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SOUTHWEST
TENNESSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Distance Education Division offers students many opportunities to complete a broad range of courses using innovative alternatives to the traditional classroom. Distance Education credit courses across the spectrum of academic divisions give students great flexibility in setting their schedules and completing requirements for their degrees. Currently, 120 online courses are available, as are 29 telecourses.

Online Associate of Applied Science degrees at Southwest

- Business and Commerce/Management Concentration
- Office Administration/General Administrative Assistant Concentration

Online courses and telecourses particularly benefit students whose responsibilities and lifestyles cause difficulty in scheduling on-campus classes. A sample course as well as an Orientation to Online Learning is provided to assist students in determining their preparedness for online courses (<http://ww2.southwest.tn.edu>). Telecourses are broadcast on cable, public television, and the Germantown High School station, and are available in video format through the Division's Academic Support centers and libraries.

Regents Online Degree Program (RODP)

Southwest participates in the Tennessee Board of Regents statewide, cooperative effort to bring courses and degrees online to both residents and non-residents of the state. Associate degrees currently available are as follows:

- Associate of Arts in General Studies (university parallel)
- Associate of Science in General Studies (university parallel)
- Associate of Applied Science in Professional Studies with a Concentration in Information Technology

The university parallel degrees transfer totally into the RODP bachelor's degree programs offered by the six TBR universities.

Academic Support Center

The Academic Support Center's primary purpose is to provide tutoring to help students succeed in their classes. This free service is available to all students. Centers are located on both main

campuses. They also provide checkout of telecourse and instructional tapes and access to equipment onsite to view the tapes. Online tutoring is provided for many areas of mathematics. For information regarding online tutoring, go to <http://ww2.southwest.tn.edu/mathtutor.htm>.

Academic Web Services

The Academic Web Services Office provides service to faculty and students in all areas of Distance Education. Visit the Distance Education Web site, <http://ww2.southwest.tn.edu>, for information about current and future online courses, telecourses and links to important online resources for Distance Education students.

See the College catalog and the online credit schedule for a list of current courses. Not all online courses and telecourses are available every semester.

Center of Emphasis for Teaching and Technology

The Center of Emphasis helps acquire and implement new technology systems for instruction, and trains faculty to use them. The Center assesses advances in equipment in terms of its value in upgrading current facilities, and continually trains faculty in its use for development and delivery of online courses and improvement of traditional classroom teaching by infusing technology into the learning process.

Instructional Support Centers

The Instructional Support Centers are located in the Centers of Emphasis on the Union Avenue Campus Room B-204 and Macon Cove Campus Room Farris 2105. The following services and equipment are available for Southwest faculty:

- CD Duplicator
- Computers
- DVD Writer
- Laminator
- Poster Maker
- Scanner
- Digital Cameras
- Laptop Computers
- Projectors
- Video Cameras



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Interactive Television Classrooms

Two-way interactive video in classrooms at both main campuses and at the Fayette, Gill, Southeast, Millington and Whitehaven locations provide a wide variety of distance education opportunities. These include videoconferencing, shared classroom teaching, tutoring opportunities, and training programs at locations across the campus or around the world.

Media Services

Media Services coordinates telecourses, videotapes classroom projects and other functions, purchases and maintains classroom technology, and coordinates the Interactive Television classrooms and Southwest studios among other services. It also participates in the Instructional Support centers. The Media Services Department maintains and operates a television production studio on both the Union Avenue and Macon Cove campuses. Both studios have the capability for production and post production. The Union Avenue studio is a state-of-the-art facility designed for digital broadcast quality production as well as for taping of faculty lectures and student presentations.

Twenty-first Century Classrooms

State of the art classrooms offering a wide, exciting range of multimedia learning experiences expand students' opportunities to experience education on the cutting edge of technology. Twenty-first century classrooms are in use at both main campuses and at Gill, Southeast and Whitehaven centers.

Southwest Centers and Sites

Southwest consists of the two main campuses, Macon Cove and Union Avenue, and five outlying locations, Fayette Site, Gill Center, Millington Center, Southeast Center and Whitehaven Center.

For more information, access the Division's Web site:
<http://ww2.southwest.tn.edu>

Why choose Southwest?

- Fully accredited programs by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- Small classes for more personalized attention
- Flexible class schedules available at multiple campuses, centers, sites; and distance learning opportunities
- Affordable tuition
- Support services, including career counseling, free tutoring, career services, financial aid, job opportunity assistance and on-site child care services

How do I apply for admission to Southwest?

- Complete application for Southwest.
- Submit your application and pay \$5 application fee to Cashier's Office.
- Request that an "official" copy of your high school/GED scores, college transcript(s) be sent to:

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P.O. Box 780, Memphis, TN 38101-0780

- Apply for financial aid by completing the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov (All Students).
- Complete testing requirements.
- Complete new student orientation, either online or on campus.
- Review the College's academic calendar, schedule of classes, registration dates, times and locations online at www.southwest.tn.edu/academics/
- Meet with academic advisor.
- Register for classes online, via TRAVIS or in person.
- Pay your fees or ensure that your financial aid is in place for your courses.

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