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Advancing Excellence and Equity in Education

ED.M. PROGRAM IN ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION ONLINE

I. **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**: The Ed.M. program for adult and continuing education is designed for individuals working in educational, non-profit, community-based, health care and corporate settings who wish to develop the knowledge and skills for designing, implementing, assessing, and evaluating learning experiences in formal and informal settings for adults.

The 30 credit program is designed to develop conceptual and practical understanding of the adult learner, how to plan classes and programs that are best suited to meet the needs of adult learners, and how to create learning contexts that can encourage sustained learning and productive change in a variety of context in which adults learn.

This program does not include coursework leading to a New Jersey school personnel license.

II. APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Fall admission - August 15 deadline Spring admission - December 15 deadline Summer admission - May 15 deadline

- **III. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** To be considered for admission to the program, applicants must provide the following before the deadline:
 - Personal statement outlining your goals related to obtaining an Ed.M. in Adult and Continuing Education
 - 2. Three letters of recommendation
 - 3. Official undergraduate transcripts
 - 4. Students with an undergraduate GPA below 3.0 must submit evidence of the potential to successfully complete the program (e.g., GRE scores)
 - 5. Resume (preferred)
- IV. HOW TO APPLY: Applications are submitted online at the Graduate Admissions website:

http://gradstudy.rutgers.edu/

- 1. Click on "Create Account or Login" and follow the instructions given.
- 2. Under "Start an application today!", click **Apply Now** Application Selection
- 3. For "Level of Application", select Graduate
- 4. For "Applicant Type", select Degree
- 5. Continue filling out the application, following the on-screen instructions. Program of Study
- 6. Under "Program Information", make sure **Degree** is selected for "Applicant Type"
- 7. For "Degree Type", select Master's (e.g. MA, MS, EdM, MFA)
- 8. For "Area of Study", select Education
- 9. For "Location/Instructional Method", select Online
- 10. For "Program Selection", select Education Adult and Continuing Education (EDM) Online
- 11. Complete the rest of the application by providing the requested information.
- 12. Enter payment information for the non-refundable application fee.
- 13. Submit your application.

V. PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

	Course		Cre	dits
	Number	Course Name	Grad	Total
Foundational Courses	15:233:542	Introduction to Adult and Continuing Education	3	9
	15:233:543	Understanding the Adult Learner	3	
	15:233:544	Learning and Teaching for Adults in Global Contexts	3	
Application Courses	38:578:543	Organizational Leadership and Change Management	3	12
	15:233:551	Creating, Managing, and Growing Adult and Continuing Education Programs	3	
	15:233:569	Designing Training for Adults	3	
	15:233:570	Applied Research in Adult Education: Planning, Assessing, and Evaluating Programs for Adults	3	
Areas of Specialization	Students may specialize by taking 9 credits in one of the following areas or may take			
	credits of electives with no specialization.			
	Higher Education			
	15:233:566	Fundamentals of College Teaching	3	
	15:233:567	College Course Design for Adults	3	
	Elective	Elective (with advisor approval)	3	
	Educational Technology]
	15:255:503	Introduction to Teaching with Digital Tools	3	9
	15:255:504	Web-based Multimedia Design for Educators	3	
	15:255:506	Developing Digital e-Learning Environments	3	
	Adult ESL & Literacy			7
	15:233:563	ESL, Low Literacy and the Adult Learner: Mapping the Field	3	
	15:233:564	Effective Reading and Writing Instruction for Adult Basic Education	3	
	15:233:565	Effective Reading and Writing Instruction for GED and Developmental College Students	3	
	Human Resources Development			
	15:233:560	Foundations of Human Resources Development	3	
	15:233:561	Career and Workforce Development	3	
	15:233:562	Human Resources Development: Profession and Practice	3	
		Total Credits	30	30

VI. CAPSTONE PROJECT: Students are required to complete a capstone project that demonstrates their ability to plan, design, and implement a significant adult learning opportunity specific to their area of specialty. The capstone will be a part of course assignments in the final two courses of the program.