

PORTLAND ADULT EDUCATION

2016-2017 SUMMARY

PAE served over 4,000 students in 2016 - 2017.

Academic Programs

We teach Math, Language Arts, Science and Social Studies to prepare students to receive a diploma or enter college.

- 444 students took academic classes.
- 98 students passed the high school equivalency exam or HiSET (formerly GED) and 40 received a High School Diploma.
- 26 students from PAE's College Transitions program were awarded \$3-5,000 James & Marilyn Rockefeller Transition Scholarships, and 15 alumni achieved placement on the Dean's List at SMCC and 4 at USM.



ESOL Program: English Language and Literacy

We teach English to immigrants from the literacy level through advanced English.

- 2,036 immigrants from 82 countries took English classes.
- 705 new ESOL students came to intakes.
- More than 50 classes were taught by 25 ESOL teachers.



Job Readiness: Job Skills Program

We prepare students for better jobs through technology, office skills, and occupational training.

- 534 students took job skills courses.
- 129 students earned CNA credentials.



New Mainers Resource Center

We help foreign-trained professionals get jobs in their fields.

- 438 foreign-trained professionals were served: 299 received career advising; 285 participated in offerings (calendar year 2016)
- 90 job seekers took Job Class, with 70% of participants finding employment. Work authorizations were still pending for many students at the end of class.



Lifelong Learning: Enrichment Program

We offer courses in fitness, fine arts, home and life skills, languages, personal finance, and wellness.

- 1,486 community members took classes.
- \$103,169 in revenue contributed to PAE programming.

English Language Learning Lab

- 274 ESOL waitlist students were able to begin their language study directly following their intake test.
- 221 ESOL students extended their language study beyond the classroom by completing hours in the lab
- 46 New Mainers Resource Center clients used lab resources to navigate their pathway to employment
- 84 Students continued their English language acquisition in the lab's supportive environment during a 4-week summer session funded by the John T. Gorman Foundation.



Street Academy: Serving Homeless Youth

We ensure that homeless youth in Maine have free access to appropriate public education and workforce training.

- 140 homeless youth received job training and academic preparation.

