



Enhancing Digital Literacy of
University Students
(E-DigiLit)

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E-Newsletter II



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Introduction

Greetings from E-DigiLit Team.

We are proud to announce that despite the problems caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, our project continues successfully. The past 14 months have been a fruitful for the project progression. We have successfully applied the first online survey to decision makers for common understanding and second online survey to students. After the results were evaluated in needs analysis reports, we developed the curriculum of new elective course on digital literacy. During this period, we talked and decided on the project activities at our online meetings. Four online meeting were held with full participation of project partners from England, Croatia, Spain and Turkey. Currently, the development of digital educational materials of Digital Literacy Course and online guideline for teaching staff is on progress. What is ahead of us after finishing digital educational materials and online Guidebook is piloting the new elective Digital Literacy Course and multiplier events for promoting the project outputs. In the following pages of this e-newsletter, you will have a chance to have closer look at the production process of new elective course curriculum as well as the details of online meetings and activities done for dissemination. We are looking forward to see you in third e-newsletter.

EdigiLit Project Team



e-DigiLit Literature Review

E-DigiLit project's one of the most fundamental goals is to develop a new curriculum for new elective course on increasing the skills of university students on digital literacy. For this purpose, one of the project partner Coventry University prepared e-DigiLit Literature Review that has sections as:

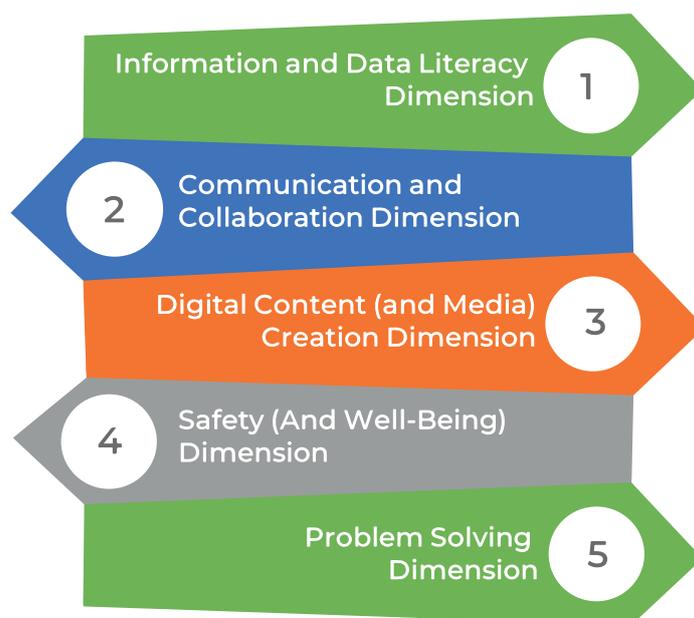


After the feedback of project partners, e-DigiLit Literature Review actively used to place the curriculum on an international basis along with two needs analysis reports.

Needs Analysis Report I

Needs Analysis Report I: Investigation of Digital Literacy Requirements of University Students through the Eyes of Decision Makers:

Before preparing the curriculum the Needs Analysis Report I was prepared. With the aim of capturing and understanding where our stakeholders are in the spectrum, a survey tool was prepared and applied in England, Turkey, Spain and Croatia. This survey model was used to examine decision makers' opinions on the needs of students about digital literacy. The survey was developed with the contributions of all project partners under the leadership of Coventry University. The online survey had 15 questions in total in the form of 5-point Likert scale open-ended questions and conducted on a voluntary basis. The data collection tool of the survey involved questions on based on five dimensions of European Digital Competence (DigComp) Framework:



Needs Analysis Report I highlighted that digital literacy is:

- a necessity in the current era,
- required in the education system,
- beneficial in the professional and personal life,
- needed to solve the problems, to make a research on a subject and report, learn how to behave in the digital environment,
- needed to increase competitiveness in the EU market and the contribution to the production, thus developing digital production,
- needed to raise awareness about all digital processes, and provide opportunity to produce original content and especially information security awareness.

Needs Analysis Report II

Needs Analysis Report II which is called 'Needs Analysis of University Students on Digital Literacy'

E-DigiLit aims to develop a curriculum to meet the needs of university student on increasing their digital literacy course. However, it is a must to determine the needs of university students on digital literacy before developing this new curriculum. This Needs Analysis Report II is a strong base for curriculum preparation process. Therefore, the online survey tool for this needs analysis was designed to assess the knowledge and awareness of university students currently studying in many different departments at different grades in the partner countries (Turkey, Spain, England, and Croatia) on the five dimensions of DigComp Framework.

Even if Covid-19 pandemic increased the burdens of students 881 voluntary university students were reached from 4 partner institutions (Dokuz Eylül University (DEU), Coventry University (COVUNI), University of Zagreb (FOI), and Fundacion Universitaria San Antonio (UCAM)).

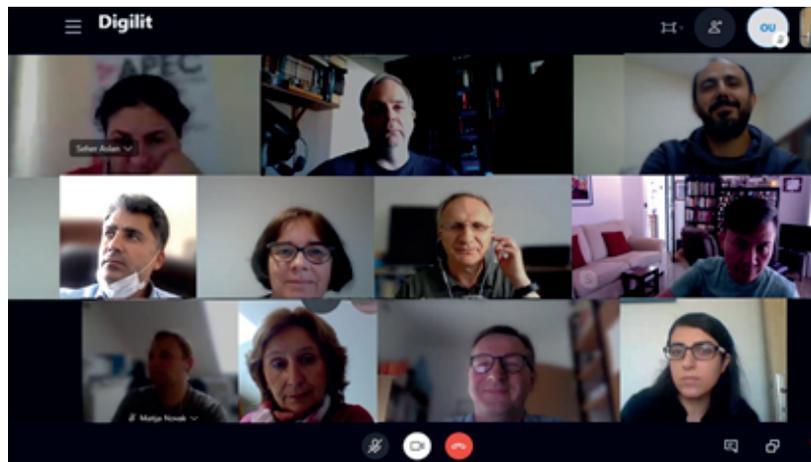
This analysis has been a study to shed light on partner universities and other private and public universities by prioritizing the educational needs of university students who will possibly get the new developed elective course in the scope of E-DigiLit project. You can reach the report via download Link:

<http://edigit.eu/en/need-analysis/> in the website of our Project.

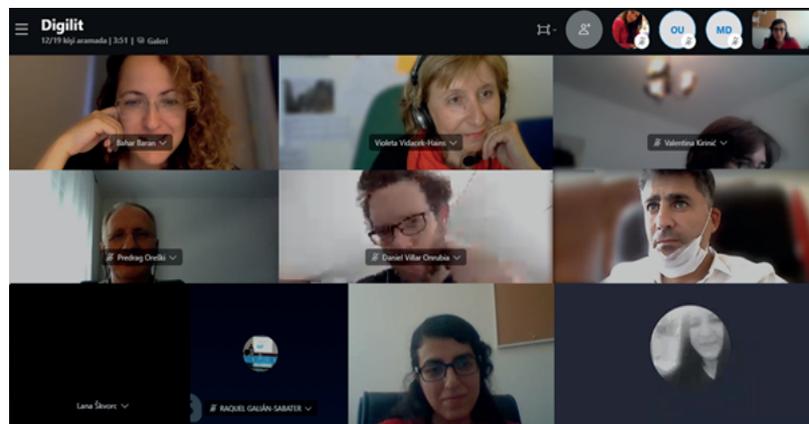
By the help of Needs Analysis Report II a draft list of learning outcomes which is the most important part of new curriculum was prepared with the contribution of all partners in the coordination of Dokuz Eylül University. Other parts of curriculum were shared among the partners and revised several times after online meetings. Finally, the coordinator university-DEU finalized the first output 'Digital Literacy Elective Course Curriculum'. You can also easily download this curriculum via download link: <http://edigit.eu/en/draft-curriculum/> in the website of our Project.

Online Meetings

We held five online meetings due to the Covid 19 pandemic. In these meetings, we mainly discussed the curriculum, lesson plans and partly the staff's guidebook. During these meetings we tried to finalize the curriculum by taking account of need analysis and shared our views on other issues (lesson plans, digital materials and guidebook, dissemination activities, financial issues, quality assurance issues and next steps for developing digital education materials). The meetings were held in a very productive, useful and constructive atmosphere with the participation of the project partners and the coordinator. Some of the meeting screenshots are given below. We look forward to holding meetings face to face.



After the 2nd transnational project meeting, some online meeting were held and the sub-activities of developing digital education materials and online guidebook are discussed.



Dissemination Activities

Dokuz Eylül University and all other partners had conducted several local and national dissemination activities within the scope of Dissemination Plan prepared by UCAM. Some of these activities selected for you are:

- "Enhancing Digital Literacy of University Students (E-DigiLit)" Project was presented at the 3rd IITEE International Instructional Technologies in Engineering Education Symposium by Dokuz Eylül University and with the contribution of project partners.
- "E-DigiLit Project: An Investigation of Digital Literacy Needs of Students in the View of Stakeholders" was presented at the 3rd IITEE International Instructional Technologies in Engineering Education Symposium by Dokuz Eylül University and with the contribution of project partners.
- UCAM prepared and published a video about E-DigiLit project for #ErasmusDays2020. The video was subtitled in English and published on the social media accounts of E-DigiLit project.
- "E-DigiLit Project was promoted in one of the online project preparation conference by Dokuz Eylül University.

What is Next?

- 3rd Transnational Online meeting
- Preparing second output 'Digital Education Materials'
- Preparing third output 'Online Guidebook'
- 4th Transnational Online meeting
- Piloting new Digital Literacy elective course
- Revising and Finalizing all outputs
- Closing Meeting
- Multiplier Events

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