As the world careens towards a 'new normal' of social distancing, educators, and learners are facing challenges of adjustment and adaptation like never before. Social distancing at this rate is unprecedented which leaves us with more questions than answers, as we try to navigate these unchartered waters blindfolded! To protect the integrity of our learning environments and academic intents, it is crucial to investigate key questions that might help us better prepare for the long roads of distanced learning ahead. That is the core purpose behind the series of studies by Dr. Papia Bawa. Using her extensive experience in instructional designing and alternative teaching methods, Dr. Bawa explores critical questions such as:

How can we leverage social distancing to optimize learning within Emergency Remote Teaching environments? Her most current findings indicate several positive outcomes of transitioning face to face classes to full or quasi-remote settings while unveiling some key challenges and recommendations.