

# CNet Technology Drives New Ways of Learning

Technology is evolving learning and professional development by enabling the introduction of new ways of learning that can revolutionize personal development, making it more accessible, convenient and more appealing at all levels.

CNet Training is serious about technical education and dedicated to offering the following methods of learning to customers around the world:

#### Remote Attendance

There are various forms of remote attendance learning available. Some simply provide details to join an on-line meeting that allows you to see and hear an Instructor or teacher. Others are more sophisticated and allow you to join a place-based classroom with other learners sitting in the actual room. Here, remote attendees log in to effectively sit in the same classroom and are visible to all others via a large screen. There are usually several camera angles available to allow learners to choose the best camera angles for them and change them as needed. Audio devices also allow any of the learners to speak to everyone else, providing clarity by muting the microphones of others when one person is taking, allowing a conversation to take place involving all. Additionally, remote attendees can often take part in group activities via virtual break out rooms, combining those in the classroom with the remote attendees. There are many advantages to remote attendance over and above the saving of travel time and the costs associated with accommodation and subsistence.

#### On-site Programs

Here, the professional Instructor delivers the educational program to multiple people from the same organisation at their place of work, at the same time. This is the ultimate convenience for the learners and ideal if they can escape the distractions of their day-to-day work whilst at their workplace. It also encourages team discussion and team work as colleagues can learn and innovate together.

## Place-based Classroom

Attending a classroom of a program delivered by an Instructor with many other learners in the same room. Some argue that being away from the workplace allows more creativity and free-flowing thinking, others prefer to learn in their workplace where they can bounce ideas around with colleagues as they learn, which can further help enrich the learning experience. However, with place-based classroom learning there is the added benefit of not knowing who else will attend. This can add a further dimension to the learning as you can share ideas and experiences from others in the sector within similar roles.

#### Distance Learning

The ultimate flexible learning where material is accessed online allowing the learning to be undertaken asynchronously - when and where it is convenient. This approach does take focus and motivation as it is all too easy to push the flexible element too far and procrastinate. Secrets to success with distance learning include ensuring you dedicate time by creating a routine and adhering to it, having a quiet place to learn without the distractions of family or work life and using your dedicated Tutor support when available.

## **Blended Learning**

An approach to education that combines online pre-class study with place-based classroom learning. This involves the support of a dedicated online Tutor available during pre-class study in readiness for attending classroom sessions. Blended learning is ideal for those who do not fully enjoy distance learning as it provides motivation and a deadline to complete the online study and the ability to discuss new learning with others and the Instructor during the classroom sessions.

# Choosing the Right Method of Learning

The chosen method of learning is of course dependant on availability within the relevant subject matter however there are other factors to consider.

A good starting point is to look at workloads and patterns of work. When is there free time to dedicate to learning? Could you take time away from work to dedicate a set period to learning, or are you only free evenings or weekends?

How you learn, what appeals the most? Do you prefer to learn on your own or within a team comprising colleagues or a team comprising other industry professionals which also creates networking opportunities?

How easily are you distracted and what distractions could you experience? This could be in relation to home or your workplace and could help you to decide if place-based classroom learning is best for you, so you can be dedicated to learning in a professional learning environment.

To discuss which delivery method would best suit you and your teams across data center and network infrastructure technical education programs, please contact CNet Training – info@cnet-training.com.

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#### About CNet Training

International award-winning technical education company, CNet Training has been designing and delivering professional network infrastructure education and training programs since 1996.

Today CNet is the global leader in technical education for the digital infrastructure industry, comprising the data center and network infrastructure sectors, and is the only industry dedicated education provider in the world to award both internationally recognized qualifications and professional certifications. These qualifications start at level three and culminate in the world's only level seven Masters Degree program in Data Center Leadership and Management.

A significant part of CNet's history is the development of the highly acclaimed Global Digital Infrastructure Education Framework, which offers industry professionals an opportunity to plan technical education, qualifications and certifications to meet on-going individual and business needs.

CNet deliver classroom-based technical education programs led by expert Instructors, in locations across the world and via remote attendance, introducing real-time collaboration with a virtual training room, allowing ease of access to all industry professionals wherever they are in the world. In addition, they also deliver distance learning programs.

Alongside its impressive client list of multinational organisations, the company is proud of its close associations with the world's leading trade associations and industry bodies including the Infrastructure Masons, AFCOM, 7x24, BroadGroup, Green Grid and Pearson. CNet is also trusted by many of the world's leading manufacturers of data center and network infrastructure solutions to design and deliver their specific training and education programs.