

Announcing New Online Programs!

UNC Charlotte's list of distance education programs is growing! We are proud to announce three new online programs now accepting applications!

Master of Education in Instructional Systems Technology Nationally Recognized Program

The online MEd in IST is a 39-credit-hour degree program that is designed for teachers in public or private schools and those in the private sector who wish to increase their instructional technology skills and develop skills for designing and implementing curriculum and instructional strategies that incorporate instructional systems technology.

Applications are being accepted for Fall 2009.

Master of Science in Engineering Management

The 30-credit-hour Master of Science in Engineering Management (MSEM) degree program is a technical alternative to the MBA and prepares graduates for careers managing systems, processes, procedures, organizations and business.

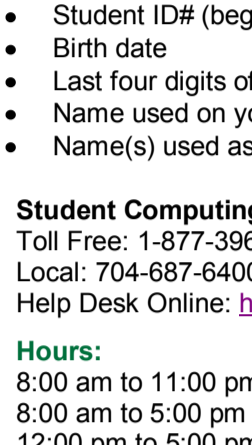
Applications are being accepted for Fall 2009.

Post-Master's Certificate in School Counseling

Beginning in the first summer session students with a Master's degree in Counseling now have an online opportunity only available at UNC Charlotte. The certificate program will admit students each summer to the four-course sequence. The Counseling Department will join forces with the Office of Distance Education for the rollout of the program at the American Counseling Association's Annual Conference and Exposition in Charlotte, March 20-22.

Applications are being accepted for Summer I.

Making the Connection... Student Computing Center



UNC Charlotte's Student Computing Center is a unit within Information and Technology Services that works to ensure that students have access to the technological information needed to support their academic efforts at UNC Charlotte. The Student Computing Help Center provides distance education students the same technical assistance provided to on-campus students.

The Student Computing Help Center assists with:

- NinerNet account
- Login questions
- Password problems
- Software applications
- Novell
- 49er Express
- Blackboard/Vista

Distance Education students have the added resource of the [Technical Orientation](#) that is on the DE webpage. Many of the answers you are seeking might be in the online orientation. Check it out before calling the Help Center!

Help Student Computing help you!

Before you contact the Help Center be prepared with:

- Student ID# (begins with 800)
- Birth date
- Last four digits of your social security number
- Name used on your most recent University application
- Name(s) used as a past UNC Charlotte student

Student Computing Help Center:

Toll Free: 1-877-396-8462
Local: 704-687-6400
Help Desk Online: <http://helpdesk.uncc.edu>

Hours:

8:00 am to 11:00 pm Monday through Thursday
8:00 am to 5:00 pm Friday
12:00 pm to 5:00 pm Saturday
12:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Sunday

Upcoming for Faculty

The [2009 UNC Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference](#) will be held entirely online March 16-20. Registration is now open and is free. You may register on the Conference webpage above.

The theme of this year's conference is "Teaching Toward Tomorrow". This conference is a great way to see what your colleagues are doing online and with technology at the other UNC campuses. There will be synchronous and asynchronous sessions. There are more than 90 presentations to choose from on topics such as course development, collaboration, using new technologies in online courses and assessment. There is something for everyone!

If you would like to be removed from this mailing list, email: distanceed.uncc.edu and put "remove" in the subject.

Measuring Our Success

Get ready to tell the Office of Distance Education what we are doing well and where you would like to see us improve. We are currently conducting our annual distance education program evaluations. These evaluations are required by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges (SACS) and we REALLY want to know what you think!

Who will evaluate us? UNC Charlotte **students** who enrolled in distance education program courses in Summer 2008, Fall 2008 and Spring 2009, and **instructors** who taught distance education courses during that time.

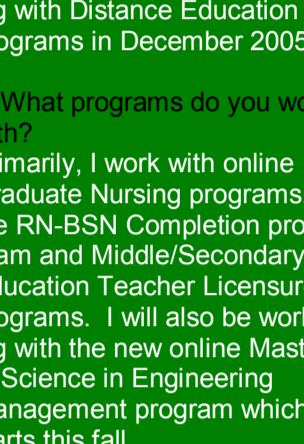
What do you do? Click on the link in the Student Voice email

When? March

How long will the survey take? Approximately five to ten minutes.

Why tell us what you think? Because the Office of Distance Education continually strives to improve services for students and faculty.

Distance Education Staff Profile



Teresa Wallace

1. What is your educational background?

BA - Parks and Recreation Management from UNC Wilmington.

2. How long have you worked at UNCC?

I've worked at UNC Charlotte since 1999. The first six years were in the Office of Continuing Education where I coordinated professional development programs. I started working with Distance Education programs in December 2005.

3. What programs do you work with?

Primarily, I work with online Graduate Nursing programs, the RN-BSN Completion program and Middle/Secondary Education Teacher Licensure programs. I will also be working with the new online Master of Science in Engineering Management program which starts this fall.

4. What is one fact about you that people would be surprised or interested to know?

I play folk harp (also known as Celtic or Irish harp) and am currently working towards certification as a therapeutic musician.

Technical Tip

A Blackboard/Vista tip

Are you tired of seeing all the courses from previous semesters in your course list on Blackboard?

Here is a way you can hide those old courses:

Once you are logged into Blackboard/Vista, click on the pencil icon which is on the Course List bar at the top of the page. A list of current and previous courses will appear. On the right side of the list you can click the "hide link" button next to each course from an earlier semester. Once you hide these courses they will no longer be visible on your main Blackboard/Vista page. Hiding courses does not un-enroll you or change your participation in a course but it is a quick and simple way to de-clutter your Blackboard/Vista page!