



Flexible Date Webinar

Active Learning: How To Improve Critical Thinking, Motivation & Engagement
Friday, January 25 ~ 1:00-2:00pm (Eastern) & Thursday, February 28 ~ 3:00-4:00pm (Eastern)
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Overview

The importance of active learning in higher education is well-established; research clearly shows that pedagogical strategies encouraging students to reflect, analyze, process and discuss course concepts lead to increased motivation, learning, critical thinking and engagement. Despite the plethora of benefits, transitioning teaching to embrace active learning can be challenging. This presentation overviews a range of approaches that can be integrated into the classroom to supplement lecture activities and engage students as active collaborators in the teaching-learning dynamic.

We will examine classroom assessment techniques and assignments that promote individual engagement with course material, questioning techniques that enliven classroom discussions, feedback strategies that encourage active listening, instructional strategies to motivate critical thinking, group and pair activities that prompt interaction, and cooperative learning approaches to promote problem-solving. Throughout our exploration, the emphasis will be on practical, easy-to-implement pedagogical strategies that allow you to transform your classroom into an active learning environment.

Objectives:

- Analyze learning objectives to integrate appropriate active learning strategies to meet course goals
- Engage students as active collaborators in the teaching-learning dynamic
- Integrate classroom assessment techniques to engage students in class activities
- Implement effective questioning strategies to encourage active participation in class discussions
- Supplement lecture-based activities with pair, group and cooperative learning techniques
- Motivate critical thinking and engagement through the use of questioning, feedback and classroom activities

Who Should Attend?

- 2-year & 4-year institutions
- Academic Affairs/Instruction
- Faculty (full and part-time)
- Dean of Instruction
- Department Chairs
- Online Learning Administrators
- Online Learning Faculty
- Anyone interested in active learning strategies and its impact on student engagement



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Speaker(s)



B. Jean Mandernach, Ph.D.

"Teaching involves more than the simple transmission of knowledge from instructor to student; to really teach our students, we must actively engage them in a manner that encourages reflection, application and critical thinking."

B. Jean Mandernach, Ph.D. is Research Professor and Executive Director of the Center for Innovation in Research and Teaching at Grand Canyon University. Her research focuses on enhancing student learning through assessment and innovative online instructional strategies. In addition, she has interests in examining the perception of online degrees, the quality of online course offerings and the development of effective faculty evaluation models. Jean received her B.S. in comprehensive psychology from the University of Nebraska at Kearney, an M.S. in experimental psychology from Western Illinois University and Ph.D. in social psychology from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

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- Review the presentation after the live event
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