Edna West, Ed.D.
Director of Graduate Education

Possessing a strong will to serve as a vehicle to her own—and her students’—success, there is little wonder Edna West’s career has progressed from teaching in the classroom, to guidance counselor, school administrator and now program director and college professor—teaching teachers in the Program for Advanced Studies in Education and the Master Apprenticeship Program.

Edna’s teaching philosophy reflects a strong belief that effective communication skills are critical to connecting with students. Creating an atmosphere of quality instruction where mastery of subject matter content is the expectation results in a superior academic experience for all children. Active involvement with students encourages and promotes both academic and emotional growth. It works. Ursuline graduate students have utilized research-based strategies to make a positive impact on the lives of their students.

Included among Edna’s favorite aspects of Ursuline are its high caliber of education, small campus, and caring faculty and support staff. A self-proclaimed bookworm in college, she continues to love to read and enjoy quality time with her family. Edna’s mother was one of many inspirations in her life. She inspired Edna to spread her wings to fly. She never stood in her way but always was there to be a part of the flight plan.

FAVORITES:
Song/music genre: Easy listening, Jazz/R&B/ 60's
Food: Pasta/Olive Garden
Color: Red
Quote: Excellence is a journey, not a destination
Vacation spot: Canada
Book/Author: Steven Carter- New England
Sports team: Browns
Movie: Steel Magnolias
Holiday: Christmas
Animal/Pet: Dog
Season: Spring
Historical Figure: Rosa Parks