

"DID VIDEO KILL THE LECTURE HALL STAR? AN ANALYSIS OF THE ROLE OF TECHNOLOGY IN UNIVERSITY EDUCATION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC"

ABSTRACT:

University education is currently undergoing massive change due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These changes are both demanding for students as well as lecturers as both groups have to attune to new routines. Technology, which has been introduced as an interim solution in many organizations as a response to the pandemic, has been an important enabler that supported these new routines. But these change in technology might also have led to changes in the way that technology is perceived – material agency – and might thus introduce yet again new changes in routines, as part of a sociomaterial process. For that reason, it is likely that some of the changes that were intended to be temporary might yield permanent effects on university education. This talk analyses technology use during the pandemic and its implications on current and future education, using the case of the University of Applied Sciences in Kufstein.

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