ADULT EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Education

Adult Education Program provides an advanced educational opportunity for those persons seeking to work with adults in educational settings. These settings include, but are not limited to, vocational programs, adult basic skills programs, inservice coordination for business and industry, and military training.

It is anticipated that students will come from a variety of backgrounds, having a bachelor’s degree, some with additional work and some having master’s degrees in other areas.

Careers Opportunities

Students who complete this program will be prepared to assume teaching positions in a variety of post-secondary institutions including:

- Community colleges
- Four-year colleges and universities
- Technical schools
- Trade schools
- Other adult education institutions

Graduates of this program will also have the skills to work as trainers in corporate settings.

Knowledge and Skills

Students entering the program are expected to have a strong liberal arts background, including a bachelor’s degree.

Students must be skilled writers and presenters whose communication exhibits clarity, economy, and precision.

Students will have the opportunity to further hone these skill sets in the program as they complete coursework in:

- Educational research methods (EDUC 520)
- Historical, philosophical, and social foundations in education (EDUC 505 or 507)
- Psychological foundations in education (CEDP 515)
- Survey of post-secondary education (COIN 571)

Students must also complete a series of courses on adult education strategies (COIN 571 and 572), a research report (EDUC 601), and a teaching internship (EDUC 695).

In addition, students have opportunities to select some elective courses from other departments to meet their career needs.

Curriculum

The program requires 16 credit hours of core requirements, with the 18 credit hours of required credits in a specialized area, with 18 credit hours in support courses for a minimum of 52 total credit hours.

There is a recommended sequence of courses, since some courses are offered once a year. Eight-12 credits per academic quarter are considered an average course load for graduate students.

Students working full-time and taking night classes normally complete the program in approximately two years.

Special Features

This MAE in Adult Education is one of the few such programs offered on the east side of the state of Washington. It trains educators who are interested in working with adult learners.

The program is gaining popularity due to the influx of more untraditional students returning to post-secondary institutions.
Preparation for Admission

No teaching certification required. Recommended prerequisite: CEDP 314 Adult Development. Application deadline for Graduate Admission is two weeks prior to the start of the quarter. Earlier application is advised. There is an application fee. You may apply online or by mail. Applications can be found at:

http://www.ewu.edu/grad

Applications submitted by mail should be sent to:

Graduate Studies Office
206 Showalter Hall
EWU Cheney, WA 99004

This program requires that candidate have official transcripts from ALL universities attended sent directly to the EWU Graduate Studies Office at the address shown above; along with three professional recommendations. The Department of Education Graduate Office sends recommendation forms to the references you provide.

1. Mailed applications should have complete reference names and mailing addresses on the application form.
2. If you apply online, please contact the Department of Education Graduate Office with the professional reference names and mailing addresses.

Once admitted to a graduate program, you have six calendar years to complete the program. Please see the catalog for details of policies.

Prospective students of EWU can apply online via http://www.ewu.edu/admissions or contact the Office of Admissions at (509) 359-2397 to request an application.

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The University

Eastern Washington University is a student-centered, regionally based, comprehensive university. This vision informs and inspires EWU’s future. Its campus is located in Cheney within the Spokane metropolitan area, with additional learning centers in the region and elsewhere in Washington State.

Note:

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