

NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS

Purpose

Non-traditional programming offers quality education and training for effective vocations.

Online Learning

The College offers courses online through the Canvas platform accessible in the Mid-America Portal (MAP). The purpose of this system is to provide educational opportunities for students whose residence and/or work schedule prevents them from attending residential classes.

Courses involve a variety of methodologies. Instruction may include video, PowerPoint, text instruction, and independent tasks such as research projects and papers. Some courses include hyperlinked projects, such as preaching videos, historical journals, biblical studies, and geographical mapping. Each class includes interaction through methods, such as chat rooms, discussion forums, threads, email, and video conferencing. Quizzes, assignments, and tests may also be conducted through the online learning management system.

Students and professors can interact through the various features of online courses. Enrollment occurs through the standard registration process.

Distance Education Privacy Policy

Mid-America College seeks to protect the privacy of students enrolled in distance education courses through the following means:

1. A student's coursework is viewable only by the course professor unless the student gives permission for specific information to be shared with others.
2. A student's grades are viewable only by the student, the professor, and the registrar's office.
3. A student's posts to online forums are considered part of the open class discussion and meet best practices expectations (Mid-America Posting Rubric) for student to student and student to professor interaction. Students should have the expectation of privacy within the online class for posts to these forums.
4. A student's emails or instant messaging to the professor are considered private and should not be made available to other students. However, should a student's communication violate Mid-America policies or include information that a professor is legally obligated to report; such communication does not have expectation of confidentiality.
5. Students who believe their privacy has been violated should contact the professor first. If no satisfactory result occurs, the student may make appeal to the institution through the Student Grievance Policy and Procedure.

Dual Enrollment

Mid-America College offers a dual enrollment program that gives options to high school students for earning college credit. Through this program, a high school student may earn up to 30 hours of credit toward a bachelor's degree. To earn the full 30 hours of credit, high school students must take five classes during their junior year and five classes during their senior year.

Students must meet the following requirements to participate:

- GPA 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (B average)
- A recommendation from the applicant's principal, guidance counselor or teacher

Dual Enrollment students may choose from any classes offered by Mid-America College except Pastoral Ministries and Preaching.

Tuition for Dual Enrollment courses is \$300 per course. There is no campus fee charge for these students.

To begin in Dual Enrollment, a student should contact the admissions office at Mid-America.