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E-LEARNING: BETWEEN EXISTENCE AND CHALLENGES

Abstract:

The internet offers a rich platform of knowledge for researchers, students, and teachers. One of the educational concepts that facilitate learning and virtual interaction is the electronic learning. Following this, the study provides a detailed analysis of the concept of electronic learning that has been in existence since 1999 when it was first used at the CBT seminar. It revisits different adaptations and definitions of the term. It reviews a variety of meaning attributed to the electronic learning by different researchers.

The study also sheds light on some advantages of e-learning that range from: cost effectiveness, flexibility in terms of time, place, and learning materials. In addition, it proves that e-learning embraces different learning approaches and methods that enable learners to practice through different activities. E-learning enhances responsible learning through its courses. Furthermore, the research paper examines some back draws of e-learning namely, health concerns, isolation, absence of familiarity in comparison with c-learning, complexity that leads to frustration etc.,.

Besides, the study analyzes the challenges facing e-learning namely: lack of awareness about the effectiveness of electronic learning, the learner's skills and motivation, time, course design and others. The study proposes solutions to face these challenges. The research paper provides an overview of the future of e-learning. It suggests that e-learning will continue to thrive due to the development of telecommuting technologies. It also demonstrates how the widespread of computer ownership and the availability of a high-quality internet connection helped pave the way for the integration of social media into education.

The study helps in the establishment of a structured analysis of the term e-learning with its benefits and draw backs. It also assesses the challenges that face the successful running of the concept and it also addresses its future.

Keywords:

E-learning; advantages; disadvantages; challenges