



Beyond the Podium

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Online Teaching Strategies: Lessons Learned in Arts in Medicine Online Graduate Programs

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Program Overview

- 8 week accelerated courses
- Students need work/life balance with learning
- Program fosters connection between students and with faculty

Strategies from the literature

- Let students do most of the work
- Interactivity (beyond discussion) is the heart and soul of effective asynchronous learning
- Presence: Social, cognitive, teaching
 - Real people
 - Audio and video at every chance

Best Practices

- Daily Check-in
- Modules are Tuesday through Monday (11:59 EST)
- Much hidden, then need only to edit items in one page
- “Start Here”
 - Welcome video (in hospital environment)
 - UF Policies link to official UF webpages
 - Syllabus overview video
 - Homepage = first impression (shake hand with your students here)
- Announcements
 - Preload weekly welcome video (Delay posting—double check to make sure Canvas has it hidden)
 - Inspiring photos, cartoons, links to current media
 - Multiple evaluations reminders
- Assignments
 - Major assignments to develop content and skills
 - Mini assignments to scaffold skills needed to reach the major assignments
- Creative Practice
 - Adobe Spark
- Discussion
 - Facilitated and directed at all times
 - Students have to cite literature
 - Initial post, 2 required response posts, summary + annotated bibliography
 - Student as discussion facilitator
 - Instructions on how to do this

- Require academic level of writing
- Model substance and dig more deeply
- Grades
 - Meaningful usage of the discussion feature in Speed Grader
 - Extra credit for evaluation participation to improve rates
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Using Video in Creative practice

Workload = 16 – 20 hours per week

Instructions:

- Written
- Audio/video recording
- Sample

Reach out early to floundering students

Instagram journal –private account (virtual sketchbook)

Issues of getting “unstuck” can be solved through trying a different modality or artform

To see examples of Arts in Medicine practice: Tinybedconcerts on YouTube