Evaluate all modalities.

Modality	Reasons to Use It
Instructor-Led Training /	Soft Skills – communicating, presenting, leadership, influencing
Coaching	Skills requiring emotional connection – team-building or
	mentoring
	High risk of "system" failure, regulatory penalties, death
	Co-located audience
eLearning / Web-based	Hard skills – computer-based tasks, operational processes
	Basic safety
	Dispersed audience and tight budget
	Activities not requiring participant interactivity
Virtual Training	Combinations of hard and soft skills
	Training requiring participant and facilitator interactivity
	Dispersed audience and tight budget
Micro/Nano learning	Material easily broken into in small units – less than 10 minutes
	A single topic/skill performed independently while using
	references materials as needed
	Mobile-friendly organization and easy access via learning
	portal or microsite
Massive Open Online	Web-based/dispersed audience
Course (MOOC)	Need for access to a wide range of topics/information for up-
	skilling
	No need for pre-knowledge
Social Learning	Peer-to-peer engagement opportunities
	Access to organizational/topic "experts"
	Personalized learning needs – custom, informal or on-demand
Gamification	Need for fun, learning that doesn't feel like learning, immersion
	and retention
	Audience that needs Immediate teaching
	moments/feedback
	Need for friendly competition and achievement (motivation)