Distance Learning

(for Academic Year 2011-12)

Purdue defines distance learning as structured learning process by which a student is physically removed from both the instructor and the instructional setting associated with the campus, but has the opportunity to interact with the instructor or other students in educational activities. At Purdue, learners participate in degree programs, individual courses, and noncredit programs through distance learning.

Degrees offered by distance learning allow working professionals to pursue an advanced degree while continuing in their careers. Thousands of students take advantage of distance learning to broaden their educational horizons or to keep on pace to graduate. Because of Purdue's participation in the Indiana Partnership for Statewide Education (IPSE), Purdue students can earn Purdue credit by taking equivalent distance learning courses from other Indiana institutions or by taking Purdue-originated distance learning courses.

		Courses	Enrollments	Graduates
***Distance Learning Programs** are delivered entirely through distance learning technology and do not require traditional classroom work or campus residency.*	Certificate in Veterinary Homeland Security	46	119	9
	Associate of Science in Veterinary Technology	153	1,556	2
	Master of Science in Engineering	70	1,311	86
	Degrees in aeronautics/astronautics, electrical/ computer, industrial, mechanical, and interdisciplinary			
	Master of Education - Learning, Design and Technology	16	561	0
	Doctor of Pharmacy	2	12	12
	Offered in US and United Arab Emirates			
***"Blended" Distance Learning Programs** are enabled by distance learning but involve some traditional classroom instruction on campus or elsewhere.*	Master of Business Administration	29	818	52
	Traditional executive MBA and international concentration			
	Master of Science in Technology	46	752	54
	Master of Science in Building Construction Management	12	134	15
	Master of Science in Agricultural Economics	7	96	23
	Articulates with IU's Kelley School of Business MBA			
	Cohort Doctoral Program in Educational Studies—Educational Administration concentration	24	163	8
	Total distance learning degree program participation	**405**	**5,522**	**261**
Students' Participation in Distance Learning Courses	Purdue-originated course sections	122	8,451	N/A
	Course sections offered through other institutions	74	1,289	N/A
	Total campus students' participation	**196**	**9,740**	**N/A**
Purdue Participation in Distance Learning	Degree-related	405	5,522	261
	Campus student-related	196	9,740	N/A
	Other distance learning credit courses	30	402	N/A
	Noncredit distance learning	337	12,670	N/A
	Total participation in distance learning	**968**	**28,334**	**261**

Source: Purdue Extended Campus