Resistance to Distance Learning

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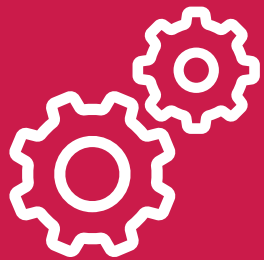
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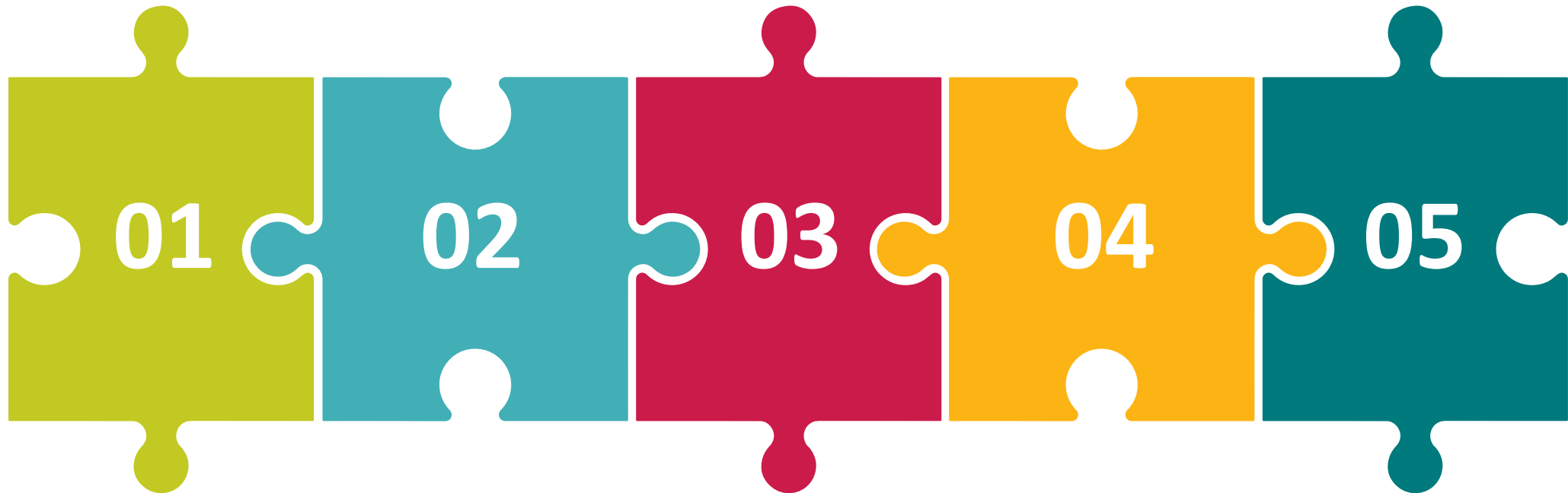
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What are the reasons why faculty members and students are reluctant towards distance education?

Benefits of eLearning

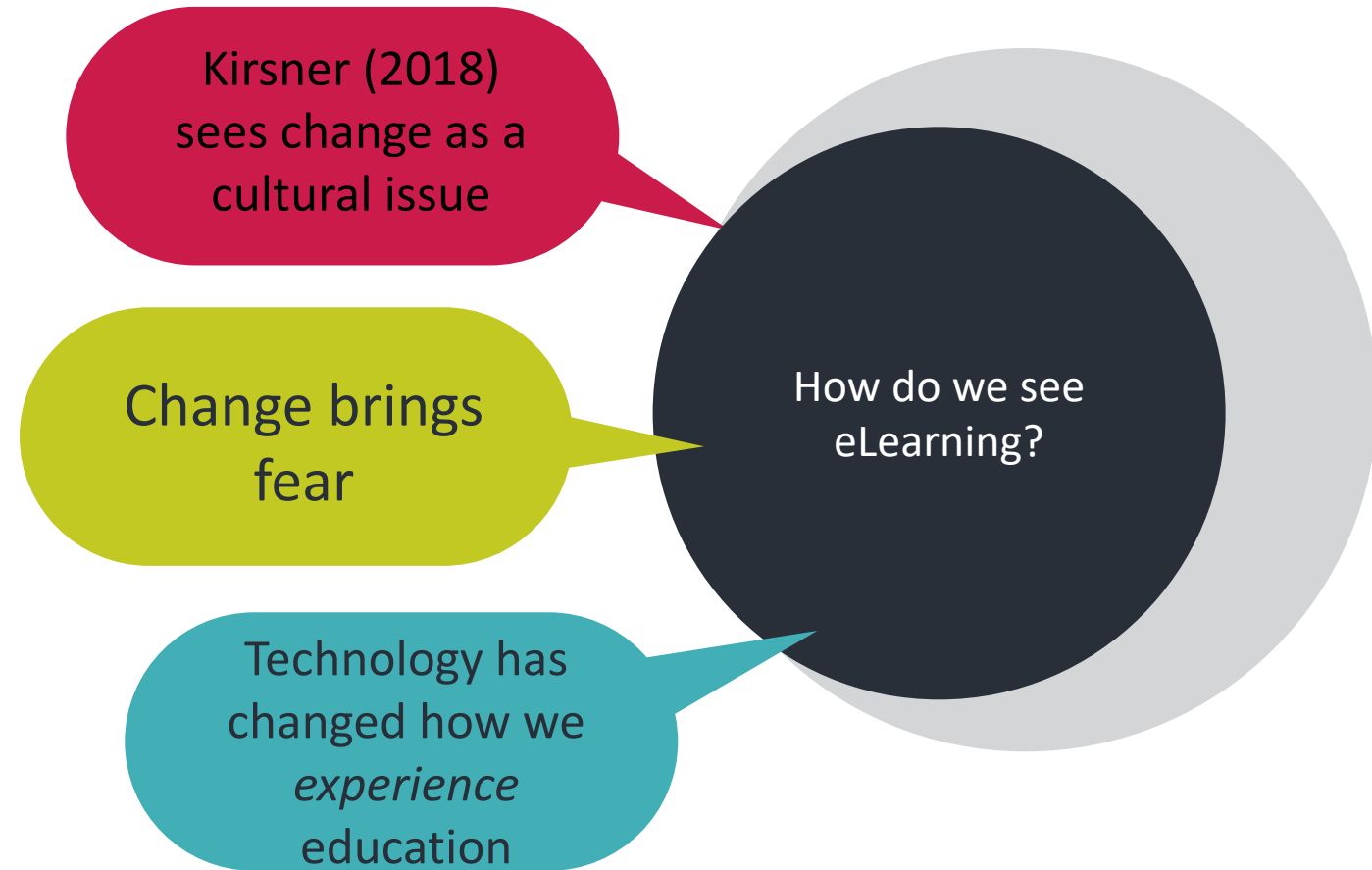|				
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Demand growing exponentially, roughly 10.1% each year (Lloyd et al., 2012; Gallagher, 2019)	Better learning outcomes, economic feasibility, and student satisfaction (Allen & Seaman, 2010; Seaman, Allen, & Seaman, 2018).	Differentiation	Easier connections	Flexibility

The problem of perception

How distance learning is perceived

1 One hundred and twenty distance education students in Near East University in North Cyprus were surveyed in a study about students' anxiety and resistance towards learning through distance education. (Uzunboylu and Tuncay, 2010, p. 145)

2 This investigation conveyed that there are many types of anxieties experienced towards distance learning.

3 These include and are not limited to computer, language, text, social and technology anxiety.

The reality

According to the U.S. Department of Education (U.S. Department of Education, 2009), students that took online courses scored higher than students participating in traditional courses.

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"Students who took all or part of their class online performed better, on average, than those taking the same course through traditional face-to-face instruction."

2

There is an exponentially increasing demand for online education regardless of the backlash.

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"Online learning can be enhanced by giving learners control of their interactions with media and prompting learner reflection. "

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Overcoming resistance

DIFFUSION OF INNOVATION MODEL

INNOVATORS 2.5%
EARLY ADOPTERS 13.5%
EARLY MAJORITY 34%
LATE MAJORITY 34%
LAGGARDS 16%
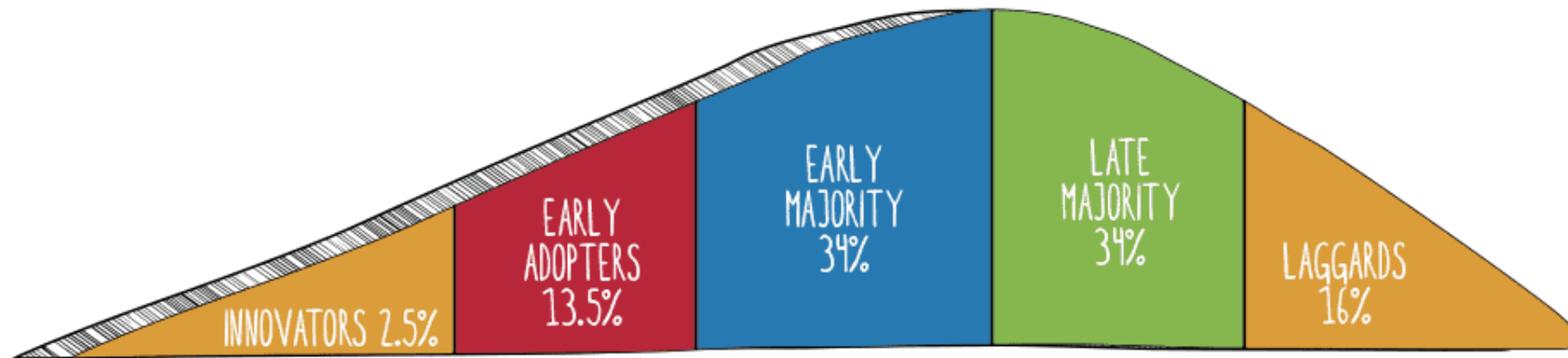
Source: Diffusion of Innovation, Rogers ,1962

The future of
education

1 Competency based learning

2 21st century skills

3 Digital storytelling

Conclusions

The *what* and the *how* of learning

Online learning is transforming education.

Importance of diffusion of innovations

Diffuse everything to everywhere.

Revise repeatedly

Constant coming of time calls for constant changing.

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