

# American Association for Adult and Continuing Education (AAACE)

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The mission of the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education (AAACE) is to provide leadership for the field of adult and continuing education by expanding opportunities for adult growth and development; unifying adult educators; fostering the development and dissemination of theory, research, information, and best practices; promoting identity and standards for the profession; and advocating relevant public policy and social change initiatives.

MAACCE has its roots in the National organization AAACE. Two organizations in Missouri from the mid-70's, one being Missouri Association for Adult & Continuing Education, merged to form MAACCE in 1983. Now MAACCE is an affiliate member of AAACE.

AAACE has a group of 29 special interest groups, such as Adult Education, Colleges and Universities, Community Colleges, Health Professionals, Labor and Workforce Education, and others.

Benefits of membership include discounts to the national conference, online access to selected journals, fact sheets, and voting privileges to name a few.

The American Association for Adult and Continuing Education (AAACE) is dedicated to the belief that lifelong learning contributes to human fulfillment and positive social change. We envision a more humane world made possible by the diverse practice of our members in helping adults acquire the knowledge, skills and values needed to lead productive and satisfying lives.

The next Annual Conference is going to be held on November 17-20, 2015 in Oklahoma City, OK.