Distance Education

Iowa State University remains true to the land-grant tradition of extending knowledge far beyond campus borders. Faculty members provide cutting-edge information that helps people continue to learn and meet the demands of careers and society. Annually thousands of students enroll in Iowa State courses without setting foot in Ames. In addition to the traditional method of instructors traveling to classrooms off campus, Iowa State University faculty teach distance learning courses online, by video conferencing, streaming media, and CD/DVD.

Courses are the same as those offered on campus, carry residential credit, and are taught by Iowa State faculty. Credit earned becomes a part of the academic record at Iowa State University and may be used to meet degree requirements the same as credit earned on campus.

College distance education staff provides leadership in helping faculty identify the needs of Iowans and methods to reach adult learners. They also help students access services and information at the university.

For a list of courses and programs, visit www.distance.iastate.edu. Information on registering for distance education courses is available from the web site or from the Office of Registrar at 515-294-1889 (8am-4:30pm CT).

Registration Services

The mission of Registration Services is to provide access to high-quality continuing education and lifelong learning opportunities for professional development, personal enrichment, career transitions, and academic growth.

Registration Services supports Iowa State University’s outreach mission and to facilitate access to excellence in education for a diverse community of adult learners within Iowa and beyond by utilizing technologies that expand access.

Registration Services offers both Continuing Education Units (CEUs) and non-CEU courses, workshops, conferences and other educational activities sponsored by Iowa State University. While these programs do not carry academic credits, they are designed to ensure that a student’s continuing education and professional needs are met.

For a list of courses and programs, or to request specific courses and programs, visit http://www.extension.iastate.edu/registration/, or call (515) 294-6222. Information also is available at the Iowa State University Extension offices across the state of Iowa.