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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
**DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELOR
AND ADULT EDUCATION**

East Carolina University is committed to equality of educational opportunity and does not discriminate against applicants, students, or employees based on race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, creed, sexual orientation, or disability. An equal opportunity/affirmative action university, which accommodates the needs of individuals with disabilities.



Karl McKinnon adult education

“The adult education program has enhanced my awareness, appreciation, and understanding of my coworkers, board members, employees, and my adult audience as a member of the senior leadership team for a nonprofit. The best quality I have gotten from the adult education program is that I have been energized as a learner. The adult education program at East Carolina was the right choice for me, and I am not only a better educator, supervisor, and leader, I am a better person for the experience.”

You can make a positive difference as a professional educator.

East Carolina can show you how.

Founded as a teacher training school a century ago, East Carolina has grown to become a nationally recognized university. And while ECU constantly looks ahead toward expanded opportunities for service, it has never neglected its core strength. Today, East Carolina has the largest professional educator program in North Carolina and one of the finest colleges of education in the nation.

Part of the College of Education, the Department of Counselor and Adult Education prepares leaders in their fields. The department’s programs help you make your professional dreams a reality. You can prepare for a rewarding career as a counselor or an adult educator empowered with the skills, knowledge, and experience needed to be successful in your service to others.

The counselor education program prepares you to help children, adolescents, and adults with their educational, career, social, and personal decisions. If you are interested in a career in an educational or a human services setting, the MS in counselor educational program is for you. If you already hold a master’s degree and wish to pursue further study and training in the supervision of counselors, you can pursue the educational specialist degree.



“I hope those who go out from our tutelage will be filled with the professional spirit that they will realize the great responsibilities that rest upon them. I hope they will see that true education is more than the acquisition of book facts, more than so-called knowledge, but that it is power, yes, growth is power, and that all information which does not stimulate this growth is useless.”

Robert H. Wright
East Carolina’s founding president

The adult education program prepares instructors, trainers, administrators, and others who teach adults and who design and evaluate educational programs for adults in various settings. When you earn the master of arts in adult education degree, you learn how to think critically and practice effectively as an educator, as well as develop the skills needed to lead effective educational programs for adults. In the adult education program, you also can earn a distance education certificate in community college instruction that will further your professional opportunities.

Internships are available in both programs; while you work toward your degree, you will learn from “in-the-field” experiences that are key parts of your course work. Plus, your assignments will give you the strong foundation of theory and practice you’ll need to make solid professional decisions.

Find out more about your opportunities in the Department of Counselor and Adult Education today. As a student at ECU, you’ll be ready for a brighter tomorrow thanks to programs that are recognized statewide and nationally for their quality and innovation.

Visit us online at www.ecu.edu/cs-educ/coad/ or call 252-328-6856.



The Department of Counselor and Adult Education in ECU’s College of Education houses two areas of study and has offices in Ragsdale Hall on Main Campus.

Jennifer Crawford counselor education

“My professors support me every step of the way as I work toward my master’s in counselor education. In fact, my professors have encouraged me to become a part of my state and national counseling associations. Every year, COAD graduate students and faculty attend their annual conferences. At these conferences past and present, COAD students meet and discuss current issues in the counseling profession. These experiences go beyond the classroom and strengthen the education I receive here at ECU.”

