

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

UDC Resolution No. 2014-_____

SUBJECT: Approval of Master of Arts degree in Adult Education Program

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 38-1202.06(3), the Board of Trustees is authorized to establish or approve policies and procedures governing admissions, curricula, programs, graduation, the awarding of degrees, and general policy for the components of the University; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to DCMR § 08-B308.1, new associate, baccalaureate, and graduate degree programs may be added to the University curricula upon recommendation by the Academic Senate and the President and after approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Adult Education is a high- and growing-demand profession in our region and nationally; and

WHEREAS, a Master of Arts degree in Adult Education (MA) had been an existing approved program that has been inactive since 1996 and is being redesigned to include areas of concentration that will reflect emerging workforce and socio-economic labor market indicators for the District of Columbia, and extend the program's effectiveness to several disciplines, including Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), general education development (GED) and Special Education, in addition to adult basic education and literacy, and will meet the needs of the District of Columbia's public and corporate program leaders and administrators in several related human and organization development fields and the needs of students; and

WHEREAS, the revitalized academic program will be located in the Center for Urban Education (CUE), of the College of Arts & Sciences of the University, with whose mission and vision it aligns, and the MA in Adult Education will augment the University's current offering of a Graduate Certificate Program (Certificate Program); and

WHEREAS, the proposed curriculum has been designed to satisfy the accreditation requirements of the national accrediting bodies that oversee the certification and licensure of teachers of adults, where applicable; and

WHEREAS, the Administration proposes to establish a Master of Arts program in Adult Education, and the proposed program has been approved by all required levels of faculty and administration;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of the District of Columbia is hereby authorized to implement the Master of Arts in Adult Education Degree Program in accordance with the attached proposal, *provided that* the funds required to implement the

program shall not be obligated until they have been identified and reprogrammed within existing University resources.

Submitted by the Academic Affairs Committee

January 7, 2014

Approved by the Board of Trustees

Elaine Crider
Chairperson of the Board

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