



2016 Program Report Spring and Fall Semesters

With a history stretching nearly 40 years, the Adult Learning Center (ALC) is a proven leader in addressing the basic educational needs of vulnerable adults living in Milwaukee's central city. Our agency provides motivated women and men with the academic skills necessary to earn a General Educational Development (GED) certificate, while further empowering them to realize their full intellectual, emotional and social potential.

2016 Student Demographics

Age:

- 30% of ALC students were 29 years old or younger
- 60% of students were between the ages of 30-49
- 10% of students were age 50 or older

Previous Education Level:

- 30% came to the ALC with a 9th grade education or below

Economic and Employment Status:

- More than 90% of ALC students live below the poverty level
- More than 50% of ALC students were unemployed

2016 Programming

190 students participated in academic programming over the course of the spring and fall semesters of 2016. Students maintained an 88% retention rate. Thirty-five students (21%) received employment and/or soft skills assistance to transition to employment or post-secondary education.

2016 Educational Achievement

Many adults who are enrolled at the ALC are overcoming some form of diagnosed/undiagnosed learning disability or extenuating circumstance on their educational quests. We celebrate with them every goal achieved!

- 42% of students advanced one grade level or more in reading
- 38% of students progressed one level or more in math
- 88% of GED-level students passed one or more GED test modules
- 100% of students taking the state mandated 100-question civics test received passing grades

2016 Volunteer Support

One-on-One instruction is at the core of the teaching philosophy at the Adult Learning Center. This individualized focus is supported and enhanced by a dedicated cadre of committed volunteer tutors who work with students each week. Tutors bring with them experiences from a variety of backgrounds including the educational and business sectors of our community.

During the Spring and Fall semesters of 2016, more than 100 tutors recorded nearly 5,380 hours of time in helping ALC students transform their lives through education.