

Distance Education Advisory Board (DEAB) Charter
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The Distance Education Advisory Board (DEAB) advises the Dean of Graduate Studies on all matters of distance education. The distance education programs of New Mexico Tech are in six disciplines: (i) science for teachers, (ii) materials engineering, (iii) mechanical engineering, (iv) hydrology and (v) engineering management, and (vi) computer science. These fall under the accreditation of the [Higher Learning Commission \(HLC\)](#), a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA).

The policies governing these programs are established by the Graduate Council (GC), which is comprised of voting representatives from each department with a graduate program. Policies of graduate education, including distance programs, will be approved by the GC and submitted to the Faculty Senate.

The members of the Distance Education Advisory Board are as follows:

- a. The DEAB is Chaired by the Dean of Graduate Studies.
- b. There is one representative from each of the five distance education programs,
- c. The Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs,
- d. The Director of Academic Center for Technology,
- e. Any additional person, as requested by the Graduate Dean.

The charge of the DEAB is to advise the Dean of Graduate Studies to (i) address all aspects of the HLC distance education accreditation requirements, (ii) support the assessment, evaluation, and review of distance education programs, and (iii) advise the Dean of Graduate Studies on all other matters related to distance education.