

What is a Hybrid course?

In a Hybrid course a significant portion of the learning activities are moved online and time spent in the classroom is reduced but not eliminated. They blend in-class teaching and online learning. It involves using the time in the classroom to do those activities best suited for that setting while using the online time for learning experiences that can be best accomplished in that environment.

From the outset, a hybrid course is developed differently, with an aim to make students even more directly responsible for their learning through interactive and collaborative online activities allowing them to create their own learning and provide feedback to each other as well as to their teacher.

What is Hybrid teaching?

Hybrid teaching represents forward thinking ways of connecting with students. It combines the best elements of face to face teaching with the best elements of on-line learning brought together in a supportive and functional environment for learners.

A Hybrid course is not...

- Traditional classroom activities + "let's put some stuff on the web"
- Online course with campus tests
- On campus lectures with reading and tests online

A Hybrid course is...

- Alternate design
- Innovative scheduling
- Facilitated learning
- It is adopting a whole new philosophy of teaching – not just building on top of what is already being done

Advantages of Hybrid Courses...

- Students prefer mix of learning platforms
- Flexible course format
- Greater student engagement
- More student accountability
- Allows customization of various learning styles
- Addresses classroom shortages
- Improves communication between instructor and student in large classes
- Puts students in touch with others interested in the same issues and topics
- Learning is facilitated by resources available on the web and shared with others across the world
- Assures computer literacy