

Blanket Approval for Online Course Delivery during the COVID-19 Emergency

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Based on the extenuating circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Instructional Development (InDev) Committee, with input and concurrence from the Steering Committee of the UofSC Faculty Senate, proposes to extend approval for online course delivery to all face-to-face, hybrid and blended courses scheduled. This one-time exemption from the usual online course approval process is temporary in nature. **This exemption from the usual online course approval process will be in effect as long as the faculty senate steering committee deems necessary.** Courses slated for online delivery after the COVID-19 emergency must be approved via the normal process before the course is taught online. Those faculty teaching courses under the terms of this exceptional provision: a) must submit to their unit head the course syllabus, to be delivered to InDev via the Office of Distributed Learning (ODL) prior to the first day of scheduled classes; and b) are encouraged to work collaboratively with the Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) and/or ODL for course development and to ensure adherence to best practices in online teaching.