## DISTANCE LEARNING EDUCATION OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING: PRINCIPLES AND EXPERIENCES

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## ABSTRACT

Whether distance learning spells the end of traditional campuses, as some maintain, or whether distance learning instead represents a powerful addition to a growing array of delivery options for higher education, its impact on higher education is great and growing.

Distance learning is creating alternative models of teaching and learning, new job descriptions for faculty, and new types of higher education providers.

The advent of Distance and Distributed Learning has raised numerous questions about quality and quality assurance:

- How do established distance learning institutions ensure quality?
- What more needs to be done?
- How do quality assurance agencies view the distinction between onand off-campus teaching and learning?

This talk discusses these issues from the viewpoints of funding organisation, quality assurance agencies and the learners.

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