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An Interview Report

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* **Introduction:**

In this interview, I will introduce to you many things that have some important information and trends about my teacher who taught me at the King Abdulaziz university in Saudi Arabia

**Name of the Interviewee:** Bushra Alshareef.

**Date:** November 19, 2014

**Place/Method of communication:** After I got her permission to conduct the in interview with her in Saudi Arabia, the interview was did by Skype (Phone interview)

**Duration of the Interview:** It took one hour and 10 minutes.

**Interview Questions:**

* What is your job title?
* What are your main job responsibilities?
* What are the main competencies you need to fulfill your job requirements successfully?
* What are the most prominent instructional technology phenomena/trends in your workplace/sector (K-12, higher education, business, medicine, military…)?
* What is your view of new direction in the field?
* If you hire a new instructional designer/ technology support staff/ etc., what qualities are important to you? Are there any specific competencies that you are looking for?
* Are there any internship opportunities or fieldwork experience available in your workplace?
* **Background**

In this interview, I asked her several questions about the field of IT, and she was very reacting in her answers. Alshareef (2014) works as an Assistant professor in King Abdulaziz University. Her job has many responsibilities like teaching, scientific supervision, and actively participate in the activities of the department and the college in the service of society.

There are several competencies Alshareef (2014) needs to fulfill her job requirements. One of them is personal competencies include good appearance and safety of the body, ability to communicate effectively, and Having a good psychological characteristics. In this part, she indicates to the communication skills, which is mentioned in the book of Trends and issues in instructional design “To be an effective instructional designer or manager, you need to be able to clearly communicate with others,” (Reiser and Dempsey, 2007, p. 258). Furthermore, she indicates to the vocational Competencies likeplanning course, explaining course, discussing and dialogue, and students evaluation. In addition, she talked about academy competencies, which is use of educational technologies,Activating educational media production, and Find possesses skills in information sources.

* **Trends & New Directions**

For the most outstanding instructional technology trends in her workplace as an assistant professor, she prefers “E-Learning / E-Instruction and Blended Learning,” (Alshareef, assistant professor, November 19, 2014). She likes these two of outstanding instructional technology trends as a result of the positive effect that they produce in the field.

Moreover, the view of the new direction of the field “ new directions are necessary and good idea, to keep up with the times and take advantage of technical progress, and employ them in the service of teaching and learning,” ( Alshareef, assistant professor, November 19, 2014).

* **Link to your job/internship/fieldwork opportunities search**

There are many important qualities that the new instructional designer should have in Alshareef (2014) perspective. She will hire them on the basis of experience and practice, and have known. “First, The initial design planning of the course in electronic form. Second, Identification and planning of educational goals and link with content. Third, the Selection of appropriate learning evaluation strategies for content. Fourth, Selection of appropriate content delivery systems. Last, determine the screen design proposals in light of the nature of the course,” ( Alshareef, assistant professor, November 19, 2014).

For the fieldwork experience available in her workplace Alshareef (2014) said, “Determines by annual need of universities and attract the appropriate qualifications”.

* **Conclusion:**

To sum up, there are a variety of benefits that I get from my previous teacher in this interview. I learned that my appearance and relationship with society could give me a good competency to be a perfect person in the job. Also, her advices about putting goals, plans, and learning will be one of the several qualities that can help me to get a job. Hence, I should learn and have some of these qualities that my previous teacher has to be qualified and succeed in the future.

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