M.D./M.Ed. in Lifelong Learning and Adult Education
The Joint M.D./M.Ed in Lifelong Learning and Adult Education is aimed at those who are interested in pursuing careers as Medical Doctors with a special interest in Lifelong Learning and Adult Education, in Academic Medicine, Patient Education, or in Continuing Professional Education in the Health and Medical Professions.

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Curriculum
To earn the M.Ed. degree, students in the joint degree program must complete all of the degree requirements for the M.Ed. degree. The requirements for the M.Ed. overall include General Adult Education Core (15 credits), Research Requirement (6 credits), and for those in the Joint MD/M.Ed., Medical School Courses (9 credits). A master’s paper is required that carries no course credit, but the course work facilitates the development of the master’s paper. Students complete the master’s paper while enrolled in ADTED 588 during their last semester. Other than the nine credits that will be accepted into the M.D. as part of the joint degree program, the remainder of the M.D. requirements are the same as for those students pursuing the M.D. only. If students accepted into the joint degree program are unable to complete the M.D. degree, they are still eligible to receive the M.Ed. degree if all the M.Ed. degree requirements have been satisfied.

Courses Overview
The specific courses for the M.Ed. required in the Joint MD/M.Ed include:

General Core
- ADTED 460: Introduction to Adult Education
- ADTED 501: Foundations of Medical Education
- ADTED 502: Instructional and Program Design in Medical Education
- ADTED 505: Teaching of Adults
- ADTED 542: Perspectives on Adult Learning

Research Requirements
- ADTED 507: Research and Evaluation in Adult Education
- ADTED 588: Professional Seminar in Adult Education

Medical School Courses (9 credits)

Program Requirements for Admission
Note: In addition to the general prerequisites for admission to the Graduate School, the following is required by this degree program:

The Joint M.D./M.Ed. Program requires that the student first be admitted to the M.D. program at the Penn State College of Medicine. Subsequently, the student is recommended for and applies for admission to the Graduate School for the Penn State Harrisburg M.Ed. program in Lifelong Learning and Adult Education. Prospective students can apply for the joint MD/M.Ed degree any time during the first three years in the College of Medicine.

MD Program Admission Requirements
- Graduated from an accredited college/university in the US or Canada
- Taken the MCAT
- Application via AMCAS
- Personal statement
- Supplemental application questions
- Letters of recommendation (at least two letters from faculty in science disciplines; at least 1 letter from faculty in a non-science discipline; at least one letter from college faculty, community leader, employer, other others in positions of responsibility that know the applicant well)
- Fulfilled required competencies in the following areas:
  Biological and Biochemical Foundations of Living Systems; Chemical and Physical Foundations of Biological Systems; Psychological, Social and Biological Foundations of Behavior; Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills; Scientific Inquiry and Thinking & Reasoning
- Criminal Background Check
- Demonstrated Interpersonal and Intrapersonal Competency

M.Ed. Program Admission Requirements
Prospective students can apply for admission to the joint M.D./M.Ed. degree anytime during their first three years in the College of Medicine. Requirements for admission to the M.Ed. portion are as follows:

- Letter of recommendation from the Associate Dean of Learner Assessment and Program Evaluation at the Penn State College of Medicine
- A curriculum vita
- A statement of career goals that also addresses how the joint degree meets those career goals
- Completed Graduate School application

Application deadline: March 15

For detailed instructions on how to enroll in this program, visit: https://harrisburg.psu.edu/bsed/joint-md-med