

Master of Education in Adult and Higher Education

Adult Education Option or Higher Education Option

Overview

The Master of Education degree program in Adult and Higher Education prepares students for: teaching and/or administrative positions in colleges and universities; administrative or management positions in a variety of educational settings with adult learners; teaching adults; or working with adults in a variety of agencies. Students select either the adult education or higher education emphasis. To meet the minimum of 32 hours of credit, the candidates' programs include: 12 credit hours in foundations of adult or higher education; 12 credit hours in higher education or adult education electives (including online courses); 3-6 credit hours of educational research methods; and a 3-credit-hour internship as an exit requirement. All programs must be planned with a graduate advisor in adult or higher education and are subject to approval by the advisor, College of Education, and Graduate School. Students must meet the requirements of the Graduate School and the College of Education. Students should register only after having consulted with a graduate advisor; therefore, students should arrange to confer with their assigned advisor early in their term of study.

Prerequisite

Graduate students who are interested in this program must apply for admission to the Graduate School as an M.Ed. student. The criterion for admission is an undergraduate grade point average of 2.75 or better in the undergraduate major (and in education, if applicable) and in total undergraduate hours. Applicants who anticipate that they will not meet this criterion should contact the Graduate Education Office (314-516-5483) to inquire about the submission of supportive evidence materials that may serve as a supplement to the above criterion.

Suggested Degree Program

Foundation Courses (12 hours required)

Area	Adult Ed Emphasis	Higher Ed Emphasis	Credit Hrs.
A course focusing on the learner	ADU ED^ 6410 The Adult Learner	HIR ED^^ 6474 The College Student	3
A course in historical foundations	ADU ED 6411 History of Adult Educ.	HIR ED 6477 History & Philosophy	3
A course on the improvement of instruction	ADU ED 6413 Improvement of Instruction in Adult Ed.*	HIR ED 6473 Curriculum in Higher Education*	3
Additional courses	ADU ED 6412 Philosophical Foundations of Adult Ed AND ADU ED 6414 Curriculum Theory & Development in Adu Ed	HIR ED 6476 Organization and Administration	3

*OR ED PSY 7647 Teaching for Learning in the University

^ ADU ED is Adult Education

^^ HIR ED is Higher Education

Research Course(s) (3-6 hours required)

	Credit Hours
Educational Research & Evaluation Methods (ED REM) 6710: Research Methods*	3
ED REM 6707: Classroom Measurement and Evaluation	3
ED REM 6709: Educational & Psychological Measurement	3

*Required for Higher Education

Exit Requirement (3 hours required)

One of the following taken during the last 9 semester hours of the program

HIR ED 6490: Internship or Thesis in Higher Education	3
ADU ED 6990: Internship in Adult Education	3

Adult and Higher Education Electives (12 hours minimum)

ADU ED 4311	Teaching Basic Reading Skills to Adults	3
ADU ED 6430	Comparative Education: Adult & International	3
ADU ED 6411	History of Adult Education	3
ADU ED 416	Survey of Adult Distance Education	3
ADU ED 6417	Multicultural Issues in Adult Education	3
ADU ED 6418	Assessment in the Adult Classroom	3
ADU ED 6230	Adult Learning and Development	3
ADU ED 6420	Survey of HRD & Adult Education	3
ADU ED 6425	Principles of Business Education	3
ADU ED 6426	Coordination of Cooperative Vocational Programs	3
ADU ED 6427	Improvement of Instruction in Teaching Business Subjects	3
ADU ED 6432	Teaching in the Community College	3
ADU ED 6435	Problems in Teaching College Biology	3
ADU ED 6997	Problems in Adult Education Research	3
ADU ED 6404	Seminar	3
HIR ED 5401	Current Issues in Higher Education	3
HIR ED 5402	Student Affairs Administration	3
HIR ED 6404	Seminar	3
HIR ED 6405	Economics and Finance	3
HIR ED 6406	Governance of Higher Education	3
HIR ED 6407	Legal Aspects of Higher Education	3
HIR ED 6421	Legal Aspects of Postsecondary Teaching	3
HIR ED 6422	Policy Analysis of Higher Education	3
HIR ED 6430	The Community College	3
EDUC 6308	Foundations of Adult Basic Education	3
ED ADM 6461	Administration of Adult and Community Education	3
ED ADM 6462	Programming in Adult and Community Education	3
ED PSY 6111	Psychology of Education	3
ED TEC 5340	Selection and Utilization of Educational Multimedia	3
ED TEC 6415	Teaching and Learning with Technology: Authoring Tools	3
ED TEC 6416	Teaching and Learning with Technology: Data Rep. Tools	3
ED TEC 6436	Computer-Mediated Communication in Education	3
ED TEC 6437	Distance Learning via Networks and Telecommunications	3
ED TEC 6452	Educational Multimedia Design	3
ED TEC 6454	Instructional Video Production	3

Information

To obtain an application to Graduate School or for information about the application process, call the Graduate Education Office, 123 So. Campus Classroom Building, at 314-516-5483. To apply on line, visit <http://www.umsl.edu>. Applications are best submitted by May 1st to begin study in the summer session, July 1st to begin study in the fall semester, and December 1st to begin study in the winter semester. To contact faculty members in Adult Education or Higher Education, call the Division of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at 314-516-5944.