WHAT IS AN **Online Course?**

An online course is a course that consists of 100% asynchronous instruction without any required synchronous meetings. There are specific beginning and ending dates and deadlines for work in an online course. However, students can choose when to complete the work within the allotted time frame.

WHAT IS A **Blended Course?**

At least 2/3 of the course must be online with 1/3 or less requiring mandatory meetings. For example, a 3-credit-hour course is 45 contact hours. This means 15 or fewer contact hours will be offered through synchronous (same time) mandatory meetings (either face-to-face, or video) with the remainder (at least 2/3 or more) being online (asynchronous).

WHAT IS A **Web Conference Course?**

A web conference course has synchronous meetings for at least 1/3 of the course contact hours.

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**Credit Hour Course = No. of Contact Hours**

- 1 credit hour course = 15 contact hours
- 2 credit hour course = 30 contact hours
- 3 credit hour course = 45 contact hours
- 4 credit hour course = 60 contact hours
- 5 credit hour course = 75 contact hours
- 6 credit hour course = 90 contact hours

**Synchronous Mandatory Meeting Time**

- 5 contact hours or fewer
- 10 contact hours or fewer
- 15 contact hours or fewer
- 20 contact hours or fewer
- 25 contact hours or fewer
- 30 contact hours or fewer
The distance education stipend is specifically for the development of online or blended courses. The policy for this stipend does not change based on the modality of the course. However, faculty may only receive the development stipend once per course.

Faculty who teach blended or web conference courses will have the same access to eCampus resources as those who teach fully online courses. This includes resources such as VoiceThread, Hoonuit, SmarterMeasure, and instructional design assistance.

The distance education tuition rates will apply to online, blended, and web conference courses.