

## Distance Learning Classes

A wide variety of courses are available to students via the web. Online and blended (Internet component with reduced campus class time) courses offer the options of flexible learning time as well as communication with instructors and classmates via e-mail, discussion forums or live web conferencing. A personal computer, specific hardware and software requirements, online access through an Internet Service Provider (ISP) and a Harper email account are necessary.

Harper College uses Blackboard, a learning management system, which can be accessed through the student portal, for courses offered via distance delivery. Many instructors offer an online orientation session at the beginning of each semester. Students are strongly encouraged to attend these as they are critical to course success.

[Internet Course Exchange \(ICE\)](#) is a consortium of Illinois community colleges (ILCCO) that provides access to online courses throughout the state for students, regardless of which college they attend. Registration, financial aid and transcripts are handled through Harper College for its students, regardless of where the course is offered. Discussion with a Harper Advisor prior to registration is necessary, as students who want to enroll through ICE need to adhere to specific enrollment procedures.

For information about current distance learning courses offered by Harper College, please call 847.925.6506 or visit [Harper Online](#).