

European Nazarene College

Distance Learning Programme

1. INTRODUCTION

Distance education, in its broadest sense, is the utilising of some means of distribution to educate students closer to their home environment. An example of an older way of doing distance education is the correspondence course. In this method, the materials were sent out, and students worked at their own pace or at a predetermined pace with materials being sent back to the educational institution for assessment.

With the introduction of computer technology, new things are being made possible for distance education, beyond this older correspondence model. The implementations of distance education range from simple email type communication with the instructor on assignments and questions, to having a full course online complete with video and audio clips. There are several benefits of the technological approach to distance education: communication is available with the instructor in an easier and more timely manner giving the human touch that is vital to education success, communication can be done with other class members through items such as discussion forums, video and audio clips or graphical images can be used to supplement points that are not easy to do with just text, and links to other resources can be pointed to of the many things available on the Internet for research. The technology is enabling us to provide some of that human touch, if implemented correctly, that was missing with the older correspondence course model.

The part time distance learning programme developed by EuNC is combining the new online opportunities of education with the more traditional ones, so that a well balanced programme can be guaranteed. The programme is based upon three different delivery systems; 40% of all the courses will be offered online, another 40% will be delivered through the traditional class room setting, seen as an extension of the campus of EuNC in Büsingen. The remaining 20% of the courses will be intensive short-term classes hosted at the campus of EuNC to an international group of students.

2. PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

The course requirements will be the same as stated in the academic bulletin of EuNC with a few adjustments.

1. A TOEFL score of 450 is required to enter the programme, and a score of 525 is required to enter the third year.
2. Some credit may be transferred from accredited universities or colleges towards graduation, but at least 33 credit hours must be earned through EuNC.
3. The student must complete 63 hours of credit.
4. Only courses with passing grades will count towards credit.

5. A cumulative grade point average of 2.00 is required to graduate.
6. Students need to take the following courses:

Biblical Studies (12 credit hours)	Introduction to Old Testament Introduction to New Testament Synoptic Gospels Elective in Biblical Literature
Speech Communication (6 credit h.)	Speech/Writing Preaching I
Church History (9 credit hours)	Nazarene History and Polity Church History I Church History II
Ministry (15 credit hours)	Introduction to Ministry and Mission Church Leadership and Administration Christian Worship Pastoral Care and Counselling Ministry Internship
Mission (3 credit hours)	Cross Cultural Communication
Philosophy (6 credit hours)	Introduction to Philosophy Christian Ethics
Social Science (6 credit hours)	Christian Education Understanding Human Behaviour
Theological Studies (6 credit hours)	Introduction to Doctrine Life of Holiness

Total: 63 credit hours

3. ADMINISTRATION

1. EuNC will administer the programme with the assistance of a coordinator in each district.
2. Final authority over the programme is with the Academic Council of EuNC.
3. The Academic Catalogue of EuNC will also apply to the Distance Learning Programme.

4. THE PROGRAMME

The programme will be spread over a four-year period; 5 courses per year. The courses will be offered through three different delivery systems, as can be seen in the chart below.

The courses in the “extension class” column will be offered through the extension centres of the various districts. Students will meet in class (20 class sessions of 90 minutes). EuNC will develop the syllabi for these courses, and lecturers of the district will teach the course in the vernacular.

The courses under the column “online” are individualised courses developed and supervised by EuNC residential faculty, and offered online. Students are required to have internet-access in order to take these courses. These courses will be offered in English.

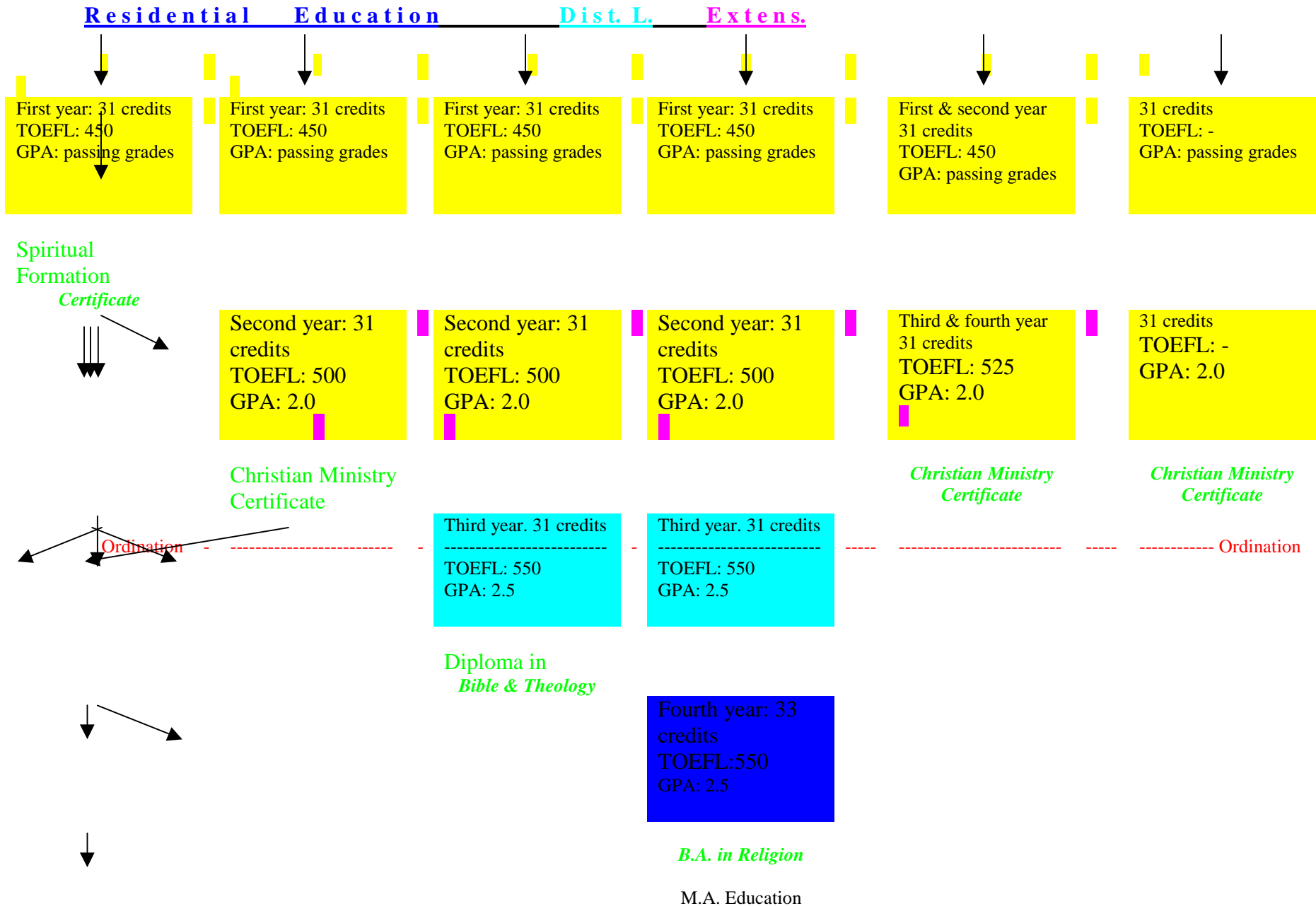
The courses under the column “EuNC short term” will be offered in English during two-week intensive periods at EuNC, in either January or May. Students need to come to EuNC to take these classes.

Year	Extension Class	Online	EuNC Short-Term
1	Christian Education	Intro. Ministry & Mission	
	Intro. to OT	Human Behaviour	Ethics (May)
2	Intro. to NT	Philosophy	Worship (January)
	Speech/Writing	Intro to Doctrine	
3	Life of Holiness	Cross-Cultural Communic.	
	Nazarene History & Polity	Synoptic Gospels	Counselling (May)
4	Preaching I	Church History I	
	Church Leadership	Church History II	Biblical Lit. (May)

The Ministry Internship needs to be done in a local church during the 3rd or 4th year, according to the ENBC policy for internships.

For more information: <http://www.eunc.edu/academics/cmdlprog.htm>

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Delivery of Courses

