

APPENDIX B
APDB CODE FOR LEARNING MODE
Data Element Definition

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ELEMENT NAME Learning Mode

Definition

A one-character alpha code that distinguishes the utilization of class space between Face-to-Face mode, Synchronous and Asynchronous modes. The intent of this code is to help assess the extent to which the use of instructional technology reduces the need for traditional lecture and laboratory space facilities.

Structure

One (1) alpha characters.

Values

F = Course section is conducted Face-to-Face, i.e., the students meet within a traditional live instructor, contained space setting.

S = Course section is not conducted Face-to-Face, but it occurs at a regular scheduled time, e.g., a televised broadcast. Such a method of instruction is known as "Synchronous" mode.

A = Course section is not conducted Face-to-Face and does not occur at a regularly scheduled time, e.g., student self-pace instructional material accessed via the web. Such a method of instruction is known as "Asynchronous" mode.

Examples:

Face-to-Face Course Sections:

Most CSU lecture and laboratory courses are offered in contained spaced locations at regularly scheduled days and times; these courses would have a time space indicator value of F.

Most independent study courses are F; the MEETING DAYS, BEGIN TIME AND END TIME typically are TBA and zeroes; and the facility number typically is either 998 (TBA) or a contained space with a space type of 3 (non-capacity).

Teacher preparation supervision typically is F, MEETING DAYS, BEGIN TIME AND END TIME typically are TBA and zeroes, and the facility number is typically 999 (off-campus location which reflect supervision at the school site.)

ELEMENT NAME Learning Mode (continued)**Synchronous Course Sections:**

When a class is broadcast at a specific day(s) and times from a space in which both the instructor and students are in attendance, then the assigned learning mode should be F with an appropriate Facility Number designation, and the remainder of the enrolled students for the class in question should be reported as a separate class segment with Learning Mode S. If the latter group of students does not meet in a specific space(s) to receive the broadcast, then the Facility Number should be reported as blank. If the latter group of students does congregate together in one or more specific space(s), then the appropriate facility space designation(s) would be reported.

When a class is broadcast at a specific day(s) and times from a space (e.g. a television studio) in which the instructor is located such that no students are in attendance, then the assigned Learning Mode is S. When students do not meet in a single contained space to receive the broadcast, the facility number should be reported as blank. When students receive the broadcast in a single contained space or set of spaces, an appropriate facility/space designation should be used.

A regularly scheduled class segment in which students are required to be on-line for discussion purposes should be reported as S; the facility number should reflect the campus off-site options.

Asynchronous Course Sections

A fully web-based class segment that has TBA days and TBA hours should be reported as A. Since type of space absolutely does not matter for full web-based sections, the facility number should reflect the campus' offsite options.

A web-based segment of a class that also meets in a traditional contained space on (e.g.) Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. should be reported as A; the facility number reflects the campus' offsite options. The instructional component that meets on Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. should be reported as a separate transaction with CS Number '00' and Learning Mode F, and an appropriate facility space designation.