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Dear Faculty, Students, and Staff,

As some of you may be aware, part of the Responsible Restart: Heidelberg plan for the Fall 2020 semester involved faculty members distributing their courses over a variety of modes of teaching. In the Fall semester, courses will be delivered through online, hybrid, hyflex, and face-to-face teaching. To help all members of the Heidelberg community understand what these teaching modalities mean and recognize how each of the courses Heidelberg offers will be delivered in the Fall 2020 semester, the Owen CTL has provided some descriptions of those modalities and an explanation of how students can determine the modality for each course.

Please note that each faculty member will approach their teaching differently. These modality descriptions are general guidelines to help all members of the community understand what each of the modalities mean.

Face-To-Face: face-to-face courses are taught in traditional seated classrooms. Face-to-face courses are coded into Oasis with a section number. Lab sections are coded with an L.



Hybrid: Hybrid courses combine online and face-to-face delivery, in which some face-to-face meetings are completely replaced by online activities. Students who have a hybrid course will attend the seated course sessions some class days and work remotely on other class days. Hybrid courses are coded into Oasis with HY in the section column.

HyFlex: Hyflex courses combine online and face-to-face delivery, with some students attending class for each scheduled class session. Students who do not attend seated class may participate synchronously or asynchronously depending on the faculty member. Some faculty may divide the class into cohorts, with one group attending each day the class meets. HyFlex courses are coded into Oasis with HX in the section column.

Synchronous Online: Synchronous online courses are remote courses with an established schedule of meetings. So, a synchronous online class that meets MWF at 11 requires students to “attend” class remotely every MWF at 11 a.m. Synchronous online courses are coded into Oasis with DS in the section column, have a scheduled meeting time, and list “ONLINE” as the class location.

Asynchronous Online: Asynchronous online courses are delivered entirely

online without