## Lifelong Learning

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The Division of Lifelong Learning offers a variety of innovative and alternative educational opportunities and experiences for both traditional and nontraditional students, including graduate programs. With its mission of outreach and access, it extends the services of Ohio University to learners of all ages throughout the world. The Division is the home for Ohio University Without Boundaries, Community and Professional Programs, Independent and Distance Learning Programs, the Ohio University Program in Hong Kong, and Summer Sessions.

Ohio University Without Boundaries jointly develops and offers graduate programs in cooperation with the academic colleges. Recent collaboration has been with the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, and the College of Health and Human Services. Programs combine online and residential experiences and are designed specifically for professional working people and other adult learners.

Information on other Lifelong Learning programs can be found in the *Undergraduate Catalog*.

## Ohio University Without Boundaries

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**Ohio University Without Boundaries** designs, develops, and delivers learning experiences that integrate life, work, and learning on a continual basis, regardless of physical location, for professional working people and other adult learners. Offerings include graduate-level degree programs for targeted professionals, executive or professional education and certificate programs for individuals or partner organizations, and online learning communities that provide enrichment opportunities featuring prominent faculty and alumni. Undergraduate course credit is also available through some programs.

Many programs are built upon a learning architecture that combines the convenience of online collaboration and content acquisition with the proven benefits of face-to-face interaction through a small number of high-intensity residencies. Interactive learning modules and enrichment opportunities are presented in a multimedia format, including video, animation, and sound as well as text.

Graduate programs are offered in conjunction with the academic colleges including the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, and the College of Health and Human Services. Additional program descriptions may be found under each college's section of this catalog.

For complete program details, including application information and links to

individual program Web sites, visit the Ohio University Without Boundaries Web site. You may also contact Ohio University Without Boundaries, 42 West Union Street, Athens OH, 45701-2979, telephone 1.877.686.2292 (toll-free), fax 740.597.456, e-mail ouwb@ohio.edu.

## **Graduate Programs**

The Executive Master of Public Administration program, offered with the Department of Political Science, enables professionals in government, nonprofit, and service organizations to complete an executive degree in just two years by collaborating online and attending weekend class meetings once a month on the Ohio University Athens campus. The core curriculum focuses on organization and human resource management, methodologies of data management, policy and fiscal analysis, and strategic management.

The College of Education offers three programs through Ohio University Without Boundaries. The Master of Leadership in Educational **Administration** program provides graduate level professional education for individuals who are currently employed or who desire to pursue employment in the finance, business, technology or related departments of K-12 school districts, technical or vocational schools, colleges and universities, and governmental agencies. Seven sequential projects are completed in a two-year period. The program is a blended format that uses online interactive learning and requires only one intensive on-site residency per year.

The Executive Ph.D. in Higher Education is geared toward the full-time working administrator or faculty member. Courses are scheduled five weekends during each quarter meeting on Friday and Saturday. Completion of the curriculum brings the students to the dissertation stage of their program.

The Ohio University Institute for Institutional Advancement in Higher Education is a graduate certificate program that is designed for college advancement professionals. The Institute is a six month simulation built around real-life advancement functions such as fundraising, public affairs, and alumni affairs. The program begins with a one-week residential workshop and concludes with a three-day workshop. The remainder of the team collaboration is conducted in an asynchronous online fashion.

The master's program in Athletic **Administration** is jointly offered with the School of Recreation and Sport Sciences in partnership with the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA). The program is designed exclusively for interscholastic athletic administrators and leads to a Master of Science in Recreation and Sport Sciences with a concentration in athletic administration. The 24-month program is a blended format, requiring only three residencies with online collaboration and interactive learning between the residencies.