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Title: Self-Directed Learning in Adult Education: Trends and Pedagogical Implications.

Recommendation:

- Accept as it is
- Accept after minor revision.....**
- Accept after major revision
- Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		✓		
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity		✓		
Significance	✓			

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Reviewer's Comment for Publication:

The concept of self-directed learning has grown enormously in the last several years because of the appearance of the knowledge economy and the necessity of constant development of skills. The theme of self-directed learning (SDL) is a key theme in the research of adult education over the past decades. Digital literacy refers to the skills and knowledge that enable an individual to effectively find, evaluate, use, share, and create content using digital technologies. In the context of self-directed learning (SDL) and adult education, digital literacy is crucial because it allows learners to access, navigate, and utilize digital learning resources. Flexible curricula refer to educational programs and course structures designed to accommodate the diverse needs, interests, backgrounds, and learning paces of adult learners. In the context of self-directed learning (SDL) for adult education, curriculum design focuses on creating learner-centered, adaptable, and flexible learning experiences. Traditional assessment methods, often centered on standardized testing and memorization, may not effectively capture the outcomes of SDL. The paper highlights the need for alternative assessment strategies aligned with SDL principles. These include self-assessment, peer assessment, and reflective journals.

Recommendation: Accept after minor revision, 1-Give the page no of uses references.

Detailed Reviewer's Report

STRENGTHS:

- 1- The emerging trends on self-directed learning and the pedagogical impact in adult learning.
- 2- The role of educators is also redefined as facilitator and guide to learners and not as conveyor of knowledge.
- 3- Self directed learning(S D L) is a learning process where learners assume responsibility in establishing their learning needs, goals, choice of strategy and judgment of results.
- 4- It clearly defines SDL, emphasizing the learner's responsibility in planning, implementing, and evaluating their learning,
- 5- The paper translates theory into practice by discussing implications for educators' roles, curriculum design, assessment methods, and learner preparation,
- 6- The paper highlights that while digital technologies have expanded opportunities for SDL by making learning more flexible and accessible, digital literacy remains a significant challenge.
- 7- flexible curricula allow learners to have greater control over what, how, and when they learn,
- 8- The paper highlights the need for alternative assessment strategies aligned with SDL principles.

WEAKNESSES:

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- 1- cultural, economic, or geographic differences that might affect the implementation and effectiveness of SDL.
- 2- it offers relatively limited practical strategies or policy recommendations to mitigate these digital divide issues in diverse adult
- 3- Lack of Critical Examination of Potential Drawbacks