


# Distance Education

Rowan-Cabarrus Community College offers several methods of Distance Education, providing students a wide range of choices and new approaches to learning. RCCC is proud to provide students a way to participate in learning in addition to the traditional classroom. Our goal is to provide students greater flexibility in scheduling classes and provide RCCC's faculty new and innovative approaches to teaching.

## Degree by Distance Programs

RCCC has joined the PBS Going the Distance project, a national effort by public television that assists colleges in developing distance degree programs. These Distance Education programs are mainly designed to accommodate students who need access to courses that provide flexibility of time and place.

RCCC offers two degree programs via Distance Education, delivering academic courses through telecourse and Internet offerings. 

In addition to the Degree by Distance Programs, the following degrees can be completed primarily through Distance Education via Internet and Telecourse offerings that satisfy the majority\* of degree requirements.

- The Associate in Applied Science Degree in the following curriculum areas: Accounting, Business Administration - Marketing and Retailing, Industrial Engineering Technology, Information Systems, and Motorsports Management Technology.
- The Pre-Major in Associate in Arts Degree in the following curriculum areas: Business Administration, Business Education and Marketing Education, Criminal Justice, History, Political Science, Psychology, Social Science Secondary Education, Social Work, and Sociology.

\* 51% or greater of the degree requirements can be completed via Internet courses and Telecourses.

For more information about Distance Education courses, and for a comprehensive list of offerings, students may refer to the information on the following pages. During registration periods, students may also refer to the Semester Schedule of Courses for a list of Distance Education course offerings.

## Hybrid Courses

Hybrid courses combine online learning with face-to-face instruction. A large amount of the course content is delivered as an Internet course, but there are required on-campus meetings that comprise approximately one-third to one-half of the course delivery.

RCCC provides general as well as course-specific guidelines for computer hardware and software required for accessing and participating in the Internet portion of the courses. Students must meet specific academic and skill prerequisites prior to registering for a Hy-

brid course. Such prerequisites determine student preparedness and support student potential for success in a Hybrid course. Requirements include demonstrated reading, written communication, and technical skills. All Hybrid courses, regardless of the curriculum, are reading intensive and writing intensive, and require participants to use a wide variety of computer and Internet technology.

As enrollment in Hybrid courses is limited, and specific testing or course prerequisites must be met to qualify for enrollment, students are encouraged to complete the registration process as early as possible. For more information about prerequisites for Hybrid courses, students may contact Student Services or refer to the college's Distance Education Handbook or the Distance Education website. During registration periods, students may also refer to the Semester Schedule of Courses for information and instructions.

## Telecourses

A telecourse is a complete and integrated instructional system that generally includes television programs, a textbook, and a variety of other instructional materials to be used by the student as the principle component of a college course. Students can take college credit courses by watching these lessons on television at home, completing assigned reading and study materials, with guidance from the instructor, taking appropriate tests, and attending the required on-campus sessions. The courses and the credit hours are equivalent to those offered in traditional on-campus classes. A telecourse is equivalent to a traditionally-taught college course in academic rigor, and student requirements.

Following is a list of courses currently offered in telecourse format. The college regularly adds new telecourses. Please see fall and spring schedules for added courses.

## COURSES CURRENTLY OFFERED VIA TELECOURSE

Telecourse Title	RCCC Title	Credit Hours
Accounting in Action - Financial	ACC 120	Principles of Financial Accounting 4
Accounting in Action - Managerial	ACC 121	Principles of Managerial Accounting 4
It's Strictly Business: An Intro. to the World of Business	BUS 110	Introduction to Business 3
Business and the Law	BUS 115	Business Law I 3
By the Numbers	BUS 121	Business Mathematics 3
Taking the Lead: The Management Revolution	BUS 137	Principles of Management 3
Something Ventured: An Entrepreneurial Approach to Small Business Mgmt.	BUS 230	Small Business Management 3
Intro. to Business Communication	BUS 260	Business Communication 3
Human Communications	COM 110	Introduction to Communication 3
Economics U\$A	ECO 151	Survey of Economics 3
Introduction to Microeconomics: Analytical Building Blocks for Business	ECO 251	Principles of Microeconomics 3

Telecourse Title	RCCC Title	Credit Hours
Introduction to Macroeconomics: Mastering the Global Economy	ECO 252 Principles of Macroeconomics	3
A Writer's Exchange	ENG 111 Expository Writing	3
Advanced English Composition	ENG 112 Argument-Based Research	3
Literary Visions	ENG 131 Introduction to Literature	3
Living Literature	ENG 251 Western World Literature I	3
The Western Tradition I	HIS 121 Western Civilization I	3
The Western Tradition II	HIS 122 Western Civilization II	3
Shaping America	HIS 131 American History I	3
America In Perspective: U.S. History Since 1877	HIS 132 American History II	3
Marketing	MKT 120 Principles of Marketing	3
The Sales Connection: Principles of Selling	MKT 123 Fundamentals of Selling	3
The Examined Life	PHI 210 History of Philosophy	3
Voices in Democracy	POL 120 American Government	3
Psychology: The Human Experience	PSY 150 General Psychology	3
The World of Abnormal Psychology	PSY 281 Abnormal Psychology	3
Exploring Society	SOC 210 Introduction to Sociology	3
Destinos	SPA 111 Elementary Spanish I	3

*See semester schedule for semester to be offered.*

## Interactive Television (ITV) Courses

RCCC has two electronic classrooms called Distance Learning Centers. They are at our North Campus in Rowan County and our South Campus in Cabarrus County. Each classroom has video and audio equipment that allows students in one location to see and talk with an instructor in another location. For example, an instructor could teach a class on our North Campus, but students can take the class at our South Campus. Through our Distance Learning Centers, RCCC also can offer classes to and from other community colleges, universities, public schools, and other institutions.

## Internet Courses

Internet students study textbooks and complete and submit assignments online, following the Internet course outline. Guidance and instructional support are provided through regular course participation and email contact with instructors.

Internet classes have no scheduled sessions on campus although instructors reserve the right to require test-taking in the on-campus testing centers. Internet courses are designed to give students maximum flexibility; however, students are expected to meet course, assignment, and testing deadlines, which provide a framework to promote student progress, and to maintain active participation in the course. RCCC provides general as well as course-specific guidelines for computer hardware and software required for accessing and participating in Internet courses.

Students must meet specific academic and skill prerequisites prior to registering for an Internet course. Such prerequisites determine student preparedness and support student potential for success in an Internet course. Student preparedness includes demonstrated reading, written communication, and technical skills. All Internet courses, regardless of the curriculum, are reading intensive and writing intensive (per word processing or email means), and require participants to use a wide variety of computer and Internet technology.

As enrollment in Internet courses is limited, and specific testing or course prerequisites must be met to qualify for enrollment, students are encouraged to complete the registration process as early as possible. For more information about prerequisites for Internet courses, students may contact Student Services or refer to the college's Distance Education Handbook or the Distance Education web site. During registration periods, students may also refer to the Semester Schedule of Courses for information and instructions.

### **COURSES CURRENTLY OFFERED VIA INTERNET**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	
ACC 120	Principles of Financial Accounting	4
ACC 121	Principles of Managerial Accounting	4
AST 111	Descriptive Astronomy	3
AST 151	General Astronomy I	3
AST 151A	General Astronomy I Lab	1
AST 152	General Astronomy II	3
AST 152A	General Astronomy II Lab	1
BUS 110	Introduction to Business	3
BUS 115	Business Law I	3
BUS 121	Business Mathematics	3
BUS 137	Principles of Management	3
BUS 153	Human Resource Management	3
BUS 217	Employment Law & Regulations	3
BUS 225	Business Finance	3
BUS 230	Small Business Management	3
BUS 253	Leadership & Management Skills	3
BUS 260	Business Communication	3
CIS 110	Introduction to Computers	3
CIS 111	Basic PC Literacy	2
CIS 120	Spreadsheet I	3
CIS 152	Database Concepts & Applications	3
CIS 172	Introduction to the Internet	3
CIS 225	Integrated Software	2
CIS 286	Systems Analysis & Design	3
CIS 287	Network Support	3
CJC 111	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJC 112	Criminology	3
CJC 121	Law Enforcement Operations	3
CJC 141	Corrections	3
ECO 151	Survey of Economics	3
ECO 251	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECO 252	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
EDU 131	Children, Family & Community	3

	Title	Credit Hours
EDU 144	Child Development I	3
EDU 145	Child Development II	3
EDU 146	Child Guidance	3
EDU 221	Children with Special Needs	3
EDU 259	Curriculum Planning	3
ENG 111	Expository Writing	3
ENG 114	Professional Research & Reporting	3
ENG 131	Introduction to Literature	3
HIS 121	Western Civilization I	3
HIS 122	Western Civilization II	3
HIS 131	American History I	3
HIS 132	American History II	3
ISC 112	Introduction to Safety	2
ISC 115	Construction Safety	2
ISC 121	Environmental Health & Safety	3
ISC 225	Facility Layout	4
ITN 130	Web Site Management	3
ITN 160	Principles of Web Design	3
ITN 260	Introduction to E-Commerce	3
MAT 161	College Algebra	3
MKT 120	Principles of Marketing	3
MKT 122	Visual Merchandising	3
MKT 123	Fundamentals of Selling	3
MKT 220	Advertising and Sales Promotion	3
MKT 225	Marketing Research	3
MSM 110	Introduction to Motorsports Management	3
MSM 112	Engine/Drivetrain Fundamentals	2
MSM 216	Organization Mobility	2
MSM 218	Safety/Environment	2
NET 110	Data Communications/Networking	3
OST 136	Word Processing	2
OST 137	Office Software Applications	2
OST 236	Advanced Word/Information Processing	3
PHI 210	History of Philosophy	3
PHY 110	Conceptual Physics	3
PSY 150	General Psychology	3
SOC 210	Introduction to Sociology	3

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