Some universities offer online courses as an alternative to classes delivered on campus. Do you think this is a positive or negative development?

Nowadays, various universities prefer online classes to face-to-face courses. I believe this development has both advantages and disadvantages.

To begin with, online courses have some remarkable benefits. Firstly, university students do not need to spend time traveling to university as they can easily access the internet at home or anywhere else to complete their course. As a result, students can not only save time but also minimize the risks and costs of using transportation on a daily basis to commute. Secondly, online classes give university students a chance to attend the classes wherever they are. If in some cases they can not go to university campus they will attend the classes by using their electronic devices. Thirdly, Universities and colleges can use their incomes as a way to update educational materials instead of construction and renewed buildings and dormitories. Thus, educational quality will increase and promote.

On the other hand, long-distance education may cause some drawbacks. The most highlighted one is that, this kind of education limits social interactions. As a result, students can not meet each other in person and they will not make new friends, so their communications with others become much less. In addition, there would be less feedbacks given to students by their professors than the time classes are hold in campus. In this state, it can make online courses less practical and influential.

In conclusion, I hold a firm belief that there are some significant and noticeable pros and cons in both online and face-to-face courses.