

# High School Equivalency (HSE) - and - English as a Second Language (ESL)

## Adult Basic Education (ABE) School of Education Central New Mexico Community College

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The **Adult Basic Education (ABE)** program offers instruction to adults seeking their high school diploma or who do not speak English as their first language. There is a \$10.00 fee per academic term. High School Equivalency (HSE) courses help students prepare for the GED/HiSET exam. English as a Second Language (ESL) courses help students learn to understand, speak, read and write in English.

**All students must first attend an orientation** and take a CASAS placement test to determine their reading, math, language or English levels.

**Students 16-17 years of age may be admitted** to the Adult Basic Education program by completing an Underage Permission Form.

### ORIENTATION IS THE FIRST STEP!

To register for an ABE orientation, visit the ABE website at [cnm.edu/abe](http://cnm.edu/abe).

- The HSE orientation is virtual and located on our home page.
- ESL orientations are currently being held via Zoom.
- Each orientation is approx. 1.5 hours in duration.
- Prospective students will receive a follow up email with information on how to join the program.

To learn more about the CNM ABE Program, please visit our website at [cnm.edu/abe](http://cnm.edu/abe), or come see us at the One-Stop Welcome Center located at Main, Montoya, and West Side campuses.

Questions? Please call us at 505-224-4282 or email us at [CNM\\_ABE\\_Staff@cnm.edu](mailto:CNM_ABE_Staff@cnm.edu).

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