



ACADEMIC ALERT #2008-13

DATE: June 2008
DECISION: College of Arts and Sciences (CAS)

Name Change, Revisions, and B to B Model
New Name: M.Ed. Adult Education
Formerly: M.Ed. Adult Continuing and Literacy Education (ACLE)
Revised M.Ed. Adult Education; and delivery model that is customized (B to B Model)

Rationale

The Department of Adult Education has revised its Master's program in response to the university's emphasis on professional delivery of graduate programs to businesses and outside institutions. These changes include a change in the name of the program from Adult Continuing and Literacy Education (ACLE) to Adult Education, a more generic name, in order to have a broader-based appeal in potential markets. Faculty have changed the titles of some courses, revised other courses, and added a few new courses/workshops to further appeal to their target audience. The concentrations Adult Education Leadership and Adult Literacy remain. In addition to their "traditional" master's program, the Department of Adult Education seeks to more effectively reach out to potential students by offering the Masters program in a Business to Business model. Adult Education is a very broad field that cuts across many different sectors both public and private; adult educators can be found in a variety of settings.

Approvals: Senate Academic Planning Committee: June 19, 2008
Point of Information; No other approvals required

Program Authorizations

The M.Ed. Adult Education program is authorized to be offered in the Chicago Region; North Suburban Region; West Suburban Region; and South Metropolitan Region. The program is also approved to be offered online.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Effective Fall Term, 2008

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Core Courses: The following courses make up the core required for all Adult Education M.Ed. students.

Course Prefix	Course Title	SH
ACL 501	Foundations of Adult Education <i>(formerly History and Philosophy of Adult Literacy Education)</i>	3
ACL 503	Adult Development and Learning	3
ACL 516	Program Planning <i>(formerly Program Planning and Administration)</i>	3
ACL 540	Introduction to Adult Education <i>(formerly Introduction to Adult and Literacy Education 3SH)</i>	1
ACL 546	Research Methodology <i>(formerly Research Methodologies for Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3

M.Ed. Adult Education
(Formerly M.Ed. Adult, Continuing and Literacy Education (ACLE))
With a concentration in Adult Education Leadership or Adult Literacy

First Term		
ACL540	Introduction to Adult Education <i>(formerly Introduction to Adult and Literacy Education 3SH)</i>	1SH
ACL501	Foundations of Adult Education <i>(formerly History and Philosophy of Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3SH
ACL503	Adult Development and Learning	3SH
Second Term		
ACL561RW OR ACL535	Making the Reading/Writing Connection at the Postsecondary Level OR Training and Adult Education in the Workplace	3SH* or 3SH**
ACL533	Technology and Learning <i>(formerly Technology for Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3SH
Third Term		
ACL560RW OR ACL510	Theoretical Foundations of Reading/Writing at the Postsecondary Level OR Instructional Design and Delivery <i>(formerly Instructional Communications)</i>	3SH* or 3SH**
ACL522	Social and Cultural Context in Adult Education <i>(formerly Social, Cultural and Political Context in Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3SH
Fourth Term		
ACL546	Research Methodology <i>(formerly Research Methodologies in Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3SH
ACL562RW OR ACL530	Strategies for Teaching Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level OR Contemporary Issues in Adult and Continuing Education	3SH* or 3SH**
Fifth Term		
ACL516	Program Planning <i>(formerly Program Planning and Administration)</i>	3SH
ACL563RW OR ACL599C	Analysis and Assessment of Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level <i>(Formerly Analysis and Assessment of Reading Comprehension and Writing at the Postsecondary Level)</i> OR Inquiry in Adult and Continuing Education <i>(Formerly 1-6 SH)</i>	3SH* or 3SH**
Sixth Term		
ACL525 OR ACL593	Instructional Strategies for Second Language Learners OR Integrative Seminar in Adult and Continuing Education	3SH* or 3SH**
ACL590RW OR ACL590	Internship for Teaching Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level OR Internship in Adult and Continuing Education <i>(Formerly 1-3 SH)</i>	3SH* or 3SH**
TOTAL		37 hours

*Adult Literacy Concentration

**Adult Educational Leadership Concentration

M.Ed. Adult Education
(Customized for students in organizations; temporarily called “Business to Business Model”)

First Term		
ACL540	Introduction to Adult Education <i>(formerly Introduction to Adult and Literacy Education 3SH)</i>	1SH
ACL501	Foundations of Adult Education <i>(formerly History and Philosophy of Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3SH
ACL503	Adult Development and Learning	3SH
Second Term		
ACL 510	Instructional Design and Delivery <i>(formerly Instructional Communications)</i>	3SH
	One 3SH Course Agreed Upon from the Tool Chest	3SH
Third Term		
ACL516	Program Planning <i>(formerly Program Planning and Administration)</i>	3SH
	One 3SH Course Agreed Upon from the Tool Chest	3SH
Fourth Term		
ACL546	Research Methodology <i>(formerly Research Methodologies in Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3SH
	One 3SH Course Agreed Upon from the Tool Chest	3SH
Fifth Term		
	Two 3SH Courses Agreed Upon from the Tool Chest	6SH
Sixth Term		
	Two 3SH Courses Agreed Upon from the Tool Chest	6SH
	TOTAL	37 hours

Additional Course Offerings: Tool Chest

The following courses make up a “tool chest” of courses that potential clients can select from to complete the 37 semester hour program of study required for the M.Ed. in Adult Education.

Course Prefix	Course Title	SH
ACL 522	Social and Cultural Context in Adult Education <i>(formerly Social, Cultural and Political Context in Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3
ACL 525	Instructional Strategies for Second Language Learners	3
ACL 533	Technology and Learning <i>(formerly Technology for Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3
ACL 535	Training and Adult Education in the Workplace	3
ACL 536	Diversity in a Workplace	3
ACL 537	Professional Communications	3
ACL 542	Budgeting in Adult Education <i>(formerly Budgeting in Adult and Continuing Education 2SH)</i>	3
ACL 543	Marketing in Adult Education <i>(formerly Marketing in Adult and Continuing Education 2-3SH)</i>	3
ACL 544	Policies in Adult Education <i>(formerly Policies and Prospects: Adult and Continuing Education 2-3SH)</i>	3
ACL 545	Evaluation of Instructional Programs	3
ACL 547	Adult Learning in Groups	3
ACL 582	Practicum/Advanced Program Planning (Prerequisite: ACL 516)	1-3
ACL 599C	Inquiry in Adult Education <i>(Formerly Inquiry in Adult and Continuing Education 1-6SH)</i>	3

Adult, Continuing, and Literacy Education Certificate Programs

The Department of Adult Education offers four certificate programs: Adult Education Administration, Adult Education Facilitating Adult Learning, Adult Literacy and Teaching and Learning in Community Colleges. Certificates enable educators of adults, who already have a Master's degree in another field, to obtain grounding in adult education theory or adult literacy, and to apply this knowledge to their educational work. Adult Literacy includes three two hour internships. The certifications provide additional credibility to those who are seeking both enhanced skills and mobility within the fields. Graduate credits acquired through the certification process also apply toward the M.Ed. in Adult Education program as a second master's degree.

See the course title changes for the following certificates:

Adult Education Administration Certificate

Course Prefix	Course Title	SH
ACL540	Introduction to Adult Education <i>(formerly Introduction to Adult and Literacy Education 3SH)</i>	1
ACL501	Foundations of Adult Education <i>(formerly History and Philosophy of Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3
ACL503	Adult Development and Learning	3
ACL516	Program Planning <i>(formerly Program Planning and Administration)</i>	3
	<i>Electives</i>	3
Total SH		13

Adult Education Facilitating Adult Learning Certificate

Course Prefix	Course Title	SH
ACL540	Introduction to Adult Education <i>(formerly Introduction to Adult and Literacy Education 3SH)</i>	1
ACL501	Foundations of Adult Education <i>formerly History and Philosophy of Adult and Literacy Education)</i>	3
ACL503	Adult Development and Learning	3
ACL510	Instructional Design and Delivery <i>(formerly Instructional Communication)</i>	3
	<i>Electives</i>	3
Total SH		13

Adult Literacy Certificate

Course Prefix	Course Title	SH
ACL540	Introduction to Adult Education <i>(formerly Introduction to Adult and Literacy Education 3SH)</i>	1
ACL561RW	Making the Reading and Writing Connection at the Postsecondary Level	3
ACL562RW	Strategies for Teaching Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level	3
ACL563RW	Analysis and Assessment of Reading Comprehension and Writing at the Postsecondary Level	3
	<i>Internships</i>	
ACL591RW	Internship in Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level I	2
ACL592RW	Internship in Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level II	2
ACL593RW	Internship in Reading and Writing at the Postsecondary Level III	3
Total SH		19

Implementation

The revised degree program, new name and B to B model need to be entered in Banner and CAPP. Faculty need to work with the Vice Provost and Associate Registrar to determine how the B to B model will be built into Banner and CAPP.

The revised degree program, new name and B to B model need to be incorporated in marketing materials, and made to NLU's website.

The revised catalog copy will be written and submitted to the Vice Provost and Assistant Registrar for Schedules and Catalogs to ensure that catalog copy is prepared and ready for the next catalog, 2009-2010.