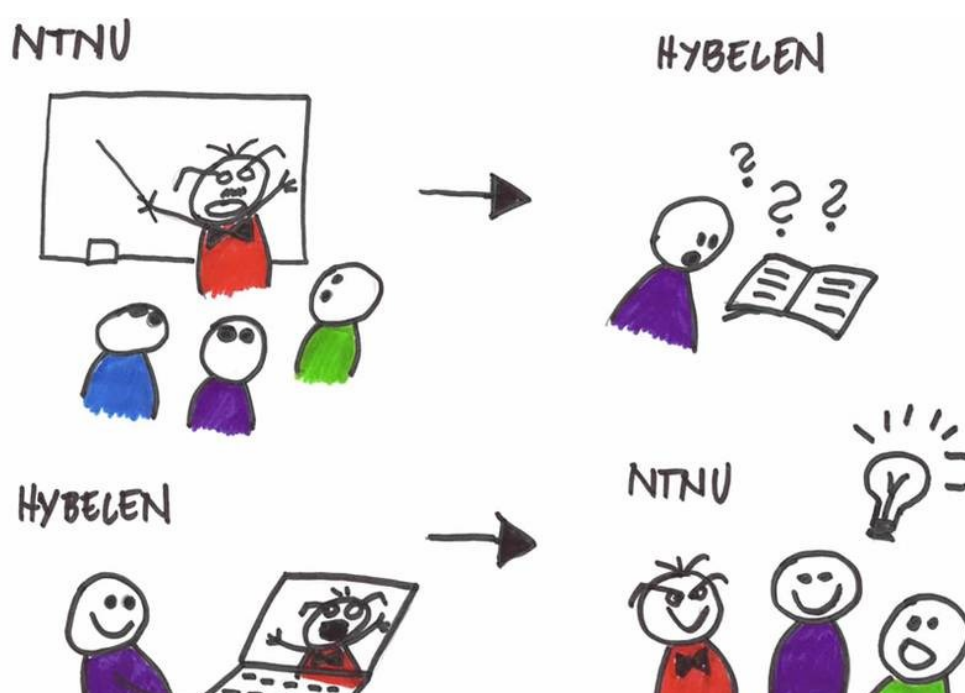


Use of MOOCs in Norway



In school at all levels the most common teaching has been (and still is?) traditional blackboard teaching, occasionally varied with working on projects. The challenge with this method can be that the level of teaching is directed to the average student, and results in poorly adapted teaching.

In Norway increasingly more teachers are starting to use the method of flipped classroom and realize that this increases learning and enables adapted teaching.

There are not a lot of researches on using this method in Norway so the knowledge we have is often based on the teachers experiences.

MOOC is used in all levels of schools in Norway from primary school, high school, college and universities, but to varying extent. Universities and colleges use this method extensively and offer a growing number of open studies and MOOCs.

The term MOOC was first used in 2008 to title an open web-based course at the University of Manitoba in Canada. The first Norwegian University offering courses based on MOOC was NTNU in 2013.

MOOC is growing in high velocity in the USA and also in Europe. Norwegian educational institutions have by now developed in small degree. But a report from NOU (The government, Norwegian official report) recommends extensive use of MOOC because they believe that there is a huge potential of making the quality of education better when using this method. Our minister of education Torbjørn Rød Isaksen says that the government works on raising the quality of education and that MOOC can help improve teaching.

Some web-pages for MOOCs in Norway:

www.ndla.no

www.mooc.no

www.morsmal.no

www.skolekassa.no

Mooc på Facebook- Norsk MOOC gruppe

