MOU of Instructional Modalities Being Used in AY 2020-21

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This MOU articulates an understanding of the definitions of the following modalities being used during Academic Year 2020-2021. At the time of this writing, the current listing of instructional modalities is outdated and does not clearly represent the current modalities used by faculty. Additionally, steps are in progress to highlight the instructional modality within the course registration process to better inform students of their options. During AY 2020-2021 the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee will revisit policies relating to instructional modality and make appropriate changes. In the interim, this MOU shall supersede the definitions provided in CWUP 5-50-060 (2)(B) – Hybrid or Online Courses.

The following course modalities will be used during AY 2020-2021:

P: In Person:
- In Person courses meet in person on the Ellensburg campus or at one of the CWU centers or instructional sites. The weekly meeting schedule is commensurate with the course’s credits hours. In Person courses may or may not use the learning management system (Canvas) or other university-sponsored instructional technologies to deliver content and facilitate interaction.

WW: Online (changed from World Wide Web):
- Online courses are taught entirely online, and do not require participation at any specific time. Instructors may conduct online office hours and supplemental class activates at a specific time to enrich the learning environment but cannot require participation. The time listed in the schedule will be blank and room will be listed as ONLINE. All required components of Online courses can be completed at any time, provided that assigned due dates are met.

IT: Real-Time Online (changed from ITV/Satellite/Teleclass):
- Real-Time Online courses are courses taught by the instructor in one location with students participating “Real-Time” through Broadcast, cablecasts or through online platforms (Zoom Meeting, Blackboard Ultra, etc.) with a specific weekly meeting pattern. The required participation times are reflected in the schedule, with the room listed for distance education sections held at CWU centers and instructional sites, or as ONLINE if there is no such requirement. All other components of Real-Time Online courses can be completed at any time, provided that assigned due dates are met.

HYBRID: Hybrid Instruction
- HS courses are taught in person with additional online components. Students will be required to be in a particular place at a particular time for a ‘seat-based’ component. Additional online components may require participation at a particular time. The times of all required time-based components as well as the room for seat-based components are reflected in the course schedule. All other components of Hybrid courses can be completed at any time, provided that assigned due dates are met.
The current instructional modality of WP: Web Presence will not be used and all course sections using WP for Fall 2020 will be changed to P.

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