



Customize your online studying

Online Learning – Study Guide

Make your own schedule. Online studying gives you the flexibility to learn when suits you best. Some online courses are asynchronous: an online class where you do not have to log in at a specific time for a live session, but you can study at your own pace, enabling you to plan your individual schedule.

Flexibility and balance between Studying and work or hobbies. You can study and fit your work schedule (and your hobbies) around your course work more easily and to your convenience.

Study at Your Own Pace. Everyone works and studies at his or her own pace. With Online courses, you can review course materials repeatedly or stop the lecture to organize your notes. You can work at your own pace to ensure you are really mastering the material.

Practice life-long skills (important for your career)

- A. Time management skills-** Online classes keep you on a regular schedule and deadlines, allowing you to practice managing your time and staying productive week-to-week.
- B. Self-discipline** – as an online student, you must learn self-discipline by managing your time and tasks. This will also help you become more self-motivated.

These life-long skills will help you stand out in the workplace and future career.

Customize your learning environment. Online learning gives students the opportunity to learn in whatever setting they prefer- absolute silence or listen to music. Choose your own learning environment that works best for your needs: your desk, your sofa, IDC library, the café across the street, or a local park.

Opportunity to participate. Many students are not comfortable speaking in face-to-face classroom. In an online environment, it can be much easier to participate even for shy or more reticent students.

More opportunities to communicate with your professor. It is not always convenient to see your professor face to face. With an online course, you can communicate via email, live chat or telephone with your T.A or professor.

Better opportunities to concentrate. You can choose any place that helps you study. Some students find in-person classes distracting.

Reduced Pressure. Less competition. For some students, face-to-face class can be a competitive and pressured environment. Online learning offers a safe environment that encourages learning instead of competition.