

Consortium PhD. in Technology Management: A Model for Collaboration in Asynchronous Learning.

What is a Consortium PhD?



- An innovative Web-Based Doctoral program delivered by Indiana State University in collaboration with four other nationally-accredited universities throughout the country.
- Started in 1999/2000 school year
- Currently has 140 active students enrolled
- 23 students have graduated
- Designed to meet the needs of today's technical professionals
- The program offers academically rigorous course work and experiences through distance education technologies.



Program Advantages

- Well-qualified faculties from multiple universities offering expertise in technical areas as well as diverse research interests.
- Opportunities to exchange ideas, knowledge, and information with experts and peers across the country and across disciplines.
- Opportunity to become involved in organizations experiencing technological innovation.
- Opportunity to continue higher education in distant locations with a challenging, cutting edge curriculum
- An economically efficient program through the sharing of staff and facilities.



Why the Program is Unique

- The Consortium PhD in Technology Management is unique because of the ***cooperation*** and ***collaboration*** of all consortium members.
- Each university member offers students expertise in specialization areas and qualified faculty to provide the direction needed to meet the rigor of a doctoral program.
- Students can take courses from any of the consortium schools.



Consortium Members

- Bowling Green State University
- University of Central Missouri
- East Carolina University
- North Carolina A & T State University
- Indiana State University



How to succeed in Asynchronous Learning Environment

- Student must be highly self-motivated
- Must be goal-oriented
- Excellent skills in time management are essential
- Must be computer literate



Program management: Collaboration in Action

- Consortium council
 - Each member school is represented
 - The council is the decision-making body
 - Applications are received and reviewed by the council three times a year
 - Training is provided for all consortium members annually at the ISU campus
 - The Director of the program at ISU travels to member schools to deliver workshops on scholarship in order to keep graduate faculty involved and motivated.



Overall Benefits to Asynchronous Learning Network

- Opportunity to know what others are doing in their online programs through networking
- Opportunity to work with students of diverse background
- Opportunity to use modern technology to deliver quality coursework
- Opportunity to learn from experienced non-traditional students
- Above all, collaborative efforts with other institutions promote self recognition at national level.

