

Distance Education – Interactive Television (ITV) Courses

Reference: Education Code, Sections 67310, 76365, and 84850;
Title 5 Sections 55200 et seq., 56000 et seq., and 59400 et seq.

Definition of Distance Education: Distance education means instruction in which the instructor and student are separated by distance and interact through the assistance of communication technology.

Definition of ITV Courses: Instruction is offered via interactive television (closed circuit) to both Blythe students and Needles students. These courses can originate in either Blythe or Needles and are televised in real-time to the other campus.

Course Approval: Each proposed or existing course offered via ITV shall be reviewed and approved separately. Separate approval is mandatory if any portion of the instruction in a course or a course section is designed to be provided through ITV.

The review and approval of new and existing ITV courses shall follow the curriculum approval procedures outlined in Administrative Procedures 4020, Program and Curriculum Development. ITV courses shall be approved using the same criteria as all other courses.

Curriculum Committee Certifications: When approving ITV courses, the Superintendent/President or designee will certify the following:

- **Course Quality Standards:** The same standards of course quality are applied to the ITV courses as are applied to traditional classroom courses.
- **Course Quality Determinations:** Determinations and judgments about the quality of the ITV course were made with the full involvement of the collegial governance approval procedures (BP/AP 2510).

All ITV courses approved under this procedure will continue to be in effect unless there are substantive changes to the course outline.