

Maryland Higher Education Commission  
Data Dictionary

***ELEMENT TITLE:***

**Distance Education Location Code**

**DEFINITION:** Indicates the location (residence) of the student who is **exclusively** enrolled in distance education courses at freeze date.

**FORMAT:** Numeric – 1 digit (blank valid)

**CODES:**

1 = Located in the state of Maryland

2 = Located in the U.S. but not in Maryland

3 = Located in the U.S. but state unknown

4 = Located outside the U.S.

Blank = unknown or student not exclusively enrolled in distance education courses

**COMMENTS:** Distance education is defined as education that uses one or more technologies to deliver instruction to students who are separated from the instructor and to support regular and substantive interaction between the students and the instructor synchronously or asynchronously. Technologies used for instruction may include the following: Internet; one-way and two-way transmissions through open broadcasts, closed circuit, cable, microwave, broadband lines, fiber optics, satellite or wireless communication devices; audio conferencing; and video cassette, DVDs, and CD-ROMs, if the cassette, DVDs, and CD-ROMs are used in a course in conjunction with the technologies listed above. Note: Requirements for coming to campus for orientation, testing, or academic support services do not exclude a course from being classified as distance education.

**RELATED TO:** Distance Education Enrollment Code (DD100)

**GLOSSARY:**

**SYSTEMS:** EIS

**SYSNAME:** DELOC

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