



SMARTPHONES AS TOOLS FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION

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Abstract

Needs of students become so sophisticated that they refuse to carry heavy weight laptops or books; and they save everything in their phones. After observing that all the students taking the course have Smartphones and are already using these for educational purposes like note taking and googling; some courses at the British University of Nicosia are started to be delivered as a distance education course via Smartphones; and these devices are also used for assessment and evaluation. Purpose of this study is to find the attitude of students to mobile education and to measure the difference of success between traditional education students, blended education students and mobile education students. Also, paper discusses application problems and suggest solutions. Students were astonished to see their results and mistakes at the end of mobile exams and teachers were happy that they do not have to read lots of papers for hours.

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