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AUGUST 2022

AMERICAN COLLEGE of EDUCATION | Alumni

Congratulations to our newest alumni, the 2022 ACE graduates!

On July 30, we celebrated the achievements of the graduating classes of 2020, 2021 and 2022 in both in-person and virtual ACE Commencement ceremonies. This year, we honored graduates from 35 different degree programs, from 30 countries and all 50 states. It also marked our first in-person ceremony since 2019. We're thrilled to welcome all 4,366 new graduates into the alumni fold!

If you'd like to watch or relive any part of our in-person 2022 ACE Commencement festivities, head to our YouTube channel.





Refer a Friend to ACE!

Know someone who'd be a great fit for an ACE program? Fill out our referral form and we'll reach out to them with more information.

Referral Form →

Join the ACE Alumni Network LinkedIn Group

Join our private group just for ACE alumni! Network, see or post job opportunities, share accomplishments and get the latest ACE news.

Learn More →

Meet our award winners

Every year around commencement, we take the opportunity to recognize exceptional faculty, students and alumni who are working to fulfill ACE's dual-sector mission to serve, lead and achieve in their professions. Meet this year's award winners:



2022 Alumni Achievement Award Recipient



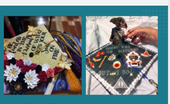
2022 Faculty Award for Excellence Recipient



2022 DAISY Award for Extraordinary Faculty Member Recipient



2022 DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Student Recipient



2022 ACE Grad Cap Contest winners

Thank you to all the 2022 graduates who participated in our annual Grad Cap Contest. We had a record-breaking number of submissions this year and were blown away by your creativity, pride and passion. Congratulations to our winners, Chrissi and Jennifer!

ACE launches new business programs

new master's program

ACE is giving more people more opportunity to make a social impact with our new **Master of Science in Sustainable Management**. Designed for people who aspire to spearhead sustainability initiatives, students will learn how to make informed decisions that benefit the bottom line, the planet and people, and profit while leading a diverse and inclusive team. Courses in the program are also aligned to the **United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals**. If you or anyone you know wants to build a career in sustainable finance, impact investing, public management, for-profit business or nonprofit work, explore our **M.S. in Sustainable Management**.

new micro-credentials

Additionally, ACE has launched two new micro-credentials! The **Micro-credential in School Business Official** helps prepare leaders for senior administrative positions in a variety of educational settings. The **Micro-credential in Sustainability** provides a focused study of sustainable business models that make a difference in the international business community.

Learn more about these micro-credentials here. →



EVENT

Experiential learning for educators

Learners Edge, an ACE partner offering continuing education for teachers, is hosting their first ever face-to-face conference called **knowhow** on October 15-16 in Chicago. This learning event has been carefully designed to **renew, restore and enhance teaching through meaningful, interactive educator sessions.** Attendees will engage in a perfect blend of conversation, resources and real-world application of knowledge.

Registration is open to 100 teachers and early-bird pricing is available through TOMORROW, August 31. Early bird pricing includes overnight accommodations at the Sheraton Grand Chicago, Riverwalk, select meals and three continuing education graduate credits from ACE (valued at $459).

- Single occupancy: $950
- Double occupancy: $789

See what you can learn at knowhow by browsing **the complete agenda.**

Register here →

Meet Proximity Learning

ACE is proud to partner with Proximity Learning, a company whose mission is to connect all students with the teachers they deserve to ensure a high-quality, fundamental instruction.

Proximity Learning is looking for passionate, mission-driven teachers to join their teaching team. As a Proximity Learning teacher, your sole focus will be on instruction, enabling you to make a greater impact. If you're passionate about raising the bar for virtual instruction while building meaningful connections with students.

Learn more here →

Are you a doctoral alum?

Lend your advice to knowledge to current Ed.D. students by **joining the new LinkedIn affinity group, for ACE Ed.D. alumni and students.**



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Morghan Hungerford

M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction (2020)
M.Ed. in Educational Leadership (2021)

This has been a special year in Morghan's teaching career. In March, she was named Charles County Public Schools' 2022 Teacher of the Year. She shares what inspired her to pursue two master's degrees at ACE and how she plans to use her Teacher of the Year status to continue to improve education for her students.

What is your job title and what do you do? Please share a little about what your job entails.

Morghan Hungerford: I am currently a second-grade teacher for Charles County Public Schools in Maryland. I teach all major subject areas to elementary aged students at a Title 1 elementary school. I have also been the team leader for both the second and third grade teams. Throughout my career I have had the chance to work with a wide variety of learners, including gifted and talented groups, English for Speakers of Other Languages students and students with intellectual and physical disabilities. I have worked at the county level to develop curriculum to be used when teaching social studies county wide as well as at the state level to develop the second-grade framework for social studies instruction.

Congratulations on being named Teacher of the Year! Please share about that honor.

MH: It's provided me with so many opportunities to work with teachers in my county as a spotlighted classroom and presenter at new teacher orientation and back to school in-service. During the next year, I will work with the other 23 state nominees to look at educational programs around the state and participate in policy conversations.

What made you decide to complete a second degree at ACE?

MH: I'm not what I want to be when I grow up. As a child I always knew I wanted to be a teacher, and right now I'm a teacher. I've always been interested in the larger picture of education beyond my single classroom and would like to work in education at a higher level. But I wasn't sure what path I wanted to take to do that – curriculum and instruction development or administration? By completing a second degree at ACE, I was able to give myself additional choices when it comes to making my next career move.

Personally or professionally, what are you loving right now?

MH: Personally, I am loving traveling right now. After spending time close to home due to COVID, it has been great to get to explore other parts of our country and visit family from other places again! Professionally, I am always trying to find the next best books to put into my classroom library. Right now, I have over 3,000 books but love to find new books that I can use to create cross-curricular lessons with literacy integration.

Read Morghan's full Q&A on the ACE blog. →

If you're thinking of doing another program, ACE alumni can come back and save $250 to $1,250, depending on the program. Your application fee will also get credited back to your tuition. ***See details here.***

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

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Alex Stemile



Bradley Knox



Donna Potomski



Ed Davies



Eddie Johns



Jessica Chapman



Kelly Lucio



Lance Godley



LaRoy Smith



Lynn Fields, Jr.



Margaret Davis



Patrick McKee



Tiana Rollinson Henry



Tyler Duhrene



Tyler Nichols

Have news to share? Email **alumni@ace.edu** so we can let your fellow alumni know!

ALUMNI BENEFITS

LEARNERS EDGE

Exclusive Learners Edge Discount

Learners Edge, an online continuing education provider, is offering ACE alumni a $75 discount off any three-credit professional development course. Use code **ACE75** to redeem.

Visit Learners Edge →



Alumni resources on MyACE Portal

You have access to all the same great resources you had as a student, including our expansive ACE Library. Just use your MyACE Portal credentials to log in and start browsing!

Use your resources →

STAY CONNECTED WITH ACE

ACE App

The ACE Alumni site is on the go, too! Use it to keep up with ACE alumni, learn benefits, find out about alumni events. Search for "American College of Education" in your mobile device's app store.

Careers at ACE

If you're interested in being part of the ACE team, check out our Careers page to see all our open positions.

Learn More →

Alumni Grant

Be a lifelong learner! The Continuing Education Grant reduces tuition for alumni pursuing an ACE certificate, endorsement or doctoral-level program.

Learn More →

It's Your Turn to Give the Grades: Write a Review of ACE!

Our graduates have a unique perspective on what it's like to be an ACE student. We would really appreciate it if you would take a few minutes and write a review of ACE on one (or all!) of these sites so future students can discover ACE, just like you did!

Google → **GradReports.com →** **Facebook →**

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