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HYBRID MODE OF EDUCATION

METHOD

Hybrid instruction, or hybrid courses, refers to classes where there is a carefully planned blend of both traditional classroom instruction and online examination activities. In other words, hybrid education combines the best of both, learning offline and examination online. Students are able to make a meaningful connection with their instructors, as well as other students, and yet they are no longer required to travel to campus on a daily basis in order to attend examination because it can be completed online.

GOING HYBRID

In order to make their classes "Internet-ready," many instructors must adjust their class content--particularly their lecture materials to suit online examination. However, in doing so, they are often making their materials more effective than traditional classroom instruction. The examination conducted online will evaluate a candidate's proficiency in a particular subject.

BENEFITS OF HYBRID INSTRUCTION

In addition to the benefit of writing the examination from a remote area with actually coming to the examination centre, some of the most important educational benefits are how hybrid courses help improve writing and computer skills. In addition, hybrid classes also encourage self-directed learning, time management, problem-solving, and critical-thinking skills in those who participate in the programs.

EFFECTIVE LEARNING AND TESTING

While it's still fairly new, many instructors are reporting good success with hybrid courses, and here's why: Students are required to do more work on their own--and this kind of "active learning" results in better test performance and what is known as subject mastery (or subject knowledge). In addition, students in hybrid programs are more likely to participate in group discussions and collaborate online with other students. However, even though students seem more confident about being involved with discussions online, it is important to keep in mind that it is because of the actual on-campus classroom component that students are more likely to find success in a hybrid course than in a strictly online class. So the examination conducted online will benefit students as they need not make physical appearance at the required hour of examination.

THE HYBRID ADVANTAGE

In addition to the obvious academic advantages, hybrid courses are also making it easier for more people to get a quality education. That's because hybrid programs require only limited on-campus attendance, which means these kinds of college programs are now more accessible to more people in more places, which is perhaps the biggest advantage of all. The students need not take leave for several days to appear for exams rather they can appear for exams in their leisure hour.