4\textsuperscript{th} webinar on e-learning: Recognition: Routes for academic progress

By The European Students Union

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Welcome to our fourth webinar in a series of webinars on e-learning!
1. Very short recap of the third webinar

- Main topic: quality assurance

- 3 experts:
  - Maria Kelo, ENQA
  - Ignas Gaiziunas, Student of the University of Vilnius
  - George Ubachs, Jon Rosewell (EADTU)
1. Very short recap of the third webinar

- Main conclusions:
  - Big difference between COVID-19 situation and the actual development towards e-learning and the quality assurance of e-learning.
  - There are a lot of possibilities within the current framework and ESG’s, they have to be applied differently.
  - Involvement of students of e-learning in quality assurance is very important but challenging, since they are not ‘on campus’
  - E-learning offers a lot of possibilities: individualization, flexibility, internationalization
  - Student representatives play an important role and have to formulate their aims on e-learning.
  - Teacher support is very important
  - EADTU presented their e-excellence label: quality benchmark for open, online, flexible education
  - There is already a lot possible!
Today's webinar

1. Introductory questions for all of you
2. Presentation of our experts
3. Panel discussion
4. Closing remarks
Some points of attention

1. Ask your questions on Menti during the presentation
2. The webinar will be recorded
3. Use the chat if you have technical questions/remarks
4. Your microphones are all muted
Did you perform recognition procedures within your studies?

- Yes: 5
- No: 8
- I don't know: 0
What did you get recognized?

Did you perform recognition procedures within your studies?

- **Yes**
- **No**
- **I don't know**
- **Unknown**
How informed are you about recognition of e-learning?
First expert presentation
Brikena Xhomaqi, LLLP
WHO WE ARE

“Promote a holistic vision to lifelong learning, from cradle to grave, by facilitating European-wide cross-sector cooperation among civil society organisations in the field of education & training and voicing citizens’ concerns.”

- Founded in 2005
- 42 European networks (CSOs)
- 50,000+ education & training institutions
“E-RECOGNITION”

- E-Recognition vs on-campus recognition?
- E-Recognition or recognition of e-learning?
- European Digital Credentials Infrastructure (EDCI)
- Council Recommendation on VNFIL
- Digital Learning Action Plan
Thank you for your attention

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Second expert presentation
Katrien Bardoel, NUFFIC
Student’s guide to e-learning

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Katrien Bardoel – Team leader
Team International Recognition

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For all education sectors: from primary to higher education

International Recognition Department: advises on the value of foreign qualifications + promote fast and fair recognition in Europe (EHEA)
Different purposes of e-learning

- personal enrichment;
- knowledge/skills development for a (future) employer;
- Academic progression.
What is academic recognition?

“Official approval by an accredited HEI of courses, qualifications or diplomas, that have been taken or obtained elsewhere.”

Important for:
- admission to a study programme
- exemption from parts of a study programme
Recognition of e-learning

Not problematic when e-learning is part of formal education, e.g. blended learning.

More difficult when:
- you select an online course that is offered by an informal education provider
- the course is offered by an accredited HEI, but not as part of a formal study programme.
How to improve my chances?

1. Check beforehand if an online course can be recognized for admission or exemption to the study programme of your choice.

HEIs increasingly make use of e-learning to prepare students for enrolment or during their studies. They may be able to point you in the right direction if you are interested in taking a MOOC for academic development.
What if I do not know where to enroll?

2. Choose a MOOC that is offered by an accredited HEI;
3. Choose a MOOC that offers credit points (e.g. ECTS);

Sometimes MOOCs are offered for free, with an option to receive credit points after completing a paid exam. If you seek academic recognition, it is recommended that you take the exam, even though there is no guarantee that your course will be recognized.
What if I do not know where to enroll?

4. Keep a record with:
- A description of the course content and the expected learning outcomes;
- An overview of the way study results have been tested;
- ID requirements of the course/platform.
Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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https://www.nuffic.nl/en/subjects/e-valuate/
Liv Teresa Muth
The students’ perspective to the students’ guide to e-learning
Recognition of E-learning

The students’ perspective
Advantages of E-learning for students

• Benefits students that might otherwise not be able to conduct their studies → individualization and flexibility
• Lower carbon footprint for new forms of international mobility
• Continuity of learning during difficult times e.g. COVID-19
• Career advancement for studies or employment
The role of student boards

- Student boards promote the interests of students within HEIs
- Contact in case of difficulties of getting e-learning certificates recognized
- Help to refer to the right department or person within HEIs
- May bring this topic to the attention of HEI boards and argue for the inclusion of e-learning in the HEI’s recognition procedures and policies
  - Information and service for students regarding recognition opportunities and procedures
Panel discussion
Closing remarks
Thank you for participating in our webinar series, the recordings can be found on our website!
Ask me anything

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