

Adult Education Program

The Adult Education (AE) Department and the General Education Development (GED) Testing Division assist Alabamians in achieving the basic skills and credentials they need to be productive workers, family members, and citizens. The Adult Education Department provides GED test preparation, English-language learner classes (ELL) for students not proficient in the English language, and workforce training. The GED Testing Division supervises all official GED testing, issues diplomas and transcripts, and serves as a liaison between the Adult Education Department and the GED Testing Service.

The Adult Education Program at Southern Union State Community College is designed to provide assistance to adults who are seeking to achieve one or more of the following goals:

- Earn a GED or high school diploma (high school diploma option for qualifying students only).
- Improve academic skills
- Improve English Language (EL) skills.
- Earn the Career Readiness Certificate through WorkKeys testing.
- Participate in Career Pathways to earn certificates or gain technical skills.
- Earn a high school diploma through the Non-Traditional High School Diploma Option program.

Adult Education classes are open entry and open exit. Students work at their own pace rather than in accordance with a set term limit. Instructors provide each learner with an individualized plan of instruction. This plan is based on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) which each person is required to complete before entering classes. Classes are open to adults age 18 or above, as well as 16 or 17-year old individuals who have the proper documentation of withdrawal from public, private, church, or home schools.

Classes are available both mornings and evenings and are located on the Opelika and Valley campuses as well as other locations in Chambers, Clay, Lee and Randolph counties. For more information about Adult Education schedules, locations, and registration, please call 334-749-8480.