Teaching Half-Naked: Covid-19 and Beyond

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teaching naked

Covid & Design: Maximize Interaction

Break-out Sessions for discussion and group work Surveys, Polls and Word Clouds Live Q&A Back Channels and Chat

Covid & Design: Maximize Communication

LMS Usage

More Caring Communication

Personal Messages

More Reminders

Intro Assignments & Encourage Persistence

Virtual Office Hours

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Covid & Design: Maximize Clarity

- One up-to-date place for course info
- Clear navigation and access of course materials
- Rubrics
- Connect learning goals to everything
- Focus on key challenges and encounters
- Study Scaffolding

Covid & Design: Maximize Engagement

- Real-World Problems
- Vary types of sessions
- Timely feedback
- Ask for student input
- Make Effort Visible
- Focus on key challenges and encounters

Backchannels in F2F Classrooms

Need	Sample Uses	Tools
Chat or Q&A	Share resources Ask question Respond to prompts Clarify Comment	GoSoapBox.com Twitter or Google Slides Mentimeter (Q&A type slide) Tricider Teams/Zoom Chat BackChannelChat.com
Word clouds & Open- ended responses	Lists of ideas Unclear concepts Rephrase an idea Examples or Applications	Mentimeter (word cloud, open- ended) AnswerGarden Padlet (visual board)
Voting, Polling & Quizzes	Discover baseline Answer questions Check understanding	Mentimeter Poll Everywhere Socrative Google Forms Tricider GoSopaBox ("confusion barometer")
Visual, Brainstorming or Jamming	Collect & connect ideas Share images Play with concepts	Padlet.com Mural.co Jamboard.google.com

Covid & Design: How to Use Video:

Structure/scaffolding & more flexibility
Use high quality (free & short) video content
Selectively make your own (Michael Wesch)
Personal Videos

3-mins on the course and syllabus Announcement and encouragement Personal feedback on student work Share student videos

Learning is S. W. E. E. T. Sleep, Water, Exercise, Eating and Time

The one who does the work, gets the benefit.

Teachers are really "cognitive coaches"

Teaching is a DESIGN problem: to motivate, inspire and guide

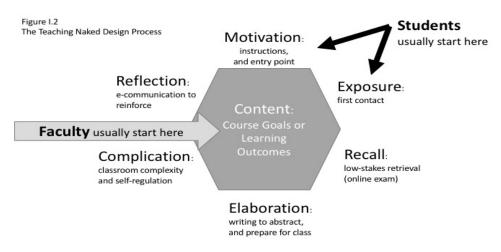
Covid & Design: Cognitive Coaching

- Support Human Needs
 - Communicate
 - Remove Obstacles
- Build Motivation and Engagement
 - Challenging & meaningful tasks
 - Timely & specific feedback
 - Opportunities for growth
- Create Psychological Safety
- Provide Scaffolding
 - Study smarter
 - Encourage autonomy & self-regulation
- Inspire Excitement
 - Encourage creativity

Make It Stick: The Science of Successful Learning. (Brown, Roediger & McDaniel (2014)

- Concrete and Personal (matters to me, examples)
- Knowledge is Necessary (but not sufficient)
- Retrieval and Self-Testing (online exams, games)
- Elaboration (connections, analogies, writing)
- Abstract (extracting rules, larger context, mental models)
- Failure (add difficulty, attempts before solutions, feedback)
- Interleaving (varied practice, space out practice)

Teaching Naked Design Process



A. Learning Outcomes (and why they matter)

• write a learning outcome and design a module

Remembering (know, define, repeat, describe, identify, recall, list, tell, locate match)

Understanding (comprehend, classify, convert, explain, summarize, predict, discuss, compare)

Applying (demonstrate, modify, arrange, solve, relate, apply, examine, classify, illustrate)

Analyzing (infer, estimate, order, separate, subdivide, distinguish, contrast, categorize)

Evaluating (critique, justify, discriminate, support, conclude, judge, verify, assess, argue)

Creating (synthesize, design, formulate, revise, construct, compose, invent, imagine, propose)

B. Online Content and First Exposure

• identify discipline-specific online content or organize a podcast

Content: utubersity, Khan, OpenYale, MITOpen, Merlot.org, Coursera, EdX,

Podcasts: teach to the many, not to the middle.

C. Instructions and Entry Point

• find an appropriate entry point and write conditional instructions
Start with what matters to students, then connect with what matters to you
Conditional Instructions -- Teach with uncertainty
Motivate Reading (and practice close reading in class first as an example)

D. Online Exams to Improve Student Preparation for Class

formulate sample test questions using Bloom levels

Question 1 (Analysis Level)

The following are all true statements.

Which are fact, opinion or judgement?

Which are most relevant in arguing for Y?

Which are most relevant in arguing against Y?

E. Create Better Assignments

• create a better, shorter and more efficient assignment as class preparation

Motivation: why are we doing this? (goal & how it connects to learning outcomes)

Clarity: around **expectations** (how long & how should this time be divided?)

Checklists: what are the **parts**? (do I think, research, write, draft, edit?)

Rubrics: share **in advance** (what matters and is most valuable)

Spacing and Interleaving: (can I do this all in one sitting?)

Relevance: (can I enhance motivation by choosing better examples?)

Practice – recall, problem sets, analysis, diagnosis, writing:

Writing – more focused prompts (What is the main argument? What problems?)

Prepare for class -make a list, find something

F. Massively Better Classrooms

• develop class activities as extensions and applications

Activities (including discussion) that use the assignment/homework!

Alter conditions (change or complicate data)

Complicate (real world examples, how would X complicate this argument?)

Reframe the problem (how does this problem differ for other disciplines?

Creative grading and model reflective behaviors (how could this change your practice?)

G. Study Scaffolding https://teachingnaked.com/study-smarter/

• customize study habits and time on task framework

see templates

Study Smarter: Part 1

Reflect: How much time did you need to get the grade you want? **Choose Strategies:** Which resources and activities will be most useful

Plan & Implementation: What will you do when and where?

Study Smarter: Part 2

Reflect: What did you actually do? **Adjust:** What worked the best?

Revise Your Plan: What will you do differently?

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