Welcome

Instructional Communication Strategies for
Increasing Student Understanding & Success CAC

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Most educators need not be told that research indicates college faculty currently experience increasing pressure to maximize the likelihood of student success. The reasons attributed to this increased pressure are complex and may not be fully altruistic; nevertheless, the core issue of how instructors facilitate student learning and success is inevitably worthy of continued and ongoing examination. A panel discussion will convene with the overall objective for faculty to share instructional communication strategies aimed at increasing both student understanding of course material, in addition to overall student success. The discussion will begin with a brief overview of the Instructional Communication Discipline and include an endeavor to propose how "student success" may be conceptualize for the purposes of this exploration. Topics to be explored will be presented by experienced professors and include:

1) Overview of Instructional Communication & Student Success (Sara Lynch)
2) Providing Immediacy, Clarity and Dramatics (Sara Lynch)
2) Laughing Matters: Using Humor in the Classroom (Karen Buckman)
3) Utilizing Service-learning and Civic Engagement Opportunities (Karyn Friesen)
4) Engaging Students in the Online Communication Classroom (Clark Friesen)
5) Facilitating Student Use of Campus Resources (Michael Dailey, Melissa Heselmeyer & Nathan Zingleman)

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LAUGHING MATTERS: USING HUMOR IN THE CLASSROOM (All in a Day’s Play)

Introduction

Health and medical benefits of Laughter (Laughter is the Jest Medicine)
Educational benefits of Laughter (Profs just want to have Fun)
Using Humor in the Classroom (Becoming a Humor Being)

Review

References:

Berk, R. (1998). Professors are from Mars, students are from Snickers: How to deliver humor in the classroom and in professional presentations. Sterling, VA: Stylus Publishing.


Library Collections & Services

Databases

- ABI Inform - starting Fall 2015 (LSC-M Only)
- ProQuest Historical Newspapers - starting Fall 2015 (LSC)
  - Replaces NewsBank Historical - ending 9/1/2015 (LSC)
- LexisNexis (LSCS)
  - Replaces ProQuest National Newspapers - ending 9/30/2015 (LSC)
  - Replaces WestLaw - service ended (LSC)
- Oxford Music Online - added Spring 2015 (LSC-M Only)
  - Replaces Naxos - ending 10/30/2015 (LSC)
- Anatomy and Physiology - ending 9/1/2015 (LSC)

eBooks

- Librarians across the system removed outdated titles in Geography, Social Sciences, Science and Medicine; many have been, or will be, replaced.
- System librarians cut titles from Stat!Ref due to price increases:
  - Wound Management: Principles and Practice
  - Women's Health: A Primary Care Clinical Guide
  - Psychiatric Nursing: Assessment, Care Plans, and Medications
  - ICD 9

Other Resources

- Items Added:
  - 1,500 Print & A/V Titles
  - 3 Digital Collections – available for checkout on mobile devices
  - 12 eJournal titles

New! MavericksMake Makerspace: The tools to go from learning to creating

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3D Printing | 3D Imaging
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The MavericksMake makerspace provides the tools and resources that enable students to become active contributors to the academic conversation. This space is designed to create a context that supports the application of the concepts and theories taught in the classroom through the process of creating. Through the development of the maker mindset, we hope to foster innovation and encourage students to become agents of change in their personal lives, professional environments, and local community.

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