Doctor of Business Administration by Validation of Acquired Experience

Program Overview

The European City University Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) through Validation of Acquired Experience is tailored for seasoned professionals who have demonstrated significant expertise in their field. This unique program allows candidates to earn their DBA based on a comprehensive evaluation of their professional achievements, contributions to the field, and their application of advanced business concepts in real-world scenarios.

The program emphasizes the validation of rich, relevant professional experience rather than traditional coursework, making it an ideal pathway for executives, entrepreneurs, and leaders seeking formal recognition of their substantial professional expertise.

Program Duration and Structure

- **Duration:** Variable, dependent on the evaluation process.

- **Credits:** Based on professional experience and the final scholarly project.

- **Delivery Mode:** Online assessment with optional in-person residencies.

- **Language:** English

The DBA program in Validation of Acquired Experience is designed to be flexible and adaptable, allowing professionals to engage in the process at their own pace, with personalized mentorship and guidance.

Key Features

- **Experience-Based Assessment:** Recognition of prior experiential learning and professional achievements in lieu of traditional coursework.

- **Applied Scholarly Project:** Culmination of the program with a scholarly project that addresses a complex business issue, rooted in the candidate's professional practice.

- **Expert Evaluation Panel:** Assessment conducted by a panel of experienced academics and industry leaders who recognize and validate professional experience.

- **Networking Opportunities:** Access to a global network of peers and mentors who share similar professional backgrounds and ambitions.

Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the DBA in Validation of Acquired Experience will:

- Demonstrate mastery of advanced business principles through practical application in their careers.

- Articulate and defend the impact of their professional contributions on their organizations and industries.

- Lead innovative change and drive growth in complex, global business environments.

- Produce a scholarly project that contributes new insights to the field of business administration, grounded in real-world experience.

Admission Requirements

- **Extensive Professional Experience:** Minimum of ten years in a senior leadership role or equivalent.

- **Master's Degree or Equivalent:** From an accredited institution.

- **Comprehensive Portfolio:** Detailed documentation of professional experience, including key projects, achievements, and contributions to the field.

- **Scholarly Project Proposal:** Outline of the proposed scholarly project, demonstrating the ability to contribute new knowledge to the field.

- **Interview:** With the evaluation panel to discuss the candidate's professional experience and scholarly project proposal.

Application Process

Interested candidates can apply online through the European City University website. The application process includes submitting academic transcripts, a statement of purpose, letters of recommendation, and a resume or CV.

Contact Information

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