



## Advising Adult Learners Community

The Advising Adult Learners Community serves advisors who spend a significant portion of their duties in serving adult students. Through the sharing of information and experience our community assists advisors of adult learners to understand and address the unique needs of adult students. This community's network assists members in working directly with students and administrators to properly address the needs of adult students. The community works to advocate for the needs of adult learners in terms of providing: 1) support for their learning development; 2) services convenient for adults; 3) networking and community building opportunities; 4) strategies for dealing with financial and family responsibilities; and, 5) motivation to complete their programs.

### Current Hot Topics:

- Technology  
5 Technology Challenges Faced by Adult Learners:  
<https://elearningindustry.com/5-technology-challenges-faced-adult-learners>
- Retention  
Strategies for Retaining Adult Students:  
<https://www.ericdigests.org/pre-929/adult.htm>
- Degree Completion Programs  
Degree Completion Programs for Returning Undergraduate Seniors: <https://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Resources/Academic-Advising-Today/View-Articles/Degree-Completion-Programs-for-Returning-Undergraduate-Seniors.aspx>

### Two things you need to know about working with adult learners:

- Adult learners need the utmost flexibility from their advisors and institutions. What methods are available to conduct advising appointments? What offices hours are provided for your students? What classroom options are available? What course options do they have?
- Adult learners need to feel like they are being respected and receiving good customer service. How quickly and accurately do you respond to

students' needs? Do you take the extra step to help an adult learner find information, ask more in-depth questions, and plan their curriculum?

For more information check out our webpage at:

<http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Community/Advising-Communities/Advising-Adult-Learners.aspx>

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