Surviving and growing with open and distance learning (ODL)

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Challenges of ODL

Surviving ODL

Bright Sides of ODL

Tips to Grab
1. **Challenges of ODL**

What are the challenges of ODL?
Challenges of ODL

✖ Using software
You may have difficulty operating different types of software for distance learning

✖ Keeping connected with internet
You can have issues with internet connection which may affect your academic performance

✖ Getting lost in learning
You may get lost in learning due to difficulty understanding materials and doing assignments

✖ Interacting with peers
You are likely to feel isolated and alone as you don’t meet other students face to face

✖ Staying motivated
You can easily lose motivation due to working and minimum supervision of distance learning

✖ Gaining credibility
You might feel doubtful about the credibility of your earned degree
How to deal with all of these???

Let’s figure out!!!
2. Surviving ODL

How to survive ODL?
Surviving ODL

Challenges
- Using software
- Keeping connected with internet
- Getting lost in learning
- Interacting with peers
- Staying motivated
- Gaining credibility

Solutions
- Be willing to learn how to operate it
  Learn how to use PC, Ms Office packages, e-learning tools, email, etc.
- Get good SIM cards or spots for the internet
  Go to wifi.id, city, coworking space, etc.
- Read both intensively and extensively and ask tutors for help whenever possible
  Read modules attentively and look for additional references (books, articles, reports, news, etc)
- Seek fellow students, create a (study/discussion) group, and follow UT sosmed groups (FB or IG)
  Type relevant keywords in FB and IG
- Make study plans and goals
  Decide what GPA you want to achieve, how many courses you want to take termly, etc
- Do some search (accreditations and alumni)
  Know that UT has good accreditations and notable alumni
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Solutions

Do some search (accreditations and alumni [later on])
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BRIGHT SIDES OF ODL

Let’s take a look at the benefits of ODL!
Skills gained from ODL

- Tech-savvy
- Independence
- Credibility
- Local and international friends
- Time management
- Flexible and self-discipline and motivation
- Passionate about learning
83% of executives consider an online degree is as credible as one earned through a traditional program. A similar study found 61% of HR leaders view online credentials as equal to those completed in person.

– A survey by Career Builder
Dear Mr Khaim,

Programme of Study: MA English Linguistics
Programme (CAHIS) Code: CAH19-01-02, Taught
Department/Institute: English Language and Literature
Method of Study: Full-time
Start Date: 27 September 2021
Anticipated End Date: 26 September 2022

UNCONDITIONAL OFFER

I am pleased to inform you that you have met the conditions for admission to the above programme of study and I am happy to be able to make you this revised offer of entry.

25 May 2021
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https://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/world-university-rankings/2022
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https://deceng2.wordpress.com/
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Alumni Sastra Inggris UT tahun 2018
Success Story alumni UT di Portugal

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Ade Kumalasari (Alumnus Sasing UT 2018)
Are there any tips you can give?
Roadmap

1. Know how to use tech
2. Manage your time properly (work – study – play)
3. Be independent and self-driven
4. Make a roadmap of your study
5. Get connected with other students
6. Be resilient and get a degree as you want
Maps

I'm here
England, UK
Resilience is our ability to bounce back from life’s challenges and unforeseen difficulties, providing mental protection from emotional and mental disorders.

– Michael Rutter
The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

– Eleanor Roosevelt
Thank you

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