

Online Education Task Force Glossary of Terms

icourse: Fully-online course developed for “immersion” students (students who physically attend classes on one of ASU’s physical campuses). These courses are managed by the academic unit.

ocourse: Fully-online course developed for students who are taking their entire degree online. These courses are typically managed by ASU Online.

Hybrid course; Hybrid: A class taught using both face-to-face and Internet-delivered components, where the Internet-delivered components result in a reduction in regularly scheduled face-to-face meeting times. A hybrid class balances the components, with between 33% and 66% of the course activities occurring in a face-to-face context. Faculty have regular, on-campus office hours posted on the syllabus.

Blended course: A course in which students meet face-to-face, but the instructor uses some online technology to facilitate learning. For example, the instructor might assign online homework or have students watch lectures online, while the physical class meetings focus on discussion or hands-on activities.

Face-to-Face: A class that meets on a regular weekly schedule in a physical classroom with students enrolled in campus-based programs. Such a course may include Internet-delivered components, which do not significantly alter the regular in-class schedule. Faculty have regular, on-campus office hours posted on the syllabus.

Continuing education course: A non-credit course typically oriented toward life-long learners or professionals. Continuing education courses often focus on discrete professional skills or certification.

i/o split course: Fully-online course developed to simultaneously serve fully-online students and immersion students.

iaCourse: (iCourse with in-person assessment): A class with all components delivered via the Internet, except mandatory face-to-face assessments, to students enrolled in campus-based programs. Faculty have regular, on-campus office hours posted on the syllabus.

Master course: A course designed for use by multiple instructors. Typically, master courses are developed by a team of faculty or lead instructor with the knowledge that the course will be taught in multiple sections by different faculty. While individual instructors might make small adjustments, the course is designed to remain consistent across sections.

pCourse: (Personalized Learning Course): A class where all instruction is personalized using Internet based technology; may be taught in multiple learning environments. Faculty have regular, on-campus office hours posted on the syllabus.