

FUTURE OF E-LEARNING

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Electronic learning (or e-learning) is a type of technology supported education/learning (TSL) where the medium of instruction is through computer technology, particularly involving digital technologies [1]. Electronic learning (e-learning) is defined as the delivery of instructional content using electronic means such as the Internet, intranets, audio and video equipment, web conferencing, virtual classrooms, CD-ROM, and more recently Web 2.0 tools [2].

This study will reveal that e-learning indeed became the major form of training and development in organizations as technologies will improve to create a fully interactive and humanized learning environment. E-learning is moving toward total automation of teaching and learning processes using software known as Learning Management Systems (LMS). To facilitate the development of courses that utilize Internet-based technologies, more and more colleges, universities, and businesses have embraced both open source and proprietary LMS tools.

E-learning is now becoming a widely accepted method of training and education within schools, colleges and organizations. Economic, social and technological forces have and continue to change the global economy, and the way of life in organizations and the world. The Internet and associated technologies have spurred evolutionary business processes in organizations. Where the corporate homepage was once the “thing” to have, today’s organizations have progressed from the homepage to the intranet to e-commerce [3].

The last few years have generated an exceptional amount of hype within the industry. The UK Government has invested heavily in the University for Industry and according to “Trainingzone”, the proportion of companies using various forms of online learning has increased, for instance, from 61% in 2000 to 85% in 2001. 45% of e-learning enabled organizations reported that they had increased their use of online learning formats during 2000, and 75% predicted that they would make increased use of online learning in 2001 [4].

E-learning is now a fairly mature and is becoming increasingly pervasive in many market sectors and companies.

In this study, there will be numerous facts and significant data, especially considering personal learning environment, that will show why is the future of e-learning bright.

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