

EDU 7801- Digital Portfolio
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The creation of the digital portfolio provided learners with the opportunity to reflect on their careers as professional educators. Dr. Ianni prepared us for the challenge of cultivating a metaphor to support the five modules of the digital portfolio: Personal, Professional, Learner, Expert, and Scholar Folios. The metaphor serves as a reflection of the students' individual learning style. The metaphor represents the students' journey toward fulfilling the requirements of the St. John's Doctoral Program which is a scholarly, meaningful, dissertation that has a positive impact in education.

Throughout the course, Dr. Ianni provided insights for the development of the skeleton of the website and he modeled how to organize this framework into a cohesive display of artifacts. The digital portfolio serves as a placeholder, not only to document the knowledge and expertise gained from the St. John's Doctoral Program, but having time for collaboration with colleagues in website design will no doubt strengthen skills and competencies in our work as instructional leaders.

The five folios included in the Digital Portfolio are as follows:

- Personal Folio- this folio conveys students' passions, interests, and provides a glimpse into family, friends, and colleagues. Sharing these personal reflections offers professors and colleagues a chance to appreciate students' personal journeys and commitment to instructional leadership.

- Professional Folio- this folio characterizes students' careers as professional educators and their aspirations, hopes, and dreams for future leadership positions. This folio highlights students' careers as teachers, principals, assistant principals, supervisors, and/or instructional leaders which provides a snapshot of each students' distinctive accomplishments.
- Learner Folio- this folio documents all of the course materials, presentations, research papers, journal articles, and resources provided in each doctoral course. Additionally, this folio includes a course synthesis which includes the learners' reflections, interpretations, and applications of his/her learning.
- Expert Folio- this folio highlights the essential skills, competencies, and knowledge and learners' reflections on significant contributions to the field of educational leadership and accountability. The expert folio enables students to declare their vision for future leadership possibilities.
- Scholar Folio- the scholar clarifies an urgent problem in education and methodologies to explore possible solutions. This folio invites learner to commit themselves to research solutions and offer conclusions and recommendations for future research; the culmination of which is the Dissertation Study.