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Abstract: This article reports on the educational transition experienced by female distance learners as a result of enrolling in a distance education programme. The focus of this study is on the aspects of family/parenting, sibling, spouse and social obligation. This study is of great consequence as the learners are engaged in a whole new mode of learning, resulting in a new learning style and learner lifestyle. The results show that female students experience changes in their perceptions of themselves when they become distance learners. The findings would be an insight to the problems female distance learners might face when they enrol in distance learning programmes.

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