The Division of Continuing Education, Knoxville, is the administrative unit of UTK that extends academic courses, educational services, and other programs to the nontraditional student. While most people who participate in the programs are adults, persons of all ages and academic levels can be counted among the people who enroll in the credit and non-credit offerings of the Division.

Programs and courses are based upon student needs and desires, whether for self-motivated learning; for leisure and recreational programs; or for professional promotion, certification, licensure, refresher, or mid-career changes. The Division provides these educational opportunities through program coordination and development of the four departments: Conferences, Non-Credit Programs, University Evening School, and Workshops and Off-Campus Credit Programs. Specific programs and services of each department are described on the following pages.

Conferences
Director: W. L. Whean, Ed.D.
Assistant Director: S. R. Martin, B.A.

It has become evident that learning can take place for an extended period of time in a variety of modes, settings, and circumstances other than in the traditional classroom. To bring this fact to its reality, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville continuing education conference program has been designed and started to bring together under University auspices groups of participants and qualified resource persons to share new learning and ideas, to develop new insights, to address current problems, or to impart new skills and techniques. This thrust can embrace virtually all disciplines, professions, vocations, and avocations.

The Department of Conferences is staffed and equipped to advise, assist, and provide administrative support in the delivery of a successful conference or workshop. Acting in these roles, the department can follow through with an initial tentative budget, secure appropriate setting, devise an attractive format, arrange for auxiliary services such as lodging, meal, and banquet events, extra excursions and tours, complete registration procedures, design, print, and mail the conference brochure; and handle registration fee collection and payment of honoraria and other conference expenses.

Depending on the time of year, the academic calendar of the University, and the desires of the conference sponsor, the program and participants may be housed in campus facilities or off-campus commercial settings.

Among the unique advantages offered by the Department of Conferences programs are that: programs are designed to meet specific needs of the greatest practical value to the participants; the knowledge and expertise of the UTK faculty and staff can be matched with the specific needs of the participants; the programs encourage informal contacts and interaction among colleagues with similar interests with the resource persons; program fees are kept reasonable by using University facilities and services whenever possible; an experienced Conference staff is available to plan, coordinate, and facilitate delivery of programs of virtually any size or duration; by using conference services, the activity initiator is free to concentrate fully on the program and participantsif the program is designed to satisfy the criteria necessary for CEU credit.

Additional information may be obtained from the Department of Conferences, 1629 Melrose; telephone 974-5261.

Non-Credit Programs
Coordinator: K. J. Reagan, M.S. Tennessee.

The Department of Non-Credit Programs offers experiences to meet the personal and professional needs of individuals and groups on campus, in Knoxville, and in surrounding communities. Non-credit courses are administered by the department, often in cooperation with other academic and service units of the University and/or non-university agencies. General interest courses in areas such as personal and professional development, business, aviation, dance, health and fitness, art, foreign language, real estate, music, photography, etc. are offered in addition to remedial and in-service training programs. Ongoing programs of special interest include the English Language Institute for native speakers of other languages and the Smoky Mountain Field School, offering specialized study in emphasizing outdoor exploration in the National Park.

Continuing Education Units (CEU's) are awarded to students satisfactorily completing courses described in the non-credit class schedule. A CEU is defined by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools as "ten contact hours of participation in an organized continuing education experience under responsible sponsorship, capable direction, and qualified instruction." A permanent record of CEU's is maintained by the department. A letter of completion of all CEU's earned at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, may be obtained upon written request.

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University Evening School

Associate Director: J. C. Sekula, Ph.D., Tennessee.

The University Evening School, with the cooperation of academic colleges and departments, administers credit classes and supports activities for those students attending in the late afternoon and evening. Programs and services are offered enabling working adults to pursue their educational interests and goals.

Undergraduate Degree Programs
The following degrees are available for evening students:
- College of Business Administration: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in Accounting, General Business, Economics, Management, or Office Administration.
- College of Engineering: Bachelor of Science in Engineering Science.
- College of Liberal Arts: Bachelor of Arts with a major in Anthropology, Economics, History, Mathematics, Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology.

Graduate Degree Programs
Some departments within the Colleges of Business Administration, Education, and Engineering offer all courses required for an advanced degree during the evening. For a specific major, consult the appropriate department head. All courses required for the MBA degree with a concentration in management are offered during the evening.

Nursing Education Program
The Nursing Education Program is conducted through contractual agreement with three area Knoxville hospitals. The diploma program is run through each hospital’s independent School of Nursing. Academic courses are provided by the University Evening School in support of this program.

Special Mini-Term Programs
The University Evening School offers two special Mini-Terms a year—one during the month of September and one during the month of December. Students may enroll in one concentrated credit course during the four-week Mini-Term period. Courses and instructors listed for the Mini-Term are carefully selected to reflect a broad academic base of individualized offerings suited to an intensive program of study. Courses cover traditional material and information included in regular quarterly offerings; however, many are supplemented with films, team teaching, field trips, independent research projects, and specialized areas of study. Thus, each offering will afford students an opportunity to immerse themselves in the discipline selected.

Student Services
A comprehensive program of services is provided by the Evening School for the adult part-time student.

REGISTRATION
Quarterly registration by mail or on campus is offered as a convenience for former Evening School students.

ADVISING
An advising-counseling program is available for the benefit of all evening students who need assistance with academic and/or personal matters. This program can accommodate students during regular daytime hours (8:30-5:30) and in the evenings by appointment. In addition, advisers from the various colleges are on hand for academic consultation during evening preregistration days. A full-time veteran adviser assists evening students who receive educational benefits under the G.I. Bill with their academic planning.

FINANCIAL AID
Evening School students who encounter difficulty in pursuing academic goals because of financial restrictions may be eligible for assistance through the Evening School Scholarship Fund. In addition, interested students may obtain applications for the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant Program in the Evening School Office.

Elderly and Disabled Persons
Recent statewide legislation gives Tennessee citizens who are 60 years of age or older, or who are totally disabled, the opportunity to attend courses at the University at no charge on an audit, space-available basis. Legal verification of either of these conditions is required for enrollment. Students who are 65 or over, or are totally disabled and who desire to receive UT credit for their courses, may pay a reduced charge of $5 per credit hour to a maximum of $50 for a full-time load. Registration for day and evening classes is handled by the Evening School.

Workshops and Off-Campus Programs
For additional information concerning any of these programs or services please contact the University Evening School, 451 University Communications & University Extension Building.

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