Job transfers, family needs, and work obligations can make it difficult for some students to complete their degrees; fortunately, online learning is making the process a little easier and allowing students to keep up with their coursework even while on the go. Each academic year, 42 percent of all UWF enrollments are online. While 35 percent of undergraduates and 80 percent of graduate students at UWF take some combination of online courses, more than 24 percent of our undergraduates earn a degree fully online.

In recognition of UWF’s long history in distance education, Global Online will celebrate National Distance Learning Week with a whole week of synchronous and asynchronous events. Our goal is to empower online faculty to think bigger and embrace change. To achieve this goal we will explore several topics (such as student engagement, quality, high impact practices for distance learning and the future of distance education) and we hope you can join us in the conversation.

Feel free to participate in some or all of the various events. There truly is something for everyone this week!

**Ways to keep in touch:**

- Find us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) and Interact with us using hashtags #NDLW and #GoUWFNDLW.
- RSVP for any of the Webinars and/or sign up for NDLW curated emails here: [https://goo.gl/forms/dHYXdjISaVrrPVG3](https://goo.gl/forms/dHYXdjISaVrrPVG3)

**Webinars**

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| Monday, November 5, 2018    | Keynote: Open Educational Resources and their impact on the Distance Learning Landscape | Dr. Kelvin Bentley  
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| Tuesday, November 6, 2018   | Strategies to overcome barriers to student engagement online  | Salina Randall  
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| Wednesday, November 7, 2018 | QM Rubric Update (6th Edition) - What you need to know        | June Watkins  
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| Thursday, November 8, 2018  | Get HIP! High Impact Practices in Distance Learning.          | Dr. Jenae Burkart  
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| Scaling for large student enrollment: coaches and quality design | Dr. Lela Hobby  
*Assistant Professor, School of Nursing*  
Dr. Cynthia Smith-Peters  
*Assistant Professor, School of Nursing*  
Dr. Jill Van Der Like, DNP, MSN, RNC  
*Director, Nursing Skills & Simulation Learning Center* | https://uwf.webex.com/uwf/j.php?MTID=me9a2ca73f9a6cda2e27ba5312994d8 |

**In-Person**

Reception and Celebration of Distance Learning Open House - Please join us for a pizza lunch and a celebration of Distance Learning at UWF on Friday, November 9, 2018 from 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM at the Global Online office located at 630 E Government Street, Pensacola, FL 32502.

**Webinar Recordings**

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