

# ONLINE EDUCATION

Foothill College offers students a full schedule of on-campus classes in addition to online classes offered in a variety of modalities. Online and hybrid courses include lectures, discussions, assignments and tests delivered via the internet with regular opportunities for digital interaction with instructors and other students. Foothill College offers many associate degree and associate degree for transfer programs entirely online, as well as general education requirements.

Foothill College may be required to receive state authorization to enroll students in online courses who do not reside in California. Many states either have given the college this authorization or do not require authorization. However, some states require significant fees for state authorization. Due to the significant and/or recurring fees for state authorization, Foothill College no longer permits a student to enroll if they reside in any of the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island or Washington, D.C. For more information, visit [foothill.edu/onlinelearning](http://foothill.edu/onlinelearning).

Please see below for the full range of options for virtual instruction.

## Key Terms

- **Virtual Campus** – In a virtual campus, instruction and support services are conducted remotely, using various technologies for synchronous and asynchronous communication and activities. The goal of the virtual campus is to provide instruction and support services while sheltering in place, to maintain the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff.
- **Virtual Instruction** - Teaching activities are carried out online using various technologies, including learning management systems, videoconferencing, phone, and email. A virtual learning environment, like a physical one, utilizes effective practices for pacing, scaffolding, collaboration, and interaction. This can be achieved through synchronous as well as asynchronous activities.
- **Virtual Academic and Student Support Services** – Like instruction, academic and student support services are carried out online using various technologies, including phone, videoconferencing, and email. Just as in a physical campus, the goal is to provide students equitable access to services, through both drop-in and appointment-based methods. Like instruction, this can be achieved through synchronous as well as asynchronous activities.
- **Asynchronous Delivery** – Instruction and student services can be delivered "asynchronously." In this modality, interaction between the student and the course/student service does not occur in person or in real-time, but through the Course Management System, such as discussion posts, feedback on submissions, video lectures, and other course content and activities. Students must meet the weekly requirements outlined by the course instructor but will have the flexibility to do so within their schedule. Students engage with support services within a service schedule.
- **Synchronous Delivery** – Instruction or a student service is conducted between the faculty/support staff in real-time, with participants engaging in learning and communication at the same time, according to a set schedule.

**Course Footnotes** (found in the [online schedule](#))

Code	Definition	Footnote	Example
R	Combined Virtual – entirely synchronous live in-person both on-campus and online during scheduled days and times	This is a combined hybrid class requiring attendance; scheduled both on-campus and online meetings (e.g., zoom) live with the instructor defined on specific days and times, as noted in the class schedule.	ENGL 001A01R: MW, 8-9:50am, room = 6505; F, 8-8:50am, room = online
T	All Modalities Hybrid – a combination of on-campus scheduled days and times (with a room number will be held on campus), synchronous live in-person online during scheduled days and times, and asynchronous with online work	This is a hybrid class requiring asynchronous class hours and in-person attendance. In-person synchronous class sessions are both on-campus and online scheduled meetings conducted live with the instructor defined on specific days and times, as noted in the class schedule. The class also requires asynchronous class hours allowing the student to work according to their schedule to meet the weekly requirements outlined by the course instructor. After registering find out how to log in to the course site: <a href="https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html">https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html</a>	ENGL 001A01T: MW, 8-8:50am, room = 6505; F, 8-8:50am, room = online; Tba, Tba, room = online
V	Virtual – entirely synchronous live in-person online during scheduled days and times	This is a fully virtual online class. ALL scheduled meetings are live with the instructor (e.g., zoom) defined on specific days and times, as noted in the class schedule.	ENGL 001A01V: MW, 8-9:50am, room = online; F, 8-8:50am, room = online
W	Online – fully asynchronous (TBA hours)	This is a fully online asynchronous class, allowing the student to work according to their schedule to meet the weekly requirements outlined by the course instructor. After registering, find out how to log in to the course site: <a href="https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html">https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html</a>	ENGL 001A01W: Tba, Tba, room = online

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Y	Hybrid – a combination of on-campus scheduled days and times (with a room number will be held on campus) and asynchronous with online work	This is a hybrid class requiring attendance, both on-campus and online. After registering, find out how to log in to the course site: <a href="https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html">https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html</a>	ENGL 001A01Y: MW, 8-9:50am, room = 6505; Tba, Tba, room = online
Z	Online Hybrid – a combination of synchronous live online scheduled days and times and asynchronous online work	This is a fully online class, with SOME scheduled virtual meetings (e.g., by zoom) defined on specific days and times, as noted in the class schedule. The remaining part of the class is online asynchronous, allowing the student to work according to their own schedule to meet the weekly requirements outlined by the course instructor. After registering find out how to log in to the course site: <a href="https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html">https://foothill.edu/onlinelearning/canvas-info/course-access.html</a>	ENGL 001A01Z: MW, 8-9:50am, room=online; Tba, Tba, room=online