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Student diversity by ethnicity and race continues to expand. For example, in
the last five years, the percentage of African-American students has risen
from 14.5% to 17.1% at the undergraduate level and from 7.4% to 10.7% at
the graduate level.
DO YOU KNOW?

Using the Internet to deliver a course or a total program is the newest addition to our distance learning technology. These online courses offer our students the opportunity to take classes from anywhere they can access the web. Over 100 online course sections are scheduled for this fall.

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— Shannon Hudson
B.S. in Elementary Education
2011 DTCC Partnership Scholarship Recipient

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