



Distance learning is more than future of learning

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In light of the fact that distant learning is quickly taking the place of traditional classroom settings in both developed and developing nations, this article will try to examine, technology, possibilities, difficulties and concepts. The methods of teaching and learning new information, knowledge and technique are no longer limited by time or place. Thanks to advancements in technology. Modern technologies provide a significant deal of flexibility in terms of when, where, and how knowledge may be distributed, giving both individual and group learners flexible learning opportunities.

Globalization and economic networking have a strong correlation with the virtual economy. This fact highlights how important knowledge is. It is now considered to be the primary economic resource. Workers with greater knowledge are therefore the most desired input and output. In order to acquire and augment new knowledge, education is required. Many people around the world lack access to classical education due to factors such as geographical distance and level of development.

The use of information and communication technologies will be the solution to the problem of education for development, as it is in every other part of modern life. New approaches to teaching and learning have been made possible by the quick growth of information technology. This assertion suggests that learning and teaching methods are no longer restricted by time or place. Numerous technologies can provide a great deal of flexibility in terms of how, when, and where information can be acquired and taught. Specifically, the usage of technology-mediated distance learning is growing. The phrase "distance learning" refers to methods of studying in which lectures are broadcast or lessons are conducted by correspondence, without the student needing to attend a school or college. It provides both group and solitary learners with customizable learning options. This is the area of education that is expanding the fastest.

The growth of Web-based technology, in particular, has brought attention to the possible impact of distance learning on education in general. One factor promoting social and economic development is distance learning. It is becoming the core of educational institutions.

The globalization of distant learning provides several chances for nations to fulfill the objectives of their entire educational systems. Interest in remote learning is shooting as a result of technology advancements and the increased need for ongoing skill upgrading and retraining. Increased access to learning and training opportunities, more chances for updating, retraining, and personal enrichment, improved cost-effectiveness of educational resources, support for the caliber and diversity of current educational structures, and consolidation and enhancement of capacity are all benefits of distance learning.

From home, technology is immediately available. Because of the flexibility of distance learning, many programs give students the chance to engage whenever they choose, on a one-on-one basis. With the low or no cost associated with many forms of distance learning, this type of education is very accessible to every age group. Planning beforehand is necessary while using distance learning. There will be moments when both the teachers and the students participating in distance learning must make concessions in order to finish assignments on time. Even though it's inexpensive, distance learning could include unanticipated expenses (such additional shipping and handling charges).

Immediate feedback is not provided by distance learning. A student's performance in a regular classroom can be evaluated right away using questions and unofficial testing. When learning remotely, a student must wait for feedback from the teacher once they have looked over and addressed their work. Instructor effort is disproportionately required for distance learning when

compared to standard course delivery methods. Although most employers do accept degrees from distance study, not all employers do.

Students who learn remotely are not able to practice their oral communication abilities. Students who enroll in distance learning courses are deprived of the opportunity to practice speaking with instructors and fellow classmates. Social isolation is another drawback of remote learning. The social-physical interaction that comes with visiting a regular classroom may be missed by distant learners.

But a lot of people who participate in distant learning have said that using communication tools like chat rooms, email, video conferencing, threaded conversations, and bulletin boards has made them feel comfortable while studying distance course. There are mainly two categories of learning. Synchronous and asynchronous learning are the two main categories into which the various distant learning techniques fall. Synchronous learning refers to a delivery method in which every learner is present simultaneously. Although the participants are located remotely, the teaching approaches are similar to those used in regular classrooms. To be organized, a schedule or a timetable is always needed. With the more flexible asynchronous learning style of distribution, students can access course materials at their own pace. It is not necessary for students to be present at the same time. One course can be taught using a combination of the two approaches. Where a credit of a course can be divided into synchronous and asynchronous, as per the requirement. For instance, a 4 credit course can be bifurcated into a ratio of 3:1, 2:2 or as required.

Computer technologies are gaining more and more attention as a way to deliver distance learning due to the growing popularity of the Internet. Email has been the only Internet application used in education for a very long time. The most popular computer technology for distance learning is still email, where the teacher and the students share their coursework, assignments or exam paper electronically over the mail. The first step of the assessment is to look at the unmet instructional needs and see if remote learning could help. Techniques for distance learning are not suitable for every learner. Most of the time, a high level of drive and the capacity to operate independently are necessary. Analyzing the possible course audience is crucial. Facilitators and technical support teams are required for remote learning in order to guarantee that all of the equipment is operational. Technical support personnel, facilitators, and instructors ought to receive training for this kind of thing. Such training is a continuous process of learning.

There is more to distance learning. Future distance learning will need to be: culturally diverse, flexible in terms of time and location, free from geographical barriers, competitive in terms of cost and value, learner-centered with less emphasis on lecture-style classes, high-tech in terms of incorporating new media and computer applications as part of instructor presentations and course work, and growth-oriented from the perspectives of the individual and organization. Most important, integrating a variety of tools and resources to help students learn the course material makes an online course effective. Online courses give students greater flexibility and the opportunity to learn at their own pace without sacrificing their academic performance in any manner. It is not helpful for the students only, it is a great help for the professionals who are planning to learn new skills and earn degree/certificate while working.