



**Help adult learners
succeed.**

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

Every adult should have access to the quality educational services necessary to participate fully in community and economic life. As an Adult Basic Education (ABE) instructor, you are critical to providing the instruction adults need to transition into educational or career opportunities and to thrive in their communities.

ABE instructors are needed more than ever, whether providing GED/high school equivalency, ESL, basic skills improvement, digital literacy, career readiness, or other adult educational programming. Not only is Hamline's certificate the only one of its kind in the region, it is taught by nationally known leaders in adult learning, literacy, numeracy, and ESL.

With an ABE Certificate from Hamline, you will:

- Understand the field of adult education and its essential components: effective communication, numeracy, and literacy.
- Gain insight into the needs of adults for whom English is not their primary language and implications for instruction.
- Learn how to design courses to meet a variety of learner backgrounds and needs.
- Develop authentic assessment tools for academic and workplace settings, including how to assess student progress in adult education programs.

For more information about Hamline's ABE Certificate program, visit hamline.edu/ABECert.



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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Program delivery

Fully online with some on-campus course offerings

Program start

Fall, spring, and summer terms

Time to complete

12 months

Curriculum

Required courses (10 credits)

- Introduction to Adult Education (4 credits)
- Introduction to the Adult ESL Learner: Developing Reading & Writing (2 credits)
- Course Design for Adult Education Classes (2 credits)
- Assessment in Adult Education (2 credits)

Note: New certificate students should begin with one of the two required introductory courses.

Elective courses (2 credits)

- Content course or courses in teaching math, reading, ESL, or science.
- Co-sponsored courses offered in conjunction with Hamline's ATLAS program (ABE Teaching and Learning System), such as Adult ESL Institute or STAR programs.

Make your credits count for more. Your coursework in the ABE Certificate may be applied to Hamline School of Education's Adult ESL Certificate, Master of Arts in Education (MAEd), or Master of Arts in Literacy Education (MALEd) programs.

ADMISSION

To apply for admission to the ABE Certificate program, please submit:

- **Online application** (no fee for U.S. residents).
- **Official transcript** of a bachelor's degree with a GPA of at least 2.5 from a regionally accredited college or university. This should be sent directly from the institution to Graduate Admission or provided in a sealed, signed envelope. You do not have to provide transcripts for courses taken at Hamline University.

APPLY

hamline.edu/general-admission/apply

Questions? Call the Office of Graduate Admission at **651-523-2900** or email gradprog@hamline.edu.



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