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INCREASING STUDENTS' MOTIVATION AND ENGAGEMENT THROUGH A TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

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Abstract
This article investigates strategies for enhancing students’ learning motivation and fostering active engagement in the educational process through the implementation of a Technology-Supported Learning Environment (TSLE) in higher education institutions.The paper analyzes the impact of digital tools, distance learning platforms, and interactive technologies on students’ psychology, as well as their role in improving educational effectiveness. The results of the study demonstrate that integrating technology with pedagogical approaches is a key factor in stabilizing and sustaining student motivation.

Keywords: Learning motivation, digital learning environment, student engagement, educational technologies, interactive methods.

INTRODUCTION

The modern higher education system is undergoing a fundamental transformation. As digital technologies penetrate all aspects of our lives, traditional teaching methods are no longer sufficient to meet the current needs of students. The student of the 21st century is a representative of the "digital generation", who prefers to quickly obtain information, work with visual content and actively participate in the process. Therefore, one of the most urgent tasks facing educational institutions is to increase students' interest in learning (motivation) with the help of technology and turn them from passive listeners into

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active participants. Learning motivation is the foundation of educational success. Research shows that the more deeply a student is involved in the learning process (student engagement), the higher the mastery indicators. However, it has become more difficult to maintain students' attention for a long time in a modern classroom. Therefore, the use of educational technologies as a driving force for motivation is of urgent scientific and practical importance.

1. Motivation Theories and Digital Learning: Psychological Foundations

To understand the effectiveness of technological learning environments, it is first necessary to turn to motivation theories. According to Self-Determination Theory, human motivation is based on three basic needs: autonomy, competence, and social connectedness.

1. Autonomy: TSLE allows students to learn at their own pace and at their own time. For example, they can review a video lecture or a resource in Moodle that they did not understand. This gives them freedom as a subject of the learning process.

2. Competence: Automated tests and simulations used in digital environments provide students with immediate feedback. Students realize their mistakes at the same time, which strengthens their self-efficacy.

3. Social Connection: It is often thought that digital learning isolates the student, but modern collaboration tools (Slack, Zoom, Google Docs) further enhance students' teamwork and virtual communication with each other.

2. TSLE Components and Modern Educational Trends

A technology-enabled environment includes several layers:

• LMS (Learning Management Systems): Learning management systems serve not only as a repository of information, but also as a constant channel of communication with the student.

• Blended Learning: A combination of traditional and online education. In this case, the theoretical part is held online, and practical discussions are held in the classroom. This model significantly increases the level of student engagement.

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• Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Personalized Learning: Today, artificial intelligence can analyze the student's level of knowledge and give tasks at a level that corresponds to him. This provides an individual approach to each student, as a result of which the feeling of discouragement disappears in weaker students and boredom disappears in stronger ones.
• Virtual and Augmented Reality (VR/AR): Virtually viewing complex processes (e.g., surgery in medicine or the structure of aggregates in engineering) evokes a sense of wonder in the student, which maximizes cognitive interest in learning.

3. Gamification: the laws of games in education

Gamification is one of the most successful methods for engaging students in a lesson. Humans naturally strive to win and receive rewards. Introducing points, ratings, badges, and levels into the learning process changes the way students interact with the lesson.

Platforms such as Quiz, Kahoot, or Classcraft turn the lesson into a competition. The student sees his or her ranking in the group and tries to better master the material in order to move up. Here, extrinsic motivation (earning points) gradually turns into intrinsic motivation (acquiring knowledge).

4. Mobile learning (m-learning): education without borders

An integral part of the modern student is a smartphone. Mobile learning allows students to absorb short-term information (micro-learning) anywhere (in transport, during breaks). Providing information in small doses reduces cognitive stress and increases the level of memorization. Studies show that when the material is repeated via a mobile application for 15 minutes every day, the retention of knowledge is 3 times higher than when the material is repeated for 2 hours once a week.

5. The role of the teacher in digital pedagogy

As technology develops, the question arises: "Will computers replace the teacher?" In fact, in the context of TSLE, the role of the teacher becomes more responsible. Now the teacher is not the only provider of information, but also acts as a facilitator and mentor.

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The main task of the teacher is to choose the most effective among digital tools and guide the student. If the teacher can use technology correctly, he will be freed from the "mechanical" work in the lesson (attendance, checking) and will spend more time on creative communication with students, solving problem situations.

6. Obstacles and dangers in the digital environment

Along with the positive aspects of working with technology, there are also problems:

• Digital distraction: A student may become distracted by social networks on the Internet instead of learning resources. The solution to this is the high interactivity of the lesson and tasks that require constant student activity.

• Cognitive overload: Too many videos, effects and information tire the student's brain. Therefore, "digital hygiene" and information moderation are important.

• Digital inequality: It is part of pedagogical etiquette to take into account that not all students have the same technical capabilities.

Conclusion and practical recommendations

A learning environment supported by technologies is not just a modern fashion, but a strategic tool for improving the quality of higher education. It strengthens student motivation not only through interesting elements, but also through a personalized approach, autonomy and quick feedback.

In conclusion, the following recommendations are put forward for higher education institutions:

1. Transition to a blended learning format: Upload lectures in video format to a remote platform, and hold only practical discussions in the classroom.
2. Introduction of gamification: Create a rating system and reward mechanism for each course.
3. Improving the skills of teachers: Train teachers not only in the use of technical devices, but also in the methods of "digital pedagogy".
4. Automation of the feedback system: Create conditions for the student to constantly monitor his achievements.

Only in an environment where technology and the human factor (teacher skills) are combined, student involvement in the learning process will be sustainable.

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