others, 	 Proactively demonstrates life-long learning for self and others.
	 Demonstrates little to no reflection on learning and professional practice. 	 Sometimes reflects on learning and professional practice. 	 Consistently reflects on learning and professional practice.
Disposition		Associated Indicators	
5. Conflict Resolution NELP 2.1, 2.2, 2.3	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations
	Avoids difficult conversations by appearing to feel fearful of conflict or expecting a bad outcome.	 Willing to have difficult conversations but not always successful. 	Effectively has difficult conversations demonstrating the idea that dealing with conflict directly is the best thing for both sides.
	Does not resolve conflict or does so in a destructive manner resulting in lose-lose solutions that are demoralizing or humiliating.	 Sometimes resolves conflict resulting in win-lose solutions. 	Proactively resolves disagreements with a calm, non-defensive, and respectful reaction and identifies win-win solutions in a timely manner.
	Reluctant to listen or take into consideration	 Attempts to listen before acting or affering a resolution. 	Respectfully listens to understand conflict and each person's/group's

each person's/group's point of view before acting or offering a resolution.	point of view before acting or offering a resolution.
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Associated Indicators

Disposition	Associated indicators					
6. Embraces Diversity and Equity NELP 3.1, 3.3, 5.1	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2			
	 Demonstrates behaviors that hinder an inclusive school culture as evidenced by a lack of acceptance of others. 	 Attempts to promote an inclusive school culture with little to no partiality towards others. 	Promotes a climate that makes the school welcoming, inclusive, and accepting of all students by treating others fairly and by not showing partiality to any persons or groups.			
	Does not have a clear understanding about culture and race as evidence by a disregard for the diverse needs, interests, and strengths of students, staff, and the larger community.	☐ Demonstrates some gaps in understanding about culture and race and the importance in embracing the diverse needs, interests, and strengths of students, staff, and the larger community.	Demonstrates critical consciousness of culture and race by embracing the diverse needs, interests, and strengths of all students, staff, and the larger community.			
	Lacks cultural responsiveness as evidenced by missed opportunities to respond to the cultural and diverse needs of others.	☐ Has an awareness of cultural responsiveness and attempts to support others in being culturally responsive.	Demonstrates cultural responsiveness and promotes such responsiveness among the school at large.			

Disposition

7. Relationship Skills NELP 2.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2	
	☐ Fails to create positive and professional relationships with faculty, staff, and students.	 Attempts to create positive and professional relationships with faculty, staff, and students. 	Possesses an ability to create positive and professional relationships with faculty, staff, and students by supporting others within and outside of their presence.	
	 Does not demonstrate a commitment towards building positive relationships with community stakeholders. 	 Dedication towards building positive relationship with community stakeholders is inconsistent. 	Demonstrates dedication towards collaboratively building positive relationships with community stakeholders for the benefit of school improvement and P-12 student growth.	
	Demonstrates little to no effort in creating a respectful climate among faculty, staff, and students as noted by insensitivity to feelings of others as evidenced by a lack of compassion and	fime.	☐ Creates a climate of respect and rapport among faculty, staff, and students by demonstrating sensitivity to feelings of others at all times.	

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0	Attempts to model ethical behaviors yet fails to build positive relationships with others.	is ethical in manner and makes attempts to build positive relationships with stakeholders but is not always successful.	Conducts self in an ethical manner and conducts relationships in a way that cultivates ethical actions in others.

Disposition Associated Indicators

Disposition	Man.	Associated indicators		
8. High Expectations for All	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2	
	Demonstrates little to no commitment to high expectations, high quality instruction, and collective accountability.	Demonstrates some commitment to high expectations, high quality instruction, and collective accountability.	 Committed to high expectations, high quality instruction, and collective accountability. 	
	 Does not attempt to inspire others to accomplish challenging work. 	 Attempts to inspire others to accomplish challenging work. 	 Inspires others to accomplish challenging work. 	
	Rarely demonstrates personal accountability for one's self as evidenced by modeling behaviors of high expectations.	 Occasionally demonstrates personal accountability for one's self as evidenced by modeling behaviors of high expectations. 	 Demonstrates personal accountability for one's self as evidenced by modeling behaviors of high expectations. 	

Disposition Associated Indicators

9. Positive Attitude	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2	
	 Does not serve as an advocate and spokesperson for all stakeholders. 	Attempts to be an advocate and spokesperson for the school to all stakeholders.	Is an advocate and spokesperson for the school to all stakeholders.	
	 Does not demonstrate a growth mindset towards challenging tasks. 	 Occasionally demonstrates a growth mindset towards challenging tasks. 	 Demonstrates a growth mindset towards challenging tasks. 	
	 Does not respond in a positive or constructive manner to a variety of situations. 	Sometimes anticipates and responds in a positive or constructive manner.	 Anticipates and responds in a positive or constructive manner at all times. 	
	Lacks the ability to remain positive in dealing with others and their feelings as evidenced by appearing to be inpatient or aggravated by the situation at hand.	☐ Tires to remain positive in dealing with others and their feelings but sometimes is challenged to effectively handle delicate situations.	Displays a sense of what is appropriate and considerate in dealing with others as evidenced by being thoughtful of others' feelings and skilled at handling difficult and delicate situations.	

Associated Indicators

10. Effective Communication NELP 5.3	Needs Improvement 0		Developing 1			Meets Expectations 2	
		Lacks open, honest, and purposeful communication and at times loses composure.	0	Makes attempts to communicate openly, honestly, and purposefully while exhibiting poise and professionalism, but is not always effective.		Communicates openly, horiestly, and purposefully while exhibiting poise and professionalism, even when it is uncomfortable or unpopular.	
		Does not create open communication with others that includes multiple forms of communication (e.g., oral, written, digital).		Sometimes creates open communication channels with others that includes multiple forms of communication (e.g., oral, written, digital).		Creates open communication channels with others that includes multiple forms of communication (e.g., oral, written, digital).	
		Lacks the ability to articulate a clear point of view in an accurate and concise manner,		Attempts to articulate a clear point of view in an accurate and concise manner.		Articulates a clear point of view in an accurate and concise manner.	
		Seems distracted when listening and clearly does not possess the ability to engage in effective communication skills in engendering good relationships, trust, or mutual respect.	0	Listens to others and attempts to build bridges between stakeholders to promote good relationships, establish trust and develop mutual respect.	0	Actively listens to diverse perspectives and uses the process of communication to link individuals, groups, and the school to build relationships, establish trust, and earn respect for self and others.	

Disposition

11. Integrity NELP 2.1	Needs Improvement 0		Developing 1		Meets Expectations 2	
	Often makes decisions without regard to fairness, transparency, and collaboration.		Weighs consequences of decisions and defiberates before making the final call modeling same level of integrity, trust, fairness, transparency, and collaboration.		Demonstrates strength when making decisions that are ethical and in the best interest of the students and school at large as evidenced by the ability to reflect on, communicate, cultivate, and model integrity, trust, fairness, transparency, and collaboration.	
	Fails to accept personal and professional accountability for own behavior and the educational processes of the school, tends to make excuses and cast	0	Accepts personal and professional accountability for own behavior and the educational processes of the school.		Accepts total personal and professional accountability for own behavior and the educational processes of the school.	

blame on others or circumstances. Is inconsistent in words, actions, and deeds with large gaps between what he/she says and what he/she does. Leader is not dependable; rarely follows through on	0	Strives to be consistent in words, actions, and deeds. Occasionally exhibits gaps between what he/she says and what he/she does. Leader is dependable most of the time and tends to keep his/her word.	0	is consistent in words, actions, and deeds with no gaps between what he/she says and what he/she does. Leader is dependable; follows through on promises, keeps his/her word.
promises, often fails to keep his/her word.				

Associated Indicators

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12. Creates a Positive Culture NELP 3.1, 7.2, 7.3	Needs Improv 0	rement	Developing 1		Meets Expectations 2	
	Lacks shared to does not foste community ar cooperation.	er a sense of	Attempts to foster sho beliefs and a sense of community and coop by promoting positive morale.	t peration	Fosters shared beliefs and a sense of community and cooperation by promoting positive marale.	
	 Tends to take ownership and delegate. 	700	Attempts to delegate demonstrates missed apportunities.		Delegates work/tasks appropriately as evidenced by distributed leadership.	
	 Misses opporture cognize and others. 		Occasionally recogni praise others.	zes and	Recognizes and celebrates efforts of others in a timely and consistent manner.	
	☐ The culture of is embroiled w dysfunction ar	rith	Works to develop trus relationships among members of the scho community.	20.00	Successfully generates ar environment of trust and authentic relationships.	

Disposition

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13. Possesses Professional Beliefs, Commitment, and Work Ethic NELP 2.1, 7.3	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2	
	Lacks the commitment needed to ensure the school will make a difference in the academic, social and emotional lives of students.	Demonstrates an understanding of the importance of promoting the collective belief that the school can positively impact students academically, socially and emotionally, yet needs to further clarify how this can be accomplished.	Fosters a collective belief that the school will make a difference in the academic, social and emotional lives of students.	
	Demonstrates a lack of commitment towards the school and professional responsibilities as evidenced by an inability	as evidenced by completing tasks.	Demonstrates an unwavering commitment towards the school and professional responsibilities as evidenced by a	

	to produce acceptable work.	consistent producing high quality work.
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Associated Indicators

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14. Adaptable in Working with Staff and Stakeholders NELP 5.1, 5.2, 5.3		Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1		Meets Expectations 2	
		Leads in an autocratic style as evidenced by not being receptive to diverse perspectives.	0	Often makes decisions based on what is popular rather than what is best.		Collaboratively engages staff and stakeholders to seek and consider diverse perspectives.
		Does not seek input from stakeholders to help inform decisions.	0	Sometimes seeks input from stakeholders to make informed decisions.		Actively cultivates relationships and solicits stakeholder input to make informed decisions.
		Leadership approach is inflexible and does not meet the needs of those being led.		Leadership approach does not always meet the needs of those being led.		Differentiates leadership approach based on the different needs of those individuals being led.

Disposition

15. Self-Aware of Strengths and Weaknesses NELP 2.1, 2.3	Needs Improvement 0	Developing 1	Meets Expectations 2
	Is reactive as opposed to being proactive and demonstrates lack of self-regulation as evidenced by overreacting to challenging situations or sensitive issues. Does not demonstrate awareness of their disposition, and fails to self-reflect on how their behaviors influence the people with whom they work and serve, and is challenged to recognize any behavior that they	Cocasionally responds more emotionally or forcibly than is justified in challenging situations, but attempts to self-reflect after initial response is one of overreaction. Demonstrates some awareness of their disposition, and can self-reflect to determine how their behaviors influence the people with whom they work and serve, and recognize any behavior that they need to change in order to lead more effectively.	□ Demonstrates the social emotional competence needed to maintain composure in challenging situations by being proactive rather than reactive. □ Demonstrates full awareness of their disposition, and can self-reflect to determine how their behaviors influence the people with whom they work and serve, and recognize any behavior that they need to change in order to lead more effectively.

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AVERAGE COMPOSITE SCORE ACROSS PIFTEEN DISPOSITIONS:

COMMENTS: