Distance Delivery of clinical, research, thesis and dissertation courses.

The nature of clinical, research project, thesis and dissertation courses create some confusion as to what is the proper course type to use. Generally speaking, courses designated as distance delivered courses are charged a per course distance delivery fee of $30 and $50 for undergraduate and graduate courses respectively.

These fees are intended to support additional technical and student support services delivered at a distance as well as assist in the additional costs of online courses development. To maintain consistency across the university and treat all students equably, the following guidance is provided in categorizing clinical, research, thesis and dissertation courses as distance or regular courses.

Clinical, research, thesis and dissertation classes that are part of a distance-delivered degree program should be classified as distance-delivered courses unless the student is physically on campus for the course.

Clinical, research, thesis and dissertation classes that are not part of a distance-delivered degree program should be classified as regular courses unless there is actual instruction or significant course content delivered via distance-delivery techniques. Email or phone communication with the supervising faculty member does not reach this threshold.

Clarification of this matter is intended to ensure that students are charged, or not charged, the distance delivery fee appropriately. If you have questions, please contact the Dean of Extended Learning for clarification.