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        Businesses that are looking for options for training
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   their employees may wish to consider offering credit for
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   courses taken online. As the growth in distance education
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   continues, just about anyone who has access to a computer
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   can take advantage of courses offered for degrees in higher
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   education, advanced training, and job retraining.
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        Many colleges and universities offer online courses as
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   part of their regular curriculum. These institutions can
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   make additional classes available to more students when
   classes on campus have reached their maximum enrollments or
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   when additional classroom space is not available.
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        Enrolling in distance education courses is a workable
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   alternative for many students. They do not have to travel
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   to the college campus, and they can attend classes without
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   having to quit their jobs. If they wish, they can interact
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   not only with the instructor but also with other members of
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   in the class.
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        Just as with any course, students take responsibility
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   for their own learning. They must be organized and plan an
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   adequate amount of time to study and complete work on class
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   projects. They must be certain to turn in their assignments
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   on time and in the manner specified by the instructor. Much
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   of the class communication will be written, so students who
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   take online courses must have good written communication
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   skills. People who are disciplined to use their time wisely
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   without constant supervision by their superiors may enjoy
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27 the challenge of distance education courses.
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