

## COURSE MODALITIES SUMMARY

Currently we offer classes in two course modalities, in-person and asynchronous online. In response to requests from instructors and Deans, we will now allow for four course modalities:

- **In-Person**: Class is conducted in person on the assigned days/times and location as found in the schedule of classes.
- **Online, Asynchronous**: Class is conducted entirely online. There are no required specific meeting days/times, including for assessment.
- **Online, Synchronous**: Class is conducted entirely online. Includes one or more specific meeting days/times, including for assessment, as found in the schedule of classes.
- **Blended**: Class is conducted at least 25% but no more than 75% in person on required specific days/times and location as found in the schedule of classes, as well as designed online learning experiences that support learning objectives and take approximately the same amount of time as the reduced class meetings.

The primary motivation for this change is allow instructors to use a wider variety of modalities to best deliver their courses while also better informing students of the in-person and digital learning expectations for each class section as they are registering for classes. Please note the current two modalities are included in the four new modalities. We are not asking instructors/departments to change their modalities, merely allowing for that option if desired and pedagogically sound. The unit dean and Provost will determine the balance of modalities across a unit's entire course offerings for any given academic year or semester. The attached document includes more details.

**Note:** For blended learning courses, the date and location of in-person and online, synchronous meetings must be included in the university's schedule of classes (and the course syllabus) at the time of registration so that students may plan accordingly. As an example of a blended course that meets on MWF, the Monday and Wednesday class meetings might be in-person in an assigned classroom while the Friday meeting is online either asynchronously or synchronously at the same time as the scheduled in-person class meetings. Class schedulers will include the course modality in the schedule of classes as well as the times/locations of in-person, synchronous online, and blended courses.