

PHEAA's Distance Education Policy

***** Please read the below information, and make the proper adjustments to your schedules if necessary *****

Beginning with the 2013-14 academic year, PHEAA will implement their new distance education policy. This policy states that students must complete at least 50% of their coursework credits through in-classroom instruction unless the student has a medical disability.

If the student has a medical disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the student may request an accommodation (exception) to the 50% in-classroom requirement. Please visit the following website to obtain the ADA form www.pheaa.org.

Courses conducted online or through live interactive audio or videoconferencing, webcasts, computer-based technologies, and blended courses are NOT considered in the classroom.

In-person experiences such as student teaching, study abroad, laboratories, and internships are considered to be in-classroom instruction.

Students who attempt more than 50% of their course work online, will NOT be eligible for the PA State Grant (PHEAA).

At Millersville University, the distance education policy will be monitored on a term-by-term basis.

Examples of In-classroom and Distance Education Monitoring:

This policy also applies to the summer term

EX 1.

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Classroom Instruction	Online Classes	Classroom Instruction	Online Classes
3 Credits	4 Credits	4 Credits	3 Credits
Not Eligible for a State Grant		Eligible for a ½ time Grant	

EX 2.

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Classroom Instruction	Online Classes	Classroom Instruction	Online Classes
6 Credits	9 Credits	9 Credits	6 Credits
Not Eligible for a State Grant at all. Not even a half time grant.		Eligible for a full-time grant	

EX 3.

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Classroom Instruction	Online Classes	Classroom Instruction	Online Classes
3 Credits	3 Credits	6 Credits	6 Credits
Eligible for a ½ time Grant		Eligible for a full-time grant	