

Role of Tech Law in Legal Education Pedagogy

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Abstract

Over the years, legal education has evolved tremendously owing to multiple factors. In this regard, one important factor to be considered is the swift growth of technology in today's time. Due to the undeniable significance of technology, it has emerged as an inseparable element of legal education. The use of technology in law schools enables the educators to shift from traditional teaching modules to advanced teaching styles according to the contemporary needs and trends. The paper overviews the use of technology in law and how important it is for law schools to teach their students about the usefulness of tech law. The paper tends to focus on the opportunities tech law, as an area of law, has to offer particularly in the legal education and generally in the legal system. The paper also aims to assess the cultural and structural challenges with regard to adopting / implementing tech law in Pakistan. It is an undisputed fact, technology costs money whether it be in any form i.e., developing / programming softwares, employing IT developers, building tech savvy infrastructure etc. and developing countries in the South East Asian Region including Pakistan, who are already struggling with economic crisis, would have to develop strategies in order to implement the advanced technology based education in the legal profession. Therefore, the paper tends to devise solutions which underdeveloped countries could easily adopt to incorporate the use of tech law in their legal education system. Lastly, the paper will also highlight the aspect of improving focus on the digital divide on the basis of gender between privileged and under-privileged classes of society.

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