



Commonwealth Workforce Coalition

A Network of Massachusetts Community-Based Workforce Development Practitioners

Northeastern University College of Professional Studies

The Commonwealth Workforce Coalition:

focuses on building the professional capacity of the workforce development field in order to improve employment outcomes for low-income residents of the Commonwealth. CWC offers a range of professional development and training programs for more than 500 workforce development practitioners each year.

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Graduate Certificate in Workforce Development at Northeastern University

In September 2010, the Northeastern University's College of Professional Studies will launch the second year of the Graduate Certificate in Workforce Development in partnership with the Commonwealth Workforce Coalition (CWC).

This unique program was developed in response to a demonstrated need in Massachusetts for graduate-level education in this growing field.

Who Should Enroll

The program is designed to meet the needs of professionals who:

- Are currently working in formal workforce development positions in either public, non-profit, or private organizations
- Have workforce development-related responsibilities within a broader framework
- Wish to advance in their career in workforce development
- Are considering a career change

Curriculum

The program will consist of six three-credit courses for a total of 18 quarter hours. The program may be completed in one to two years. Courses will be taught by Northeastern faculty and CWC senior trainers.

Core Courses:

- Employer Relations - Improving Employer Outcomes
- Strategic Planning, Program Design, and Implementation
- Working with Participants - Improving Participant Outcomes
- Understanding Labor Markets
- Research and Evaluation
- Workforce Development Policy

Credits

Credits earned for the completed graduate certificate may also be applied to the Master of Education (MEd) program (specialization in Adult & Organizational Learning or Higher Education Administration), as well as the Master of Science in Nonprofit Management and Master of Science in Leadership programs offered by the Northeastern University's College of Professional Studies.

Location & Schedule

Classes will alternate between Northeastern's Boston campus and distance learning sessions.

Classes begin in September 2010, and applications will be accepted beginning in mid-May. The program will be launched based on sufficient enrollments.

Cost

School of Education tuition for the 2010-2011 academic year is \$418* per quarter hour.

**Tuition and fees are subject to revision by the president and Board of Trustees at any time.*