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ONLINE SYNCHRONOUS VS. ASYNCHRONOUS CLASS FORMAT DESCRIPTIONS

ONLINE ASYNCHRONOUS

- **Stated in the class schedule course description as "This is an online class with all course materials completed in Canvas."**
- **Students access class materials online via the CANVAS Learning Program and communicate with the instructor and classmates via discussion boards, etc. on their own time.**
- **There are NO required online LIVE meetings. Thus, there are NO days/times in the course description. (Disregard "TBA.")**
- **OPTIONAL online live meetings may be held per instructor's choice. Click "Details" in the course description to check if there *will be* meetings and, if so, the days/times.**
- **There IS required classwork to be completed in the Canvas course module.**
- **Classes ARE recorded for viewing.**
- **Class Time Conflicts will NOT apply when enrolling as there is no requirement for ASYNCHRONOUS CLASSES to meet live. (Even if an instructor *chooses* to optionally offer live class meetings, time conflicts will NOT apply.)**

Questions? Please email your instructor for specific course information.

ONLINE SYNCHRONOUS

- **Stated in the class schedule course description as "This is an online synchronous course."**
- **Students attend a course the instructor teaches LIVE in real-time on the days/times published in the class schedule, via the CANVAS Learning Program.**
- **Students are logged in at the same time to view the lecture and communicate via videoconferencing.**
- **There ARE required online LIVE class meetings during the days/times in the course description.**
- **There MAY be optional classwork offered in the Canvas course module, per instructor's choice.**
- **Classes are NOT recorded.**
- **Class Time Conflicts WILL apply when enrolling since the required online class meeting has a set day/time (the same as when classes meet in-person.)**

Questions? Please email your instructor for specific course information.