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## School of Education

Pietermaritzburg campus

# Postgraduate programmes in Adult Education

- Does your work involve educating adults, informally or formally?
- Do you do community development work?
- Do you run workshops for adult participants?
- Are you involved in staff training or skills development?
- Do you need to know more about theories of adult learning?
- Are you interested in adult literacy and basic education?
- Do you work at a TVET College or adult learning centre?
- Do you want to work in the new AET system/community colleges?
- Do you aim to study further for a Masters or PhD?

If you answer 'yes' to any of these questions, then postgraduate studies in Adult Education is for you.

**Masters** and **PhD** programmes in adult education are offered to part-time students on the Pietermaritzburg campus of UKZN School of Education. Contact sessions for our coursework Masters take place on Saturdays, or in block sessions during school holidays. Masters by coursework or by full thesis (research only) are available.

### To apply, contact Ms Karen Sophie

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*Apply for 2017 MEd coursework by 30 November 2016.*

*Research Masters and PhD applicants may apply at any time.*

### Masters academic programme coordinator:

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## **Masters by coursework**

The programme is run part-time over two years, and includes a dissertation (96 credits) and the following modules:

- Two research modules (16 credits each)
- Adult Education foundation module, Studies in Adult Education and Learning (32 credits)
- Adult Education curriculum module (16 credits)
- One elective (16 credits) from a sub-field in Adult Education: *Literacy Studies; Vocational and workplace learning; Community development; Civil society and Peace Education* or another discipline, as determined annually

## **Masters entrance requirements**

To enter a Masters programme a student must have a relevant prerequisite degree at NQF Level 8. A minimum of 60% average across all modules of an Honours degree (or other NQF 8 qualification) is required for admission. Students who do not have a relevant prerequisite degree, but who believe that they have the necessary level of competence in terms of prior study or experience, may apply for admission in terms of Rule GR7. Students must have the necessary computer literacy skills and email/internet access.

## **Masters by research**

Students who want to follow a particular research direction, and do not require the structured academic development offered in a coursework M Ed, may apply to do a full research Masters. These students must produce an extended dissertation (192 credits). Structured sessions are provided regularly as additional support to supervision sessions. The application form must be accompanied by a brief outline of the student's proposed topic of study.

## **PhD**

Prospective PhD students should contact Karen Sophie ([sophie@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:sophie@ukzn.ac.za)) for application information. Students must have a Masters degree, and must email an application proposal outlining the area of study and research topic together with their application form.