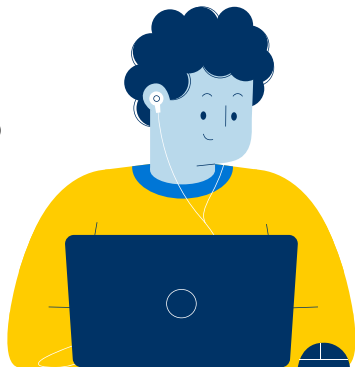


TRADITIONAL VS. ONLINE LEARNING

SCHEDULE

In a traditional class, the start/end of a class period are predetermined. In an online class, there isn't a schedule to tell you when to attend class. You'll need self-discipline and good time management to set and follow your own schedule; both critical elements of online learning.



QUESTIONS

In a traditional class, when you have a question, the instructor is there to respond right away. In an online class, your instructor may not be online at the same time as you and it might take 24-48 hours before your question is answered.



DELIVERY

In a traditional class, faculty deliver lessons verbally and may provide examples in person. In an online class, lessons, examples, and explanations are delivered mostly through text and images. Video, audio, and interactive content are also used.



ATTENDANCE

In a traditional class, your physical presence in the classroom is evidence of your attendance. In an online class, logging in regularly, engaging in online discussions, and submitting assignments are all evidence of your attendance and participation.



INTERACTION

In a traditional class, you can have discussions with your peers and receive immediate responses. In an online class, interacting with your classmates usually happens asynchronously through written communication, which may take more time.



MATERIALS

In a traditional class, the materials used in learning the course content are textbooks, paper, and pencils. In an online class, you also need access to a modern computer and internet connection. You may also need a webcam, a microphone, or access to a printer.



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