DISTANCE LEARNING

Distance learning is a method which allows to teach and learn without meeting in a classroom by using the Internet, media contents like video and mp3 records. According to Mr. Tait, distance educations has begun with Isaac Pitman in 1844 by using the postal system (2003). With today's technology, data transmission speed is highly increased and data contaminations caused by malfunctions of communication are minimized; thus, distance learning became more utilizable and widespread. Also various universities put into use services of distance learning. Despite the argument that distance education should be more widely practiced, traditional educations ought to be preferred since it does not improve education, it causes immobilization of people, it leads to lack of social interactions, and it induces iniquitous time management.

It is claimed that distance education must be more unrestricted to enhance level of education; however, it does not allow the active learning. It is maintained that reaching the information get easy with distance learning. Proponents also argue that it is a great opportunity to improve education level for people who do not able to enroll in a school. Nonetheless, there is no one to encourage learners when things have come to pretty pass and everybody runs into a difficulty while studying. In such a case, they will break away from the courses. In addition, Mrs. Jennifer and Karen state that traditional learning methods are more capable than distance learning methods suck as the online and web-base due to dearth of face-to-face communications (2003). That is why students have to go to schools for active learning.

Another argument in favor of distance learning is the claim that students and instructors save their time and money; yet, it causes immobilization of people and lack of social interactions. It has been asserted that the traffic is reduced and transportation expenses are considerably declined because they do not need to come to school. According to Mr. Bishop, traditional courses take 4 percent more time than online courses (2010). Nevertheless, it brings on less motion of people and make them more addictive to computers and also technology. Also they become acquainted with less people and form an interaction with less people. It prevents them being social.

It is also argued that distance learning is beneficial because of its comfort, but it does not let use time fertile. It has been claimed that distance training enables students to study where they are at ease. It is significant that the learning environment must be suitable and comfortable for studying, and home is perfectly suited. Furthermore, students can execute their own timetable and can value time most efficiently. Nonetheless, people, also distance learning student, never find available time for studying due to easement for definition. It is asserted in The Disadvantages of Learning Online, a lot of people cannot allocate time for things that have to do due to everything else going on in their lives. (2014). Besides students who do not manage their schedule properly break away from the course after multiple postponed lectures.

To sum up, distance learning can offer only limited progress about education level, immobilize and get less social people, and shorten the working time due to the bad time managements. Traditional educations give students some opportunities such as face-to-face dialogues, and making new friends. Not only education education level, but also social relations will be progressed with traditional education. Thus, instead of investments of distance learning, it should be studied to developed the methods of traditional education.

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