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My experience’s in online learning, or actually online teaching to students is that I’ve been immensely impressed with the type of quality that I get from the students that are coming into my courses. Some of the students are much older than I or even younger but still have a lot more life experience. Even working experience in the field that I’m supposed to be teaching them and so I come into a lot of courses where I haven’t taught them before and I’m developing them for the first time and I come out of there knowing more than I did than I in with thanks to the students that are in there and I almost feel as a guide rather than an instructor in terms of them learning the material that we’re talking about. One of the questions that I found for distance education is how you assess the student learning. One of the qualities that’s important to getting out in the real world is actually being able to communicate what you’ve learned and the information that you know and through different discussion boards and papers that I have my students complete I’m dealing with a lot of original products where my students are going out and finding a project site that they are going to work on and then developing all the material that goes along with that project. We’re getting a lot of original products from the students with creative ideas and learning as well as improving their writing skills and their ability to communicate and if they’ve got that when they get done with the program then they are a lot more hirable than somebody who can’t do that. So I see that with the distance education program.