Continuing Education

Arts and Sciences
The College of Arts and Sciences offers credit courses and noncredit programs that reflect departmental disciplines in humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, visual arts, and performing arts. The array of educational programs includes archaeology, fiction and nonfiction writing, foreign languages, preparation for MCAT and LSAT, interdisciplinary conferences, study tours, and continuing education for social workers.

The Center for Entrepreneurship & Economic Education promotes the understanding of economics, personal finance, and entrepreneurship through education and outreach to children and adults. The Center offers credit and noncredit professional development for educators, educational programs for students, and other learning programs for the community. The Center also develops educational resources and provides consulting to educational institutions and nonprofit organizations.

The Advanced Credit Program provides an enrichment experience for university-bound secondary students by offering freshman-level courses for college credit in selected high schools.

The SUCCEED program is a post-secondary program for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities ages 18 through 25 years. Program participants can earn a Chancellor’s Certificate by completing the two-year residential program.

Business Administration
The College of Business Administration offers credit and noncredit programs in several areas, including financial planning, human resource management, and customized courses designed to meet individual client needs. Certificate programs are offered, as well as preparatory courses for professional certification programs in financial planning and human resources. CoBA’s newest certificate program is the Digital Media Marketing Certificate, which offers marketers a chance to amplify their skills in the digital world by learning social media, web analytics, mobile marketing, media buying and more.

Education
The College of Education, which is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) for the preparation of teachers, counselors, and administrators, offers an array of graduate and doctoral programs. Courses and programs are offered for both practitioners and those considering the field of education as a career. Many credit courses are available at sites throughout the metropolitan area, and professional development conferences and institutes are specially designed to help practitioners stay current in their fields of study. Programs also can be tailored to meet the specific needs of groups or organizations and can be offered on-site or at other convenient places and times.

The Transition to Teaching Program provides a special certification route for individuals who currently hold bachelor degrees and who want to enter the teaching profession. The program is job-embedded and individuals work full-time in classrooms while taking their certification coursework.

The Collabitat, a hub for education innovation, is a unique space that brings together practitioners from all education sectors, university faculty and researchers, new and bold education innovators, and leaders from diverse fields. Serving as an incubator and co-working space as well as a flexible space for professional development, the Collabitat offers credit and noncredit courses as well as consulting and facilitation services. Professional development will not be the typical “sit and get” format. Design thinking and bias toward action is integral to Collabitat programming.

The College of Education is the academic partner for the Teach for America program in the St. Louis and Kansas City regions. This program offers coursework toward Missouri teacher certification as well as opportunities to concurrently obtain a Master of Education degree. Admittance is done through the national and regional Teach for America offices, and admittance to the UMSL Graduate School.

Graduate School and Public Policy Administration
The Nonprofit Management & Leadership Program offers comprehensive education and training for professional staff, board members, and other leaders of nonprofit and voluntary organizations, as well as students and others wishing to explore a future in the field. The program offers noncredit seminars, workshops, and conferences, both on and off campus.

Nursing
The College of Nursing offers an RN–BSN program that provides a seamless articulation to facilitate obtaining the BSN degree for registered nurses on campus, online and off campus each semester. Currently, the college offers the RN–BSN courses at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, St. Charles Community College, Forest Park Community College, West County Continuing Education Center and Mercy Hospital in St. Louis. The MSN/FNP Program is offered at various outreach sites, depending on interest.

Optometry
The College of Optometry offers COPE-approved advanced higher education programs that meet the requirements of state boards for individual relicensing. The dissemination of research data along with interactive panel programs of discussions of current issues are developed to advance clinical vision care.