

Distance & Online Education

HISTORICAL TIMELINE: 1700 TO 2021, UNITED STATES

2021

2021

Pivotal Pedagogy

meeting the needs of learners across all learning formats

2002-2007

Mind, Brain & Education Science

Mind, Brain and Education Journal (2007)

International Mind, Brain and Education Society founded (2004)

MBE MS Program Harvard U (2002)

1998

Section 508 is enacted as an amendment to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

CAST introduces principles for Universal Design for Learning 1.0 (1998); UDL 2.0 (2011)

1996-1998

GWU, Drexel University, NYU, SNHU offer online programs

Western Governors University

is founded in 1997; offers online programs

1991

World Wide Web is accessible to the public

University of Maryland Campus begins offering online programs globally

Learning Sciences emerge & Journal of the Learning Science

1990-2020

1987-1991

Penn State University

DE Online Symposium listserv (1991)

American Center for the Study of Distance Education (1988) American Journal of Distance Education (1987)

1970

Coastline Community College

offers fully televised college courses without a physical campus

1970-1989

1960

University of Illinois launches Programmed Logic for Automatic Teaching Operations (PLATO) a computer-assisted instruction system

1934

University of Iowa begins using television for education

1900-1969

1892

University of Chicago

is first US school to organize correspondence courses at the college level

1878

Chautauqua Literary & Scientific Circle

is first adult education program and correspondence school in USA, became Chautauqua University, 1883

1840

Sir Isaac Pitman offers shorthand correspondence courses in United Kingdom

1700-1899

2014

Google Classroom is launched; within the first year over 10 million teachers and students use the platform

1999-2009

Moodle, Desire2Learn, Canvas, Schoology, launch LMS platforms

1999

Wide Web Consortium (W3C) publishes Web Content Accessibility Guidelines

1996-1998

Blackboard launches LMS in 1997

University of British Columbia launches WebCT Learning Management System (LMS) platform in 1996

1995

Jones International University is first fully online university & New Hampshire University launches

1990-1991

Tim Berners-Lee invents WWW in 1991

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is signed into law in 1990

1985

National Technological University offers online degree courses via satellite

1974-1977

Apple is founded by Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak (1976)

Microsoft is founded by Bill Gates and Paul Allen (1975)

Altair 8800, first personal computer is developed by Dr. Henry Edward Roberts (1974)

1969

ARPANET establishes first computer-to-computer link on October 29, 1969

1953

University of Houston offers educational programming through non-commercial television -KUHT-TV

1922

Penn State College offers first broadcast courses through the radio in USA

1892

University of Wisconsin-Madison uses term "distance education" in a pamphlet for the first time in USA

1891

International Correspondence Schools, founded in Scranton, PA, offers coal mining correspondence courses

1873

Anna Eliot Ticknor founded the Society to Encourage Studies at Home

1728

Caleb Phillips advertises in the Boston Gazette private shorthand courses offered by mail in Boston, Massachusetts, USA