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2 **I. Course Components**

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4 available to provide instruction in approved curriculum. The standard course components are  
5 lecture, seminar, laboratory, activity, recitation, and supervision. Specific courses or course  
6 sections are designated as employing one or more of the course components listed above,  
7 typically classified in increments of at least one unit for a selected course component.

8 **II. Instruction Modes**

9 The three instruction modes OF THE COURSE COMPONENTS are face-to-face, online, and  
10 hybrid. The instruction mode is determined by the proportion of face-to-face compared to  
11 online instruction. THESE INSTRUCTION MODES CAN BE FURTHER SPECIFIED INTO LEARNING  
12 MODES BASED ON THE CSU CHANCELLOR’S OFFICE’S DEFINITIONS.

- 13 a. In a face-to-face instruction mode, students meet IN-PERSON with an instructor  
14 physically present DURING in a contained, university-assigned class time and physical  
15 space for at least 75% of the instruction provided CLASS MEETINGS. CLASS MEETINGS  
16 OUTSIDE OF THE UNIVERSITY-ASSIGNED CLASS TIME AND/OR PHYSICAL SPACE MUST  
17 INVOLVE COMPARABLE INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FIELD TRIPS, SERVICE-  
18 LEARNING EXPERIENCES, DIRECTED STUDY, OR TECHNOLOGICALLY-MEDIATED  
19 INSTRUCTION. FACE-TO-FACE INSTRUCTION MUST ACCOUNT FOR AT LEAST 75% OF THE  
20 INSTRUCTIONAL TIME PROVIDED.
- 21 b. In an online-ONLY instruction mode, 100% of the instructional TIME of a course occurs  
22 online. This includes all class meetings, instructional materials, office hours and support,  
23 class activities, assignments, exams, and assessments. Online-ONLY course  
24 COMPONENTS may be synchronous, asynchronous, or a combination of the two. The  
25 LEARNING MODE AND meeting pattern (SYNCHRONOUS MEETINGS, field-TRIPS, ETC.) of  
26 the course must be published in the schedule of the classes before students enroll.
- 27 c. Hybrid instruction modes blend face-to-face instruction with more than 25% and less  
28 than 100% online instructional TIME.
- 29 d. LEARNING MODES IN THE TABLE BELOW ARE BASED ON THE CSU CHANCELLOR’S OFFICE  
30 LEARNING MODE REPORTING EXAMPLES, AVAILABLE ON CSYOU TOOLS & SERVICES  
31 UNDER ACADEMIC AFFAIRS TOOLS, ACADEMIC PLANNING DATABASE.

CODE	INSTRUCTION MODE	DESCRIPTION	DEFINITION
01	ONLINE ONLY	ASYNCHRONOUS NO MEETINGS	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED ONLINE ASYNCHRONOUSLY (I.E. NOT AT

			SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) AND REQUIRES NO FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM.
02	<b>ONLINE ONLY</b>	<b>SYNCHRONOUS NO CAMPUS MEETINGS</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED ONLINE SYNCHRONOUSLY (I.E. AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) AND REQUIRES NO FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM.
03	<b>HYBRID (ALLOWED)</b>	<b>ASYNCHRONOUS MEETINGS ALLOWED</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED ONLINE ASYNCHRONOUSLY (I.E. NOT AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) AND MAY REQUIRE FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: ORIENTATION, MID-TERM AND/OR FINAL EXAM, AND OVERVIEW OF NEXT PHASE OF COURSE CONTENT.
04	<b>HYBRID (ALLOWED)</b>	<b>SYNCHRONOUS MEETINGS ALLOWED</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED ONLINE SYNCHRONOUSLY (I.E. AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) AND MAY REQUIRE FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: ORIENTATION, MID-TERM AND/OR FINAL EXAM, AND OVERVIEW OF NEXT PHASE OF COURSE CONTENT.
05	<b>HYBRID</b>	<b>ASYNCHRONOUS WITH MEETINGS, HYBRID</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED IN A COMBINATION OF ASYNCHRONOUS (I.E. NOT AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) ONLINE AND FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS. FACE-TO-FACE PORTION OF INSTRUCTION MUST MEET WEEKLY OR BI-WEEKLY AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES.
06	<b>HYBRID</b>	<b>SYNCHRONOUS WITH MEETINGS, HYBRID</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED IN A COMBINATION OF SYNCHRONOUS (I.E. AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) ONLINE AND FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS. BOTH THE FACE-TO-FACE AND ONLINE PORTIONS OF INSTRUCTION MUST MEET WEEKLY OR BI-WEEKLY AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES.
09	<b>FACE-TO-FACE</b>	<b>FACE-TO-FACE</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED AT LEAST 75% IN PERSON WITH A LIVE INSTRUCTOR AND

			PHYSICALLY ASSEMBLED STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM.
10	<b>ONLINE ONLY</b>	<b>POLYSYNCHRONOUS NO CAMPUS MEETINGS</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED IN A COMBINATION OF ASYNCHRONOUS (I.E. NOT AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) AND SYNCHRONOUS (I.E. AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) ONLINE MEETINGS AND REQUIRES NO FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM.
11	<b>HYBRID</b>	<b>POLYSYNCHRONOUS MEETINGS ALLOWED</b>	INSTRUCTION IS DELIVERED IN A COMBINATION OF ASYNCHRONOUS (I.E. NOT AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) AND SYNCHRONOUS (I.E. AT SCHEDULED DAYS/TIMES) ONLINE MEETINGS AND MAY FACE TO FACE MEETINGS WITH STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE TERM.

32 **III. Curriculum Development and Approval**

- 33 a. The instruction mode has a significant impact on the learning experience of students. Thus,  
34 the instruction mode(s) for a new or modified course shall become part of each new  
35 curriculum proposal. The instruction mode shall be approved through the curricular  
36 approval process. A course COMPONENT may be approved for more than one instruction  
37 mode. If a course is offered in multiple sections, then different sections may have different  
38 instruction modes.
- 39 b. For both new and modified courses proposing online-ONLY and/or hybrid instruction  
40 modes, the course proposal must include a justification of the appropriateness of the  
41 proposed instruction mode(s).
- 42 c. For both new and modified courses proposing online-ONLY and/or hybrid instruction  
43 modes, the course proposal must include a description of how the student-to-student and  
44 student-to-instructor interaction appropriate for the instruction mode and course  
45 component (E.G. lecture, lab, seminar, activity) will be accomplished.
- 46 d. For both new and modified courses, the course proposal must include the need for  
47 specialized technical skills, computer hardware, and/or computer software for each  
48 instruction mode.
- 49 e. FOR BOTH NEW AND MODIFIED COURSES, THE COURSE PROPOSAL MUST ADDRESS  
50 ACCESSIBILITY FOR ANY REQUIRED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.

51 **IV. Operational Procedures**

- 52 a. The University shall publish the following information in the *Schedule of Classes*:

- 53 1. The instruction mode of each course offering that is online-ONLY or hybrid.
- 54 2. The need for specialized technical skills, computer hardware/mobile devices, and/or
- 55 computer software/mobile applications for all instruction modes, if applicable.
- 56 3. Regularly scheduled times for online classes SESSIONS MEETINGS, if applicable.
- 57 4. Any required off-site meetings for any courses that include such a requirement.
- 58 5. Notification to students that an instructor may drop them from an online-ONLY course
- 59 if they do not log in within the first four days of instruction.
- 60 b. Instructors may choose any instruction mode that has been approved for a course
- 61 provided the mode to be used is identified in the Schedule of Classes.

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### II. Instruction Modes

The three instruction modes of the course components are face-to-face, online, and hybrid. The instruction mode is determined by the proportion of face-to-face compared to online instruction. These instruction modes can be further specified into learning modes based on the CSU Chancellor's Office's definitions.

- a. In a face-to-face instruction mode, students meet in-person with an instructor physically present during class meetings. Class meetings outside of the university-assigned class time and/or physical space must involve comparable instructional activities such as field trips, service-learning experiences, directed study, or technologically-mediated instruction. Face-to-face instruction must account for at least 75% of the instructional time provided.
- b. In an online-only instruction mode, 100% of the instructional time occurs online. This includes all class meetings, instructional materials, office hours and support, class activities, assignments, exams, and assessments. Online-only course components may be synchronous, asynchronous, or a combination of the two. The learning mode and meeting pattern (synchronous meetings, field-trips, etc.) must be published in the schedule of the classes before students enroll.
- c. Hybrid instruction modes blend face-to-face instruction with more than 25% and less than 100% online instructional time.
- d. Learning modes in the table below are based on the CSU Chancellor's Office learning mode reporting examples, available on CSYOU Tools & Services under Academic Affairs Tools, Academic Planning Database.

CODE	INSTRUCTION MODE	DESCRIPTION	DEFINITION
01	Online Only	Asynchronous No Meetings	Instruction is delivered online asynchronously (i.e. not at scheduled days/times) and requires no face-to-face

			meetings with students throughout the term.
02	<b>Online Only</b>	<b>Synchronous No Campus Meetings</b>	Instruction is delivered online synchronously (i.e. at scheduled days/times) and requires no face-to-face meetings with students throughout the term.
03	<b>Hybrid (Allowed)</b>	<b>Asynchronous Meetings Allowed</b>	Instruction is delivered online asynchronously (i.e. not at scheduled days/times) and may require face-to-face meetings with students throughout the term for one or more of the following: orientation, mid-term and/or final exam, and overview of next phase of course content.
04	<b>Hybrid (Allowed)</b>	<b>Synchronous Meetings Allowed</b>	Instruction is delivered online synchronously (i.e. at scheduled days/times) and may require face-to-face meetings with students throughout the term for one or more of the following: orientation, mid-term and/or final exam, and overview of next phase of course content.
05	<b>Hybrid</b>	<b>Asynchronous with Meetings, Hybrid</b>	Instruction is delivered in a combination of asynchronous (i.e. not at scheduled days/times) online and face-to-face meetings. Face-to-face portion of instruction must meet weekly or bi-weekly at scheduled days/times.
06	<b>Hybrid</b>	<b>Synchronous with Meetings, Hybrid</b>	Instruction is delivered in a combination of synchronous (i.e. at scheduled days/times) online and face-to-face meetings. Both the face-to-face and online portions of instruction must meet weekly or bi-weekly at scheduled days/times.
09	<b>Face-to-Face</b>	<b>Face-to-Face</b>	Instruction is delivered at least 75% in person with a live instructor and physically assembled students throughout the term.
10	<b>Online Only</b>	<b>Polysynchronous No Campus Meetings</b>	Instruction is delivered in a combination of asynchronous (i.e. not at scheduled days/times) and synchronous (i.e. at

			scheduled days/times) online meetings and requires no face-to-face meetings with students throughout the term.
11	<b>Hybrid</b>	<b>Polysynchronous Meetings allowed</b>	Instruction is delivered in a combination of asynchronous (i.e. not at scheduled days/times) and synchronous (i.e. at scheduled days/times) online meetings and may face to face meetings with students throughout the term.

### III. Curriculum Development and Approval

- a. The instruction mode has a significant impact on the learning experience of students. Thus, the instruction mode(s) for a new or modified course shall become part of each new curriculum proposal. The instruction mode shall be approved through the curricular approval process. A course component may be approved for more than one instruction mode. If a course is offered in multiple sections, then different sections may have different instruction modes.
- b. For both new and modified courses proposing online-only and/or hybrid instruction modes, the course proposal must include a justification of the appropriateness of the proposed instruction mode(s).
- c. For both new and modified courses proposing online-only and/or hybrid instruction modes, the course proposal must include a description of how the student-to-student and student-to-instructor interaction appropriate for the instruction mode and course component (e.g. lecture, lab, seminar, activity) will be accomplished.
- d. For both new and modified courses, the course proposal must include the need for specialized technical skills, computer hardware, and/or computer software for each instruction mode.
- e. For both new and modified courses, the course proposal must address accessibility for any required instructional materials.

### IV. Operational Procedures

The University shall publish the following information in the *Schedule of Classes*:

1. The instruction mode of each course offering that is online-only or hybrid.
2. Regularly scheduled times for online class meetings, if applicable.
3. Any required off-site meetings for any courses that include such a requirement.
4. Notification to students that an instructor may drop them from an online-only course if they do not log in within the first four days of instruction.