**TECHNOLOGY IN YOUR ARUL STUDENT LIFE**

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# **Introduction**

Technological advancements have changed the traditional teaching and learning process heavily. It has been found that the implementation of technology in the teaching and learning process increases the adaptability and the learning experience of the student. In addition to it, it also provides students with more easy-to-access information and more opportunity to gain knowledge.

This reflective report is going to focus on my acquired experience of myself while using various technologies in my ARUL student life. In order to reflect on my experience with the technology, first a brief description of the experience is going to be discussed. My feelings and thoughts on the technologies used by the university are also going to be reflected. Moreover, my experiences of using the technology are also going to be analysed and evaluated thoroughly in this study. In addition to it, a brief summary along with a recommendation is going to be advised at the end. Furthermore, an action plan is also going to be identified here in the study.

# **Description**

It can be found that the Anglia Ruskin University London, there’s been extensive use of technology in terms of teaching. The university is using various technologies for enhancing the learning and teaching experience. Such examples of technology include Digital literacy, TELT framework (aru.ac.uk, 2019). Digital literacy has been recognized by the university as a central element of skill. It refers to the knowledge and skills that the students need to have to live in this world (unicef.org, 2019). Moreover, with this method of learning, I can engage more with the teachers.

It can also be found that the university has open educational resources. The app for accessing online resources is called myARUL (london.aru.ac.uk, 2019). This app has helped me a lot in my study. I can access any resources whenever I can without being worried about having any issues.

The university also uses Canvas as part of its learning management system (LMS). Due to this, I don't have to worry about anything. I can connect to any official and consult with the facilities whenever I need (aru.ac.uk, 2019). In addition to it, Box of Broadcast (BoB) is also introduced to the students and staff by the university. It is a comprehensive service from the British Film and video council which includes millions of TV and radio programmes. The university has also introduced YuJa Media which is integrated with its LMS system (aru.ac.uk, 2019). These have helped me to connect with the outer world and enjoy our student lives to their fullest along with learning.

# **Feeling**

Before enrolling at Anglia Ruskin University London, I had done extensive research on the background of the college. I found that the university uses various cutting-edge technologies in terms of teaching. Its facilities are state of the art. However, I didn’t expect the university to be this good. Even, when I came to the university campus for admission purposes, I didn’t have the slightest idea that the university offers these vast amounts of services for its students. While studying at the university, I have found out that the university mainly focuses on the students for providing them with a better learning environment. In order to do that, the university has introduced Digital literacy and TELT framework. Both of these focus on developing the skills of its student. Moreover, the university also launched myARUL app for the purpose of accessing online resources for students. These factors have impacted heavily my student life at Anglia Ruskin University London. Its online teaching methods have proven beneficial for me to enhance my learning and well-being.

# **Evaluation**

I can say that I didn’t have the slightest idea that a university can be this good. As a student coming from a different cultural background, at first, it was a little difficult for me to adjust to the environment. The teachers have helped me a lot in this regard. In addition to it, it was also difficult for me to cope with the teaching methods that teachers use at Anglia Ruskin University London.

It has also been found that the university uses advanced technology in terms of teaching. This use of technology has proven beneficial for me to enhance my learning experience. The online teaching methods of this university and various other factors have proven beneficial for me in terms of self-development. The university has also introduced digital literacy which has been helpful for my skill development.

The university also uses a learning management system as part of its use of advanced technology. This system helps to contact any official or faculty member whenever a student needs it.

However, I have difficulty understanding its learning management system (LMS). I still managed to use it for meeting my needs but it should be effective if I have a better understanding of the process.

In addition to it, the university offers a peer mentoring program to the students. This programme focuses on meeting the needs of every student and provides support and guidance. This programme has helped me to experience great student life at the university.

# **Analysis**

It was a great experience for me. The services provided by the university and the implementation of advanced technologies have had a great impact on my learning experiences and the development of my well-being. It has been found that technology has a great impact on enhancing the learning experience (american.edu, 2023). The resources provided by the university have proven beneficial for me in clearing any doubts on a specific topic. Moreover, I also got to enjoy my student life at the university. In addition to it, the use of technologically advanced tools helped me in terms of enhancing my creative skill (Nair, 2023). The university has provided us with various types of resources for entertainment purposes. Therefore, I didn’t feel bored a single time while spending my time at the university.

I had a problem while using its learning management system as I was coming from a different background and wasn’t exposed to advanced technologies in my early life. However, the teachers and my friends at the university have helped me a lot in overcoming my barriers.

# **Conclusion**

In the above study, my experiences related to using technologies in my student life at Anglia Ruskin University London are reflected. The university uses online teaching methods. This method of teaching has proven beneficial for me to enhance my learning and well-being.

In addition to it, Anglia Ruskin University London also implemented a learning management system (LMS). Using this system, I can connect with the officials of the university and also consult with the facilities whenever I am in need. Furthermore, the university provides peer mentoring programs. This programme has helped me a lot in terms of meeting my needs as a student at the university.

Upon analysing my experiences at the university, I can state that if everyone has the opportunities as me and can access the resources provided by this university, they can also have a great learning experience. The use of advanced technologies by the university has impacted my learning experiences heavily in a positive way. These factors have proven beneficial for me in terms of self-development.

# **Action plan**

The university is using cutting-edge technology and state-of-the-art facilities for the purpose of providing a better learning environment for students. All these factors have impacted my student life heavily in a positive way. The experience at the university can be beneficial for me in future. Moreover, it has also been proven that the use of advanced technology has impacted my learning outcomes. It has also been found that the university uses advanced technology in terms of providing its students with various resources that are needed for their studies. The access to the resources, whenever I want, has impacted my learning experience heavily.

These outcomes will come in handy for me in the near future when I will join any organisation as an employee. There, I can use my effective learning outcomes for achieving the organisational objectives and carrying out my job. Moreover, if I am given the opportunity to lead a team in the organisation, I can use the experiences of my university life to develop my team members. In addition to it, I had access to a wide range of resources on a specific topic which helped me to get more knowledge on that particular topic. Therefore, I will provide enough resources to my team members to develop themselves.

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