

# SCCC's Distance Education Modalities

## ONLINE COURSES

**ONL** Courses that are fully online. Desire2Learn (D2L) is the preferred online course application in use by SCCC. Designated in Class Schedule Listing as 'Online-Desire2Learn-D2L Instructional Method.'

Online courses are instructor-designed and accessible only over the Internet. You must own or have access to a computer on which you can install software and the ability to connect to the Internet through a provider. Online courses are neither time nor place bound. You may work at your own pace at any time of the day or night. Keep in mind that you must pay close attention to course deadlines in order to complete the course successfully. Most instructors require you to log in and complete assignments at least once per week, and many expect participation throughout each week. Make sure to check online in to your course at the earliest opportunity when available for your course requirements. The mechanism for receiving assignments, for turning in assignments, and for discussion with your instructor and your fellow students is built into the software and is integrated with the course content.

The preferred application in use at SCCC for online learning is Desire2Learn (D2L). Fully online courses are a type of asynchronous mode of learning.

## BLENDED/HYBRID COURSES

**BLD** These sections will be offered as blended/hybrid courses using Desire2Learn (D2L). After you have registered for this class and met with your instructor, visit the MySCCC portal to access the online-based component to your course. Designated in Class Schedule Listing as 'Blended/Hybrid-Class w/ D2L Instructional Method.'

Blended/hybrid courses combine on-campus meetings with your instructor as well as your classmates along with an online component. The online course component is instructor-designed and accessible only over the Internet. You must own or have access to a computer on which you can install software and the ability to connect to the Internet through a provider. The online course component is neither time nor place bound. You may work at your own pace at any time of the day or night. Keep in mind that you need to pay attention to course deadlines in order to complete the course successfully.

## **DISTANCE LEARNING CLASSROOM COURSES**

Distance learning classroom courses are offered simultaneously at SCCC's three campuses in specially equipped high-tech classrooms. The instructor teaches over live interactive video from one campus while students take the course at any of the three campuses. Your commuting time between the campuses is eliminated and the availability of courses or sections of courses that might ordinarily be cancelled due to low enrollment at any one campus is increased. These courses are considered to be a synchronous or real-time mode of learning.

## **TELECOURSES**

**TEL** Courses meet at designated dates/times and combine lecture with on-your-own-time requirements. Designated in Class Schedule Listing as 'Telecourse Instructional Method.'

Telecourses combine the viewing of video media borrowed from your campus library with independent assignments and five (or more for lab courses) required on-campus meetings. The instructor coordinates video media instruction with teaching the on-campus sessions and creating and grading assignments. The video portion of a telecourse is distributed on a DVD set on loan from your campus library. You may also view media at any campus library, but these are reserve copies that cannot be checked out. Note: Failure to return the set or individual DVDs will result in a charge.