

CAS Online Program Website Mission Statement

The University of Oklahoma College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) Online Program's website is part of the College's commitment to provide students with the best educational experience possible, anywhere. We also seek to support our faculty, staff, and the online community who are affiliates and partners in the world of online learning. Therefore, our CAS Online Program website seeks to:

- Support the vision, mission, goals and academic values of the College of Arts and Sciences and the University of Oklahoma;
- Provide information to support student readiness for CAS online courses, including course orientation and addressing technology issues such as connectivity, and equipment and software standardization;
- Promote a professional image for the CAS Online Program with our web presence using contemporary technology and style;
- Support successful online teaching and learning by providing necessary materials to faculty, staff and students, and by adhering to the University of Oklahoma's web accessibility guidelines (<http://www.ou.edu/styleguide/accessibility.html>);
- Provide our online faculty with a central resource clearinghouse for course development, technology applications, including website publishing and development, teaching resources, intellectual property and copyright matters, and other information as it is deemed necessary and available;
- Be a useful resource to the global online learning community by providing both general and specific information about the University of Oklahoma's CAS Online Program and statistical material drawn from our experiences in this ever-changing field;
- Provide an information gateway for our students with regard to University-specific issues such as admission, enrollment, financial aid, semester deadlines, literature resources, academic and career counseling, graduation, and other areas of college life which may not be easily accessible to distance-learning students.

CAS Online Program Website Policy

The CAS Online Program office provides this website as a service to its students, faculty and the online community. We reserve the right to make final decisions regarding informational content and technological support based upon applicability and usefulness for the greatest number of our users.

While we actively solicit and post faculty contributions and materials from other sources, we cannot guarantee their currency or accuracy. The CAS Online Program does its best to provide reliable and accurate information, but we necessarily rely on whatever is available to us at the time of publication. In addition, we reserve the right to limit posting of faculty contributions to those we deem to have the greatest usefulness for our constituents. Faculty contributions may be abstracted to fit into our web templates. When this occurs we will provide a link to the full documents.

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