

A photograph of a man with a beard and short hair, wearing a purple sweater over a dark collared shirt. He is holding a white laptop under his left arm and looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The background shows a brick wall and a white pillar.

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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Instructional Technology Graduate Program
Certificate in Distance Instruction

CERTIFICATE IN DISTANCE INSTRUCTION: AN 18-CREDIT ONLINE PROGRAM

The certificate in distance instruction through East Carolina's Department of Library Science and Instructional Technology is designed to provide you an opportunity to learn the basic principles of distance delivery of classes, to manage distance-delivered classes, and to evaluate the effectiveness of development and delivery of online instruction.

PROGRAM DETAILS AND FEATURES

- You complete the six required courses (18 credit hours) online at your own pace. Most students complete the certificate in one or two years. For more information about courses and course sequence, please see <http://lsit.coe.ecu.edu/certificates/telelearn.htm>.
- The courses are graduate level and can be applied toward the master's degree in instructional technology.
- You will learn the processes and practices of distance instruction and the technologies used to develop, deliver, and administer instruction online. All courses are project-based and provide learners both hands-on and practical experience as well as interaction with other students.
- The online courses are participatory (using tools such as threaded discussion or chat), allowing you to work with instructors and other students in a way that broadens your professional network.

DISTANCE INSTRUCTION COURSES

The certificate in distance instruction requires 18 semester hours of graduate-level course work in distance delivery of courses. All courses are delivered entirely online. Course topics include Web teaching; design and development, and management of distance education.

CERTIFICATE STUDENTS

Students in the distance instruction certificate program are generally a combination of working professionals and graduate students. A large number of certificate students are currently employed at universities, state departments of education, and community colleges.

Many certificate students are either working toward an advanced degree or already hold one. All of the course work in the certificate program may be applied to the master's degree program in instructional technology offered by East Carolina.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO ACCOMPLISH

Graduates of the certificate program possess the following skills and experiences:

- Knowledge of instructional systems design processes and the ability to create effective online instruction
- Hands-on experience with current and innovative online instructional technologies
- The ability to develop instructional modules for online learning environments
- Knowledge of the current trends and practices in online learning and management of online learning programs

Certificate program graduates are prepared to use their knowledge and skills in higher education, business, military/government, and public school settings. Current students and graduates are typically involved in distance education administration, online course development and delivery, and online instructional media development.

For more information about the certificate in distance instruction at East Carolina University, visit us at: <http://lsit.coe.ecu.edu/certificates/telelearn.htm> or contact Distance Instruction Certificate Coordinator Dr. Abbie Brown at brownab@ecu.edu or (252) 737-1569.

Students must be admitted to the Graduate School and meet essentially the admission requirements for the master of science in instructional technology degree.



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