Distance education more expensive than thought

Cost is one of the big issues facing higher education. Diminishing government funding has spurred institutions of higher education to offer distance courses. The authors of this study sought to find out how much more expensive distance education is than traditional courses. According to this study, the price paid by students enrolled in distance courses is less than the cost of traditional courses on campus.

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1. What do you know about the price and cost of distance education?
2. What do you charge students?
3. How much does the institution spend to create these courses?
4. Why do students enroll in distance courses?
5. What resources are used to enhance the student experience?

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