
Adult Education: Doctoral Program (040107)

(学术型博士，4年制)

This program combines individual mentorship (by advisors) and collaborative learning. Major types of learning include course-taking, self-regulated learning, small-group discussion, issues-based research and dissertation writing. When necessary and possible, there will be a joint training together with fellow scholars or academic institutes at home and abroad.

1. Length

The general length of this program is 4 years (6 years maximum). Upon completing program requirements, students who excelled academically can apply for speed-up graduation. However, in other cases, students can apply to graduate later than the general length.

2. Foci of research

Basic Principles of Adult Education

Lifelong Education, Lifelong Learning and Learning Society

Workplace Learning and Human Resource Development

Research on Continuing Education and Talent Development

3. Types of Courses

Courses include general courses, specific courses and professional courses. General courses include general courses required by the University, such as political theory and foreign languages, and elective courses such as research methods. Specific courses focus on adult education. Professional courses further focus on particular research directions in the field.

4. Credit Requirements

(1) Course and Credit

Prior to the procedure of dissertation defense, students should obtain credits of at least 17points. In addition, the following specific requirements should be met.

The political theory courses in general courses include *Chinese Marxism and Contemporary World* (2 credits).Foreign language is 4 credits. *Research ethics and academic norms* is a non-credit course (self-regulated learning and online assessment).

Students should take at least1 elementary courses (at least 3 credits), at least 2 required professional courses (at least 4 credits), and several elective professional courses (at least 2 credits).

Students should have interdisciplinary courses (elective) and obtain at least 2 credits. If a student does not take any elective courses, he or she should take other professional courses (of the same credits).

(2)Curriculum

Course category	Course name	credits	Beginning	The teacher
Common courses (compulsory)	Chinese Marxism and Contemporary World	2	The first semester	
	Foreign Language	4	The first school year	
Elementary courses (compulsory)	Basic Principles of Adult Education and Lifelong Education	3	The first semester	Jiacheng Li
Specialized courses (compulsory)	Work, Learning and Human Resource Development	3	The first semester	Jian Huang
	Research Paper Writing	1	The first semester	Meilu Sun
Specialized courses (optional)	Study on the Construction and Development of the Discipline System of Adult Education	2	The second semester	ZhiminGao
	Community Education and Learning Communities	2	The second semester	Jiacheng Li
	Studies on Developing Continuing Education	2	The second semester	JianHuang

	Leading Research Issues of Theories	2	The third term	Mentor group
Interdisciplinary or cross-disciplinary electives	Adopt at least 1 course and no less than 2 credits			