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College of the Desert Six & Eight-Week Summer Sessions Begin

College of the Desert students returned online today to complete both six and eight-week summer classes. Those interested in signing up for classes can still register for online courses through Tuesday, for six-week courses and Wednesday, for eight-week courses.

Students can choose from a variety of courses, including classes in Architecture, Automotive Technology, Culinary, Early Childhood Education, Administration of Justice and English as a Second Language, to name a few.

For a list of open courses, please visit the College of the Desert website and click on the ["Open Class List"](#) link on the left side of the home page.

All College of the Desert Summer and Fall classes are being held online in either a synchronous or asynchronous distance learning environment.

Synchronous learning is a general term used to describe forms of education, instruction, and learning that occur at the same time, but not in the same place. The term is most commonly applied to various forms of televisual, digital, and online learning in which students learn from instructors, colleagues, or peers in real time, but not in person. For example, educational video conferences, interactive webinars, chat-based online discussions, and lectures that are broadcast at the same time they delivered would all be considered forms of synchronous learning.

Asynchronous learning is a general term used to describe forms of education, instruction, and learning that do not occur in the same place or at the same time. The term is most commonly applied to various forms of digital and online learning in which students learn from instruction—such as prerecorded video lessons or game-based learning tasks that students complete on their own—that is not being delivered in person or in real time. Yet asynchronous learning may also encompass a wide variety of instructional interactions, including email exchanges between teachers, online discussion boards, and course-management systems that organize instructional materials and correspondence, among many other possible variations.

For more information on the specific form of learning for a particular class, check your MyCOD WebAdvisor account or the [Summer](#) or [Fall](#) course schedules.

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