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Extending the Boundaries of Higher Education through Digitalization: On the best practices of Online- and Blended Learning

Accessibility of higher education has never been more important and using online teaching, or e-learning, is a suitable way of achieving this access. However, online education presents new challenges for teachers, which requires best practices to overcome.

In this talk I will present my experiences and best practices with Blended Learning, a teaching approach where traditional classroom lectures are complemented with online seminars and technical presentations. In addition to my own experiences, I will present the results of a study that was done at Blekinge Institute of Technology during the spring of 2020 where a questionnaire survey was used to gather students' perceptions on Blended Learning and its value.

Further, the study investigated how student norms affect their perceptions.

The talk will cover the following:

- What is my approach to Blended Learning and why?
- What are student's perceptions on Blended Learning and how is it affected by student norms?

What best practices shall be employed and what shall you avoid when using Blended Learning?

I look forward to seeing you at the seminar and that my experiences will be helpful for you in teaching either with Blended Learning or E-learning.

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