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This Encyclopedia deals with the financing and organization of adult education and continuing vocational training throughout the world. The volume provides extensive coverage of lifespan development, cognition, adult learning, and theories and methods for the teaching of adults both now and in the future.

Adapted by Fordham from Simkins It is also often argued that this should empower learners to understand and if necessary change the social structure around them. On the other hand examples of top-down non-formal programmes are all too common. Almost all employer-led and State provided training falls into this category. This can be seen as paralleling the distinctions that Jeffs and Smith , make between formal and informal education via curriculum. In this way formal education would broadly approximate to top-down curriculum formation c ; non-formal to bottom-up or negotiated curriculum formation b ; and informal education would arguably be a non-curriculum or conversational form a. Pointers to the success of non-formal programmes As Graham-Brown Training and motivation of literacy workers. The quality and relevance of materials. The reinforcements of literacy. It is clear from the studies of literacy campaigns that both the commitment and skills of literacy promoters are very important. Enthusiasm is not enough. It is not that straightforward to facilitate learner participation in dialogue and discussion. Certain skills are needed to put across ideas and so on. Many of the literacy workers are young mostly between 18 and 25 in the successful Botswana campaign. This meant that they need not be automatically accepted or appreciated. In some campaigns there has been a considerable effort to try to recruit older workers and those who are known and held in good regard in a locality. In many campaigns workers are paid, and the job accords them some status although not necessarily accreditation or certification. Where volunteers are recruited, for example in the Kenyan initiative, and who live in the local communities, the main incentive is often the hope that this might lead to a full time job. There has also been an emphasis on developing appropriate materials. Most of the various national literacy campaigns have had some central unit which developed materials etc for the workers etc. To this must be added things like the production of regular radio programmes to support initiatives. However, this is both expensive and sophisticated and it is not proved that easy, for example, to update and change materials quite as has been needed. Then as Graham-Brown At this point things can become quite expensive and complex. The demands are now more sophisticated. To these specific questions must be added some further problems. To begin with, given that initiatives involve voluntary participation “ how are people to be attracted on sufficient scale. This is much less of a problem in systems where there is large scale schooling some legal basis for attendance. The successful campaign in Botswana, for example, touched about 20 per cent of the population “ it still left quite a few people illiterate. In addition, unless the school system is discredited for some political reason, a lower valuation tends to be put on non-formal education, especially for young people. They do not hold the same status they are local and not special and often do not lead to accreditation. It has drawn attention to the importance and potential of education, learning and training that takes place outside recognized educational institutions. There are questions about usefulness of the notion when looking at the process of education. It has also gone in and out of fashion. Fordham comments that if we try to correlate the flourishing of non-formal education and political change then the s can certainly be described as the decade of non-formal education Rubenson Similarly the s saw the neglect of non-formal education and Fordham suggests that this was in tune with the politics of the decade, accompanied by greater inequalities both within and between countries. Given the extent to which notions of lifelong learning and associated ideas have gained ground in recent years it will be interesting to see how the language of policy debates will change over the next few years. Further reading and references Coles E. The establishment of a department of non-formal education in Botswana, Manchester: Provides an interestingly detailed account and review of one attempt to organize non-formal education. International Council for Educational Development. One of several reports involving Coombs that popularized the institutional or bureaucratic categories of informal, formal and

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Chapter 2 : Andragogy Homepage for Adult Education Specialists

Deals with the financing and organization of adult education and continuing vocational training throughout the world. This volume provides coverage of lifespan development, cognition, adult learning.

Two primary understandings of "andragogy" exist: The science of understanding theory and supporting practice lifelong education of adults. In the tradition of Malcolm Knowles , a specific theoretical and practical approach. It is based on a humanistic conception of self-directed and autonomous learners as well as teachers as facilitators of learning. Interpreted broadly throughout academic literature, the term also invites other definitions such as " adult education practice", "desirable values", "specific teaching methods", "reflections", and "academic discipline", with many authors claiming it to be better than traditional adult education. The term has been used by some to allow discussion of contrast between self-directed and self-taught education. Andragogy was developed into a theory of adult education by Eugen Rosenstock-Huessy. Knowles asserted that andragogy Greek: Knowles collected ideas about a theory of adult education from the end of World War II until he was introduced to the term "andragogy". In , Knowles met Dusan Savicevic in Boston. Savicevic was the one who shared the term andragogy with Knowles and explained how it was used in the European context. In , Knowles made use of the term "androgogy" to explain his theory of adult education. Then after consulting with Merriam-Webster , he corrected the spelling of the term to "andragogy" and continued to make use of the term to explain his multiple ideas about adult learning. Adults need to know the reason for learning something. Experience including error provides the basis for learning activities. Adults need to be responsible for their decisions on education; involvement in the planning and evaluation of their instruction. Adult learning is problem -centered rather than content-oriented. Adults respond better to internal versus external motivators. In most European countries, the Knowles discussion played at best, a marginal role. Examples of this use of andragogy are the Yugoslavian scholarly journal for adult education, named Andragogija in , and the Yugoslavian Society for Andragogy; at Palacky University in Olomouc Czech republic the Katedra sociologie a andragogiky Sociology and Andragogy Department was established in On this formal level "above practice" and specific approaches, the term "andragogy" could be used relating to all types of theories, for reflection, analysis, training, in person-oriented programs, or human resource development. Assumptions[edit] Adult learning is based upon comprehension, organization and synthesis of knowledge rather than rote memory. There are seven Principles of Adult Learning: Adults will learn only what they feel they need to learn " Adults are practical in their approach to learning; they want to know, "How is this going to help me right now? Adult learning focuses on problem solving " Adolescents tend to learn skills sequentially. Adults tend to start with a problem and then work to find a solution. A meaningful engagement, such as posing and answering realistic questions and problems is necessary for deeper learning. Experience affects adult learning " Adults have more experience than adolescents. This can be an asset and a liability, if prior knowledge is inaccurate, incomplete, or naive, it can interfere with or distort the integration of incoming information Clement, ; National Research Council, Adults learn best in an informal situation " Adolescents have to follow a curriculum. Often, adults learn by taking responsibility by the value and need of content they have to understand and the particular goals it will achieve. Being in an inviting, collaborative and networking environment as an active participant in the learning process makes it efficient. Adults want guidance and consideration as equal partners in the process " Adults want information that will help them improve their situation. They want to choose options based on their individual needs and the meaningful impact a learning engagement could provide. Socialization is more important among adults. Each person may have multiple preferred learning styles and these are preferences that have mild-strong inclinations. It refers to the academic disciplines within university programs that focus on the education of adults; andragogy exists today worldwide. The term refers to a new type of education which was not qualified by missions and visions, but by academic learning including: Recent research has expanded andragogy into the online world, finding

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that using collaborative tools like a wiki can encourage learners to become more self-directed, thereby enriching the classroom environment. Andragogy helps in designing and delivering the solution focused instructions to self-directed. Andragologist Andragologists are those who practice and specialize in the field of andragogy. Andragologists have received a doctoral degree from an accredited university in Education EdD or a doctorate in Psychology PsyD , or Philosophy PhD and focused their dissertation utilizing andragogy as a main component of their theoretical framework. Differences from pedagogy[edit] Here are some of the main differences between pedagogy and andragogy:

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However, by calling for a restructuring of education and training systems to integrate postcompulsory education and adult education the concept differed little from the formal education system.

See Article History Alternative Title: Types of adult education Types of adult education can be classified as follows: Education for vocational , technical, and professional competence. Such education may aim at preparing an adult for a first job or for a new job, or it may aim at keeping him up to date on new developments in his occupation or profession. Education for health, welfare , and family living. Such education includes all kinds of education in health, family relations, consumer buying, planned parenthood, hygiene, child care, and the like. Education for civic, political, and community competence. Such education includes all kinds of education relating to government, community development, public and international affairs, voting and political participation, and so forth. These programs aim primarily at learning for the sake of learning rather than at achieving the aims included in the other categories. Such education is obviously a prerequisite for all other kinds of adult education and thus, as a category, stands somewhat apart from the other types of adult education. In reference to the fifth category, adults frequently need to compensate for inadequacies of earlier education. Such remedial education is required most extensively in societies changing rapidly from a subsistence to an industrial economy and concurrently changing politically and socially. Mass literacy acquires a new importance in these nations of Asia, Africa, and Latin America , and the establishment of universal primary education becomes a social imperative. Even in countries with mature systems of childhood education, however, opportunities for higher or even sometimes secondary education are unequal among various regional, occupational, and social groups. Hence there are adult programs for completing high school or preparing for examinations normally taken at the end of secondary school. The following are the general types. The folk high schools , first established in Denmark and now found in all Scandinavian countries, are residential schools in which young adults who have completed formal schooling and usually have had some subsequent work experience pursue at least several months of study. The study aims at furthering both moral and intellectual development and instilling an understanding of local and national traditions and conditions. Although at first they were independent or separate institutions, they are now frequently promoted or supported by communal boards of education. Although rarely exported with success in their pure form, the folk high schools have influenced the development of residential forms of adult education in countries as diverse as Canada, Kenya, India, and The Netherlands. The distinguishing characteristics of these institutions are that they are independent of the general education authorities, at least in terms of programming; that student attendance is voluntary and part-time; and that teachers and administrators are either volunteers or professionals offering mainly part-time services. Traditionally these schools do not prepare students for examinations or offer training in advanced vocational skills. Typically the curriculum includes instruction in practical and domestic crafts, fine arts, music and drama, familial and social problem solving , and modern languages, as well as instruction designed to reinforce primary and secondary education. Agricultural extension services, though almost wholly an American development, are conducted on a scale great enough to rate separate mention. The extension service of the U. Department of Agriculture conducts agricultural, home economics, and even public affairs programs in every county in the United States. The open university , a recent British institution, is significant for its new dimension and sharp break with previous degree programs for adults. In some educationally advanced countries—such as Australia, New Zealand , Canada , and the United States—adults have long had opportunities to pursue part-time education leading to university degrees, but these programs have usually been carbon copies of programs offered to regular undergraduates. The open university, in theory at least, aspires to a kind of universal higher education. It is intended to serve only mature or older adults studying part-time; it has no standardized entry requirements; and it attempts to combine various educational technologies and techniques—correspondence instruction,

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mass-communication media, personal counseling , and short-term residential courses. Such schools may be licensed or supervised by state agencies as in Sweden and The Netherlands , or they may be self-policing through associations offering accreditation. Some schools are nonprofit organizations. Extension services include both public-school programs for adults and the university extensions mentioned earlier. The school programs are administered by the public-school systems, and they are popularly termed night schools because ordinarily they are housed in the same school buildings used in the daytime for school-age youth and also because some of the same teachers are often involved. Much of the teaching , however, is also done by subject specialists not employed as schoolteachers. They often retain elements of vocational preparation at a less specialized level, generally for younger adults—for example, in commercial and trade skills. The extension services offered by institutions of higher learning are of two broad types. The North American tradition, found in countries influenced by the United States and Canada, places a larger emphasis on credit programs duplicating courses offered to regular undergraduates; such programs are offered via television or correspondence or in separate urban colleges. Both traditions seem in the process of modification—the British in the direction of offering more credit-earning and vocation-related refresher courses, the North American toward a wider acceptance of the provision of general liberal studies for the public at large and for specialized vocational groups. It is everywhere apparent that universities are assuming more responsibility for the continuance and renewal of education for the highly educated. In addition to the various schools or services listed above, there are countless organizations whose main purposes may not be adult education but that offer some kind of instruction or leisure-time activities for adults. Other agencies for which adult education is a related rather than a primary function are libraries, museums, botanical gardens, and the like. Not only do these agencies provide the means of individual self-education but also they frequently promote group activities or put their accommodations and resources at the disposal of adult-education agencies. Finally there should be mentioned the advisory and instructional services offered by various social and welfare agencies in the fields of health, safety, marital guidance, family planning , and so forth. Learn More in these related Britannica articles:

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There were mainly two reasons to do this: This understanding includes not only institutionalized forms of learning, but also self-directed and even partly-intentional or non-intentional forms of learning. Structural scheme of adult education and adult learning Autor: History, Meaning, Context, Function. Nowadays there exist mainly three understandings: Terms make sense in relation to the object they name. Relating the development of the term to the historical context may explain the differences. In about 60 pages he argues that education, self-reflection, and educating the character is the first value in human life. He then refers to vocational education of the healing profession, soldier, educator, orator, ruler, and men as family father. So already here we find patterns which repeatedly can be found in the ongoing history of andragogy: Kapp does not explain the term Andragogik, and it is not clear, whether he invented it or whether he borrowed it from somebody else. This may be the reason why the term lay fallow: So again it was forgotten. But a new object was shining up: The scholars came from various disciplines, working in adult education as individuals, not representing university institutes or disciplines. The idea of adult education as a discipline was not yet born. It is not clear where the third wave of using andragogy originated. Still the term was known only to insiders, and was sometimes more oriented to practice, sometimes more to theory. Perhaps this mirrors the reality of adult education of that time: There was no or little formal training for adult educators, some limited theoretical knowledge, no institutionalized continuity of developing such a knowledge, and no academic course of study. As the reality was unclear, the term could not be any clearer. He describes his encounter with the term: A Yugoslavian adult educator, Dusan Savicevic, participated in a summer session I was conducting at Boston University. He explained that the term had been coined by a teacher in a German grammar school, Alexander Kapp, in 1876. The term lay fallow until it was once more introduced by a German social scientist, Eugen Rosenstock, in 1901, but it did not receive general recognition. Perhaps a third attribute added to the attraction of Knowles' concept: This flattered adult educators in a time, where most adult educators were andragogical amateurs, doing adult education based on their content expertise, experience, and a mission they felt, not based on trained or studied educational competence. To be offered now understandable, humanistic values and beliefs, some specific methods and a good sounding label, strengthened a group that felt inferior to comparable professions. And this came coincidentally along with a significant growth of the field of practice plus an increased scholarly approach, including the emerging possibility to study adult education at universities. Providing a unifying idea and identity, connected with the term andragogy, to the amorphous group of adult educators, certainly was the main benefit Knowles awarded to the field of adult education at that time. A first critique argues that Knowles claimed to offer a general concept of adult education, but like all educational theories in history it is but one concept, born into a specific historic context. This hostility toward pedagogy had two negative outcomes: A similar professional and academic expansion developed worldwide, sometimes using more or less demonstratively the term andragogy: This documents a reality with new types of professional institutions, functions, roles, with fulltime employed and academically trained professionals. Adult education or education of adults? Some writers limit andragogy to a teaching situation or more in the jargon: An early example is Lindeman, when reporting from his experiences at the Academy of Labor, Frankfurt, Germany: This definition is generalized by Krajnc, p. Distance- and E-learning, assessment of prior learning, learning in non-traditional forms, life-situations as learning opportunity, and other non-school-oriented forms and situations where adults learn widened the perception that the education of adults happens in more situations than just in adult education. The field of adult education worldwide went through a process of growth and differentiation, in which a scholarly, scientific approach emerged. And writing a thesis or dissertation is a quite different task than educating adults: An academic discipline with

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university programs, professors, students, focusing on the education of adults, exists today in many countries. This claim is not a mere definition, but includes the prospective function to influence the coming reality: Again here this claim only makes sense when an object exists worth to get labeled. Not the term makes a sub-discipline, but a reality with sound university programs, professors, research, disciplinarian knowledge, and students. References and Further Reading Gent, van, Bastian International Encyclopedia of Adult Education and Training. An Update on Andragogy: Towards a discipline of adult education? Twentieth Century Thinkers in Adult Education. The Making of an Adult Educator. Lifelong Education for Adults: The Method of Teaching Adults. Five perspectives on teaching in adult and higher education. Bamberg University, Germany <http://www.bamberg.academia.edu/Andragogy>: Modern Conceptions of Andragogy: Studies in the Education of Adults, Vol. Understanding Andragogy in Europe and America: Comparative Adult Education Slovenian Institute for Adult Education, p. Einfhrung in die Andragogik. The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. International Review of Education.

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Mr. Muhammad Baligh Ur Rehman Minister of State for Federal Education, Professional Training, Interior and Narcotics Control visits Sindh Madressatul Islam University Silver Ladies II Free Skating (skaters) - International Adult Competition - Oberstdorf, Germany.

Characteristics[edit] Educating adults differs from educating children in several ways given that adults have accumulated knowledge and work experience which can add to the learning experience. The science and art of helping adults learn, [10] [11] the practice of adult education is referred to as andragogy , to distinguish it from the traditional school-based education for children pedagogy. Unlike children, adults are seen as more self-directed, rather than relying on others for help. Adults are mature and therefore have knowledge and have gained life experiences which provide them a foundation of learning. Their orientation to learn is problem-centered rather than subject-centered. Their motivation to learn is internal. They must have a reasonable expectation that the knowledge they gain will help them further their goals. For example, during the s, many adults, including mostly office workers, enrolled in computer training courses. These courses would teach basic use of the operating system or specific application software. In the United States and many areas in Canada, a more general example is when adults who dropped out of high school return to school to complete general education requirements. Most upwardly mobile positions require at the very least a high school diploma or equivalent. A working adult is unlikely to have the freedom to simply quit his or her job and go "back to school" full-time. Public school systems and community colleges usually offer evening or weekend classes for this reason. In Europe this is often referred to as "second-chance", and many schools offer tailor-made courses and learning programs for these returning learners. Furthermore, adults with poor reading skills can obtain help from volunteer literacy programs. These national organizations provide training, tutor certification, and accreditation for local volunteer programs. States often have organizations which provide field services for volunteer literacy programs. The purpose of adult education in the form of college or university is distinct. In these institutions, the aim is typically related to personal growth and development as well as occupation and career preparedness. Another goal might be to not only sustain the democratic society, but to even challenge and improve its social structure. Most adult educators come from other professions and are not well trained to deal with adult learning issues. Most of the positions available in this field are only part-time without any benefits or stability since they are usually funded by government grants that might last for only a couple of years. However, in Canada, professional development is available in all provinces and territories through postsecondary institutions and most Provinces also provide professional development through their ministry of education or school boards and through nongovernmental organizations. Also, the purpose of adult education can be vocational, social, recreational or for self-development. For example, this might include improving its operational effectiveness and productivity. A larger scale goal of adult education may be the growth of society by enabling its citizens to keep up with societal change and maintain good social order. In other words, these 7 principles distinguish adult learners from children and youth. Adults cannot be made to learn. They will only learn when they are internally motivated to do so. Adults will only learn what they feel they need to learn. In other words, they are practical. Adults learn by doing. Active participation is especially important to adult learners in comparison to children. Adult learning is problem-based and these problems must be realistic. Adult learners like finding solutions to problems. Adult learning is affected by the experience each adult brings. Adults learn best informally. Adults learn what they feel they need to know whereas children learn from a curriculum. Adults want information that will help them improve their situation or that of their children. Because of these responsibilities, adults have barriers and challenges against participating in learning and continuing their education. The barriers can be classified into three groups including institutional , situational and dispositional. As well, things such as confidence, interest, lack of information about opportunities to learn, scheduling problems, entrance requirements and problems with child

care can be barriers in learning. When adult learners clearly know the benefits of their continuing education, such as getting promotions or better job performance, they are more likely to be motivated to attend. It can also support the function of democratic systems and provide greater opportunities for finding new or better employment. Adult education has been shown to have a positive impact on the economy. The development of social networks and support was found to be a key motivation of adult learners. As editor of a book entitled *Adult Education and Health*, Leona English claims that including health education as part of adult education makes for a healthier community. The author noted that more time, money and resources needed to be in place so participants would be able to take advantage of these types of activities. Withnall explored the influences on later life learning in various parts in the U. Results were similar in that later in life education afforded these older adults opportunities to socialize. Some experts claim that adult education has a long-term impact on the economy and that there is a correlation between innovation and learning at the workplace.