

Distance and Online Education

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Website: <https://distance.uiowa.edu/>

Distance and Online Education (DOE) increases access to the services and resources at the University of Iowa to students and other constituents across the state. In partnership with the university's colleges and departments, DOE provides high-quality credit coursework, degrees, and certificate programs to traditional and nontraditional learners. Using a variety of locations, schedules, and technologies, DOE helps provide a University of Iowa learning environment beyond the physical borders of the Iowa City campus. In addition, many on-campus students enjoy the flexibility that online coursework affords them. Courses offered through Distance and Online Education are taught by University of Iowa faculty and staff members.

Programs of Study Online or on Location in Iowa

There are over 100 undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees and certificates available either online or on location in Iowa. DOE consistently offers support for over 700 online or on-location courses during the academic year.

For additional information on a particular program, see the program finder on the DOE website.

Resource Centers

Distance and Online Education partners with resource centers across the state of Iowa. The primary goal of the centers is to increase access to high-quality undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities for students in the region where they live. These opportunities are delivered in a variety of formats including online and on location. Community partnerships also have been created through the centers which further benefit Iowans.

Western Iowa Regents Resource Center

Director: Steve Warnstadt

Website: <https://wirrc.org>

Western Iowa Regents Resource Center (WIRRC) works with community colleges in their service areas to provide access to quality education to students in western Iowa. Offices are located in Council Bluffs, Sioux City, and Sheldon. Coursework and degree programs are provided by the three state universities.

Iowa Lakeside Laboratory and Regents Resource Center

Executive Director: Mary P. Skopec

Website: <https://iowalakesidelab.org>

This center is located near Milford, Iowa, on scenic West Okoboji Lake on Little Miller's Bay. Iowa Lakeside Laboratory is a field station run cooperatively by the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and the University of Northern Iowa, and administered by the University of Iowa. The laboratory offers summer courses and research opportunities for

undergraduate and graduate students. Courses focus on the ecology, taxonomy, and conservation of northern plains animals, plants, microorganisms, and ecosystems.

Des Moines Programs

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The Master of Social Work (MSW) program, graduate degrees, and certificates are offered at the John and Mary Pappajohn Education Center (JMPEC), located in downtown Des Moines, Iowa. Close to many corporate businesses and government offices, JMPEC is an ideal location for a variety of students who want to further their education.