

Blended Learning

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Definition

- The term blended learning is generally applied to the practice of using both online and in-person learning experiences when teaching students.
- It is also called hybrid learning and mixed-mode learning.
- Blended-learning experiences may vary widely in design and application from school to school.

5 Major Benefits of Blended Learning

- Blended learning is more efficient.
 Blended learning can help teachers to more accurately assess the student's knowledge and help to teach concepts more efficiently.
- Blended learning makes education more accessible.
 With new learning apps and other technological advances, students have more flexibility to access and engage academia from home.
- Students can pace themselves.

 Blended learning that uses apps, games, or measurable programs to teach concepts allows students to engage the material at their own pace. This helps to balance a classroom that contains both quick and slow learners.

- Teachers can become more engaged with their students.

 Blended learning presents an increased opportunity for students to connect with their professors and teachers. Both parties can benefit from this shift in the relationship. Teachers can stay in touch with student progress, while students can ask more questions and gain deeper knowledge.
- This method is more fun for everyone.
 They find that learning can be more fun which is extremely advantageous to all involved parties.

There are 3 important outcomes

- >increased engagement,
- >accountability, and
- **>** adaptability

Challenges of Implementing Blended Learning

- A lack of basic computer/digital skills.
- Distractions
- Low independence/self-directedness and motivation.
- Fear of and discomfort with technology.
- Language and comprehension barriers.
- Lack of or poor internet service and lack of or outdated hardware.
- Lack of time and/or time management skills.

Instructions for blended learning implementation

- Use a variety of teaching tools.
- Make learning accessible for students.
- Personalize learning pathways for each student.
- Choose the blended learning model that works for you.
 - Station Rotation Model: Students rotate through different learning stations in class. This could be a mixture of group work, online learning, small group instruction and full class collaboration.
 - Flipped Classroom Model: Students are first introduced to concepts at home through online coursework and then practice in class with teacher assistance.
 - Flex Model: Students work through online learning activities on a customized and fluid schedule with teacher assistance as needed.

Learning Platforms

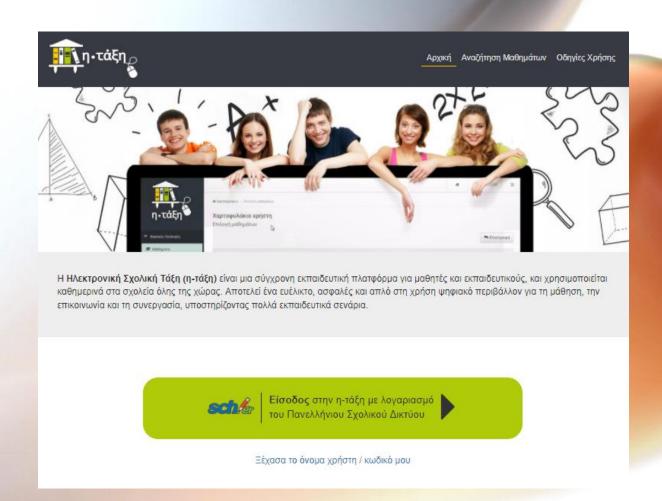
Moodle - Open-source learning platform

Moodle is a learning platform designed to provide educators, administrators and learners with a **single robust, secure and integrated system** to create personalised learning environments.



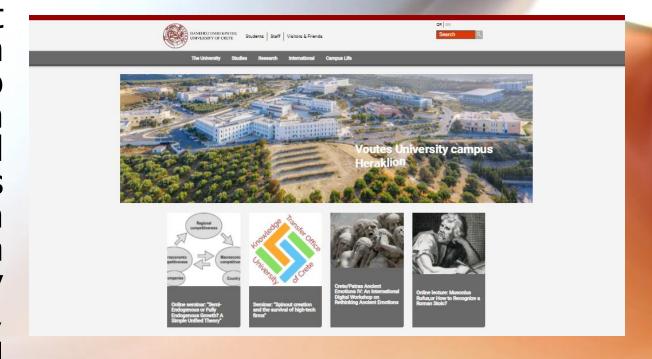
Open eClass

A free and flexible e-learning platform. which can address every educational need. User-friendly. Easy to use.



Massive open online course (MOOC)

An online course aimed at unlimited participation and open access via the Web. In addition to traditional course materials, such as filmed lectures, readings, and problem sets, many MOOCs provide interactive courses with user forums or social media discussions to support community interactions among students, professors, and teaching assistants.



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