
Best Practices for Remote Instruction



Teaching online can have a lot of benefits for teaching growth and student learning. Online teaching and learning require building community and establishing three types of presence: social, cognitive and teaching. Below is a list of ideas for establishing the three types of presence and strengthening your teaching practice in an online environment.

- 1) Provide content using various modalities
- 2) Post a video to clarify misconceptions
- 3) Create a screencast recording to show LMS navigation
- 4) Use a rubric for discussion posts
- 5) Use problem-based questions for discussion boards
- 6) Use captions and transcripts
- 7) Chunk pre-recorded video lectures to 10 minute or less segments
- 8) Use different ways for student participation and interaction (polls, whiteboard, padlet, etc.)
- 9) Provide a PDF of the week's big ideas
- 10) Create a YouTube channel for your course
- 11) Create a course trailer (similar to a movie trailer)
- 12) Simplify the structure of on the learning management system so the course can be accessed on a mobile device
- 13) Justify your decisions and set clear expectations
- 14) Ask students for feedback; put the feedback into practice
- 15) Use audio or video to provide feedback
- 16) Use illustrations and other media on lecture slides (don't forget the alt. text)
- 17) Provide students with a technical skills handout
- 18) Utilizing student questions to support teaching of content
- 19) Provide structure for peer feedback

Login in regularly to read and respond deliberately to discussion board posts