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MTSU ADULT DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM EXPANDS TO LINCOLN COUNTY

New program in the spring will consider prior learning experience for college credit

Murfreesboro, TN, December 3, 2009 – MTSU’s College of Continuing Education and Distance Learning is bringing the popular online Adult Degree Completion Program (ADCP) to Lincoln County, making the attainment of a college degree even more convenient.

Through this program, over 600 adult students have returned to finish their bachelor’s degree online. Students in the Adult Degree Completion Program may choose a Bachelor of Science in Professional Studies with concentrations in Information Technology, Organizational Leadership, International Organizational Leadership, or Healthcare Administration—or they may choose a Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies.

Beginning with the spring 2010 semester, MTSU will offer a new hybrid course (PRST 3010) for those in one of the Adult Degree Completion Programs that are interested in earning undergraduate college credit for their prior adult learning.

“Hybrid courses offer the best of both worlds”, said Cathy Delametter, an MTSU instructor for the course. “It combines the convenience of online education and the comfort of a few face-to-face class meetings.” Students will take most of the course online, with three scheduled in-person class sessions.

Prior Learning Assessment is a nationally recognized program that utilizes the value of prior learning for those who are seeking to finish their undergraduate degree. The PLA program was designed to evaluate the credit worthiness of prior learning for on-the-job training, certificate programs, seminars, corporate training, military education and other non-traditional courses.

Dr. Dianna Rust, the associate dean who supervises the program, said, “A degree from Middle Tennessee State University shows you’ve worked hard to succeed at a nationally recognized, fully accredited state university. The PLA program simply makes it faster, easier and more cost-effective for those who qualify.”

For more information regarding this and other programs, please contact Cathy Delametter, at 615-494-8952 or by email at cdelamet@mtsu.edu. The deadline to register (without a late fee) is January 13. Courses will begin January 14.

For more information on MTSU's Adult Degree Completion Programs, go to:
<http://www.mtsu.edu/learn/undergrad/index.shtml>

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