



Overview

Drexel University, Philadelphia's technological university, is among the top 50 private, non-profit, national doctoral/research universities in the United States, and is ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of *America's Best Colleges for 2007, 2008, & 2009*. Founded by financier and philanthropist Anthony J. Drexel in 1891, Drexel has been a leader in the integration of technology into academics since its inception. Currently 90% of Drexel University faculty members hold a Ph.D.

Drexel University has been a pioneer and proven leader in distance education having delivered our first completely online degree in 1997. Its online programs have been ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* among the *Best Online Graduate Programs* and it has also recently been awarded the *2006 21st Century Best Practice Award for Distance Learning* from the United States Distance Learning Association. This honor encompasses the leadership and trend-setting of innovative corporations and non-profit agencies in online education and is the highest award bestowed upon an organization in this industry.

Drexel University Online is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Drexel University specializing in innovative, Internet-based distance education programs for working professionals and partnering organizations in the United States and abroad. All of Drexel's courses are delivered fully online, and are accessible through a standard computer with an Internet connection; no special software is required.

Since all instruction is delivered asynchronously, students can access all course material anytime, anywhere. This provides students the convenience and quality of a Drexel education without the commute or career interruption. In addition, Drexel's online programs are taught by the same distinguished faculty as the on campus programs. The use of this proven delivery system provides us with the ability to immediately and fully comply with all technical and instructional requirements today's students demand. Drexel currently services students across 10 time zones.



Accreditation & Drexel University Online

According to a recent article in *Educause Quarterly* entitled “E-Learning at a Crossroads – What Price Quality?” (Volume 30; Number 2; 2007)

- “Nearly all college distance-learning courses are regionally accredited, but **accreditation from a professional body, such as the Association for Advancement in Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), is much less common.** The most recent annual study by *U.S. News & World Report* indicates that the majority of online graduate students take courses not accredited by professional bodies.” (34)
- “**The Sloan Consortium certification standards for full-scale distance-learning programs at colleges and universities are also useful in determining program quality.** Over 900 online programs are included in the Sloan-C list, ranging from elite universities like MIT and Carnegie Mellon to rural community colleges.” (34-35)
- “**In terms of master’s programs, a miniscule number have achieved both professional accreditation and Sloan-C certification.**” (35)

Drexel University Online

- **Regionally accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges & Secondary Schools**
 - The same accreditation as Columbia, Cornell, New York University, Princeton, Yale and the University of Pennsylvania
- **Accredited by some of the nation’s highest academic accrediting bodies**
 - AACSB (Business)
 - ALA (Information Science)
 - ABET (Engineering)
 - CCNE & NLN-AC (Nursing)
 - CePH (Public Health)
- **Member of the Sloan Consortium (Sloan-C)**
- **Honored with the Best Practice Award for Distance Education by the USDLA**



Highlights

- Drexel University, ranked One of America's Best Colleges by *U.S. News & World Report*, offers top-ranked bachelor's and master's degrees online in the fields of Computing Technology, Information Systems, Library Science and Engineering . An internationally recognized center for education and research, the College has offered Online programs since 1997
- In the 2007 edition of U.S. News and World Report's "America's Best Graduate Schools", the publication ranked the iSchool at Drexel as one of the top graduate schools in the country for Library and Information Science, a distinction it has held continuously for 10 years. This prestigious program was also ranked 11th in the nation overall, while the school's specializations in Information Systems and Digital Librarianship came in at 5th and 6th in the nation, respectively.
- Drexel University's College of Engineering is an internationally recognized leader in engineering education. It is the third largest private engineering college in the US, with numerous engineering faculty recognitions, the latest technology, highly-ranked engineering programs and research accomplishments.
- Drexel's part-time MBA programs are ranked 10th in the nation and 2nd in the mid-Atlantic region according to *Business Week* magazine. The LeBow College of Business has been named one of the nation's top 10 schools for entrepreneurs in the latest *Entrepreneur-Princeton Review* rankings, released October 10th, of graduate and undergraduate entrepreneurship programs.
- Drexel University offers top-ranked, respected Bachelor's and Master's business degrees for students interested in the fields of business and management. The online MBA degree program (MBA Anywhere™) program is offered through LeBow College of Business at Drexel University, recognized by *Financial Times*, *U.S. News & World Report*, *BusinessWeek*, and *Entrepreneur* for its superior programs.



Highlighted Online Degree/Certificate Programs

- **Online Graduate Degree Programs**
 - MS in Library and Information Science
 - Concentrations
 - Archival Studies
 - Competitive Intelligence & Knowledge Management
 - Digital Libraries
 - Library & Information Services
 - School Library Media
 - Youth Services
 - MS in Information Systems
 - Concentrations
 - Database Systems
 - Human-Computer Interaction
 - Information Architecture
 - Information Security and Assurance
 - Software Process
 - Web Systems and Services
 - MBA Anywhere™
 - Concentrations
 - Finance
 - Marketing
 - Information Systems Strategy
 - Entrepreneurship
 - MS in Human Resource Development
 - Settings
 - Business Settings
 - Global Settings
 - Education Settings
 - MS in Computer Science
 - MS in Global & International Education
- **Online Certificate Programs**
 - Certificate of Advanced Study in Information Science and Technology
 - Post-Bachelor's Certificate in Computing Security Technology
- **Additional Online Program Areas**
 - Engineering
 - Education
 - Nursing & Health Professions
 - Clinical Research
 - Library Science
 - Public Health
 - Technology
 - Toxicology & Industrial Hygiene
- For a full listing of the available online degree/certificate programs visit
 - <http://www.drexel.com/online-degrees/degrees.aspx>



Drexel University Online. A Better U.™



Education Partnership Program

PURE. It's the only way to describe the benefits your company will receive through the Drexel University Online educational partnership program. In partnering with Drexel, you will be able to enhance your organization's education and learning & development. By offering your employees/staff and immediate family reduced tuition rates towards a high-quality, regionally accredited degree that they can conveniently pursue online. More importantly, this exclusive benefit is absolutely **NO COST** to your organization!

Benefits of Drexel PRO:

- **No Cost** to offer
- **Non-Exclusive** Agreement
- **No Cost** Promotional and Marketing Materials
 - Related to the Educational Partnership Program and available online programs
 - **No Cost Partner Webpage**
 - For employee direct access and explanation of Educational Partnership Program Benefits
 - Link, Banner Ad and/or Button for HR Intranet Page
- **Over 90 Online Programs:** Undergraduate (degree completion), Graduate & Certificate
- **Partner's Online Tuition Rates Are Up To 25% Less** than On-Campus Tuition Rate
- **Deferred Billing Option** for those eligible for Tuition Reimbursement
- **Use with** Tuition Assistance/Reimbursement, Student Loans, Grants and/or Scholarships
- **Offer To** Employees/Staff, Volunteers & Immediate Family (spouse/life partner and dependent children)
- **No minimum** number of enrolled employees to offer
- **Dedicated** Drexel Online Partnership Liaison

Partner **TODAY** with Drexel Online and join over 250 organizations nationwide that are enjoying the benefits of Drexel PRO such as the Virginia Library Association, New York Library Association, Illinois Library Association, Maine Library Association, Maryland Library Association, Pennsylvania Library Association, New Jersey Library Association, and many others.

In return, Drexel Online asks for the opportunity to promote the Drexel PRO education benefits and available online programs to your employees in methods deemed appropriate by your organization. Each partner is setup with a co-branded partner page which your employees/staff, volunteers and immediate family can access directly to gain additional information about the offerings. We conduct on-site visits, webinars, lunch 'n 'learns, various learning oriented presentations, articles for newsletters, email blasts etc. All methods are tracked so that we can provide you with the feedback you need to assist in making effective learning and talent development decisions.