

WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT, A.S.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: University Park

End Campus: University Park

Career Paths

Workforce Education and Development (WFED) graduates pursue career opportunities as teachers, trainers, and workforce development professionals in career and technical education (CTE) settings, career-focused education programs, and professional organizations. In business and industry, WFED graduates support organizations and employees as they adapt to changes in technology, equipment, and work-related processes.

The program is designed to help students develop practical skills needed to:

- analyze community and organizational challenges;
- design and deliver effective education and training programs;
- manage workforce development projects and initiatives; and
- support improvement efforts within communities and organizations across business, industry, and education settings.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Penn State's Workforce Education and Development program offers certificate programs as well as graduate degree programs leading to master's of education (M.Ed.) and master's of science (M.S.) degrees. Students interested in these programs leading to the master's degree in Workforce Education and Development should be employed, or wish to be employed, as faculty members, trainers, administrators, or researchers in settings emphasizing education for work in private sector firms, schools, occupational home economics, cooperative education, youth apprenticeship, or employment and training.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDIES
(<https://ed.psu.edu/academics/departments/department-learning-and-performance-systems/workforce-education-and-development>)