

# Hybrid Courses at ACC

"Hybrid" is the name commonly used to describe courses that combine traditional face-to-face classroom instruction with online computer-based learning. ACC Hybrid courses combine the best of two worlds, engaging students in the active, autonomous learning process of an Internet-based course online, while also providing regularly scheduled interaction with the course instructor. This means that you will meet with your instructor once a week so that your instructor can cover the primary concepts as they relate to the Government course you are taking while you will also be completing assessments and assignments in the online setting.

Hybrid courses offer a number of advantages over face-to-face teaching and online-only courses, including increased student learning and retention rates. The flexibility of the Hybrid format provides faculty the opportunity to incorporate new types of learning activities that were not possible in traditional courses, and foster a greater sense of interaction with students. Students enjoy the convenience of scheduling courses to better fit their busy lives, and benefit from the self-directed learning activities, advancing their time management, critical-thinking, and technical skills.

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## Advantages & Challenges of Hybrids

**The following are advantages and challenges for you to consider.**

**There are several advantages to Hybrid courses:**

- Format allows for both in-class and online learning opportunities.
- More convenient scheduling options for students.
- Enhanced student interaction and engagement.
- Better student performance and learning.

**Challenges of a Hybrid:**

- Students should be aware that the class meeting is crucial for their success.
- Students accept responsibility for their learning.
- Students should know that fewer classes doesn't mean less work.
- Students should have enhanced technology and time management skills.

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