

Delaware County Community College Online Learning

Online courses are offered in Fall, Spring, Summer I, II and Winter.

Courses run in 14, 7, 6, and 5 week formats.

When registering, make sure you know when your courses start and end!

Choose from courses in:

Allied Health
Business
Economics
Nursing
History
Psychology
Humanities
English
Philosophy
Foreign Language
Criminal Justice
Political Science
Multi Media
Math
Education
Communications
and more....

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About Online Learning

Since 1998, Delaware County Community College has offered online courses through the Internet. We now offer over 100 online courses within a full and accelerated semester format. Students can start taking online courses in January, March, May, July, August, October and December.

Applying & Registering

Students can sign up for online courses as they would for any other college courses, through [delaGATE](#). New students, or students who have not taken a course with the college for over one year will need to [apply](#). Visiting students simply looking to take a course or two can click [here](#) for more information about applying.

Getting Ready

After you sign up for an online course, you can expect a welcome letter to be sent to you in the mail about **one week before the start of the semester**. This letter is also available on our [online learning website](#) and within [delaGATE](#), under the **ACADEMIC RESOURCES** tab. The letter will explain **how** and **when** you will be able to access your online course and it will list contact information for support as well.

Once you register for an online course, you should purchase your textbook as soon as possible to avoid any delay. To find out which books you need please visit our [online bookstore](#).

What To Expect - A Complete Student Experience

Online courses are very similar to classroom courses. Just like in the classroom, you will be able to interact and communicate with your instructors and classmates, as you will have access to your course materials anytime, anywhere. Rather than showing up to a physical classroom, our faculty will deliver the course to you through WebStudy, a simple to use course management system that neatly arranges lesson plans for you to follow and complete. We have a “how-to” [video tutorial](#) available to all students to help explain Webstudy and the online learning environment.

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Popular online courses include:

HUM 142 & 160
BUS 100
COMM 100
HIS 254 & 255
DPR 100
PHI 100 & 110
SPA 101 & 102
ECO 210 & 220
MAT 120 & 121
ECE 100 & 110
ENG 100 & 112
NUS 221
PSY 140 & 220
SOC 110
and more....

Remember: Online courses are just as rigorous, demanding and time consuming as classroom courses. They are **not** necessarily easier!

Please make sure you are able to dedicate enough time each week to your studies!

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A typical online course contains:

- A syllabus outlining requirements & expectations
- Assignments & papers
- Lecture notes
- Slides and presentations
- Audio or video lectures
- Class discussions
- Tests and quizzes
- Study guides
- Reinforcement exercises
- Streaming videos

Most online courses are presented in weekly formats and may include any combination of the above. Students then concentrate their efforts to fulfill the requirements for that week. **Remember**, online courses vary from instructor to instructor and so will your work load!

While there are **NO MANDATORY** login times, optional participation is **ALWAYS** beneficial to the student! **You will be expected to meet due dates and deadlines throughout all online courses.**

While most courses are 100% online, a few courses may require in person testing at one of our campuses or at an approved testing center closer to your home or office.

Student Success Strategies

Students who typically do well with online courses are able to dedicate consistent study days and times throughout the course. Instead of spending three hours in the classroom each week, students should be dedicating the same time to their online courses.

Accelerated courses **will demand more time** per week because of their shorter, quicker format.

Do not procrastinate! In fact, read and plan ahead when you can. Falling behind in an online course is difficult to recover from.

Contact your instructor with questions, or Online Learning for support. Do not let issues go unresolved.

Please contact Online Learning with any questions. We look forward to working with you!