15 Tips to Engage, Guide, and Connect with Online Students

“All you need is the plan, the road map, and the courage to press on to your destination.”

~ Earl Nightingale

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Purpose

Online classes can be isolating, and often students lack motivation and/or learning strategies for online success. The purpose of this presentation is to provide you with insight, ideas, and best practices for online education to enhance the user experience.…

And to have some fun!

"If someone offers you an amazing opportunity and you're not sure you can do it, say yes - then learn how to do it later."

- Richard Branson
Are your students engaged?

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Elwood is not engaged.

Don’t let your students be like Elwood!
Engagement Tips

1) Welcome Letter: bio, picture 3-5 paragraphs
2) Contact Information: email, phone, contact info
3) ConferZoom: live engagement up to 100 people and 50 presenters; virtual office hours
4) Video: intro to each module...can use a phone, upload to YouTube, use captioning
5) Check-in: human connection: email, phone, even on campus
Guidance Tips

1) Ease of Navigation: design is easy to follow and organized, support, assessment, accessibility (use a rubric as guide)
2) Orientation: getting started and readiness
3) Chunking: breaking up content
4) Expectations: let students know what is expected, deadlines, reminders, guidelines for student expectation
5) Universal Design for Learning: clear goals, text, audio, video, graphics, multiple forms of assessment
Connection Tips

1) Creative Discussions - open-ended prompts, make connections between their culture and class, material, share interests
2) Groups: assign leaders, topics, group/team projects, study groups
3) Students Initiate - class cafe, confer zoom room for students
4) Innovative Technology - voice thread (collections of media for asynchronous), Social media (notebowl)
5) More ConferZoom - real-time conferences and presentations
1) What other ideas, tools, or strategies do you implement in your classes that help to engage, guide, or connect with students?

2) What workshops would you like to see offered through Online Education? Would you like them on campus or online?
Online Education presents:

*Tech Tuesdays: Bridging the Gaps*

When: Second Tuesday of the month
Time: 2:30-3:30pm
Where: TBA (expected LR128)

September 11th - 15 Tips to Engage, Guide, and Connect You Online Students

October 9th - Communities of Practice: Ice Breakers

November 13th - Cancancements: Beyond settings

*Please bring your lunch or snacks to enjoy during the workshops.*
Professional Development: First Fridays Fall 2018

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Free, monthly online professional development from @ONE (Online Network of Educators).

Fall 2018 Topics:

August 3 - Faculty Support in the CCCs
September 7 - Equity
October 5 - CCC Tools to Connect, Share, and Inspire
November 2 - Accessibility
December 7 - Enriching the Student Experience with Collaborative Learning
Professional Development: CanInnovate Fall 2018

Can•Innovate
October 26 @ 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Free Online Conference - Friday, October 26, 2018 - 9 AM - 5 PM

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Best Practices
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Let’s help students be like Elwood!