Credit Area

Distance Learning Courses

Distance learning courses, coordinated through the College of Continuing Education and Distance Learning, include videoconferencing, correspondence, and online/hybrid courses.

Videoconferencing Courses

Videoconferencing courses send the instructor's "live" lectures at MTSU to students at remote sites. Sites include Chattanooga and Columbia State Community College. The videoconferencing classrooms are equipped with TV monitors and microphones so that students and instructors can interact. The instructor will visit the remote sites during the semester to assure that each student will have an opportunity to meet him/her in person. The instructor is also available during office hours at MTSU by phone, e-mail, or in person.

Correspondence Courses

Correspondence courses involve individual, independent instruction of a student by an instructor on a one-to-one basis. Typically, this entails home study as well as the exchange of materials and evaluations. Interaction and feedback between correspondence course faculty and students take the forms of written assignments, testing, evaluations, guidance, and assistance through telephone, fax, e-mail, and other electronic communication. E-mail distance@mtsu.edu or call (615) 898-5332 for more information.

Online/Hybrid Courses

Online/hybrid courses are accessed over the Internet through MTSU's course management system. Only students with strong experience on the Internet should register for an online/hybrid course. Students are required to have access to a computer and the Internet. A photo ID must be presented at all exams. All other assignments and quizzes will be available through the Internet. Students in hybrid classes may have up to 9 hours of required campus meetings, which may include midterm and/or final exams. Additional information may be obtained by visiting www.mtsu.edu/online.



MTSU offers several online graduate and undergraduate degree programs.

Undergraduate

B.S. of Science Completion Program for Registered Nurses (RN to BSN) B.S. in Psychology

Graduate

Master of Education

- in Administration and Supervision, concentration in Library Science (some on-campus meetings required)
- in Curriculum and Instruction, concentration in ESL

Education Specialist in Curriculum and Instruction (Ed.S.)

- specialization in ESL
- specialization in Technology and Curriculum Design
- specialization in Culture, Cognition, and the Learning Process

Master of Business Education

More information is available by calling (615) 898-5611.

Evening School

The College of Continuing Education and Distance Learning serves students attending MTSU at night by assisting with registration, accepting payment of fees/fines for the Business Office, providing catalogs, making IDs, issuing parking permits, and offering other services to students outside regular daytime business hours. More information is available by contacting the Evening School Office, (615) 898-5611, or at www.mtsu. edu/learn/eveningschool.

Off-campus Program

Credit courses are regularly scheduled at several off-campus locations in middle Tennessee, including Smyrna, Motlow, and Columbia State Community Colleges. Efforts are made to service any special requests for off-campus credit courses by business and industry, school systems, and agencies. For more information, contact (615) 898-2121 or visit www.mtsu. edu/learn/offcampus.

Summer School

The College of Continuing Education and Distance Learning directs the summer school, which includes a substantial number of credit courses. For more information, visit www.mtsu.edu/learn/summerschool.

Regents Online Degree Program (RODP)

Middle Tennessee State University and each of the colleges and universities in the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) system are working cooperatively to allow students to earn college degrees entirely online. The joint program is called the Regents Online Degree Program (RODP).

The online program currently includes a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Liberal Studies or a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Professional Studies and concentrations in Information Technology and Organizational Leadership. Students must earn a minimum of 120 hours; meet MTSU upper-division, residency, and senior hour requirements; meet MTSU General Education requirements; meet MTSU GPA requirements; and complete the courses outlined in the degree program. Other programs available online include alternative licensure, add-on endorsements in Special Education and English as a Second Language, and occupational licensure.

Admissions, instruction, advising, library services, and other forms of student assistance are available online. The Regents online courses have been designed to be taught totally online in an interactive, asynchronous format. For advisement, please call (615) 898-5611.

Designed especially for adults who already have some college experience, the online degree program is also appropriate for students who have earned or are working on associate's degrees. For more information regarding degree requirements, please refer to the Regents Web site at www.tn.regentsdegrees org or call (615) 898-5611.

Adult Degree Completion Program

Some students may earn up to 30 elective credits toward the RODP and B.Unv.S. degree programs through a portfolio evaluation of prior learning. Please call (615) 898-5651 for more details.



Professional Development

The mission of the Professional Development department is to provide specialized continuing education programs to those interested in developing their professional expertise. This department does this through a variety of offerings and additional services to the University and the community.

Online/On-Demand

Professional Development provides hundreds of online or on-demand courses covering a wide range of topics and issues. Courses covering topics as diverse as test preparation, software mastery, professional development, and personal enrichment are available. The list of courses is extensive and grows continuously. The list of online/on-demand courses can be found in the online Professional Development catalog at www.mtsu.edu/learn.

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

This office manages a state-certified program designed to meet the educational requirements of individuals who seek to become licensed Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT).



The 213-hour course provides training for emergency care and stabilization to the critically ill and injured. Emphasis is placed on care at the scene and during transportation to a medical facility, IV maintenance, EOA, and epinephrine modules. In-depth study is done on patient assessment and shock physiology with fluid, intravenous therapy, and D50W administration as the focus. Actual experiences are provided and clinical and lab times are required in addition to class time. Information regarding this program may be found online at www.mtsu.edu/learn.

Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)

The Professional Development office provides in-class training for those who wish to pursue the professional designations offered by the Society for Human Resource Management. SHRM serves the needs of the human resource management professional by providing the most essential and comprehensive set of resources available. The society is committed to advancing the human resource profession and the capabilities of all human resource professionals to ensure that HR is an essential and effective partner in developing and executing organizational strategy. Information regarding this program may be found online at www.mtsu.edu/learn.

Regents Online Continuing Education (ROCE)

Professional Development also manages the Regents Online Continuing Education program, which consists of professional development and workforce training programs offered through a consortium of Tennessee Board of Regents colleges, universities, and technology centers.

ROCE offers an extensive, nontraditional continuing education program for adults 18 or older regardless of educational background. Continuing education courses are designed to meet the demanding schedules of the workforce and provide training for industry-related certified programs.

Through short-term training, ROCE offers courses designed to upgrade skills and improve organizations, industries, and economic performance and to provide personal enrichment courses for persons who wish to obtain knowledge and learn new skills. All training is available online. ROCE program costs vary by course; fees are nonrefundable once the program starts.

Continuing Education Units

Professional Development also certifies, monitors, and tracks the issuance of continuing education units, continuing professional education units, and continuing legal education units for the University and various professional groups and organizations.

More Information

More information can be obtained by contacting the College of Continuing Education and Distance Learning, (615) 898-2177. Additional information may be obtained by visiting www.mtsu.edu/learn.