



MUS Strategic Plan

Distance Learning

Goal 1:
Access & Affordability

System Initiatives:

MUS Distance Learning Initiative:

In the 2005 and 2007 legislative sessions, the Montana Legislature appropriated funds specifically aimed at increasing the availability of distance learning in the Montana University System.

With these funds (\$300,000 in 2005, \$900,000 in 2007) the university system invested in distance learning resources, faculty, and infrastructure. As a result, Montana universities and colleges now offer more than 90 online degrees and over 700 internet courses.

MUS.edu/online is a central location for students, faculty, and the public to find information on distance education opportunities and topics in the MUS.

MUS On-line Degree & Certificate Programs:
<http://www.mus.edu/Online/default.asp>

Faculty development webinars for on-line teaching:
www.mus.edu/online/webinars.asp

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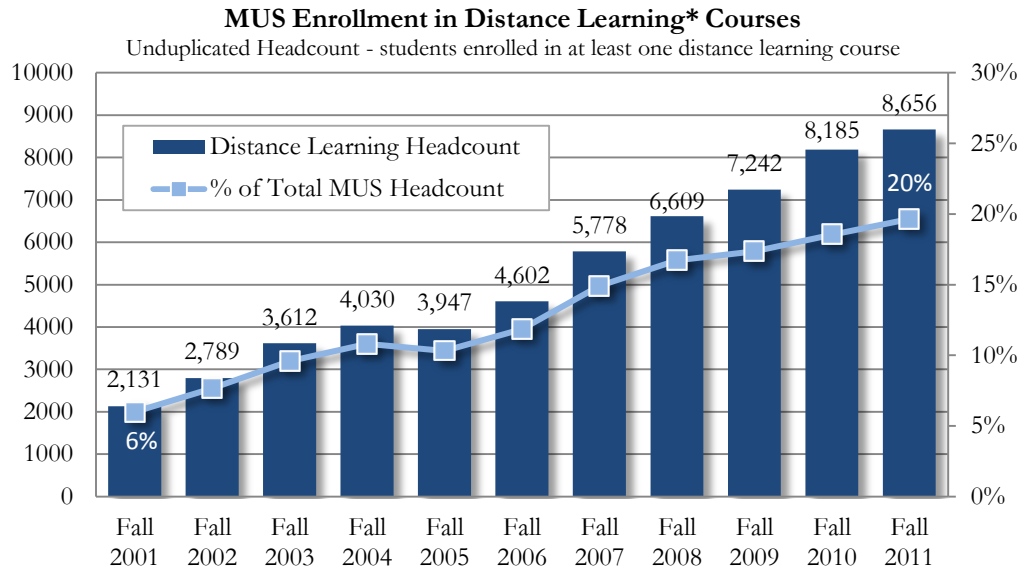
Goal Statement

Improve distance and on-line learning by coordinating online delivery of education across the entire Montana University System

Objective 1.6.1

Increase student enrollment in online courses

Metric 1.6.1



source: MUS Data Warehouse, does not include CC's
*courses where instruction is delivered entirely outside of the traditional classroom setting and there is no "in-person" contact between student and teacher (i.e. on-line and/or video courses)

Objective 1.6.2

Increase the number of online courses and degrees

Metric 1.6.2

Number of Distance Learning Courses Offered
Fall 2001 - Fall 2011, Unduplicated Number of Courses Offered

MUS Campus	Fall 2001	Fall 2002	Fall 2003	Fall 2004	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
2-year	39	58	82	95	103	143	156	165	177	183	200
4-year	93	153	208	243	239	254	315	328	359	401	434
MUS Total	132	211	290	338	342	397	471	493	536	584	634
Annual % Chg		60%	37%	17%	1%	16%	19%	5%	9%	9%	9%

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