World Education has longstanding expertise in areas vital to the effectiveness of the adult education system and programs. We provide technical assistance to improve the effectiveness of the adult evaluation services. We produce and disseminate materials that integrate topics such as transitions to college and careers, immigrant integration, civic participation, and health literacy with basic skills instruction.

**OUR SERVICES**

**Advocacy**
We work to elevate the voices of adult learners and practitioners to advocate for adult education.

**Publications and Resources**
We produce and disseminate materials that integrate topics such as transitions to college and careers, immigrant integration, civic participation, and health literacy with basic skills instruction.

**Technical Assistance**
We provide technical assistance and evaluation services to improve the effectiveness of the adult education system and programs.

**Training**
We offer online and blended courses, conferences, workshops, study circles, communities of practice, and action research projects that develop staff professionally.

**Research and Practice**
We review, organize, and distill research findings for practitioners to support evidence-based practice.

**Standards and Curriculum**
We help states implement the College and Career Readiness Standards, staff certification models, and accountability processes.

**EFFECTIVE TRANSITIONS CONFERENCE**

Our annual conference is a dynamic exchange among educators from across the nation. By showcasing best practices and innovation, it builds local capacity to help adults pursue education that leads to better jobs.

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**EXAMPLES OF OUR IMPACT**

**Learner Persistence**
Helping adult educators to improve adult learners’ persistence by revising their programs and instructional practices is a long-standing focus of our professional development services.

“What I learned from the World Education class has become a permanent part of our program. We used information to develop a persistence plan for our program. The first year we implemented the persistence plan we saw a significant increase in attendance. I have sent your study to many people and always had really good feedback from them.”

—BETSY JONES, DIRECTOR OF ADULT EDUCATION, POLYTECH ADULT EDUCATION, DE

**ABE Clean Energy Ambassadors**
When Flerissin Larisma emigrated to the U.S. from Haiti with his wife and four children, he was fortunate to find the ACCESS adult education program of Cape Cod Community College and the ABE Clean Energy Ambassadors project. Designed by World Education and Finding Earth Works, this project was implemented through our partnerships with eight adult education programs. It sparked Mr. Larisma's interest, and he is now enrolled in the college's Environmental Technology Program on a promising career path.

**Prior Learning Assessment**
"Prior Learning Assessment has played an important role in the acceleration of degree completion for our community college students in Louisiana and Mississippi. The Retraining the Gulf Coast Workforce through IT Pathways Consortium, serving 2,500 students, laid the groundwork for statewide policy changes for prior learning assessment in both states. This enormous endeavor was made possible thanks to the technical assistance from World Education's National College Transition Network."

—CHRISTIAN LAGARDE, CONSORTIUM OPERATIONAL MANAGER, BOSSIER PARISH COMMUNITY COLLEGE, LA

**CAPACITY BUILDING CENTERS**

World Education is a national leader in designing and providing professional development for the adult education sector in the United States. We develop, lead, and collaborate on local, regional, and national capacity building projects. World Education built and operates six centers and a statewide adult literacy hotline.

**Educational Technology Center**
(ETC) supports adult educators in the integration of digital technologies into instruction, promotes digital literacy, and offers mobile and online learning opportunities for adult learners and educators.

**National College Transition Network**
(NCTN) supports adult education programs and states, as well as regional and municipal agencies to establish and strengthen college and career readiness services and career pathways for adult learners.

**New England Literacy Resource Center (NELRC)** strengthens adult literacy services in New England through collaborative projects among adult literacy professional development providers, practitioners, and policymakers.

**LINCs Region I Professional Development Center** provides high-quality evidence-based materials and professional development activities to Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Vermont, and the Virgin Islands.

**Massachusetts Adult Literacy Hotline** refers prospective adult learners and volunteers to more than 300 adult education programs in Massachusetts.

**System for Adult Basic Education Support (SABES)** builds the capacity of Massachusetts adult basic education practitioners to design and implement effective education and career advising and career pathway programming.

**System for Adult Basic Education Support (SABES)** promotes high-quality adult basic education services through training and resources in Massachusetts, working in partnership with eight content-specific professional development centers.
About World Education

Founded in 1951, World Education, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of the poor through education, and economic and social development. World Education has worked in more than 50 countries in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Our work focuses on nonformal and formal education for children and adults; support for AIDS orphans and vulnerable children; refugee training; elimination of child labor and human trafficking; community development; maternal and child health; school governance; and microenterprise development.

In the U.S., World Education strengthens the effectiveness of educators, organizations, and systems to support adults, older youth, and communities to thrive. Our approach is collaborative and develops leadership among educators and learners.

If we see World Education on anything that comes to our program, teachers will jump through hoops to get there. World Education is held in really high regard for their level of professionalism, great professional development for teachers, and for the impact that has on students.

— Program Director, Vermont Adult Learning

Expertise

All World Education projects are designed to build the capacity of the adult education system by providing training, project design and management, resource development, and research in several content areas:

- Career Pathways
- Civic Participation
- College and Career Readiness
- Health and Literacy
- Immigrant Integration and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- Integrating Technology in Learning
- Learner Persistence
- Learning Disabilities
- Math and Numeracy
- Reading and Writing
- Teacher Effectiveness and Educational Leadership

E-Learning

We offer self-paced and facilitated online professional development courses on topics ranging from numeracy and college and career readiness to technology integration and learner persistence.

Immigrant Integration

We develop local education providers’ capacity to advance immigrants’ linguistic, economic, and civic integration and build welcoming communities.

College and Career Navigation

We provide technical assistance and training to design comprehensive student services and college and career navigator programs.

The Change Agent

The Change Agent is a magazine and website that provides socially relevant content and powerful student writing that inspire discussion, and ready-to-use lesson plans—all oriented toward a multi-level classroom.