Specification of Competency Standards for the Printing & Publishing Industry Unit of Competency

Functional Area - 電子出版

Title	Understand business models of e-publishing
Code	106341L6
Range	Business model of e-publishing is still in a state with rapid changes, and the sources of the changes are technology-led new human-machine interfaces and the reader groups' interactive participation. An e-publishing's business model has to evolve with these changes. In the face of ever-changing business models, understanding the supporting factors of the different business models will help outline a pathway amidst the changes.
Level	6
Credit	6 (For Reference Only)
Competency	 Performance Requirements 1. Master the rapidly changing situation of e-publishing's business model. Master the similarities and variations of the business models between e-publishing and traditional print publishing. Master the group behaviours of reader groups of e-bookshop, and the consequential characteristics of business model adapted to these group behaviours. Understand how self-publishing liberates the leading roles of publishers and editors in commissioning and planning of books, and instead a standard approach is used. Understand the new reading time spans defined by e-publishing readers, such as lengthened report of news and ultra-short novels. Understand the power and resources of the proactive participation of e-publishing readers in the publishing process, such as the new business models of allowing readers to vote on the storyline development and crowd-funded publishing, etc. Understand the multi-dimensional media consumption of the e-publishing readers from text reading to watching short video, movie, video episode, animation, listening to music, participating in game and social media. Analyze the factors for determining any other rooms for changes, and the new business model of transmedia storytelling that is orchestrated across various media in a campaign over a long period of time. Based on the above competencies, understand the various change factors that caused the formation of different e-publishing business models. In face of ever-changing business models, be able to find a path admist the changes.
Assessment Criteria	The integrated outcome requirements of this unit of competency are: Be able to describe the different business models of e-publishing. Be able to approximately trace the path of changes of these business models.
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