Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training

Learn how to motivate adults and help them reach their potential when you earn a Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training. In approximately 16 months, you can earn this graduate degree to pursue your interest in working with adult learners.

You'll learn how to:

• Help adults learn in self-directed and self-motivated ways
• Understand culturally diverse populations
• Incorporate technology into adult education and training programs
• Serve adult students, colleagues, industries and communities as an expert educator and trainer
Projected job growth: 8%
According to Bureau of Labor Statistics

What can you do with a Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training?

A MAEd/AET can prepare you to be a:

- Coordinator of online programs
- Director of distance learning
- Distance learning coordinator
- Online facilitator

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, job growth for distance learning coordinators is projected to be faster than average between 2018 and 2028.

BLS projections are not specific to University of Phoenix students or graduates.

Institutional accreditation

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), hlccommission.org. Since 1978, University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and its predecessor.
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Total credits required: 34

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 34 credits to complete this Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training. Your course schedule may vary based on transferable credits or credits earned through the University's Prior Learning Assessment.

11 Core Courses

Here's where you'll pick up the bulk of your program-specific knowledge. By the time you finish these courses, you should have the confidence and skills needed in this field.

- COM/520: ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION FOR ADULT EDUCATION & TRAINING
- AET/500: FOUNDATIONS OF ADULT LEARNING THEORY
- AET/508: COMMUNITY-BASED EDUCATION
- CUR/516: CURRICULUM THEORY AND INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN
- CUR/518: MULTICULTURAL STRATEGIES FOR THE ADULT LEARNER
- CUR/528: ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING
- CUR/532: FACILITATING ONLINE LEARNING
- AET/552: MARKETING ADULT EDUCATION
- AET/560: FACILITATING CHANGE
- AET/562: SOCIAL MEDIA FOR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
- AET/570: PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT IN ADULT EDUCATION

COE Central

College of Education students will find many helpful resources on COE Central. Program handbooks provide a wealth of information on topics such as professional expectations, clinical experiences, clinical practice, internships, edTPA and much more. Milestone roadmaps, technology and multimedia resources, and various toolkits are also available.

Schedule

Your academic counselor will help you schedule your classes for the Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training.

What you'll learn

When you earn your online Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training, you'll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

Topics covered in this degree include:
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- Evaluate effective professional practice
- Apply professional ethics to their leadership practices
- Evaluate community factors to address the needs of diverse populations
- Evaluate research and synthesize information from multiple sources
- Identify types of lifelong learning programs
- Explain the role of marketing in training and adult education
- Describe the characteristics of formal and informal adult education and training settings
- Analyze the purposes of adult education and training
- Develop the knowledge and skills required for effectively engaging adult learners in distance learning experiences

Along with the knowledge and skills related to the University Learning Goals, students who graduate from the College of Education should gain program-specific knowledge, skills and abilities. Each college or school creates a set of Program Student Learning Outcomes (PSLOs) to describe the knowledge, skills or attitudes students will possess upon completion of the program of study. By the time you complete your Bachelor of Science in Education/Elementary Education degree, you should be able to perform these learning outcomes.

Program Purpose Statement

The Master of Arts in Education/Adult Education and Training is a graduate degree program intended for students interested in working with adult learners in an educational or training environment. The MAEd/AET does not prepare students for any type of professional certification or state licensure as a teacher. The program is only intended as an advanced degree.