Benefits of teaching online

Increased flexibility of time: Learning and teaching can occur at times that better suit students and teachers.

Increased flexibility of location: Learning and teaching can take place almost anywhere, providing opportunities to include students and teachers from diverse locations.

Context: Online education can support learning in diverse contexts including professional and industry practice.

Analytics: Data about how students and teachers interact with each other and resources online can aid scholarly approaches to teaching.

Information sharing: Resources can be easier to access and share in digital format. Online education can use search engines, digital libraries and social networking tools to find, access and share materials.

Diverse and enriching experience: Flexibility in time and location provides opportunities to connect students with people in different disciplines and cultures.

Access and equity: Online delivery provides diverse mechanisms for participation. Students and teachers who have difficulties that restrict their ability to fully take part in face-to-face classes may be able to fully participate in online classes.

Capability: Online technologies can enable modes of learning not otherwise available or viable including activities that would otherwise involve high risk, high cost or scarce resources.

Administration: Online education can streamline some administrative aspects of teaching.

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