**Duolingo is Firing your Corporate 9-5**

Duolingo’s New State of the Art Office: A Space Designed for Employees

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How might office space change the landscape of corporate America? While Duolingo is not actually firing your corporate 9-to-5, its new office is setting a new standard for workplace design and employee satisfaction.

For those who may not know, Duolingo is a leader in educational technology, driven by a mission to help its users achieve fluency in languages, mathematics, and music. They accomplish this through gamified instructional design, making learning engaging and effective again.

**So, what's new about Duolingo's office space?**

In partnership with Rapt Studios, Duolingo unveiled a brand-new office in New York this past year, specifically designed to enhance the success and happiness of its employees. [Duolingo's mission](https://www.duolingo.com/info) resonates throughout its organization, emphasizing personal design, enjoyment, and accessibility for users and staff. The head office designer Sean Devlin explains, "Vibrantly colored meeting rooms, zen meditation spaces, and on-brand art galleries are sprinkled throughout the space to encourage community and bright ideas." For more on the design process and intricate details, visit [Rapt Studio's website](https://raptstudio.com/press/duolingo-office-nyc-employees-choices-about-how-they-want-to-work/).

Every aspect of the office is thoughtfully designed to foster employee connectivity and innovation, from unique, comfortable chairs to specially shaped tables that promote inclusivity.

**Special Features in Duolingo's New York Office Include:**

- Vibrantly painted walls and ceilings

- Chandeliers bursting with creativity

- Kyoto, Japan-inspired meditation rooms

- A professional-grade interactive art gallery

**Why Does Duolingo's Office Space Matter to You?**

With record-breaking employee satisfaction at Duolingo, competing brands are reconsidering their office designs. What does this mean for you? A better work environment may be coming your way! Companies like Google, Apple, and Microsoft are rethinking their approaches to office space. Although these organizations have traditionally designed their work environments with employee needs in mind, they must now assess the performance gap between employees in vibrant offices versus those in traditional settings.

As data continues to demonstrate Duolingo's success in boosting employee satisfaction, more companies are likely to adopt similar approaches. This could lead to significant improvements in your current corporate life.

**Why Would Companies Invest Time and Money in Employee Satisfaction?**

The answer is productivity! In today's competitive climate, companies constantly seek ways to stay ahead. They have found that happier employees lead to higher productivity levels. Creating environments employees want to be part of fosters loyalty and increases engagement and effort.

As a college senior preparing for a typical 9-to-5 corporate career, I would definitely choose an employer that values and cares for its employees over a competing brand. Especially as someone in the design space, working in an inspiring environment would help reduce my anxiety and encourage out-of-the-box thinking. I have experienced classical office spaces during internships and have found that I felt a lack of community and connection. Working in a space that cultivates fun would absolutely help engage community. I'm also eager to see how competing brands will respond to Duolingo’s innovation.

What do you think? Does your work environment matter? Have you ever worked at a company that prioritized employee satisfaction?